WELCOME!

2015-16 was a great year for Student Activities and Involvement (SAI)! As the hub of student involvement on campus, we continue to encourage students to find their purpose and engage in the campus community.

In 2015-16, the number of registered student organizations grew to over 1,000, and our staff continued to enhance the efforts of these organizations (approximately one-third of which are funded through Activity & Service fees) in their programming, organizational management, and leadership development efforts. Aside from active participation in organizations, further proof that there is ALWAYS something to do on campus came in the form of the thousands of events which provided students the opportunity to engage, meet new people, develop life skills, and give back to our community.

Sorority and Fraternity Affairs, one of the many excellent involvement opportunities available at UF, also thrived in 2015-16, with the Greek community growing to 7,434 members, or 21% of the undergraduate population. Grade point averages for the UF Greek community continued to be above the average undergraduate GPA. Through service programs and philanthropies, the community modeled the way for leadership on campus.

Student Government Advising and Operations continues to develop our student leaders and support their initiatives. In 2015-16, our staff facilitated record setting fall and spring elections, with over 20,000 total ballots cast. While we take a lot of pride in our Student Government, other institutions are also taking note. University of Florida Student Government hosted the 2016 Southeastern Conference Student Government Exchange Conference, and took home an achievement award for legislation and an Outstanding SEC Student Government award for Annual Event.

Student Activities and Involvement was enthusiastic to return to its home on Level 3 of the J. Wayne Reitz Union in 2015-16, after completion of the Make it Reitz Construction project. Our new and renovated spaces provide many opportunities for our student organizations and leaders, including expanded collaboration space, updated technology, and additional office space for student organizations. Our new space is vibrant, inclusive and serves as a home for so many students.

We are enthusiastic to announce that in the 2016-17 academic year, the David and Wanda Brown Center for Leadership and Service will join our team. We look forward to joining forces to further support our mission of enhancing the student experience and providing the foundation for students to maximize their time at UF.

We are excited about all that we have accomplished in the past year, and we look forward to continuing to improve our programs and services and letting our mission and commitments guide us in the year ahead. Thank you for taking the time to read about our accomplishments and efforts to support purposeful involvement and engagement among all university students.

Go Gators!

Nancy Chrystal-Green, Ph.D.
Director, Student Activities and Involvement

STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND INVOLVEMENT
ANNUAL REPORT 2015-2016

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WE PROVIDE THE FOUNDATION FOR STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND THEIR INITIATIVES, FACILITATE ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES, AND ADVISE, MENTOR, AND EDUCATE STUDENTS TO MAXIMIZE THEIR UF EXPERIENCE

We commit to providing a setting that promotes experiential learning opportunities that:
- Challenge students to understand the impact of their choices in the community
- Encourage students to make ethical decisions
- Fosters an inclusive environment that celebrates all students
- Enhances students’ personal development by assisting them in clarifying their values and developing leadership skills
Student Activities and Involvement is home to over 1,000 student organizations. Students are actively engaged in organizations that focus on academics, performing arts, social and political issues, culture, volunteer service and more. These organizations are responsible for hosting thousands of permitted student events annually.

**TOP 3 BENEFITS OF INVOLVEMENT**
1. Increased network of peers
2. Improved communication skills
3. Found sense of purpose
*Information was obtained through a questionnaire conducted at the Spring 2015 Student Organization Fair*

**$1.8 MILLION**
in 325 contracts facilitated by SAI staff for student organization events

**714**
Faculty and staff served as student organization advisors

**TOP INVOLVEMENT AREAS OF INTEREST FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS**
1. Academic
2. Community
3. Study abroad
*Based on information collected through Individual Involvement Consultations*

**+12%**
Increase from 2014-15 in total permitted events

**1,052**
Student organizations were registered on GatorConnect; This is a 5% increase in registered organizations from 2014-15

**147**
Cultural or spiritual events and programs as part of eight cultural month celebrations

**567**
Peer-to-peer Individual Involvement Consultations completed by members of the Involvement Team

**42%**
of incoming students who received an Individual Involvement Consultation anticipate that they will spend 3-5 hours a week involved on campus

**99**
Organizations and programs directly advised by SAI staff

**ACADEMIC COLLEGES WITH MOST STUDENT LEADERS**
1. College of Liberal Arts & Sciences 26%
2. Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering 16%
3. Warrington College of Business 10%

**4,013**
Permitted events took place in 2015-16

**1,074**
Faculty and staff served as student organization advisors

**Based on information collected through Individual Involvement Consultations**
Members of the Greek community make up 21% of all undergraduates.

Hours of service dedicated to the Gainesville community and over $2 Million raised through philanthropy including Dance Marathon and Relay For Life programs.

Total Chapters
- 25 Interfraternity Council
- 14 Multicultural Greek Council
- 8 National Pan-Hellenic Council
- 17 Panhellenic Council

Students benefited from a Sorority and Fraternity Affairs leadership program.

Average all Greek undergraduate GPA in Spring 2016 compared to all UF GPA of 3.34

New members joined the Florida Greek Community

78% of Greeks had a GPA of 3.0 or higher in Fall 2015

Chapter houses are home to 1,527 students or 20% of the Florida Greek Community

Students benefited from a Sorority and Fraternity Affairs leadership program

• 39% of Reitz Scholars were Greek
• 30% of Preview Staff were Greek
• 50% of Cicerones were Greek
• 64% of the Hall of Fame inductees were Greek
STUDENT GOVERNMENT ADVISING AND OPERATIONS

Student Government Advising and Operations is responsible for advising SG Executive Officers, Senate Executive committee members, Cabinet Executive Committee members, and various agency heads. This area also provides support for large programs including ACCENT Speakers Bureau, Student Government Productions, Young Leaders Conference, and 133 Cabinet events in 2015-16.

NEW TO SG
• Ethical Leadership & Student Governance Class
• The Big Event
• SG Graphics & Copy Center

U MATTER, WE CARE
SG & The Dean of Students Office collaboration to include wellness resources in all class syllabi won “SEC Student Government Achievement Award for Legislation” at SEC Exchange Conference

SEC EXCHANGE
SG hosted the 2016 Southeastern Conference Student Government Exchange

352
Total number of student organizations funded by Student Government

3,272
Unique users utilized Bike Repair services in 2015-16

+7%
20,923 total ballots were cast in the Fall and Spring Elections; This is a 7% increase from 2014-15

850
Students serve as leaders within Student Government

ACCENT SPEAKERS BUREAU
Brought a variety of speakers including Jane Goodall, Jim Obergefell, Trevor Noah, Paul Rudd, Abby Wambach, and more

YLC
Young Leaders Conference won “Outstanding SEC Student Government Annual Event” at SEC Exchange Conference
MAKE IT REITZ
Renovations on J. Wayne Reitz Union were completed in January 2016. The new space improves our facilities for purposeful involvement and engagement among the student population. We are more equipped to serve the UF community and our students with collaboration space, technology, and additional resources.

NEW LOCATION
MORE SERVICES
ALWAYS INVOLVEDUF

SG GRAPHICS & COPY CENTER
Featuring:
- Large format printer
- Graphic design & marketing experts to support student organizations
- Laminating, binding, cutting, and other finishing services
- All services support Student Government funded student organizations

170
Average room reservations per week due to expanded collaboration space

31
Student organization offices available for student use, plus 54 additional storage cabinets and mailboxes

29,498
Copies and flyers made for Student Government funded student organizations in 2015-16 after moving into new space

10
Involvement collaboration spaces, including updated technology located in the SAI Suite
STAFF ACCOMPLISHMENTS & LEADERSHIP

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SOLANGE DOUGLAS
University of Florida Division of Student Affairs—Outstanding Research or Assessment Award

REGINALD LANE
James E. Scott Professional Development Fellowship
University of Florida Division of Student Affairs
Superior Accomplishment Award

YOLONDA STRONG
University of Florida Division of Student Affairs
Superior Accomplishment Award

JAMES TYGER
The Art Sandeen Outstanding New Professional Award for 2014-15
First Year Florida Returning Instructor of the Year for 2015

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC.
Member, College Brother Leadership Academy Faculty—Reginald Lane

AMERICAN COLLEGE PERSONNEL ASSOCIATION (ACP)
Student Organizations Chair, Commission on Student Involvement—Jessica Inman

ASSOCIATION OF FRATERNITY/SORORITY ADVISORS (AFA)
Member, Region 2: Membership, Marketing and Recruitment Committee—Reginald Lane

CITY OF GAINESVILLE STUDENT COMMUNITY RELATIONS ADVISORY BOARD
Vice Chair—James Tyger

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR CAMPUS ACTIVITIES (NACA)
Coordinator, Student Government East Institute—James Tyger
Facilitator, Student Government East Institute—Kristen Olson

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STUDENT PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATORS (NASPA)
Member, New Professional Graduate Student Committee—Justin Goldsman

NATIONAL ORIENTATION DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION (NODA)
Member Presentation—Kristen Olson

NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONFERENCE
Member, College Panhellenic Area Advisor and Campus Safety and Sexual Assault Committee—Simonne Horman

PHI SIGMA SIGMA
1st Alternate, National Panhellenic Conference Delegate—Simonne Horman

SIGMA ALPHA MU
Chair, Education Committee and Leadership Conference—Jack Causseaux

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE STUDENT AFFAIRS (SACSA)
Executive Board
Member-at-Large—Reginald Lane

SOUTHEASTERN INTERFRATERNITY CONFERENCE (SEIFC)
Member, Social Media and Publication Committee—Simonne Horman
SAI WELCOMES THE DAVID & WANDA BROWN CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

Student Activities and Involvement is excited to announce that The David and Wanda Brown Center for Leadership and Service has joined our team.

The David & Wanda Brown Center for Leadership and Service provides the structure and resources to prepare students to become productive citizens and assume roles of leadership and service in a culturally diverse and increasingly complex society. The Brown Center fosters lifelong service and civic participation by engaging the University with its greater community in action, change, and learning.

The Brown Center provides educational programs, workshops, and conferences; coordinates community service, leadership, and service learning opportunities for students; develops reciprocal relationships with the community in order to best serve all parties; and will serve as a resource for faculty and staff on these topics. Ideally, the scope of the Brown Center will expand to also conduct research and provide pedagogical workshops for faculty.

The Brown Center was founded on basic concepts of integration between leadership education and programs; community service and service learning; and community engagement.
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