



COLUMBUS STATE
UNIVERSITY

ANNUAL REPORT

STUDENT AFFAIRS DIVISION

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“It’s impossible to be involved in all situations, but there’s no excuse not to be involved in something, somewhere, somehow, with someone. Make an ounce of difference.”

–RICHELLE E. GOODRICH, AUTHOR



FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS



GINA SHEEKS, PH.D.
Vice President for Student Affairs

On behalf of Columbus State University’s Student Affairs Division, it is with great pride that I share the 2017–2018 annual report. This report celebrates Division accomplishments, while highlighting the vast array of quality student support services, and educational and co-curricular programs facilitated by a dedicated team of professionals. In all facets of our work, we remain committed to the University’s core values: Excellence, Engagement, Creativity, Servant Leadership, Inclusion, and Sustainability.

Student Affairs is committed to guiding students as they develop the values of civility and respect, while also fostering self-awareness, leadership skills, and social responsibility. We strive to enhance academic success and promote the growth of leaders through divisional programs and services. Throughout this report, you will see evidence of a myriad of opportunities that have provided students with exposure to varying personalities, perspectives and experiences. It is our goal that these opportunities will have taught them how to navigate a diverse community during their academic career at CSU, and also as they prepare for life after college. These are just a few examples of success stories made possible by the hard work and commitment of our staff in partnership with campus and community entities.

Thank you for your contributions to the success of the Student Affairs Division. Our ability to make positive contributions to student success serves as the driving force behind our daily work. Our Cougar pride grows stronger each year, and we invite you to partner with us.

Gina Sheeks

STUDENT ACTIVITIES COUNCIL

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CO-SPONSORS Residence Life, Homecoming, Office of Military Enrollment, Recreation Center, Office of Diversity Programs and Services, Sorority and Fraternity Life, ROAR Orientation, Dining Services, and Office of the President

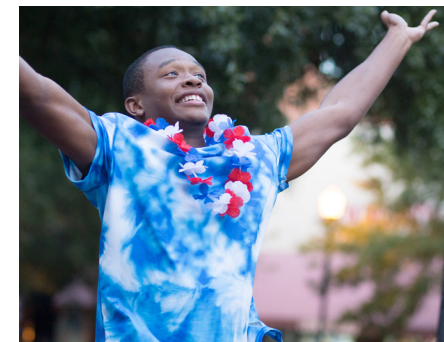


15 STUDENT EVENTS **1250** VOTES FOR HOMECOMING KING/QUEEN

43 organizations participated

32 organizations participated in Paint the Paws

23 organizations participated in Paint the Town



Office of Student Life and Development,
 Office of Residence Life,
 Center for Career Development

700 STUDENT EVENTS

115 STUDENT LIFE SPONSORED EVENTS

11 STUDENT BOARDS

115 REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

36 TOTAL EVENTS

5,600 IN ATTENDANCE



WinterFest 2017
 COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY

250 Student, Faculty and Staff Volunteers

23 Sponsored Booths

7 Large Attractions

4,800 Community and Campus attendees



STUDENT ENGAGEMENT





25 STUDENT
EVENTS

12 CO-SPONSORED
EVENTS

9 NEW
Ministries attended the Interfaith Fair

2 NEW
EVENTS
Pancakes with the President
Challenge Accepted: Academic
partnership with QEP

4,500
STUDENTS
Participated In Fall and
Spring Cougar Kickoff



FALL 2017 OCCUPANCY

1,246
STUDENTS

SPRING 2018 OCCUPANCY

1,207
STUDENTS

45 RESIDENT
ADVISORS

91 RESIDENT
ADVISOR-LED
PROGRAMS

HOSTED **32** STUDENTS AND
STAFF FROM ARMSTRONG STATE
UNIVERSITY FOR SEVEN DAYS
DURING HURRICANE IRMA



221 students participated in seven different Experience Trips during the 2017-2018 Academic Year. These trips included Behind the Scenes at the Georgia Aquarium, Divine Dinners Cooking Instruction, Horseback Riding, Medieval Times, Wild Animal Safari, Netherworld, and a three-day trip to Universal Studios with a Behind the Scenes Park Tour.

\$1,000

PROGRAMMING
GRANT RECEIVED
from the Southeastern
Association of Housing Officers

71.5%

STUDENTS REAPPLIED
Of those students who participated
in the Residence Life Experience
Trips, 71.5% reapplied for 2018-2019
on-campus housing

Campus Trainings on Diversity: **24**
Serving over **1,550** students
with Diversity Education

DIVERSITY PROGRAMS



20 TOTAL EVENTS
+20%
STUDENT
PARTICIPATION
Over 20% of the Columbus
State University student body
was served.



HIGHLIGHTS

Offered Courageous Conversations series: Diversify Your Problem-Solving, Anti-Discrimination Response Training, & LGBTQ 101 Workshop

Benchmarked Manchester Metropolitan University (UK) and assisted with the implementation of their first Diversity Peer Education Program.

Conferences attended: USG Diversity and Inclusion Summit Conference, LGBT 2018 Connect Conference, Cougar Leadership Conference, and the Accelerating Diversity in Dynamic Environments Conference

TWO NEW EVENTS

Collegiate Day of Prayer
Courageous Conversations



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

6 TRAINING SESSIONS OFFERED for RSO leaders and developed a leadership program for current student leaders called T.R.A.C.K.

6 LEADERSHIP WORKSHOPS offered to the student body

OFFERED FIRST RSO ON-CAMPUS ADVISOR MEETING

2 NEW TRACKS INTRODUCED during the 2018 Cougar Leadership Conference

6 NEW AWARDS CREATED for the Student Leadership Awards & Recognition Reception

15 TOTAL EVENTS





25
AVERAGE
SORORITY
SIZE

3.01 GPA

The Fraternity and Sorority Community has a 3.01 GPA. This is an increase of 8.9% from the spring 2017 GPA of 2.70.

3.50 GPA

38.7% of fraternity and sorority members performed above a 3.50 GPA.



7.1%

Currently 7.1% of Columbus State University students are members of a fraternity or sorority, up 7.5% from fall 2017.



13
AVERAGE
FRATERNITY
SIZE



57 SOCIAL
EVENTS

24 ACADEMIC
EVENTS

38 COMMUNITY SERVICE &
PHILANTHROPIC EVENTS



iLEAD is a new campus-wide student leadership program that launched fall 2017 with a total participation of sixty-six (66) students.

The iLEAD program is a conduit for students to engage in multiple leadership experiences occurring on campus.

ILEAD LEARNING OUTCOMES

Students who participate in iLEAD:

- + Develop stronger communication skills
- + Gain hands-on leadership practice
- + Develop conflict management skills
- + Refine listening and problem-solving skills
- + Improve their ability to work on teams
- + Expand their knowledge of diversity and inclusion topics

ASSESSMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- + **20** educational workshops
- + Offered **2 semester retreats**
- + **100%** of the participants stated they would recommend iLEAD to a friend.
- + **90%** of the participants stated that the leadership knowledge they received in iLEAD will assist them in their college and future career experiences.
- + **95%** agree that after participating in the iLEAD retreats they know how to build a productive team.

NEW INITIATIVES

Greek Programming Board
Fraternity and Sorority Life 101
Guide to Fraternity and Sorority Life
Pillars of Excellence
Accreditation Program



4,500 COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

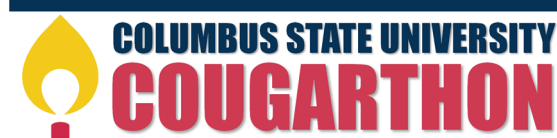
Clement Arts
Children's Miracle Network
Damascus Way
American Cancer Society
CSU Day of Service
House of Heroes
Easter Seals West Georgia

\$14,000 RAISED FOR PHILANTHROPY PROGRAMS

Children's Miracle Network
Damascus Way
Starky Foundation
Arthritis Foundation
March of Dimes
American Cancer Society
St. Jude's Hospital

PARTNERSHIPS

Cougarthon
Professional Development Dinner
Columbus State University Food Pantry



MISS CSU, 2018 DANESHA EVANS

Over 15 appearances
Platform: Suicide Prevention
1-800-273-8255

ROAR

Recruitment | Orientation | Advising | Registration

84 STUDENTS ATTENDED **21** GUESTS ATTENDED
SPRING ORIENTATION

57 STUDENTS ATTENDED **13** GUESTS ATTENDED
SUMMER ORIENTATION

53 STUDENTS ATTENDED **9** GUESTS ATTENDED
TRANSFER/NONTRADITIONAL ORIENTATION

944 STUDENTS ATTENDED **530** GUESTS ATTENDED
FALL ORIENTATION

TOTAL 1,138 STUDENTS ATTENDED | 530 GUESTS ATTENDED



Camp P.R.O.W.L. is four-day transformational leadership experience for incoming students.

By participating in **Camp P.R.O.W.L.**, participants gain a strong connection to CSU, learn about their learning styles, and develop soft skills.



67 STUDENTS ATTENDED THE INAUGURAL CAMP P.R.O.W.L.

93% OF ATTENDEES DESCRIBED P.R.O.W.L. AS A POSITIVE INTRODUCTION TO THE UNIVERSITY.



100%

SATISFACTION

Students were satisfied with their Food Pantry experience.

56 BAGS

Distributed to students throughout AY 2017-2018. These bags included meal vouchers provided by Campus Dining Services.

100%

OF STUDENTS

stated that the Food Pantry enabled them to remain enrolled and continue their education at CSU.

CENTER FOR CAREER DEVELOPMENT IMPACT

The Center for Career Development served **7,146** students through programs, workshops, classroom lectures, one-on-one assistance, and online job databases.

284

NEW EMPLOYERS
were added to the jobs database

1,546

NEW JOB OPPORTUNITIES
for students were posted in the jobs database

306

STUDENTS RECEIVED

individual appointments for career advising, resume critiques, and/or mock interviews.

127

ATTENDEES

including students, alumni, and employers attended the Professional Development Dinner.

769

STUDENTS VISITED

the Center for Career Development utilizing the new computer stations for resume building, job search assistance, and graduate school preparation.

58

STUDENTS PARTICIPATED

in the new Professionalism 101 program. This was a 35% increase in the former internship preparation training.



\$17,501.68

RAISED FOR THE CHILDREN'S
MIRACLE NETWORK



COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY
COUGARTHON



Counseling Center, Student Health Services, and Campus Recreation

**TRAINING SITE FOR APPROXIMATELY
15 GRADUATE STUDENTS IN COUNSELING**

621 STUDENTS
Scheduled 6497 mental
therapy appointments

187 SCHEDULED
career counseling
appointments

263
PRESCRIPTION
MEDICATIONS
and **509** retail size over-the-counter
medications were purchased in the
Student Health Center this year

137 VACCINES
administered at the
Student Health Center



**SEVEN
CLUB SPORTS
WITH
109 PARTICIPANTS**

- Men's Lacrosse
- Men's Soccer
- Tackle Football
- Bass Fishing
- Men's Ultimate Frisbee
- Dance Team
- Equestrian

**THREE SPORTS PARTICIPATED IN
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- Bass Club Fishing (Club Sport)
- Women's Basketball (Intramural)
- Men's Flag Football (Intramural)

**EIGHT
INTRAMURAL
SPORTS WITH
986 PARTICIPANTS**

- Basketball
- Flag Football
- Softball
- Volleyball
- Kickball
- Indoor & Outdoor
Soccer
- Dodgeball



321
STUDENTS
used the Rock Wall

Personal Training is offered so that Recreation Center members have an option of finding health and wellness at a more personal level between member and a certified personal trainer. Members have the option of purchasing sessions with the trainers that provide this service, which includes workout and knowledge on overall wellness.



**HOSTED FIRST CAMPUS 2 CAMPUS 8K
WITH 114 PARTICIPANTS**

6,806
FITNESS CLASS
PARTICIPANTS

20 SESSIONS
personal training
sessions purchased

50 STUDENTS PARTICIPATED
in PEDs Classes including Lifeguard Training, Beginning
and Intermediate Swimming Lessons, Kayak Classes



Office of the Dean
of Students, Center
for Accommodation
and Access, University
Police Department



Dean of Students

The Behavioral Assessment and Recommendation Team (BART) is dedicated to a proactive, coordinated and planned approach to the identification, prevention, assessment, management, and reduction of interpersonal and behavioral threats to the safety and well-being of Columbus State University students, faculty, staff and visitors.



University Police Department

May of 2018, canine “Lt. Duk” was sworn in as a member of the Columbus State University Police Department with the primary duties of narcotics detection and education on campus

82,921 CALLS FOR SERVICE & OFFICER INITIATED ACTIVITY



Student Advocacy Programs

Columbus State University was awarded a three year **\$300,000 grant** from the Office on Violence Against Women to increase the efforts of awareness and services provided for victims of sexual violence, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking.

100% of incoming freshmen and transfer students, 1574 students, completed Haven or Haven Plus, online sexual assault trainings.



Center for Accommodation and Access (CAA)

403 students that requested accommodations, **1,520 Letters of Accommodations** were generated. Collaborated with Muscogee County School District for **8th Annual Transition Fair for High School** students with disabilities with **350 participants**. The CAA is **collaborating with the Biology Department with the STEM** Includes program. This program supports students with disabilities participating in STEM majors. Five students are currently in the program, each student receives a \$750 stipend per semester.

60 STUDENT PARTICIPANTS

15 STAFF PARTICIPANTS

Speak Up, Speak Out

event in which students are made aware of campus and off campus resources and are given the opportunity to design their own awareness t-shirt.

261 STUDENT PARTICIPANTS

RAINN

RAINN Day Rape Abuse and Incest National Network (RAINN) Day in September with an awareness fair and umbrella decorating contest.



144 STUDENT PARTICIPANTS

Safe Spring Break Event

Glocade Casino Night

which involved promoting healthy and safe decision making regarding sex, alcohol and drugs during Spring Break.

134 STUDENT PARTICIPANTS

Take Back the Night

Collaborative event with Residence Life that had featured the nationally renowned Sexual Assault Survivor and Speaker and Chairman of the Take Back the Night Foundation, Katie Koestner.

1,018

ACCOMMODATION EXAMS ADMINISTERED in the Center for Accommodation & Access

133

STUDENTS ATTENDED Can You Handle My World, where they learned of the life experiences of people with disabilities



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