

**ANNUAL
REPORT**
2019-2020



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COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY

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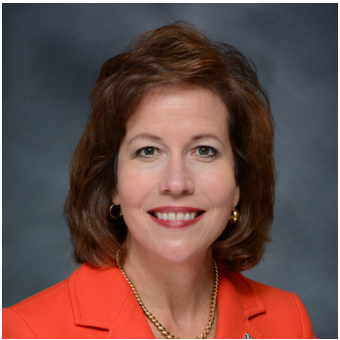
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VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS



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

On behalf of Columbus State University's Student Affairs Division, it gives me great pleasure to present the Division's Annual Report for the 2019-2020 academic year. This report showcases an array of quality services, co-curricular programs, and contributions by our team of professionals.

The 2019-2020 academic year was, arguably, one filled with uncertainty and challenges that we, as a university and a division, could not have predicted. I am so very proud and grateful to our Student Affairs team for rising to these unprecedented challenges, while employing innovative and creative measures to ensure the CSU student experience remained of the highest quality. This year's Annual Report reflects how this team relied on our campus partners, and each other, to adeptly serve our students during a time of uncertainty. This team's unrivaled dedication to our students and to the Columbus State community brings immense pride to my heart.

The Student Affairs Division 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 student leaders through programs and services. Our ability to make positive contributions to student success serves as the driving force behind our daily work.

I hope this report gives you a perspective of how our collective team efforts positively impact our students and the Columbus State University community. On behalf of our students, we thank you for your support and partnership. Our sense of community is what makes Columbus State University such an amazing institution!

***ANY IMAGES WITHOUT FACE COVERINGS WERE
CAPTURED PRIOR TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.**



CAMPUS RECREATION

81,568
FACILITY VISITS BY
4,247
PATRONS

CLUB SPORTS

166 Total Participation
50 Football
15 Women Volleyball
10 Men's Lacrosse
21 Ultimate Frisbee
24 Men's Soccer
12 Rock Climbing
10 Men's Basketball
8 Women's Basketball
13 Dance Team
3 Bass Fishing

INTRAMURAL SPORTS

486 Total Participation
180 Basketball
160 Flag Football
60 Volleyball
50 Kickball
36 Indoor Soccer

ROCK WALL

Hosted **8** climbing competitions
Hosted **8** themed climbing nights
79% Increase in rock wall usage
from previous academic year

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

26 Participants in **3** Outdoor Adventure
Backpacking Trips and Classes

AQUATICS

4 In Service Events covering current
trends, safety skills, and scenarios
7 Student employees successfully completed
the American Red Cross Skills Check
Hosted **1st ever triathlon swim clinic**
in preparation for the 2020 USATRI60
Cougar Indoor Triathlon.

GROUP FITNESS

4,127 Group fitness participants
103 Average group fitness
participants per week
637 Group fitness classes

CENTER FOR ACCOMMODATION & ACCESS



113
NEW REGISTERED STUDENTS
WITH THE CSU CENTER FOR
ACCOMMODATION AND ACCESS

530
ACADEMIC COACHING SESSIONS

450+
STUDENTS REGISTERED
FOR SERVICES

1,200+
LETTERS OF ACCOMMODATION

85 PARTICIPANTS IN DINING IN THE DARK

**THE DINING IN THE DARK EVENT BRINGS AWARENESS
REGARDING THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED OR BLIND.**

The goal of Dining in the Dark is twofold: heighten the other senses
and convey the experience of blindness, albeit briefly, to others.

6 DISABILITY AWARENESS PROGRAMS

3 IN PERSON & 3 VIRTUAL

COUNSELING CENTER

735
STUDENTS SERVED

6,447
APPOINTMENTS
*1,354 OF THOSE OCCURRING
VIRTUALLY FROM MARCH 16 TO MAY 14*

MENTAL HEALTH THERAPY

ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Students complete form asking whether they believe that therapy is helping them to improve their grades and to remain in school.

219 INDIVIDUAL CLIENTS
COMPLETED 406 FORMS

RETENTION

79% AVERAGE UNIVERSITY RETENTION rate for students who remained mental health therapy clients from previous academic year

102 EVENTS

2,397 TOTAL NUMBER OF ATTENDEES

119 HOURS OF OUTREACH

210 Participants *Send Silence Packing* - *Cougars End Suicide* event.

72 Number of attendees at presentation given at the annual GA College & University Suicide Prevention Conference



12 HEALTHY SOCIAL
MEDIA USE PROGRAMS

161 PARTICIPANTS

91% Agreed / strongly agreed on effectiveness of program

2 TEST ANXIETY PROGRAMS

65 PARTICIPANTS

100% Agreed / strongly agreed on effectiveness of program

3 MENTAL HEALTH
AWARENESS PROGRAMS

61 PARTICIPANTS

97% Agreed / strongly agreed on effectiveness of program

DIVERSITY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

38
CAMPUS TRAININGS
ON DIVERSITY

33
REGISTERED
EVENTS

229
INTERFAITH FAIR
PARTICIPANTS



AFRICAN AMERICAN
MALE INITIATIVE (AAMI)
BARBERSHOP TALK EVENT

THE BARBERSHOP TALK EVENT OCCURS EACH SEMESTER IN COORDINATION WITH THE MEN ABOUT CHANGE PROGRAM. CONVERSATIONS RANGE FROM GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS, MENTAL HEALTH, AND CURRENT TOPICS IN THE MEDIA.

35
BLACK MALES
ATTENDED,
INCLUDING 17
AAMI PARTICIPANTS
FOR 2019-2020.

DEAN OF STUDENTS

CREATE CARE CSU

During 2019-2020, the BART reporting system was reimaged into the Create Care Team. The Create Care Team is dedicated to a proactive, coordinated and planned approach to the identifying, preventing, assessing, managing, and reducing interpersonal and behavioral threats to the safety and well being of Columbus State University students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

303 TOTAL CREATE CARE REPORTS
(33.5% INCREASE FROM 2018-2019)



BYSTANDER INTERVENTION TRAINING

477 STUDENTS RECEIVED THE STEPUP! BYSTANDER INTERVENTION TRAINING

The Bystander Intervention Training is a program that is built to educate individuals on how to be proactive in helping others.

PERSPECTIVE 1105 COURSE

BYSTANDER INTERVENTION PROGRAM STEPUP! CURRICULUM APPROVED AND ADDED AS A PERS 1105 CLASS FOR CREDIT BEGINNING FALL 2020, WHICH WAS THE FIRST TIME THE CURRICULUM HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR COURSE CREDIT AT ANY UNIVERSITY.

Using the QEP real-world problem solving skills model, these students explored the history, theory, and practice of bystander intervention.



EVERFI

2,864 INCOMING FIRST-YEAR, UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE STUDENTS

completed the Everfi Prevention Online AlcoholEdu & Sexual Assault Prevention trainings.

ALCOHOL DRUG AND TASK FORCE

HOSTED 8 EVENTS DURING FALL 2019/SPRING 2020.

These events were both in person and virtual.

RESIDENCE LIFE

2,625+

INTENTIONAL
INTERACTIONS
LOGGED BETWEEN STAFF AND RESIDENTS

71

STUDENT-
FACILITATED
PROGRAMS

180+ RESIDENTS
PARTICIPATED IN
6 EXPERIENCE TRIPS

74 STUDENT
EMPLOYEES



ROBIN PEACOCK
Senior Residence Life Coordinator
Residence Life
**MASTERS OF
EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP**



STUDENTS LIVING ON CAMPUS

1,383 FALL 2019

1,284 SPRING 2020

1,924 TOTAL
APPLICATIONS

TO LIVE ON CAMPUS DURING 2019/2020

870 RETURNING
RESIDENT APPLICATIONS

RETURNING RESIDENTS THAT RE-APPLIED TO LIVE ON CAMPUS

669 FIRST-YEAR APPLICATIONS

NUMBER OF FIRST-YEAR STUDENT APPLICATIONS



STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

2,142

TOTAL VISITS
TO THE STUDENT
HEALTH CENTER

232

FREE STD AND
HIV TESTINGS



223 WOMEN'S
HEALTH SERVICES

THE STUDENT HEALTH CENTER INCREASED
AVAILABILITY FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH SERVICES.

120 PHYSICALS FOR ROTC,
NURSING AND ATHLETICS

210 STUDENTS EVALUATED
BY PIEDMONT URGENT CARE

STUDENT LIFE & DEVELOPMENT

1,241
EVENTS HELD
IN THE DAVIDSON
STUDENT CENTER



ESPORTS

10 TEAM MEMBERS

STUDENT BRUCE ANDREWS
NAMED ATTACKER OF THE YEAR

RECEIVED \$25,000 SPONSORSHIP
FROM MEDIACOM AND ADDITIONAL
\$5,000 FOR THE NEXT FOUR YEARS



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

104
ORGANIZATIONS

14
NEW REGISTERED
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

3,588 NUMBER OF
VOLUNTEER HOURS

633 EVENTS REGISTERED
BY STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

MELISSA DEMPSEY
Director
Student Life and Development
ED.D. STUDENT
AFFAIRS LEADERSHIP



STUDENT ACTIVITIES COUNCIL

300+ STUDENT
SUBSCRIBERS
FOR EVENTS
TEXT PLATFORM

8 EXECUTIVE
BOARD LEADERS

18 FALL EVENTS

14 SPRING EVENTS
5 WERE VIRTUAL

1,191
TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

26 SUMMER 2019
REGISTRATION

1,045 FALL 2019
REGISTRATION

120 SPRING 2020
REGISTRATION



128
FALL STUDENT
REGISTRATION

50 SPRING
STUDENT
REGISTRATION

**122.50% INCREASE IN PARTICIPATION
FROM THE PREVIOUS ACADEMIC YEAR**



**P.R.O.W.L. IS A LEADERSHIP-
DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY
DESIGNED TO GIVE STUDENTS
A MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE
IN THEIR TRANSITION FROM
HIGH SCHOOL TO COLLEGE.**

This four-day, three-night camp engages students in an energizing program that creates an exciting entrance into the first year at CSU. P.R.O.W.L. allows incoming students to experience leadership education through self-development, team building, active learning, and problem-solving.

52 PROWL LEADERS

54 FACULTY AND
STAFF VOLUNTEERS

54 PROWL STUDENT
ATTENDANCE JULY 18-21, 2019

80 PROWL STUDENT
ATTENDANCE AUGUST 1-4, 2019

134 TOTAL ATTENDEES (21%
INCREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR)



HOMECOMING

40

STUDENT
ORGANIZATIONS
REGISTERED

700

VOTES FOR
HOMECOMING
KING/QUEEN

KING: *TAJ SCOTT*
QUEEN: *ANGEL GREY*



29 ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATED
IN *PAINT THE PAWS*

21 ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATED
IN *PAINT THE TOWN*

15 ORGANIZATIONS PARTICIPATED
IN THE HOMECOMING
BANNER COMPETITION

COUGAR KICKOFF

14

FALL EVENTS

3,353

PARTICIPANTS

1,227 ATTENDEES AT
THE WELCOME BACK PICNICS
MAIN CAMPUS AND RIVERPARK



512

STUDENTS,
FACULTY,
AND STAFF
PARTICIPATED
IN DAY OF
SERVICE



WINTERFEST

AN ANNUAL EVENING OF WINTER WONDERLAND FUN.

This free holiday extravaganza brings together families, students, alumni, and community members to start the holiday season with Santa, snow, and a show. WinterFest features performances from local schools and community groups, hot chocolate and sweet treats, campus lighting ceremony, and photos with Santa. WinterFest is a celebration of all religions, cultures and traditions.

3,500+ COMMUNITY
AND CAMPUS ATTENDEES

130+ STUDENT,
FACULTY AND
STAFF VOLUNTEERS

25 SPONSORED
BOOTHS AND
ATTRACTIONS



MISS CSU

MISS CSU 2020:

ELISE HIGGINS

MISS CONGENIALITY:

PEYTON AVERY

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD:

KIRONDRIA SMITH

KATELYN PAWLOWSKI

SPIRIT OF CSU AWARD:

ELISE HIGGINS

HAYLEY HENDERSON

COMMUNITY

SERVICE AWARD:

TRINITY LYNN

CHARLES EASON

TALENT AWARD:

TRINITY LYNN



FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE

21

AVERAGE
SORORITY
SIZE

13

AVERAGE
FRATERNITY
SIZE

3.01 AVG GPA

31 SOCIAL AND
ACADEMIC EVENTS

247 STUDENTS
IN GREEK LIFE

5 DIVERSITY SERIES
WORKSHOPS

2 EDUCATIONAL
SERIES WORKSHOPS

90 PARTICIPANTS
IN NEW-MEMBER
SUMMIT
CONFERENCE

12 COMMUNITY
SERVICE AND
PHILANTHROPY
EVENTS

321 STUDENTS
PARTICIPATED
IN MEET THE
GREEK EVENT



UNIVERSITY POLICE

57,165

SERVICE CALLS

71

PROGRAMS

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

BLUE LIGHTS AND SMILES

COUGARS FOR CAUSES VISIT TO
PEDIATRICS UNIT AT ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL

HARRIS COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
TRANSITION TO COLLEGE LIFE PROGRAM



SELF DEFENSE PROGRAM

105 PARTICIPANTS

In partnership with the School of Nursing and the Department of Residence Life, University Police put on the annual self-defense program. The program was open to all student, faculty, and staff members.

PARTICIPANTS LEARNED MULTIPLE TACTICS AND TECHNIQUES TO RECOGNIZE RISKS, SITUATIONAL AWARENESS, PHONE SAFETY, PRACTICING FIRM NO, AND HOW TO ENGAGE.



LiveSafe®

LIVESAFE

LAUNCHED IN SPRING 2020, LIVESAFE IS A FREE MOBILE APP THAT PROVIDES STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF WITH A DIRECT CONNECTION TO CAMPUS POLICE SO THAT EVERYONE CAN EASILY COMMUNICATE ALL THEIR SAFETY NEEDS.

353 USERS SIGNED UP

SCAN THE QR CODE WITH A SMARTPHONE
CAMERA TO SIGN UP FOR LIVESAFE NOW.



LAURA BENNETT

Interim Chief of Police
University Police

**MASTERS OF PUBLIC
SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**

WENDY BRUNDAGE

Senior Detective
University Police

**MASTERS OF PUBLIC
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BAILEY PATILLO

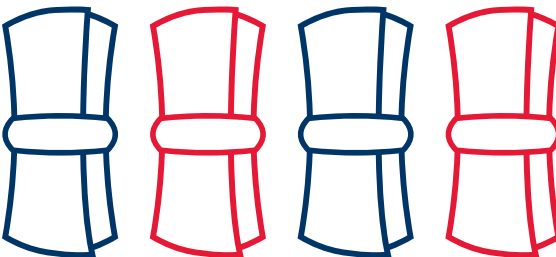
Patrol Officer
University Police

**MASTERS OF PUBLIC
SAFETY ADMINISTRATION**

CHRIS SCHNEEBURGER

Corporal
University Police

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