Division of Student Life

Vision
Student Life programs will advocate support, and prepare students to achieve academic success while maximizing their personal and professional potential, as we become a top 50 public research institution

Mission
The Division of Student Life promotes student success through opportunities for student involvement experiences to strengthen personal and academic growth, leadership, and professional development, and community engagement in a diverse, inclusive and equitable world
Progress & Accomplishments
Faculty and Staff:

- Hired the Associate Vice President for Student Life, Diversity and Multicultural Student Affairs
- Successfully transitioned the Office of Diversity to the Division of Student Life and hired two new professionals - directors
- Implemented a new university training Wildcat Warm-Up program for 700+ participants
- Presented a program statement for a multicultural center including location, programming and cost
- Successfully hired the K-State Student Union Executive Director
- Recreational Services developed an filled new Coordinator of Fitness and Wellness professional position
- Lafene Health Center implemented limited same-day healthcare services to faculty & staff
- Office of Student Life updated the Faculty/Staff Student of Concern Guide in the spring 2018
New Student Services (NSS): The freshman class grew 3 percent compared to 2017

- The freshmen class average ACT score was 25, the second highest in university history
- Multicultural students now account for 16% of the student body, the highest in university history
- The transfer Pathways tool was launched in collaboration between NSS, Office of Admissions, VPSL Technology team, and academic colleges
Career Center recorded highest post-graduate placement rate—95% in recent K-State history, and hosted a record number of employers (390) and over 4,000 students during the 3-day All-University Career Fair. Tripled jobs & internships listings.

Through a generous donation from the Suder Foundation, the Inaugural Office of First-generation students, June 2018

93% of Educational Supportive Services (ESS) students persisted from fall 2016 - 2017, which exceeds the 2015 – 2016 rate of 85%

2,137 Academic Achievement Center (ACC) Tutoring appointments were scheduled by week 8 of fall 2018

In spring 2017 Counseling Services began its peer educator program, P.A.W.S.
Housing and Dining had the largest enrollment in Residential Cat communities

Office of the Registrar & SGA developed a simplified DARS Student Request screen (185,285 DARS reports were run during the 2017-18)

The Student Access Center (SAC) currently works with 2,035 students, 788 of which are using accommodations

Diversity & Multicultural Student Affairs (DMSA) MAPS Summer bridge program recruited 30 students. Project IMPACT brought 49 students to the 3-day intensive bridge orientation program

Parents & Family Association celebrated 90 years of K-State Family Day, and invited families to donate to the Career Closet & Cat’s Cupboard
- Labor Day floor relief- 20 students & faculty (and families) for up to three weeks
- Recreational Services collaborates with many on campus of community partners in programing and committee representation (e.g. City of Manhattan, Manhattan Area Sports Council, Manhattan High School, etc.)
- Counseling Services move to Lafene (LHC) has strengthened their relationship making services more convenient for students to reach
- DMSA: Project IMPACT leadership programs engage in community service and/or gardening projects in 7 target countries in Kansas
The Wildcat Wellness Coalition is a collaborative effort between numerous departments on the K-State campus focusing on promoting a well-balanced and healthy lifestyle are spiritual, physical, environmental, emotional, intellectual, social, occupational and financial wellness.

Lafene Health Center introduced the National College Health Assessment (NCHA) to collect student data and implement strategic health and well-being initiatives on campus.

Academic Achievement Center will develop a research agenda with the Academic Coaching program in partnership with Leadership Studies faculty & CU Bolder faculty & staff to increase student self-efficacy empowerment, and success.
Facilities and Infrastructure

- Lafene Health Center has acquired and renovated additional space (conference & classroom space, massage therapy & dermatology)
- Housing and Dining Opened Union Station by JPs and completed one wing of Goodnow Hall renovation early to accommodate an increase in students living on campus
- Recreational Center conversion of five Court areas to Performance Zones, and installed security cameras
Highlights
Educational Supportive Services and McNair Scholars received a federal grant renewal in its 4th year. An increase of 4.25% from the previous year, the largest for both programs.

Housing in Dining has been recognized as the best College Dining Program in Kansas.

The Center for Child Development was reaccredited and is one of the largest in the state.

Counseling Services
- In FY17 saw 1296 distinct students, and had 5182 total in office contacts/sessions
- In FY18 saw 1205 distinct students, and had 5329 total in office contacts/sessions
- The Center for Advocacy, Response, and Education (CARE) was awarded a Victim of Crime Act grant for the 3rd year, supporting two survivor advocates & one administrative staff.

- The Office of Student Financial Assistance:
  - Has processed more than 10,000 student scholarship applications
  - Total student aid awarded (scholarships, federal financial aid, etc.) = $250 million
- 86% Freshmen to sophomore retention rate
- Graduation Rates
  - 4-year, 40%
  - 6-year, 64%
- 95% Job Placement
- Rankins
  #1 Nationally Competitive Scholarships of public 4-year universities
  #1 In Salaries & Value, for the State of Kansas, SmarAsset
  #2 Best Place to Live, Livability.com
- Princeton Review, 2018
  #3 Quality of Life
  #8 Happiest Students
Looking Forward
Selected

• Derby Dining Center renovations
• Multicultural Center
• Office of Student Financial Assistance space & staffing
• Develop a comprehensive Latino/a Student Engagement Program, Madaí Rivera
Selected

- Fundraising for Cats’ Cupboard, Powercat Financial, need-based and merit awards & diversity programming, to name a few
- Identify permanent funds for Academic Coaching program
- Move Division into the new university budget model
- Continue to become the #1 choice for Kansas high school graduates. Remain competitive in the out-of-state market
Thank you...