We have all heard the saying, “College is the best time of your life.” In the Division of Student Affairs, we strive to make those years not only fun, but full of learning potential that helps grow a student’s critical thinking skills, problem solving abilities, self confidence and identity. Each service, program, workshop and retreat in our 22 departments is designed to enrich student learning.

Strengthening these skills also benefit graduating students who will begin to navigate careers. Appreciating diversity, having empathy and being confident in one’s values furthers a student’s ability to actively engage in his or her community.

The well-being of our students is also paramount in our mission. This year, we launched two on-campus food pantries, providing nearly one and a half tons of food to students in need.

In the 2014-2015 school year, Student Affairs grew Greek Life to 37 chapters with more than 2,100 members. Career Services’ Internship and Career Fairs again established new records of participants and employers, connecting students to jobs in our community and around the world.

To further the commitment to internships, 35-year employee Ruth Hamilton established the Make A Difference Fund, with a $150,000 donation to ensure out-of-state internships are accessible to all students. We also celebrate the passage of the activity and service fee increase resulting in an additional $2.3 million for student programs. Along with schools all over the nation, we launched the It’s On Us campaign, pledging to stop sexual assault on campus. The campaign has resulted in increased use of our Victim Empowerment Program, which supports survivors in achieving academic and personal goals.

We increased outreach to students by posting 30 news stories on FIU News and 26 stories appeared about our programs and services in external outlets such as The Miami Herald and WSVN Ch. 7 News.

We invite you to learn more about our accomplishments in the following pages. Today, and always, we look forward to continuing to build a supportive environment for all students at FIU.

Sincerely,

Larry Lunsford, Ph.D.
Vice President for Student Affairs
## Student Health Services

- **14,294** prescriptions filled
- **12,707** total patients seen

Healthy Living gave **142 presentations** and served **16,210 students**

- Led the university in joining the **Partnership for Healthier America’s Healthy Campus Initiative**, focused on building healthier university communities through the implementation of programs and services in the areas of healthy choices, nutrition and fitness
- Worked with **Health Care Network** to execute the transition of student clinical services to HCN

## Wellness and Recreation Center - MMC

- **148,596** Wellness and Recreation Center users, an **increase of 5%**
- **142% increase** in students served
- **10% increase of 25/75 Triathlon** participants

## Disability Resource Center

- **Welcomed 535 new students**, served **1,822 students**, and congratulated **181 students with disabilities** on their **timely graduation**
- Awarded **$82,000 in scholarship funds** to 45 students with disabilities
- Developed a life skills curriculum for students with autism and launched support programs that aid in the transition to college with Occupational Therapy’s graduate scholars
- Raised more than **$30,000 for scholarships through Johnson Scholarship Foundation matching program**

## Counseling and Psychological Services

- Provided counseling services to **2,499 students**, a **17.3% increase over last year**

## Victim Empowerment Program

- **142% increase** in students served
- **67% of students served during 2014-15 were retained** in subsequent semester
Involvement & Student Life

Campus Life BBC (Panther Power, Student Programming Council, Council for Student Organizations, Student Government Association and Student Government Council)

In partnership with academic units, hosted more than 660 students through 3 Student Government Association BBC Lecture Series events.

Through the Global Learning partnership, Student Government Association continued its sponsorship of 12 Tuesday Times Roundtable events and distributed more than 27,000 New York Times newspapers.

Coordinated more than 85 events with more than 20,300 students in attendance.

Orientation and Parent Programs

Campus Life MMC (Student Programming Council, Homecoming, Council for Student Organizations, Black Student Union, Greek Life, Student Government Council and Student Government Association)

The 3rd annual Summerfest had record attendance with 3,000 students.

Through 6 different councils and office programming on both BBC and MMC, over 10,000 students were engaged through workshops, lectures and concerts.

Doubled traffic on flusm.com to more than 50,000 unique page views.

Printed 22,500 copies of The Beacon tri-weekly.

Transfer Virtual Orientation became a mandatory program and 7,802 students completed the online module.

4,500 freshman students and 3,500 transfer students completed on-campus orientation.

Panther Camp held 5 sessions with 960 participants.

Student Media

Women’s Center

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Interacted with 13,000 students, resulting in more than 74,000 volunteer hours, for an economic value of $1.6 million.

Alternative Breaks ranked #7 by national Break Away organization and hosted 42 sites (29 domestic and 13 international) with 453 participants.

Relay for Life and Dance Marathon together raised more than $168,000 for the American Cancer Society and the Miami Children’s Health Foundation.

Academy of Leaders completed 12 tracks, including development of a fully online program in collaboration with FIU Online. 305 students completed the program with a 94.7% retention rate, a 5.85% increase from the previous year.

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Construction & Facilities

Wolfe University Center

- Completed the installation of $500,000 panther statue and construction of Panther Plaza in partnership with Student Government Association and Campus Life BBC
- Added 32 digitally charging lockers and 62 free daily lockers for student use, in collaboration with BBC Student Government Association
- 3,986 students participated in TRAC, an increase of 247%

Graham Center

Housing & Residential Life

Construction Projects

Construction Projects

Transformed the ballrooms and the entire building in 13 days to successfully host President Barack Obama to engage in a discussion about immigration reform.

More than 20,000 event reservations

4 million in foot traffic

351 outdoor events

152,855 student visits to the computer lab

41,052 visits to the Game Room

Installed 2 state-of-the-art electronic message boards at MMC and BBC, in collaboration with Student Government Association and Wolfe University Center, to provide superior, full color, messaging capabilities, including video clips and high-resolution images

Overall occupancy increased to 97.9%

Housing process moved to a fully online system via my.fiu.edu

Residential Life offered students more than 1,000 programs and activities, including 123 Global Learning activities, 11 signature events and established an It’s On Us student committee

The Spring 2015 Give and GoGreen donation program resulted in the donation of 17,232 pounds of student items to Goodwill

Upgraded Panther Hall lobby, including replacement of carpet and new paint

Graham Center upgraded to terrazzo floors

Counseling and Psychological Services completed its renovation

Campus Life BBC completed a video wall installation

Tennis courts at BBC were resurfaced and repaired
Hosted a two-day Title IX investigator training with the National Center for Higher Education Risk Management Group for 64 faculty, staff and students

Recruited 22 FIU community partner investigators for Title IX investigations

Conducted 53 presentations and workshops, reaching over 5,000 students and family members

Interacted with 24,067 students and alumni, a new record

Engaged with a record 434 employers

Career Services established new internship partnerships with the City of Doral, Miami, Miami Beach, N. Miami Beach, Royal Caribbean Cruise Lines, The Defense Logistics Agency, The U.S. Coast Guard, the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce — and led the efforts to move forward the county-wide Talent Development Network

MPAS/Golden Drum Scholarship student average number of cumulative units/credit hours was 31% greater than students from a matched cohort, and cumulative GPA was 15% higher

The retention rate for Student Support Services Program participants was 20% higher after 5 years than non-SSS students. SSS participants also demonstrated higher academic performance than their counterparts based on average cumulative GPA of 2.83 vs. 2.73.

MPAS submitted 5 grant proposals, and all 5 were funded for more than $1.3 million

Collaborated with more than 5 academic units to support research and student coursework

Served more than 55 students and 25 student employees

Launched the It’s On Us Campaign and online sexual assault training program

The Behavioral Intervention Team implemented an assessment tool to serve as an objective measurement of risk when documenting cases and guide for intervention efforts when a threat arises

University Ombudsman & Dean of Students Office

Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution

Children’s Creative Learning Center

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