Welcome to those who have recently joined Student Affairs!

- Christian Miconi (Testing Services)
- Gregory Noel (Counseling & Psychological Services)
- Hannah Muetzelfeld (Counseling & Psychological Services)
- Katie Swainston (Career Services)
- Katie Williams (Disability Services)
- Kyle Scoville (SA Facilities & Maintenance)
- Kylie Harris (Career Services)
- Madeline Gassman (Women’s Center)
- Mashref Hoque (Assessment)
- Savannah Evans (Disability Services)
- Zach Hurst (SA Facilities & Maintenance)

Congrats to the following employee who has moved to a different position within Student Affairs!

- Eduardo Franco (College Access Advisor for Talent Search - TRiO)

Kudos to these colleagues who have recently earned degrees!

- Jami Gillies (Daly) - Justin Herbert

National Purple Heart Day

August 7 was National Purple Heart Day! Because WSU is an official Purple Heart University, we want to publicly thank all of our Purple Heart recipient students who have sacrificed so much and are contributing their life experiences to the enrichment of Weber State University students, staff, and faculty.

Back to School "Unbreakfast"/Faculty & Staff Town Hall

There will be a President’s virtual breakfast or "unbreakfast" this year, along with a Faculty/Staff Town Hall afterward, on Monday, August 17 at 8:30 am. This will be a BYOB (Bring Your Own Breakfast/Bacon event)! Door prizes will be given out throughout the gathering. We will also have an opportunity to hear from our new WSUSA President Ben Ferney; Tim Herzog, the Faculty Senate Chair; and Luke Jenkins, the new Staff Advisory Council (SAC) Chair.

Virtual Student Town Hall
There will be a virtual student town hall on Monday, August 17 at 1 pm. At this event, we will have a panel of administrators including our President, Provost, Vice President for Student Affairs, Public Safety Director and others answering questions. Questions can be submitted ahead of time. Please get the word out to our students about this event!

**Student Affairs Back to School Virtual Luncheon**

We are excited to have our annual Student Affairs Back to School Luncheon, but this year it is virtual! This event gives us the opportunity to see who is new to the division, as well as hear from SAMC in regard to what is coming up for this school year! Please join us on Tuesday, August 18 from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm.

**Saturday Hours**

Don't forget! We are open Saturday, August 22 from 10 am - 2 pm! Please encourage any students you work with to attend if they need help with any last-minute business.

**GetSET Training**

This year our GetSET Training for student employees will be virtual! There will be four virtual training sessions that supervisors can upload to Canvas or another platform that can then be shared with the students. Topics include avoiding digital burnout, bystander training, difficult conversations in the workplace, Zoom etiquette, and dealing with stress and anxiety. A document will accompany each topic and will provide additional resources, as well as some discussion questions to help you lead a conversation with your student employees. More information will be forthcoming from the Student Employment Committee before school begins.

**Back-to-School Virtual Kickoff!**

We will be hosting a Back-to-School Virtual Kickoff for students on Wednesday, August 26 from 1:00 - 2:30 pm. Students will have a chance to hear from alumni, the WSUSA leadership, and administrators at this not so traditional start of the semester event!

**Spring and Summer 2020 Commencement**

Weber State University's Spring and Summer 2020 Commencement Ceremony will be held on Saturday, August 29 at 8 pm in Stewart Stadium. There will be no individual college convocations. Graduates should register for tickets by Monday, August 24; guests have until Wednesday, August 26 to register. Gates will open at 6:30 pm. In addition to the ceremony, WSU will light the "W" on the hillside east of campus to honor the achievements of the class of 2020. COVID safety precautions will be in place, and the commencement will be streamed live.
Student Services Expo

In part, because the Block Party for this year has been canceled, we will be having a virtual Student Services Expo this year! It will begin on September 16 and end on September 19. We have asked our areas/departments, as well as other areas on campus that receive student fees, to create a 1-2-minute video that our students can watch (videos are due to Jennifer by Friday, August 28). There will be surveys at the end of each video with 1-2 questions the student needs to answer correctly in order to be entered into a drawing to win a $100 Amazon gift card! The more videos they watch and surveys they answer, the more opportunities they'll have to enter the drawing to win one of the four gift card prizes! This is a great opportunity for our students to see what Student Affairs offers them and how their student fees are used.

SA New Staff Orientation

Our next Student Affairs New Staff Orientation will take place on Friday, September 25. This will be a virtual event where all new employees within the Student Affairs Division will be requested to attend and learn more about what we do for our students. Calendar invites with more information will be sent in the next two weeks!

Student Affairs Grant Awards

Student Support Services rewrote its grant which was successfully refunded! The grant is a $2.3 million five-year grant at $477,506 a year for 285 first-generation, low-income students. Eddie Hoyle and Carl Porter, working with a consultant, also wrote for a new SSS grant with a STEM focus. This application was also successfully funded for $1.2 million at $261,888 a year for 120 first-generation, low-income students seeking a bachelor's degree in a STEM field. Both grants will be serving students in the fall semester.

SA 2019-2020 Annual Report

The Division of Student Affairs 2019-2020 Annual Report is a culmination of some of the most exciting events and programs from our Division during the past school year! It is a great indicator of our commitment to student success through our priorities of Access, Learning & Engagement, and Community. Thanks also to our SA Marketing staff for their hard work in creating this report!

Facility Updates

When you get back to campus in the fall, you'll want to walk around to see some of the changes! Outside of Student Affairs projects, we have a new building at the Davis campus. There has been an office added in the Miller Administration Building for the new Director of Student Conduct. The Outdoor Adventure & Welcome Center is really starting to take shape and looks amazing. It will be open in Spring 2021. If you returned to work in the Student Services Center earlier this month, you were greeted with lots of construction. Not to worry!
The SSC is adding designated student space and offices for Access & Diversity, as well as additional offices for Counseling and Psychological Services and a new open student lounge.