



DIVISION OF
**STUDENT
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DIVISION UPDATES

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Programming Efforts

Career Services:

Career Services hosted OSU's first-ever virtual Career Fairs and are proud of how they went. Between the CEAT fair, the Business fair and the Agriculture fair, there were over 5,600 views in the app! The department is now setting virtual Career Fair dates for the spring semester.

This week, Career Services partnered with University College Advising to host Majors and Minors week. This has given students the opportunity to explore different Majors or Minors to help them reach their goals. Programs throughout the week have included "Finding Your Federal Career" with guest speaker Gilbert Guerrero from the USDA, a student advice panel that featured Career Services student-employee, Hanna Boyd, "Crack Your Career Code" which discussed finding careers and majors that align with student interests, and "Ask Me Anything" with representatives from each academic college. Some of these events are available to view on OStateTV.

Housing and Residential Life:

Housing and Residential Life hosted 111 unique events for students during September! Some of these fun activities were a poker night at West Commons, "Bob Ross Painting Night" at Bennett Hall and weekly floor dinners at Wentz Hall.

Leadership & Campus Life:

Leadership & Campus Life hosted many events throughout September, and continues to do so in October. The department's events for this month include the Student Union Activities Board's (SUAB) "Poketoberfest" this Friday, Allied Arts' "DIY Wednesday: Screen Printing" on Oct. 21 and the Student Volunteer Center's service opportunity at the "Drive Through Safe Trick or Treating Event" on Oct. 30.

Student Union:

The University Store will be hosting its week-long fall "Grad Fair" event in store and online October 12-16.

Wellness:

The Department of Wellness launched the National College Health Assessment on Oct. 12. Questions related to COVID-19 are on the survey this year. A random sample of 13,000 OSU students will be invited to take part in the assessment. Please encourage students to participate!

On Oct. 1, Competitive Sports partnered with Allied Arts to host another successful drive-in movie at the Western Intramural Complex. There were approximately 175 cars and 400 students in attendance!

Staff Engagement

Career Services:

The newly formed Diversity Committee recently held its first meeting and the next will be Oct. 29.

Housing and Residential Life:

The Housing and Residential Life Leadership Team attended a virtual Leadership Retreat on Oct. 8 to review the strategic planning for residential occupancy for the 2020-2021 semester. The team's members are Dr. Leon McClinton, Shannon Baughman, Belinda Batista, Bradley Baustert, Dr. Elizabeth Carver-Cyr, Shawna Goodwin, LeAnne Hutchins, Tanya Massey and D'Antae Potter.

Student Union:

Student Union full-time employees received welcome back bags that included a note, reusable masks, a bottle of sanitizer, a personal thermometer and an Otis Spunkmeyer cookie.

University Dining Services staff has already begun working on programming and developing plans for Fall 2021.

Student Engagement

Career Services:

The following student events took place before the virtual career fair: "Robots & Resumes: Build a Resume to Beat Applicant Tracking Systems" (53 attendees), "Career Power Hour: Job Search-Exploring Your Career Options for Graduate Students" (12 attendees), "Prepare for the Fair: How to Stand Out at a Virtual Career Fair" (65 attendees), "Prepare for the Fair: Employer Panel" (22 attendees) and "Prepare for the Fair: Career Fair Test Drive" (169 attendees).

Housing and Residential Life:

Housing and Residential Life student staff members logged 1,768 individual conversations with our residents during the month of September.

Leadership & Campus Life:

Until Oklahoma voter registration ended on Oct. 9, the department hosted a voter registration table in the Student Union every Monday-Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Student Engagement Campaign will continue on social media channels via @osucampuslife through Oct. 31. The department is seeking students to submit videos giving advice to other students who want to get involved with organizations on campus. Visit bit.ly/3dpfV6q for more information about the student advice videos.

The #LeadOrange Campaign began Oct. 7, and it will continue to highlight OSU students, faculty and staff leaders on social media channels via @osucampuslife. Visit bit.ly/3du84Ep for more information and to nominate a leader you feel deserves to be celebrated!

Student Union:

The Student Union encouraged good game day behavior on social media, reminding students to wear masks, social distance and avoid large crowds.

University Dining Services hosted an "Ask the Dietitian" event on social media, allowing students to ask questions regarding nutrition, special diets and more. Additionally, UDS is creating a survey to receive input and assess customer satisfaction.

Collectively, the Student Union, University Store and University Dining Services donated a variety of incentive items toward Student Support and Conduct's mask incentive project.

Wellness:

It is not too late for students to participate in the Talk About it Tuesdays series! All previous videos from the series can be viewed at bit.ly/3dq5Jur on the Wellness website.

During this stressful time, some students may be struggling so much that they are considering suicide. In response to the need to help these students, OSU is providing free suicide prevention training to all OSU students and employees. Please visit bit.ly/2SWPIrY to get trained. In addition to suicide prevention efforts, OSU offers many other mental health resources. Please visit bit.ly/3kORTBO to view these resources.

Extra Announcements

Student Union:

The first “Cowboys Win, You Score” promotion of the 2021 football season took place

Oct. 5. Shoppers were treated to 40% off all OSU clothing merchandise in celebration of the OSU 47-7 win against Kansas!

The University Store is offering a special \$10 Halloween-inspired T-shirt as its October Item of the Month. It is available at okla.st/3n2qxwt and in store. Also, in cooperation with Brand Management and Licensing, the University Store has launched The Old Central Collection. The products showcase different historic marks to tell the story of OSU’s proud legacy. Visit okla.st/35MbW1J to shop the collection!

Univeristy Dining Services staff has created new weekly specials to feature at Union Chophouse in the Student Union. Some of the specials include chicken quesadillas, veggie quesadillas, chimichangas and nachos.

University Health Services:

Associate director of clinical operations, Pamela Stokes, was featured in an article highlighting her efforts toward enhanced contact tracing at OSU! Visit bit.ly/3nTKQwg to read the article.

Housing and Residential Life:

Shannon Baughman has been recognized in the first edition of the ACUHO-I Heroes program! The ACUHO-I Heroes program recognizes individuals who have displayed leadership within their organizations and their profession as a whole, gone above and beyond their traditional scope of work to ensure the health and safety of their communities, and tirelessly advocated for their community members. These members are recognized for their incredible efforts as campus professionals during this time period of significant challenge. Visit bit.ly/3INWcQQ to read Shannon’s full nomination!

