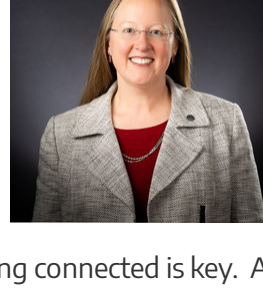


Updates from Lori



SA Staff:

It was great to see so many of you during our all staff meeting last week. It reminds me how important it is, that no matter *how* we are working (distance, onsite) that remaining connected is key. A few updates from me:

- The travel freeze for Student Affairs has been extended through December 31st. Please stay connected to your professional organizations during this time, as many are offering online trainings and meetings.
- I have been serving on three different groups gathering guidance – the U's Project Orange group looking at our campus broadly, the governor's USHE advisory group looking at higher education statewide, and the U's Project Marmalade group that is focusing on fall semester curriculum delivery. All of these groups are striving to balance health and safety with desires to return to some in-person interaction with our students. No matter what standards are set, it is important to remember that conditions can/will change and it is extremely likely that we will need to pivot quickly to various levels of risk for our community with future waves of outbreak. While I know this link has been shared previously, I hope you have taken moment to review: <https://attheu.utah.edu/facultystaff/project-orange-outlines-guidelines-and-timeline-for-a-return-to-campus/>.
- For Student Affairs, not much has changed from the red phase but we have some opportunity to open a few spaces to try out new procedures in anticipation for yellow. For example, [Campus Recreation](#) has opened the McCarthy Track for runners with strict [guidelines](#). I appreciate the care each department is putting into planning.
- The University has ordered face masks for faculty and staff. HR hopes to receive them within the next six weeks and will coordinate a distribution system.

As we continue to navigate this situation, please remember to take care of your own wellbeing.

Sincerely,

Lori



Don't forget to register for our **Student Affairs All Staff Meeting on Thursday, June 4th at 11:00 a.m.**

[June All Staff Registration](#)

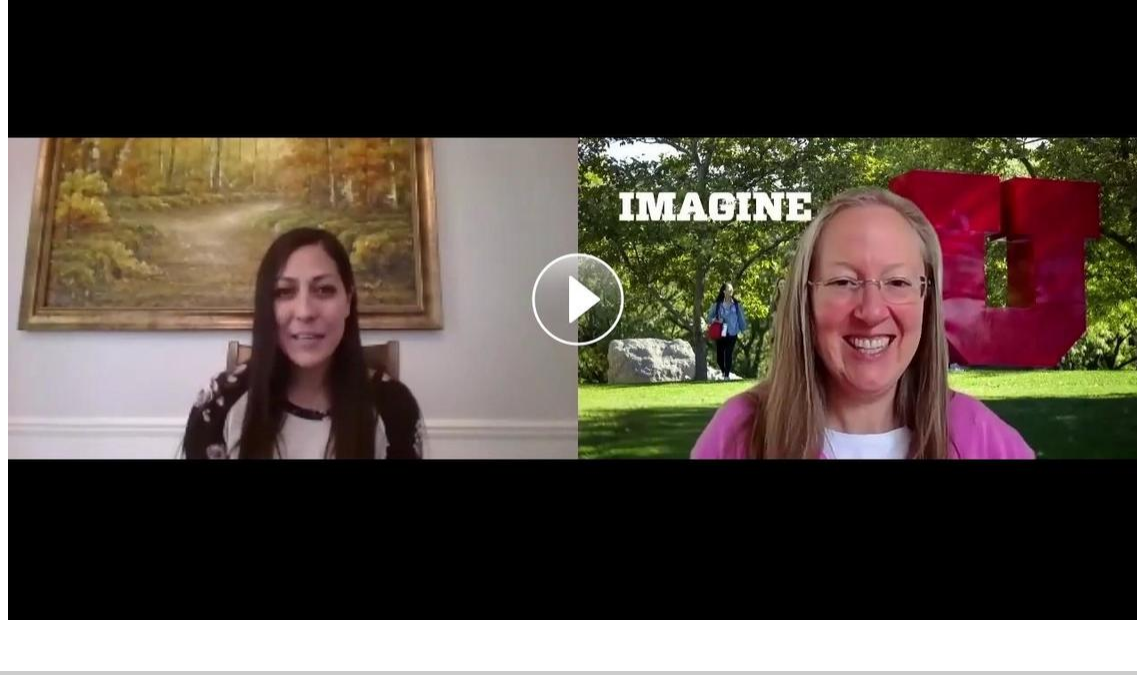
Student Affairs on YouTube



Student Affairs now has a YouTube channel, thanks to Marketing and Communication! You can find the channel on the Student Affairs Homepage or on the University of Utah YouTube playlist. Learn more [here: https://attheu.utah.edu/facultystaff/keeping-up-with-student-affairs/](https://attheu.utah.edu/facultystaff/keeping-up-with-student-affairs/)

Departmental Leadership

COVID-19 has required creativity and innovation. VP McDonald spent some time interviewing directors to share how their department is supporting students and how they are navigating change. This week, we are featuring an interview with Brittany Badger Gleed, Director of the Center for Student Wellness



New Student Affairs Committees

Many of you are familiar with the [Professional Development Committee](#) (PDC) and the [Student Affairs Diversity Council](#) (SADC). As we shared last week, we have added two additional Division-level committees to promote connections and wellness. This week we are featuring the Staff Wellness committee.

Staff Wellness Committee Student Affairs | The University of Utah

by Brittany Badger Gleed and Jerry Basford

The **Student Affairs Staff Wellness Committee** aims to create a comprehensive and holistic culture of health and wellness within Student Affairs. We do so by supporting and empowering staff members in their wellness journeys, assisting individual departments as they work towards prioritizing wellness as a cultural value specific to their team's needs, and improving access to relevant wellness resources, support, and education.

This new committee, will be supporting an important need within Student Affairs to prioritize staff wellness on a deeper level. Actively focusing on wellness in the workplace has numerous economic, mental/emotional, physical, social, spiritual, and professional benefits for both individual staff members and for the division at large. By integrating wellness on a foundational level within SA, we hope to see longer retention of staff, increased productivity and employee morale, reduced staff burnout, less sick days used, and overall, happier and healthier SA staff.

SADC May Seminar

The [Student Affairs Diversity Council](#) (SADC) invites you to join us online on **May 20, 2020 at 12:00-1:30 PM** for May's Diversity Seminar Series "**The Importance of Black Spaces on Campus**" with **Meligha Garfield**, Director of the [Black Cultural Center](#).

The link to the online seminar will be shared upon registration. Please register with the link below.



[SADC Seminar Registration](#)

Professional Development



Each week, the Professional Development Committee updates professional development opportunities that are available online as well as sponsoring programs by our own talented team. Learn more about what is available or submit an application to share your expertise with your colleagues by visiting our

website: <https://studentaffairs.utah.edu/pdc/index.php>

What inspires you?

If you have a quote, poem or other inspiration that speaks to you that you'd like to submit to potentially be shared at an All Staff meeting or in the newsletter, please use the link below.

[Inspiration](#)

In Case You Missed It



Please stay up-to-date on official information from the University of Utah by taking a few minutes to read [@theU](#)

each Monday. Here are some highlights in case you missed them.

[Message of Support to Students ahead of SCOTUS decision on DACA](#)

[Project Orange outlines guidelines and timeline for return to campus.](#)

Resources

[COVID-19 Central @theU](#)

[Student Affairs Online](#)

[Student Affairs Remote Work Toolkit](#)



The U's COVID-19 Hotline: (801) 213-2874

RedMed: (801) 213-3303

Work Wellness Center: (801) 581-2227

HR Benefits Team: (801) 581-7447

Something on Your Mind?

As part of our team, we know you have made rapid changes to support the health and wellbeing of not only our campus community but our broader community. Share what's on your mind.

[Tell us](#)

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What topics would you like to see in SA Updates? [Share your ideas!](#)

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