

Student Affairs Updates

September 25, 2020



Employee Appreciation

With the close of the U's Employee Appreciation Week today, I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the creative problem-solving, ongoing collaboration, and tireless dedication to our students and their well-being that I see exhibited by Student Affairs staff, particularly during these challenging times of 2020.

You make a positive difference and inspire me every day. Thank you.

Lori McDonald, Vice President for Student Affairs

Student Affairs Hero Award: Community Builder

Do you know someone who has built or strengthened our community? Over the past seven months, we have navigated COVID-19, witnessed racial injustice and protests in response, earthquake with aftershocks and a



powerful windstorm. Student Affairs heroes show up during these times. They offer support, listen and help navigate next steps. They persist and bring out the best in others. We want to recognize these heroes who are the fabric of our community. Four individual heroes will be selected and will receive \$100.

Nominations are due by October 9th. Submit your nominations below.

SA Hero Nomination

Circuit Breaker

From Sunday, September. 27 through Sunday, October 11, 2020, the University of Utah will move all education and student services online with a few exceptions, most notably Housing and Residential Education. This is a



proactive strategy to reduce community spread of COVID-19.

President Ruth Watkins hosted a webinar about the two week circuit breaker and Vice-Presidential Debate on campus. You can view the recording of the webinar <u>here</u>.



Vice Presidential Debate on our Campus

On the evening of Wednesday, Oct. 7, the eyes of the country will turn to Kingsbury Hall as the university hosts the country's only vice presidential debate for the 2020 election. Read the full <u>@theU article</u>.



Employee Assistance Program

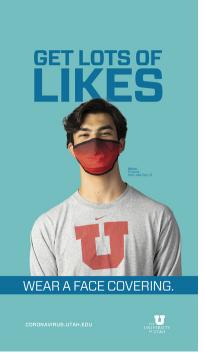
Through October 31, 2020, the EAP will be available to all University employees, including employees in nonbenefitted positions. To learn more <u>visit the HR</u>

website. Workshops are also offered to address a range of needs. Learn more here.

U Launches Asymptomatic Random Testing Program

The University of Utah launched the first phase of its voluntary asymptomatic random testing program on Friday, Sept. 18, 2020. The program will help determine the prevalence of COVID-19 on campus and identify any outbreak hotspots.

The first phase focuses on students who live on campus or fraternity and sorority houses and will run through Oct. 12. The second phase, which begins Oct. 12, will expand to staff and faculty working on campus and students who have at least one in-person class. The second phase will continue to the Thanksgiving Break.



Read the complete article in <u>@theU</u>.



Training Tuesday

We hope you will join us for our rescheduled Training Tuesday on **September 29, at 2 pm**. featuring a panel of colleagues on Using Technology to Engage Students. We hope to see you online!

Don't forget about all of our ondemand trainings available through our <u>website</u> too!

Using Tech to Engage with Students Registration



SADC Racial Justice and Decolonization Weekly Open Dialogue Series

Every Thursday, <u>Student Affairs Diversity</u> <u>Committee</u> facilitates a virtual dialogue series around social justice,

decolonization, racial justice, and praxis. If you are not able to make it, please still sign up to gain access to the readings. **You can join the conversation without having attended a previous session.** Each week focuses on different reading materials to provide leading research and scholarship; tools for personal, professional, and career development; and innovative praxis opportunities for Student Affairs that will actively inform and reshape higher education. A separate invitation to join Canvas for a list of the reading materials and a link to join the series will be sent with your registration.

Next Session: October 1st at 1 pm

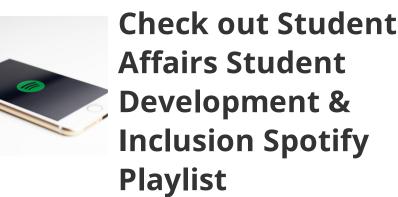
Racial Justice & Decolonization Dialoge Registration

A Generative Approach NCORE. to Latinx Student Leadership Development

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

LIVE 2:00-3:30 PM

- Registration will close at 4:30 PM Central Time the day before the webinar. Space is limited and may fill before this date.
- Registrants will receive an email with the Zoom link the morning of the session.
- All registrants will receive a recording approximately one week after the webinar.
- Email <u>ncorewebinars@ou.edu</u> for assistance.
- Live captions and sign language provided.
- Find out more and register <u>here</u>.



Student Affairs is a large division! Get to know the <u>Student Development & Inclusion</u> line through their Spotify playlist and insights into their favorite songs <u>here</u>.

Look for playlists from across Student Affairs in future updates!

University of Utah Staff Council Members

Student Affairs is well represented on Staff Council! Staff Council consists of 30 staff members (both exempt and non-exempt) from across campus. They are appointed by the University President for a term of three years, with one-third of the membership rotating off each year. They not only help to shape policy, they also build community amongst employees and offer opportunities such as scholarships and recognition. You can learn more <u>here</u> and follow them on <u>Twitter @UUStaffCouncil</u>.



Bryce Williams President



Jo Scofield President-Elect



Kim Clarken Student Affairs Member



Aniko Fuoco Student Affairs Member



Bree Peacock Student Affairs Member



Steve Lucero Alternate SA Member

Campus Connect Events



Want to help students get connected with all that is happening on campus?

Visit the Campus Connect website

Required Information Security Training - ISO

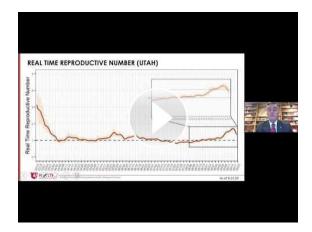
Staff who are connected to the Student Affairs Network are required to complete the

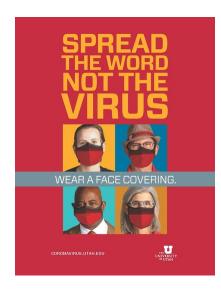
Information Security Training - ISO Course. You should have received a notification in your email and you can aslo visit <u>Bridge</u> and complete the 10 minute course.



Weekly COVID-19 Updates from University of Utah Health

Dr. Michael Good, Senior Vice President of University of Utah Health, provided his weekly update on COVID-19 on September 22nd. You can watch it here:





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Health and Testing Hotline **801-587-0712**

Something on Your Mind?

Tell us

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What topics would you like to see in SA Updates? <u>Share your ideas!</u>

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