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Student Affairs Updates

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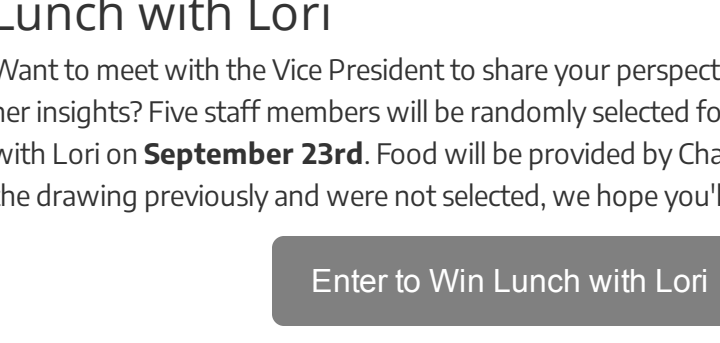


September All-Staff Meeting

In case you couldn't join VP McDonald for the all-staff meeting... you can watch the recording below. Ashlee Christofferson of the Union, shared details about the first in-person Crimson

Nights event since the pandemic. Dr. Mark Pfitzer answered some frequently asked questions relating to the new requirement of the COVID-19 vaccine for students, and VP Lori McDonald shared the New student Welcome [video](#), in particular, Dr. Larry Parker's message, that reminds us why our work with students is so important to their well-being and success.

[Watch the September All-Staff Meeting](#)



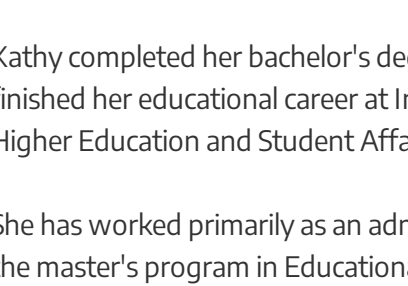
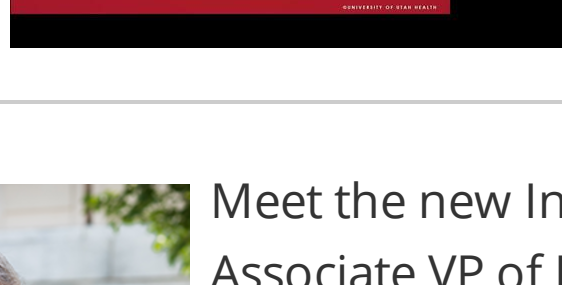
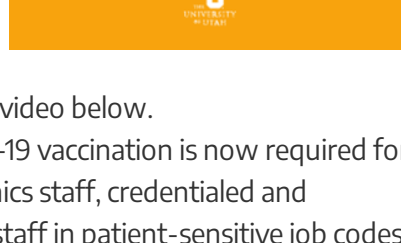
Lunch with Lori

Want to meet with the Vice President to share your perspective and learn more about her insights? Five staff members will be randomly selected for an **in-person** lunch with Lori on **September 23rd**. Food will be provided by Chartwells. If you entered the drawing previously and were not selected, we hope you'll enter again!

[Enter to Win Lunch with Lori](#)

Three Things to Know about COVID-19

- Weekly Video Update** – We are seeing a continuing spread of coronavirus across the United States and Utah is no exception. As of yesterday, one in 138 Utahns have an active coronavirus infection and they are each transmitting the virus to more than one other individual. The Delta variant is more virulent, which means that our hospital rates continue to increase—currently at levels nearing the peak of this time last year. Pandemics do end, but only with the help of broad vaccination across our community. View and share this week's video below.
- Campus Vaccine Requirements** – COVID-19 vaccination is now required for all students, U of U Health Hospitals and Clinics staff, credentialed and privileged providers, and Health Academics staff in patient-sensitive job codes. VP McDonald and Dr. Pfitzer sat down and answered some campus questions on the new COVID-19 vaccine requirement. [Find more information and watch to interview here.](#)
- Masking Updates** – Masks are encouraged on campus. Even away from campus, please follow CDC guidance for masking in indoor public spaces. Your example will model appropriate measures for family, friends, and neighbors. You may also wish to share how our doctors are dispelling myths about masks and vaccines—both critical steps in bringing this pandemic to an end.



Meet the new Interim Associate VP of Health & Wellness

Welcome, Kathleen "Kathy" MacKay, as the Interim Associate Vice President for Student Health and Wellness. Kathy grew up in Boulder, Colorado. She was never going to go to college but started her first year as a student at 20 years old and has been on a college campus ever since.

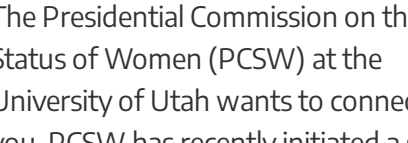
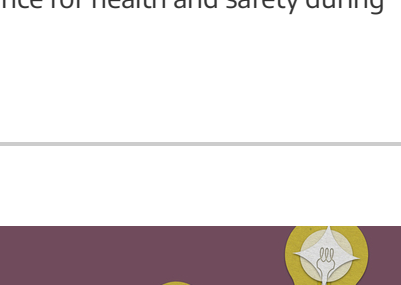
Kathy completed her bachelor's degree at Colorado State University in Journalism. She finished her educational career at Indiana University when she earned her Doctorate in Higher Education and Student Affairs (minor in sociology).

She has worked primarily as an administrator for about 40 years, but also taught in the master's program in Educational, Leadership, and Policy Studies at Indiana University and worked as an adjunct faculty member at Indiana University and Iowa State University. Her most recent position was Vice President for Student Affairs at Metropolitan State University of Denver.

In her role as Interim AVP, she works directly with the Center for Disability and Access, Counseling Center, Student Health Center, and Center for Student Wellness and is excited to meet people on campus and explore the beautiful state of Utah.

Updates to the Coronavirus Webpage

Check out the newly updated Coronavirus webpage. Here you will find all the information about vaccine clinics, testing options, and new guidances for campus and the community. Visit the website and learn more about updates with COVID-19 procedures [here](#).

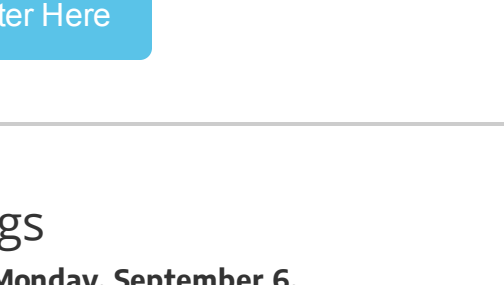


Fall 2021: U of U Policies and Resources

There are many important policies and regulations to review at the start of the semester. This [@theU article](#) shares a list to review, which includes guidance for health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Presidential Commission on the Status of Women

The Presidential Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW) at the University of Utah wants to connect with you. PCSW has recently initiated a survey to understand better gender equity/women's initiatives on the U's campus.



[Read More](#)

Community Conversation: Guns on Campus

Join the Bennion Center in their community conversation; registration is required to attend.

Wednesday, September 8th, 12 pm - 1 pm

[Register Here](#)

Campus Rec Happenings

Student Life Center will be CLOSED Monday, September 6.

Crimson Crew Recruitment Sessions

Learn all about working at the Student Life Center, for Campus Rec!
Sept. 8–6 pm, Sept. 9–4:30 pm, Sept. 10–9 am

The Summit, Climbing Events

[Learn to Lead, Sensations Climbing Competition](#), \$10-15
[Pebble App](#) – download and climb with us to win prizes!

Crimson Lagoon, Aquatic Events

[Wibit Aqua Track, September 9-12, open to all](#)
[Kayak Roll, open Fridays 6:30-8:30pm](#)
[Swim Lessons, group and private now available](#)

Intramural Sports Tournaments

[Register now](#) for kickball, pickleball, bowling, FIFA 20, and Canoe Battleship!

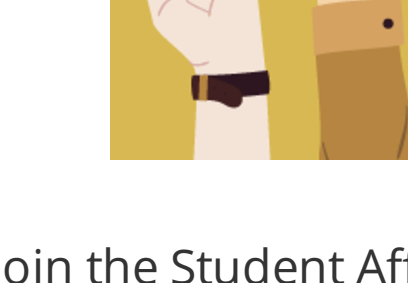
Fitness Class Passes, On Sale Now

Choose from a variety of fitness classes that will help you reach your goals! \$65 for the whole semester. Come as many times, to as many classes you like! See the fall schedule, and get yours [here](#).

Free Faculty & Staff Day, September 16

Come see what we have at the Student Life Center! Get a free t-shirt and the current month free, for annual memberships purchased throughout the fall semester. Your body AND mind will thank you!

Tech Corner News & Updates

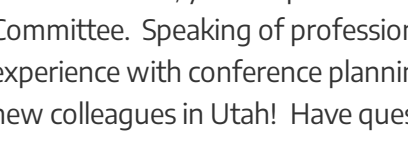


U Employees must use Approved Email Systems

On March 29, 2019, the Utah Board of Higher Education instituted Rule R840 that requires all Utah System of Higher Education (USHE) institutions, including the University of Utah, to collect and maintain business email communications in the institutions' enterprise email systems. [Please ensure you are in compliance in your use of email.](#) Find all the details in this [@theU article](#).

STUDENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE UPDATES

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

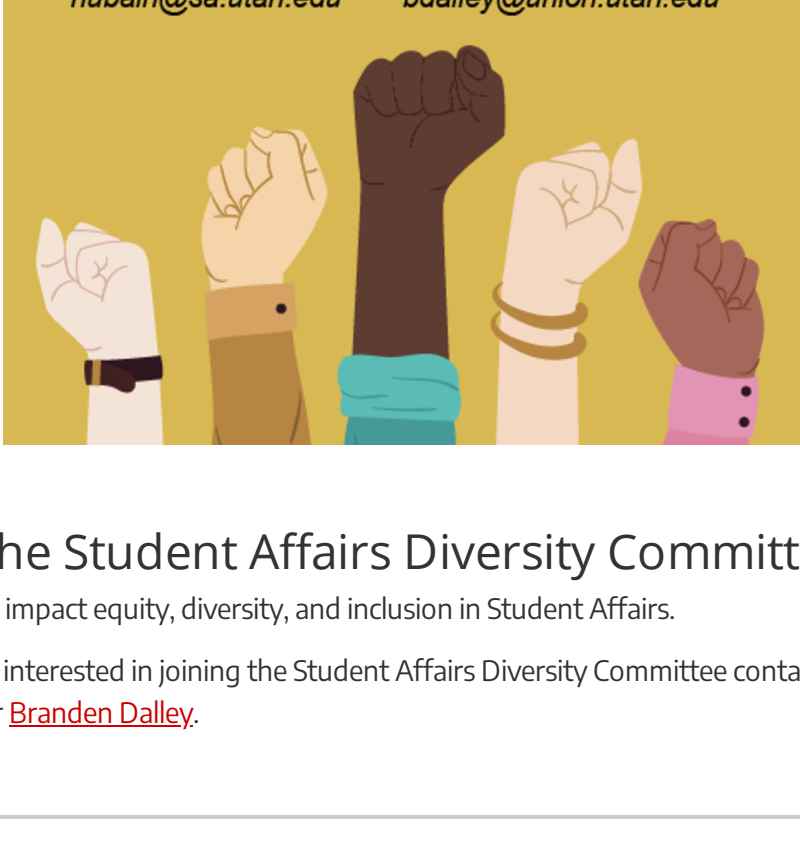


Apply to be the UofU Utah NASPA Representative

Join the local Utah Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education (NASPA) as a representative for the University of Utah. In this role, you will help communicate during the year with colleagues from other Utah Schools and actively assist in planning the Utah NASPA conference, which will be held in October (presumably in-person at Utah State). As part of this role, you will provide routine updates to the Professional Development Committee. Speaking of professional development, this is a great opportunity to gain experience with conference planning and coordination as well as a great way to meet new colleagues in Utah! Have questions? Feel free to email pdcc@utah.edu.

Apply by September 15th.

[Apply Here](#)



Join the Student Affairs Diversity Committee

Positively impact equity, diversity, and inclusion in Student Affairs.

If you are interested in joining the Student Affairs Diversity Committee contact [Bryan Hubain](#) or [Branden Dalley](#).

Something on Your Mind?

[Tell us](#)

COVID-19 Resources

[Coronavirus.utah.edu](#)

[Vaccine Opportunities](#)

General Campus Questions Hotline

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