



Division of Student Affairs

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Oregon State University Division of Student Affairs Student Affairs Leadership Council Statement of Understanding

Purpose of the Student Affairs Leadership Council

The Student Affairs Leadership Council is the principal volunteer leadership group of the Oregon State University Division of Student Affairs. Council members are distinguished Oregon State alumni and friends committed to the mission and vision of Oregon State's Division of Student Affairs. Council members work with the Vice Provost for Student Affairs, senior Student Affairs leaders and development officers to promote innovation and excellence in the student experience at Oregon State. The Council contributes to the overall fundraising vision of the Division; provides external advocacy to potential donors and other supporters; advises on fundraising strategies, opportunities, and projects; and contributes directly and indirectly to the financial resources that enable excellent, innovative student experience programs at Oregon State. Council members' engagement and leadership is critical to the achievement of Oregon State's student success and transformative student experience goals.

Oregon State's Division of Student Affairs is committed to providing Council members with a meaningful experience during their involvement with the Council. We will match our content and activities to Council members' interests, experiences, passions and expertise. Council meetings will be designed to bring the excitement, innovation and vitality of the Oregon State student experience to Council members and to facilitate direct engagement with our students.

Oregon State University Division of Student Affairs Mission

At Oregon State University, we know that learning happens everywhere. Today, college students typically spend twenty percent of their time each week in classes. During the other eighty percent, Student Affairs ensures that students experience hands-on, real-life learning that will propel them into career and life success. Greek life, leadership development, internships, community service, intramurals, and diversity and cross-cultural engagement: these and many more co-curricular programs in the Student Affairs portfolio transform a good education into a great one. In Student Affairs, students live what it means to be a career leader, an innovator, a change agent, and great citizen of our global society.

Structure of the Student Affairs Leadership Council

- Invitations to the Student Affairs Leadership Council are extended by the Vice Provost for Student Affairs at Oregon State University.
- Student Affairs Leadership Council members may serve up to two consecutive three-year terms, renewable by agreement with the Vice Provost for Student Affairs at Oregon State University.
- Members may serve multiple non-consecutive terms.



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Student Affairs Leadership Council Member Expectations

- Support Oregon State University students and programs by demonstrating a willingness to mentor and interact with current and prospective students, participate in Student Affairs events, and provide counsel to Student Affairs leadership administrators.
- Attend biannual council meetings, typically held during the fall and spring in Corvallis. Meetings present the primary opportunity for the Student Affairs Leadership Council members to work collaboratively with Student Affairs leadership and engage with the OSU community.
- Become familiar with the programs and mission of the Division of Student Affairs based on materials provided by the Vice Provost for Student Affairs, development officer(s), and other partners of the Division of Student Affairs.
- Identify opportunities for OSU students, such as internships, industry site visits, career mentoring, and job placement.
- Serve as an external advocate and ambassador for OSU to potential donors and supporters; host events for students and alumni; assist in the design and implementation of development strategies; and participate in donor identification, cultivation, and stewardship in collaboration with Division of Student Affairs, OSU, and OSU Foundation leadership.
- Make a five-year gift pledge of at least \$25,000 (\$5,000 per year) in support of the Vice Provost for Student Affairs' Excellence Fund to support the OSU student experience.

Expectations of the Oregon State University Division of Student Affairs

- Provide a meaningful experience to Student Affairs Leadership Council members and opportunities to make a difference at Oregon State University.
- Provide clear and compelling information about the programs, direction, and vision of the Oregon State University Division of Student Affairs.
- Engage Student Affairs Leadership Council members in opportunities that leverage their interests and experiences
- Provide staff assistance in support of the Student Affairs Leadership Council activities

Susie Brubaker-Cole, OSU Vice Provost for Student Affairs Date

Board Member Date