

STUDENT AFFAIRS

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Division of Student Affairs is a community of learners who exemplify the guiding principles of the profession by creating environments where students:

- **Learn** about themselves and others;
- **Experience** meaningful connections; and
- **Realize** their peak potential.

Our vision statement is “Unleashing the spirit of learning by providing a transformational student experience.” Our values are inclusion, integrity, community, civility, respect, leadership, excellence.

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Departments reporting to the Vice-President include Intramural Recreational Sports, Student Activities, Organizations and Leadership, WKU Police and the WKU Student Life Foundation, Inc.

The Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, Dean of Students and Chief Diversity Officer, provides leadership to the Center for Career & Professional Development, Counseling and Testing Center, Student Accessibility Resource Center, Intercultural Student Engagement Center and Trio Programs.

The Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, Executive Director for Housing and Dining, oversees the Department of Housing and Residence Life and contract management for the WKU Restaurant Group.

The Assistant Vice President for Resources Management is a shared position with the Senior Vice President for Finance and Administration and serves as chief budget officer for both divisions.

GOALS/ANTICIPATED PROGRAM ACTIVITIES:

To accomplish the mission and vision, the Division of Student Affairs has the following goals:

- We will focus on the educational mission by intentionally directing students to learning and leadership opportunities that complement academic studies and career goals, providing programs and services that are relevant and promote engagement. We will provide opportunities for students to learn and experience the values of service and citizenship. (Objective 1.1)
- We will create and sustain partnerships for learning by demonstrating cross-functional collaborations among divisional staff, creating partnerships with faculty and staff across campus for the purpose of student growth and learning, and by creating mutually beneficial collaborations with the community. (Objective 3.1)
- We will hold all students to high expectations for engagement and learning, in and out of class, on and off campus, by emphasizing intellectual growth, consistently communicating high expectations and promoting the principles as stated in the WKU creed. (Objective 2.2)
- We will implement a comprehensive system of safety nets and early warning systems by identifying students in need, determining current resources, developing new strategies, and centralizing interventions. (Objective 2.2)
- We will teach new students what it takes to succeed by teaching new students to think “Begin with the end in mind;” providing opportunities for students to engage with the campus within the first weeks of the semester; and partnering with parents/family and others to provide support/education as they assist their student in making the academic, social and personal transitions to college. (Objective 1.5)
- We will recognize, affirm, and celebrate the educational value of diversity by creating and promoting opportunities for dialogue, learning, and cultural competency; providing opportunities for personal reflection and self-evaluation in the areas of diversity; and cultural competency and establishing that the educational value of diversity is pervasive in all we do. (Objective 2.1)
- We will invest in programs and people that demonstrate contributions to student learning and success by assessing programs for the purpose of improvement and change, providing opportunities to develop quality staff and demonstrating innovation and excellence in service and operations. (Objective 1.2)

- We will create environments for learning that provide open, purposeful, and caring learning environments, create physical space to inspire learning, and use digital technology to enhance learning. (Objective 4.1)

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

<u>Budget</u>	2016-17 Revised Budget*		2017-18 Proposed Budget	
	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Unrestricted Budget</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Unrestricted Budget</u>
<u>Educational and General</u>				
Personnel/Fringe Benefits	83.1	6,328,441	85.2	6,733,085
Operating Expenses		1,880,417		2,304,702
Student Aid		29,500		30,500
Capital Outlay		77,366		71,664
Total Expenditures		8,315,724		9,139,951
<u>Auxiliary Enterprises</u>				
Personnel/Fringe Benefits	75.7	5,735,879	76.6	5,968,891
Operating Expenses		6,418,344		6,050,176
Capital Outlay		428,783		428,783
Debt Service		2,415,000		2,415,000
Total Expenditures		14,998,006		14,862,850

*For comparison purposes, the 2016-17 Revised Budget figures have been adjusted to reflect University reorganization.