



Student Affairs Mission

The Student Affairs mission is to provide students with effective services and developmental opportunities that augment their academic experience and enhance the quality of their lives while enrolled at the University of Louisville.

When coupled with a challenging academic experience, these services and opportunities facilitate the students' total development so that they attain their educational goals as individuals prepared to function successfully as leaders within diverse, multicultural and international world. In support of this mission, the Division provides essential services to the faculty and to the academic units.

Student Affairs Vision Statement

To be acknowledged for our outstanding service to students; recognized as responsible servants to our communities; known as innovative and student centered practitioners; and regarded as one of the premier student affairs programs in the country.

The Student Affairs Core Values

We value students. We value their ideals, their dreams, their aspirations, and their challenges as they seek to find meaning and their voice.

We value learning and individual potential. We value the process of acquiring knowledge and developing skills to reach individual potential and supporting opportunities for understanding unique talents and passions while becoming a part of an educated citizenry.

We value the spirit of community. Like a small neighborhood, we value open dialogue, mutual respect and trust, commitment to long-term relationships, tradition, and a sense of belonging that inspires Cardinal pride.

We value service to students and society. We assist students to define, refine, and achieve their goals through programs and services designed to help them succeed and to become contributing members of society.

We value professionalism. We encourage professional growth, development, and ethical conduct of our staff and strive for collaboration to create an environment supportive of students learning.

University of Louisville Themes, Goals, Strategies and Tactics

Educational Excellence

- Provide a dynamic learning environment with outstanding teachers, learners and programs.

Research, Scholarship & Creative Activity

- Maintain an ambitious emphasis on excellence in research and scholarship and be recognized among the top twenty US public metropolitan research universities

Community Engagement

- Be acclaimed as a model metropolitan university, integrating academic excellence with civic engagement to transform Louisville and Kentucky

Cultural Diversity, Social Justice & Opportunity

- Actively welcome all to a center of learning that embraces the diversity of ideas, cultures and people.

Creative & Responsible Stewardship of All Resources

- Drive the strategic agenda with creative use of the university's full capacity

THE STUDENT AFFAIRS EMPHASIS/GOALS

A. INSPIRE A VIBRANT CAMPUS LIFE AND ENGAGED STUDENT BODY.

University Themes:

Community Engagement
Diversity, Social Justice, and Opportunity

1. Develop Programs and Activities that Inspire a Vibrant Campus Community
2. Increase Meeting and Gathering Space for Students to Promote Student Engagement and Community
3. Meet the Needs of Current and Future Students by Implementing the Student Affairs Facility Master Plan in Support of the University's Strategic Direction

B. CELEBRATE TRADITION AND CREATE A SENSE OF PURPOSE.

University Themes: Community Engagement

1. Lead the Campus Community in Celebrating Traditions and Recognizing Individual Contributions
2. Create a Division of Student Affairs that has a National Reputation for Excellence.

C. ENHANCE SERVICES THAT MEETS THE NEEDS OF STUDENTS.

University Themes: Creative and Responsible Stewardship of All Resources

1. Develop New Programs and Services that Address the Needs of Our Special Student Populations and Other University Stakeholders
2. Enhance the Health and Wellness of our Students
3. Expand and Enhance Career Services and Placement
4. Effectively Promote Student Affairs Programs and Services to Campus Community
5. Analyze and Evaluate Student Affairs Programs and Policies to Improve Efficiency and Ensure the Needs of Students are Being Addressed
6. Create a Development Program that Supports Students, Student Affairs Programs and Existing Efforts Throughout Campus.
7. Develop and Maintain the Infrastructure Needed to Ensure Student Success with an Emphasis on Innovative Technologies and Outstanding Staff and Resources

D. TRANSFORM THEORY INTO PRACTICE TO SUPPORT STUDENT LEARNING.

University Themes:

Educational Excellence
Research, Scholarship & Creative Activity

1. Create and Maintain Vibrant Partnerships with Academic Units Across the University to Support Student Learning and Student Success.
2. Enhance student learning by providing structured experiences that encourage responsible citizenship, leadership, and community engagement.