

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AND ENGAGEMENT

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Student Leadership and Engagement is committed to an inclusive student-centered environment that creates educational experiences for students and that promotes leadership, involvement, learning, and success. The office collaborates with students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community leaders to provide innovative and purposeful programs to prepare students for a diverse and changing world.

Activities and Organizations

Student Leadership and Engagement hosts multiple campus programs throughout the year that include Bengal Bound, Weeks of Welcome, Homecoming and Family Weekend, Bengals After Dark, Bengal Pause, and commuter programs. The department supports more than 50 student organizations on campus, registering all student organizations and overseeing the recognition process required of all new student organizations that seek to be affiliated with the college. The office provides numerous services to all student organizations, including advisement, co-sponsorship opportunities, and leadership development. Buffalo State is dedicated to enhancing the development of students through membership in campus-approved Greek organizations. Each fraternity and sorority offers students the opportunity to be part of their close-knit communities that promote leadership, service, and academic excellence.

Bengal Stripes Leadership Program

The Bengal Stripes Leadership Program seeks to prepare students for college and develop the essential skills necessary to be personally, professionally, and academically successful at Buffalo State College and beyond. This is accomplished through education, development, and training students in a series of workshops, personal development programs, civic engagement, and active engagement with the college and community. The program is free and open to all Buffalo State students. The program consists of five workshops based on the Leadership Challenge's Five Practices of Exemplary Leadership. A sixth workshop will give students the opportunity to complete the DISC Profile Assessment and better understand themselves and those they interact with, and then use this knowledge to reduce conflict and improve working relationships. The Bengal Stripes Leadership Program also recognizes the importance of being engaged with the campus community. Students will be required to attend two social justice programs, two professional

development programs, and two community engagement programs.

Campbell Student Union

The Campbell Student Union is located in the center of campus and is the hub for student activity at Buffalo State. The building houses a number of amenities, including the Buffalo State Welcome Center, Barnes & Noble at Buffalo State Bookstore, retail and residential dining, lounges, and meeting rooms. Hundreds of events take place there annually including many hosted by student organizations. The student union also houses the offices of the Bengal Card Office, Dean of Students, Student Leadership and Engagement, United Students Government, and several student organizations.

Orientation

New Student Orientation programming enhances the experience of first-year students, transfer students, and their families in their transition to Buffalo State. A comprehensive collegewide orientation program introduces students to a wide range of opportunities available at Buffalo State and integrates them into life at the college.

ROAR to Success

The Recognizing Opportunities Achieving Results program (ROAR) provides advocacy and customized support to first-year students. This effort is designed to ensure that first-year students have what they need to be successful, which aligns with the college's mission to empower students to succeed. Currently, any prospective first-year students who confirm their attendance at Buffalo State and are not enrolled in any other support programs on campus are eligible to participate. Students who are accepted to Buffalo State through the Honors Program, Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), or as international students are currently ineligible for services through the Roar to Success program.