STUDENT SUCCESS

Office of the Dean of Students
DISCUSSION TOPICS

• What is student success?
• How can ODOS help?
• How can parents help?
• What are common issues students struggle with in college?
FRESHMAN STATS

4,917 Freshmen Fall 2017
- 83.2% from Louisiana
- 16.8% from out-of-state
- 48 from another country
- 1,590 joined a fraternity/sorority
- 76.8% on TOPS
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“Success is what you attract by the person you become.”

- Jim Rohn
TRANSITIONING TO COLLEGE

- Exploring
- Making choices
- Managing freedom
- Meeting people
- Questioning
ODOS MISSION

To transform lives by facilitating opportunities and experiences to discover, engage, and learn in a diverse, inclusive, and just community while promoting social responsibility.
COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY

• Accept responsibility
• Practice academic, personal & social integrity
• Advance justice, equality, compassion
• Demonstrate dignity & respect
Commitment to Community (Cont.)

- Enhance the environment
- Contribute positively to the campus & community
- Engage as an active citizen
ODOS PRIORITIES

- Leadership & Involvement
- Diversity, Inclusion & Cultural Competence
- Holistic Student Development
- Safety & Security
ODOS UNITS

- Campus Life
- Disability Services
- Greek Life
- Military & Veteran Student Center
- Student Advocacy & Accountability
- Student Government
- Transfer Student Programs
CAMPUS LIFE

358J LSU Student Union
• Provides involvement, leadership & service opportunities
• Oversees registered student orgs
• Advises 2 activities groups and 3 service groups
LSU FOOD PANTRY

350 LSU Student Union
• Non-perishable goods at no cost for students in need
• Fall 2017 Statistics:
  • 5,451 visits
  • 62,140 pounds of food donated
  • 999 students served
DISABILITY SERVICES

124 Johnston Hall
- Advocates for students with disabilities
- Provides accommodations and support services
# REGISTERED STUDENTS

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GREEK LIFE

472 LSU Student Union
• Oversees 38 Greek organizations
• Manages the recruitment and intake process
• Advises 3 Greek councils and a Greek programming board
STUDENT ADVOCACY & ACCOUNTABILITY

340 LSU Student Union
• Administers the Code of Student Conduct
• Responds to student crisis
• Manages LSU Cares Network
TYPES OF CASES

- Academic integrity
- Behavioral concerns
- Bias reporting
- Grievances
- Hazing
- Sexual assault (Title IX)
YOU CAN PUT TYPOGRAPHY OVER THE IMAGE

COMMITTED TO RESPECT

COMMITTED TO No means NO!

COMMITTED TO Communication and Consent
C.A.R.E TEAM

• Communicate
• Assess
• Refer
• Educate
STUDENT GOVERNMENT

- Advocates for the interests of LSU students
- Includes college councils and the executive, legislative, and judicial branches
- Holds elections each semester
TRANSFER STUDENT PROGRAMS

140 Johnston Hall
• Offers resources and programs for transfer students
• Publishes the Transfer Student Newsletter
• Advises the Tiger Transition Team (T3)
LEAVE YOUR MARK
TRANSFER STUDENT LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
WILLIAM A. BROOKSHIRE
MILITARY & VETERANS STUDENT CENTER

96 Veterans Dr.
• Fosters a community of support for veterans and service members
ODOS RECAP

- Discover
- Engage
- Learn
- Challenge
- Support
“You’re an adult now; start acting like one.”
“Don’t worry about it dear. I’ll call your Dean and take care of it for you.”
Letting go is difficult… but important.

The problem is finding a good balance for challenging and supporting students.
OTHER COMMON CHALLENGES

• Confidence & motivation
• Finances
• Getting involved
• Homesickness
• Roommate issues
CONFIDENCE & MOTIVATION

- Ask questions
- Celebrate small wins
- Get a tutor or join a study group
- Look for resources
- Take advantage of services
FINANCES

• Set up a system
• Create a monthly budget
• Explain credit card debt
• Visit the LSU Student Financial Management Center
GETTING INVOLVED

• Consider getting a campus job
• Get to know faculty & staff
• Join a church or religious center
• Live on campus
• Use ODOS departmental resources
HOMESICKNESS

• Don’t go home every weekend
• Stay active
• Get involved
• Explore service opportunities
ROOMMATE ISSUES

- Allow venting
- Encourage tolerance & compromise
- Urge them to create appropriate solutions
- Suggest getting Resident Assistant involved
OTHER TIPS

- Ask how the student is doing
- Send cards, emails, letters, packages & texts
- Join the LSU Family Association
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