

DEAN OF STUDENTS OFFICE

YOU MATTER

go where you belong.



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Jacksonville State University.

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STATEMENT

The purpose of the Dean of Students Office is to help students **enhance their collegiate experience** by providing co-curricular programs and activities. This promotes a better quality of life and assists students in developing personal leadership skills and community responsibility. The office is student oriented, focused, and willing to serve a diverse student body. The services provided by the Dean of Students Office are intended to complement the educational process and contribute to a well-rounded education so that students may develop physically, socially, spiritually, intellectually, and morally.

Our goal is to help students find their home at JSU. Research shows that student involvement is positively associated with academic achievement. Similar research states that student involvement is a direct indicator of students' sense of belonging. The Dean of Students Office gathered data in Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 that reported 91.5% of students who came to student events reported that the event made them feel like they belonged at JSU. This sense of belonging is known to help students develop academically and socially. Let us help you get involved with SGA, student organizations, Fraternity and Sorority Life, Student Senate, or Student Activities Council to show you that YOU matter at JSU!





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GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

What is SGA?

The Student Government Association has been serving the students of JSU since 1946. The SGA houses the SGA Executive team, Student Senate, Student Activities Council, and Organizational Council. The five executive officers work together as a team to serve the students of JSU through hosting student activities, passing legislation on behalf of students, assisting in the creation and record-keeping processes of registered student organizations, publicizing all functions of student life, and advocating on behalf of the students to the JSU administration and Board of Trustees.



There are 5 SGA Executive Council Officers:

- **The SGA President** regularly meets with JSU President, attends Board of Trustee Meetings, and advocates for the JSU student body.
- **The SGA Vice President of Student Senate** oversees Student Senate, who passes legislation for the betterment of the JSU student body.
- **The SGA Vice President of Student Activities** plans and implements student events and leads the Student Activities Council which is the organization that carries out the events of the SGA and the Dean of Students Office.
- **The SGA Vice President of Organizational Affairs** works with all of the Registered Student Organizations at JSU, and is the head of the Organizational Council.
- **The SGA Vice President of Public Relations** works with the Dean of Students Office and promotes university events and programs.

SGA Exec holds regular weekly office hours, and can be located in the Theron Montgomery Building (TMB) 4th floor in the Dean of Students Office. Feel free to stop by the office, and they can help you get involved!



student **SENATE**

JSU's Student Senate consists of 30 voting senators. Student Senators write bills and resolutions, lead volunteer initiatives, and advocate for the students of JSU. Senate meetings occur on the first and third Mondays of each month at 6:00 PM in the Theron Montgomery Building Auditorium. Stop in and join to stay up to date on the SGA Student Senate! For more information about getting involved in Student Senate, contact the VPSS at sgavpss@stu.jsu.edu.





student **ORGANIZATIONS**

At Jacksonville State University, we realize that there is more to college life than attending classes and studying. Student organizations provide opportunities for new friendships to be formed with individuals that share common interests and assists students in acquiring leadership development and experience through involvement.

Student organizations are a vital part of the educational experience here at JSU and serve as a catalyst for personal and professional development. The skills acquired through being involved with a student organization will benefit students throughout their college experience and life in their chosen career. For more information about getting involved in student organizations, contact the VPOA at sgavpoa@stu.jsu.edu.





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ACTIVITIES COUNCIL

Student Activities Council plays a crucial role in planning, coordinating, and implementing student events at Jacksonville State University. They provide input in the planning of Spirit on Mountain Street, Family Day, Homecoming, Tailgates and many more student activities. The council is led by the SGA Vice President of Student Activities. For more information contact the VPSA at sgavpsa@stu.jsu.edu.

Student Activities Council Learning Objectives:

1. Members will develop skills in event planning, marketing, and implementation.
2. Members will gain leadership skills.
3. Members will gain customer service skills.
4. Members will develop skills in organizational meeting and reporting.

Student Activities Council allows students to:

- Become involved early in the college experience.
- Enhance leadership skills.
- Gain experience in service oriented leadership.
- Accrue volunteer hours.
- Develop skills that transfer into life after college.





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LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Dean of Students Offers a unique array of leadership development opportunities for registered student organizations and individual students. Through the Emerging Leaders Institute, Bringing in the Bystander, and other programming opportunities, JSU students can graduate with skills to help them not only in their job, but all aspects of life.



FRATERNITY *and* SORORITY LIFE

The purpose of Fraternity and Sorority Life at Jacksonville State University is to strengthen the scholarship of members, to foster service within the university and surrounding communities, to encourage and develop leaders, and to create opportunities to participate in a structured social environment. Jacksonville State University provides guidance and support to twenty nationally affiliated fraternities and sororities.





Our Chapters:

Alpha Kappa Alpha
Alpha Phi Alpha
Alpha Omicron Pi
Alpha Tau Omega
Alpha Xi Delta
Delta Chi
Delta Zeta
Delta Sigma Theta
Kappa Alpha Order
Kappa Sigma
Phi Beta Sigma

Pi Kappa Alpha
Pi Kappa Phi
Phi Mu
Sigma Gamma Rho
Sigma Nu
Sigma Phi Epsilon
Zeta Phi Beta
Zeta Tau Alpha
Omega Psi Phi



91%

OF **FRATERNITY AND
SORORITY MEMBERS** SAY...

- they would recommend joining a fraternity/sorority
- understand that fraternity and sorority chapters share basic values and ideals.

93%

OF **FRATERNITY AND
SORORITY MEMBERS** SAY...

- I can articulate the importance of diversity.
- their chapters hold its members to strict academic standards.

93%

OF **FRATERNITY AND
SORORITY MEMBERS** SAY...

- joining a fraternity/sorority has had a positive impact on their life
- they can articulate leadership skills that they have gained through fraternity and sorority life
- increased their social skills through membership in a fraternity/sorority
- they understand that community service and philanthropy work is a core value of fraternity and sorority life.
- they are able to work with people of different backgrounds
- they are able to identify more than one way to be involved in their community

Did you know?

- In 2022, fraternities and sororities raised over \$145,000.00 and volunteered more than 4,622 hours.
- Fraternity & Sorority chapters continue to excel academically with an overall GPA of 3.32 which is higher than the undergraduate average GPA of 2.73.
- Fraternity and Sorority members make up 11% of the Jacksonville State University student population, and they hold more than half of the leadership positions on campus. (The picture on this page with the facts needs to be updated.)





MISS JSU

Scholarship Competition

Miss Jacksonville State University is a closed, local preliminary franchise of the Miss Alabama Competition, Inc. within the Miss America organization. Miss JSU is an annual scholarship competition that awards over \$11,000 in scholarships and prizes.





Miss Jacksonville State University



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