

Middle Georgia State University

Student Student Affairs ANNUAL REPORT 2020-2021

Living Our Mission



Engage

We launched the 3rd Annual MGA Day of Service. 104 students, faculty, and staff volunteered virtually with community partners in our 5 campus communities.



among the best professionals in their fields. They are fantastic individuals with passion for student success and development.



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Our Mission:

The Division of Student Affairs' mission is to **engage**, **develop** and **educate** students at Middle Georgia State University. We pride ourselves on fulfilling the institution's mission, vision, and values through our work in student engagement, student development, and student services at Middle Georgia State University.

Student Affairs Goals:

- Promote diverse opportunities for involvement and development.
- Provide opportunities for developing leadership skills.
- Promote opportunities for civic engagement and service.
- Develop collaborative partnerships on and off campus.

MGA Mission:

Middle Georgia State University educates and graduates inspired, lifelong learners whose scholarship and careers enhance the region through professional leadership, innovative partnerships, and community engagement.

Institutional Vision:

We transform individuals and their communities through extraordinary higher learning.

Values:

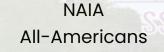
Stewardship, Engagement, Adaptability, Learning



Athletics

Unit Purpose: To provide intercollegiate athletics opportunities for student-athletes to compete as well as students and the rest of the community to enjoy and attend. The department exists to be a co-curricular learning avenue for the student-athletes that is intended to enhance the overall student experience for learning opportunities.





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Student-Athletes named to President's List or Dean's List 116

Total number of student-athletes

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Teams who earned invitations to NAIA Championship Tournaments

All SSAC

Academic Awards

69

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NAIA Scholar Athletes

9

Champions of Character 2020-2021

Highlights

182

- Student-Athlete GPA over 3.0 for second straight year
- Miagh Downey named to two
 Academic All American teams..
- Earned NAIA 5-Star Champions of Character Gold Level

"LIKE MANY THINGS IN LIFE, BEING AN ATHLETE AT MGA CAN BE VERY STRESSFUL. BALANCING CLASSES, SOCCER AND WORK HAS BEEN CHALLENGING BUT THE MEMORIES I HAVE MADE WILL LAST A LIFETIME AND MAKE EVERYTHING WORTH IT" - HOLLIE FRANCIS

Center for Career & Leadership Development 2020/2021 Annual Report

Unit Purpose: The CCLD provides innovative, student-centered career, leadership, and professional development programs and services that prepare and empower students to identify, build, and articulate career and leadership competencies needed to be successful in a competitive, global marketplace. Using best practices from the student affairs profession, we address the holistic needs of students and collaborate with faculty, staff, employers, graduate programs, and community leaders to ensure post-graduation success.



Top Employers for Dec 2020 and May 2021: Robins Air Force Base, Atrium Health at Navicent, HCA Healthcare, GEICO, Middle Georgia State University, Houston County Board of Education, Bibb County Board of Education, Northside Hospital, Department of Defense, Dublin City Schools, Emory Healthcare, Amazon, GA Farm Bureau. Data collected from the MGA Handshake First Destination Survey Data, December 2020 and May 2021

Students & Alumni Participations 1,924 with 1,053 individual students

Student Quote from Career Advising Appointment

"My career advisor was very knowledgeable about the entire career development process. Hearned a lot and feel a lot more confident moving forward in preparing my cover letter, resume, and for the interview itself."





Student Leadership Prog

Knights LEAD Participation Outcomes



- 13 participants with 11 returning to MGA in the fall
- 12/13 students participated in the program fall and spring
- Average GPA: 3.4 (May 2021)

"I learned how to manage time better and all of the free resources I can use to my advantage. The best part I learned is that it's okay to reach out when you are stuck! We all get stuck sometimes!" - Knights LEAD Student

Emerging Leaders Participation Outcomes

- 6 participants were members of the first Knights LEAD cohort
- 12 participants with 11 returning to MGA in the fall
- 9/12 students participated in the program fall and spring
- Average GPA: 3.07 (May 2021)
- "I have enjoyed the different speakers at our meetings because they all presented differently, and I have received excellent advice and helpful tips for my future." - Emerging Leaders Student



total leadership program student participations

with **155 individual students** participating in Knights LEAD, Emerging Leaders, the President's Torch Society, the Student Leadership Conference, and iLEAD)

Faculty & Staff Involvement

18 faculty and staff served as mentors for Knights LEAD & Emerging Leaders. 13 faculty and staff faciliated sessions for Knights LEAD and the Student Leadership Conference.

Community & Alumni Involvement

9 community members (2 were MGA alumni) served as volunteer speakers for Emerging Leaders and the Student Leadership Conference.

Speakers represented the following organizations

- Macon Area Habitat for Humanity
- Bibb County School Board
- Macon Magazine
- Kaitlin Hinson, Attorney at Law
- Georgia Legal Services

- Coliseum Behavioral Health
- HCA Coliseum Healthcare
- Reach to Impact
- Robins Air Force Base.

Student Leadership Conference Participation and Outcomes

The 2021 conference was in-person and featured national speaker, Darryl Bellamy, scheduled through the Campus Speak organization. 100% of 54 survey respondents rated his presentation as Excellent or Good.

- 58% of registered students attended the conference (69 attendees; 120 registered, which met our goal for a socially distanced event.)
- 100% of surveyed attendees said they would recommend the conference to a friend

"Thank you for giving us the chance to come together again safely! This was a light in dark tunnel!" - Student Conference Attendee

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Counseling & Accessibility Services

Unit Purpose: To provide personal, academic, and career counseling services to assist students in the attainment of their personal goals and to provide academic and nonacademic support to the students by addressing limitations due to learning, physical, chronic health, and/or psychological issues.





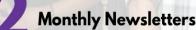
Unit Purpose: To guide and coordinate efforts that support Middle Georgia State University's Statement of Commitment to diversity, inclusion, and equity; to serve as a liaison and collaborative partner in support of the institution's values, mission, and strategic plan; to educate and create awareness in the campus community about diversity, inclusion, equity, multiculturalism, and interaction across differences in a global society.

Cultural

Awareness

Diversity & Inclusion Training

the Numbers



Diversity

Programs Total

Civic Engagement Programs

who responded to post-session surveys agreed that a campus culture of care is fostered through inclusive conversations and self-care/wellness programs

"MGA Expands Diversity Programming And Conversations" MGA TODAY SPRING 2021



"Thank you so much for hosting the speaker and allowing me to participate. The event was wonderful." RE: Spring 2020 Inclusive Introductions Diversity Speaker

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Are You IN? Inclusive Conversations

Let's Talk with SGA

Inclusive Introductions Diversity Speakers

Knights INCLUDED Diversity Trainings

University Calendar of Celebrations

Diversity Office Monthly Newsletters

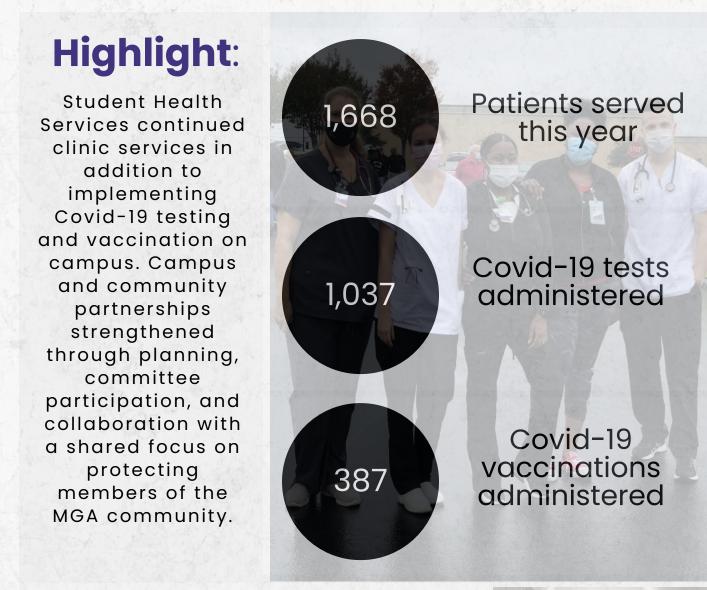
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New

Initiatives

Health Services

Unit Purpose: To assist patients with preventive health care and consultations, thereby minimizing their impact on academic and work progress.



Telehealth visits	214	Staff Awards	3
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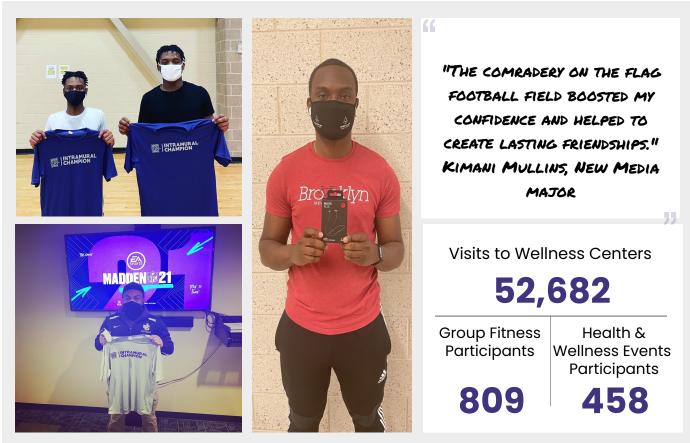
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Partnerships & Collaborations:

- Fresh Check Days with Counseling & BeWell.
- Covid testing with Athletics.
- Health events with Student Life, Title IX, & Diversity.
- Vaccinations with MGA's Department of Nursing.
- Georgia Department of Public Health & the University System of Georgia. 08

Recreation & Wellness

Unit Purpose: To provide facilities and programs which maintain or improve our students' health and wellness by encouraging physical activities that help to teach healthy lifestyles.







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Club Sports Highlight

 The Equestrian team won the Western Team Championship and had riders in the Top 5 finishers of 7 categories.

Intramural Participants

458

Club Sports Participants **51** Outdoor Recreation Trips

Residence Life

86%

Occupancy Rate During a

X

Fall 2020 Overall

Pandemic #COVID.

Unit Purpose: To provide a safe, healthy, and comfortable living-learning environment, conducive to academic and personal success while fostering a sense of community, civic responsibility, and an appreciation for diversity.

By the Numbers . .

1510	Residential Students for Fall 2020
56	Social Programs
33	Educational Programs
88	Percentage of Residents Satisfied/Very Satisfied with RA Programming
241	Lakeview Pointe Inaugural Residents
3	Residence Life Staff Completed their Master's Degrees

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Student Conduct

Unit Purpose: To challenge students' development by teaching responsibility, accountability, civility, and integrity through a holistic and educational student approach, balancing the rights and safety of individual students and the collective MGA community.



"Thank you sir for your consideration and I must say that I do apologize for the heated and tense appeal messages I had. I will say they were both done in the heat of the moment however I do truly appreciate the consideration and the opportunity to have my appeal heard and accepted and I have now followed through the proper channels." -Excerpt from a student appeal related to a policy violation.



Cases heard before student conduct panels; all cases were resolved with the professor or with a conduct officer or with residence life staff.

Highlights

- Due to COVID restrictions, all Student Conduct Board training was conducted virtually through D2L.
- Continued utilizing virtual options (Teams) in addition to face-to-face meetings to discuss adjudication options with students.
- 28.8% decrease in the number of reported academic infractions.
- Continued the strong collaboration with Residence Life to address alleged behavioral infractions in the residence halls, with more consistent reporting.

Student Life

Unit Purpose: To foster meaningful engagement outside of the classroom. Through programming, Student Life also challenges and encourages students as they establish their own identity and develop competence, purpose, and integrity.









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1800 Students attended

Student Life events

Student Life Programs **254**



"SINCE MY TIME HERE I HAVE HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO GROW AS AN INDIVIDUAL, MEET NEW FRIENDS, AND DEVELOP LONG-LASTING PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS." TESIA BAKER, SGA PRESIDENT

Highlights

- 100% of clubs and organizations completed RSO Training.
- We were able to successfully program even during the pandemic (virtually and in-person).

Testing Services

Unit Purpose: To enhance student learning by providing comprehensive, accessible testing services to meet the increasing needs of students, faculty, administrators and community members while maintaining test integrity.

"THE EXPERIENCE WITH TESTING SERVICES WAS SMOOTH AND THE STAFF WERE VERY ATTENTIVE AND COOPERATIVE." MICHAEL ALLEN, MGA STUDENT AND CLEP TESTER

11%

Increase in testing utilization.

By the Numbers . . .

416	People Tested for GA Educator Credentials
358	Accommodated Exams (All Campuses)
245	Accommodated Exams in Macon
396	Nursing Program Entrance Exams
55	DANTES-funded Exams
1518	Total Tests Administered

"I WENT TO THE COCHRAN CAMPUS TO TAKE MY TEAS EXAM + HAD THE BEST EXPERIENCE! MY PROCTOR WAS VERY PROFESSIONAL & HELPFUL! THE ENVIRONMENT WAS PERFECT! IT WAS QUIET & PEACEFUL FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO CONCENTRATE AND FOCUS ON MY EXAM." BENJAMIN PRUITT, TEAS TESTER



Office of Title IX

OFFICE OF TITLE IX

Unit Purpose: To provide support, education, and policy compliance to prevent sexual discrimination and misconduct at Middle Georgia State University and to engage the campus community in creating a safe, supportive, and responsive campus environment.



Awards

Honoring the great work of our student leaders, clubs and organizations, and Student Affairs professionals.

English Students Organization

Outstanding Recognized Student Organization of the Year

Campus Activity Board- Macon CAB

Outstanding Recognized Student Organization Community Service Award

Modupe Oyewole

Champion of Diversity Award



New Professional Award Jason Williams



UnSung Hero Award Erin Garner



Extra Mile Award Jeremy Fish



Distinguished Leadership Award Autumn Lucas



Friend of the Division Award Tara Underwood



Inspiring Leadership Award Jennifer Brannon

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