

Student Success Committee

December 2021

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STUDENT SUCCESS COMMITTEE
2:30 P.M.
DECEMBER 2, 2021
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
SECOND FLOOR, MARTIN HALL, RADFORD, VA

DRAFT
AGENDA

- **CALL TO ORDER** Ms. Krisha Chachra, *Chair*
- **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Ms. Krisha Chachra, *Chair*
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Ms. Krisha Chachra, *Chair*
 - September 9, 2021
- **STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION REPORT** Ms. Grace Hurst, *Student Government Association President*
- **FAMILY MATTERS** Ms. Tricia Smith, *Associate Vice President for Student Life*
Mr. Bruce Hayden, *Associate Dean of Students*
- **STUDENT AFFAIRS REPORT** Dr. Susan Trageser, *Vice President for Student Affairs*
- **OTHER BUSINESS** Ms. Krisha Chachra, *Chair*
- **ADJOURNMENT** Ms. Krisha Chachra, *Chair*

**** All start times for committees are approximate only. Meetings may begin either before or after the listed approximate start time as committee members are ready to proceed.**

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ms. Krisha Chachra, Chair
Dr. Debra McMahon, Vice Chair
Ms. Lisa Pompa
Mr. Marquett Smith
Ms. Lisa Throckmorton
Ms. Grace Hurst, Non-voting Student Advisory Member

December 2021 Meeting Materials

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Introduction: Grace Hurst



Student Government Association President

Trunk or Treat - Riverlawn Elementary



Fall Events



Senate

- Mental Wellness Promotion Resolution
- Archives Committee



Justin McLaughlin, Vice President

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Cabinet and Staff

- Sports Tailgates
- Volunteer Days
- Athletics Partnerships
- Voting Encouragement
- Faculty Appreciation Week
- Sustainability



Paige Hopkins, Chief of Staff

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Activities

- Expand relationships with other student organizations
- Ring Ceremony
 - April 24
- SGA Member Recruitment for 2022-2023



Erlinda Tellez, Chief Activities Officer

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Finance

- Recruited new Student Finance Committee members
- Assigned liaison to SGA funded organizations
- Trained new SGA Executive Board members on Student Finance Committee policies
- Website



Justin Meeks, Chief Financial Officer

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Questions?

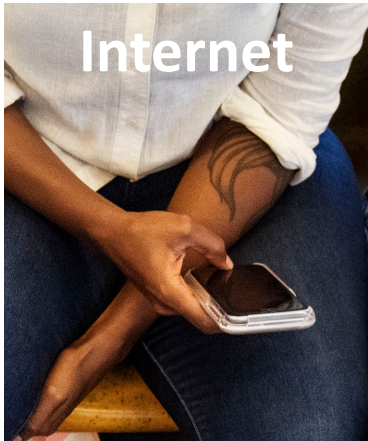
Family Matters

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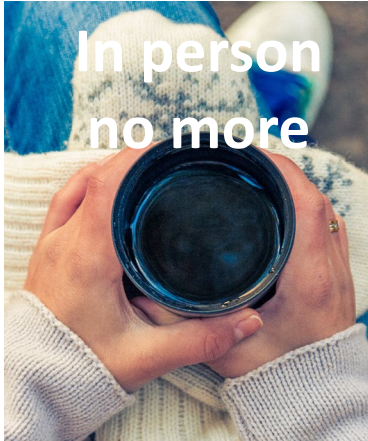
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In no hurry



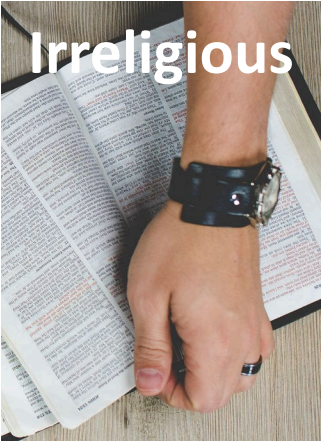
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In person
no more



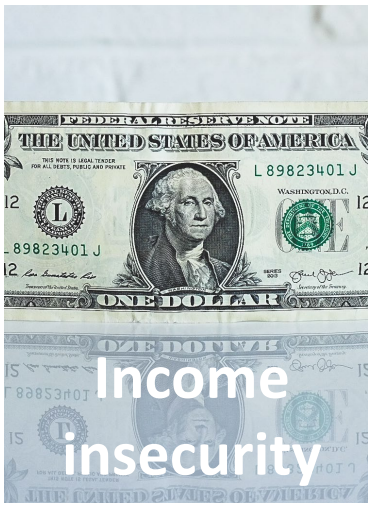
Insecure



Irreligious



Insulated
but not
intrinsic



Income
insecurity



Indefinite



Inclusive



Independent

Families and Universities



Heth House dormitory, 1913



1969 student decorating
her dorm room



Helicopter parent

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Families Today

- Increased diversity
- Multiple demands
- More connected
- World events
- Student desire

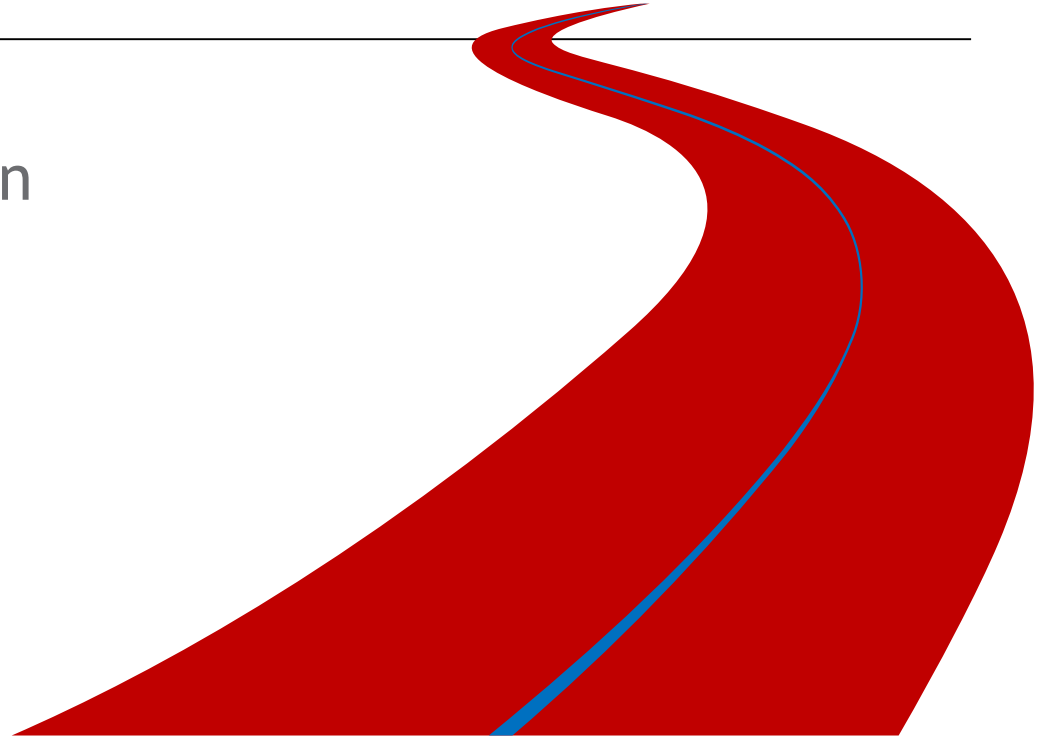
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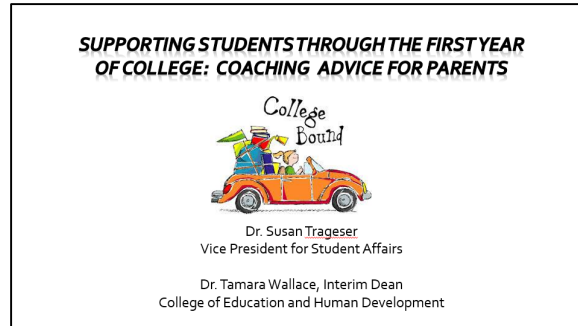
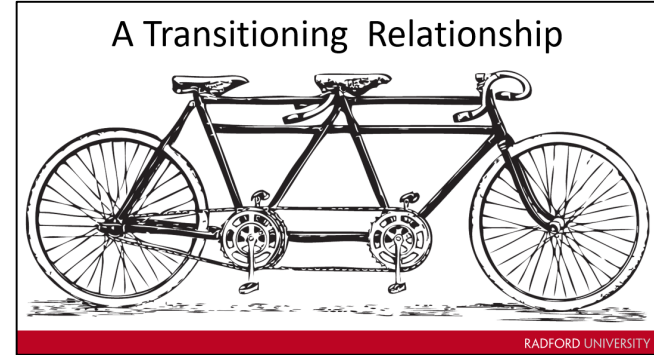
Health or Safety Exception

Family Conversations

- Transitions
- Academics
- Involvement
- Safety
- Responsibility

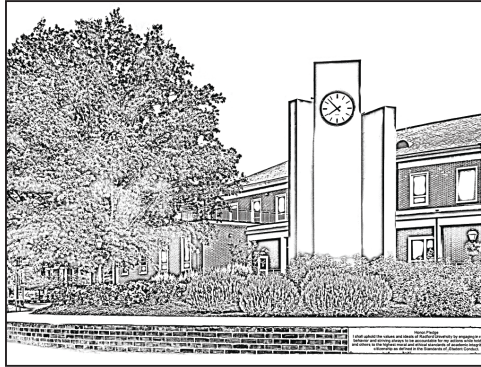
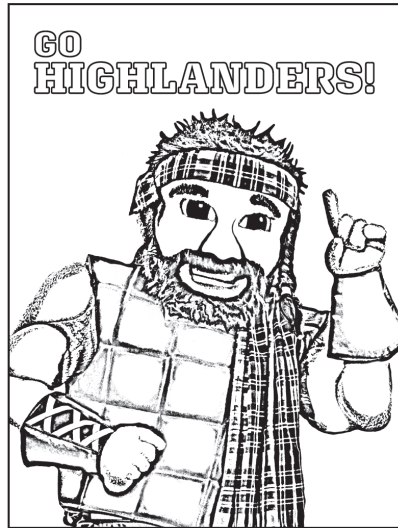


Presentations



#RADFORDFIRSTGEN Highlander!

Touchpoints



Dear Radford Family:



Register Today for the Spring 2020

HIGHLANDER FAMILY COURSE

Mondays 7:00pm - 8:00pm
January 27th - March 2nd

<https://tinyurl.com/RadFamClass20>



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Student Affairs Update

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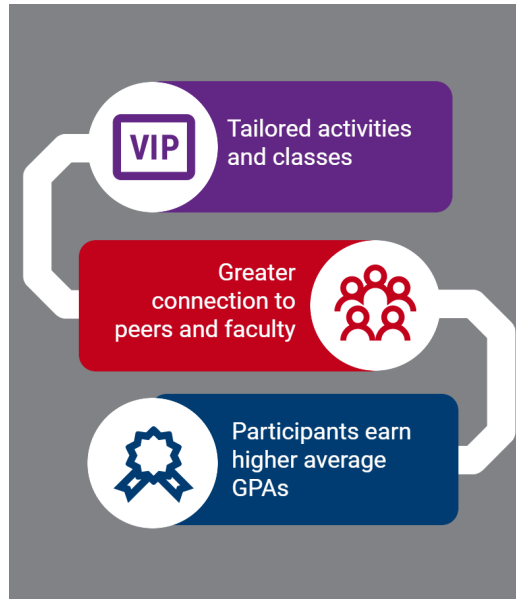
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Living-Learning Communities



Accelerated Research Opportunities

Biology Connections

Community of Artists

Community of Makers

ECO Connections

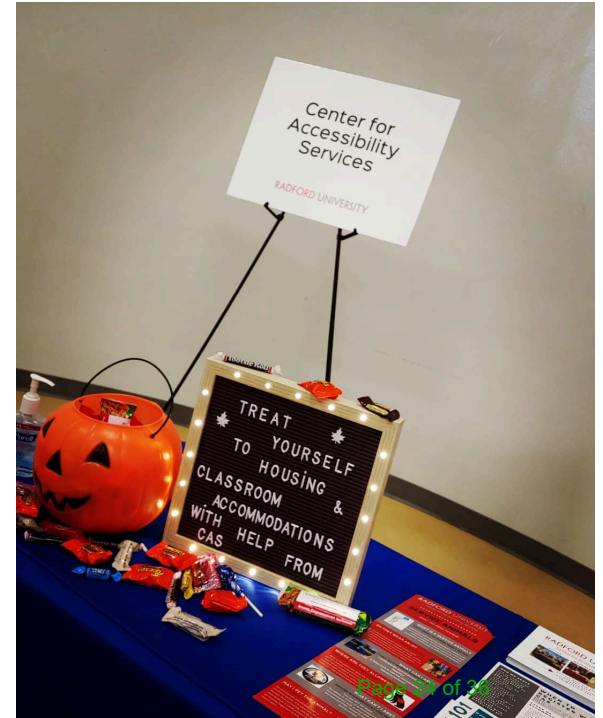
Entrepreneurship Learning Community

The Schoolhouse

Center for Accessibility Services



- Programming
- CART
- Trends



Center for Diversity and Inclusion

Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Training



Culturally responsive DEI trainings will cover the topics of understanding privilege, allyship, advocacy, setting boundaries, and developing self care routines to support these initiatives.

September 28, October 28, November 18,

January 27, February 24, March 24, April 28, and May 26

10:00 am - 3:00 pm, Heth Hall 14

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You must attend the entire training to receive a certificate.

UBUNTU

I am because we are

Please join us
for our

September Ubuntu Series

September 13 - 17, 2021

Celebrating
Hispanic Heritage Month

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Feel Good Fridays

Self Care Awareness



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Center for Diversity and Inclusion
Student Recreation and Wellness



Fraternity and Sorority Life

Recommitment to philanthropy and service across all chapters and councils.



Student Involvement



Center for Opportunity and Social Mobility celebrated National First-Generation Student Day on November 8.



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Student Recreation and Wellness

Fall 2021 Updates:

- Annual REC FEST event brought in approximately 500 students
- Re-introduced faculty/staff fitness classes in Peters Hall
- ReNew the New collected 3000 lbs. of trash

Fall 2021 Utilization Numbers:

- **SRWC Access:** 30,523 visits | **Intramurals:** 1492 participations
- **Group X:** 1,253 participations | **RUO:** 102 unique participants
- **Peters Hall F/S:** 234 participations

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8 DIMENSIONS OF

STUDENT WELLNESS

BE YOU. BE WELL.

Academic



Mental



Emotional



Physical



Environmental



Social



Financial



Spiritual



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Substance Abuse and Violence Education Support Services (SAVES)

- Recovery Support Specialist
- Recovery Month Keynote Speaker



Student Counseling Services

- Healthy Minds Survey
- Group Therapy Offerings

GROUP THERAPY OFFERINGS

WHEN
FALL 2021

WHERE
STUDENT COUNSELING SERVICES
LOWER LEVEL OF TYLER HALL

GROUPS OFFERED THIS SEMESTER

Anxiety & College Students - Mondays 1-2:15 p.m.

Acceptance & Commitment Therapy - Mondays 3-4:15 p.m.

Understanding Self & Others - Tuesdays 11 a.m. -12:15 p.m.

Freshman Experience Group - Tuesdays 2-3 p.m.

Understanding Self & Others - Wednesdays 3-4:15 p.m.

Getting Unstuck - Wednesdays 3-4 p.m.

Anxiety Toolbox - Wednesdays 3-4 p.m.

Understanding Self & Others - Thursdays 11 a.m. -12:15 p.m.

Understanding Self and Others - Thursdays 5pm & 6:30pm

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Student Counseling Services



**OPEN TO ALL
ENROLLED
UNIVERSITY
STUDENTS!**

WHY IS GROUP BENEFICIAL?

Group therapy helps individuals see that they are not alone and that others share similar struggles. It also gives you the opportunity to receive and give support to others.

INTERESTED?

Call to schedule your consultation appointment today at (540) 831-8226!

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Minutes

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SEPTEMBER 9, 2021
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM
MARTIN HALL, SECOND FLOOR, RADFORD, VA

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Debra K. McMahan, Vice Chair
Ms. Lisa W. Pompa
Mr. Marquett Smith
Ms. Lisa Throckmorton
Ms. Grace Hurst, Non-Voting Student Advisory Member

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT

Ms. Krisha Chachra, Chair

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Mark Lawrence
Ms. Nancy Angland Rice

OTHERS PRESENT

Dr. Carolyn R. Lepre, Interim President

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Debra McMahan, Vice Chair, formally called the meeting to order 2:30 p.m. in the Executive Conference Room in Martin Hall.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Dr. McMahan asked for a motion to approve the September 9, 2021 meeting agenda for the Student Success Committee, as published. Ms. Lisa Throckmorton so moved, Mr. Marquett Smith seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. McMahan asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2021 meeting of the Student Success Committee, as published. Ms. Throckmorton so moved, Mr. Smith seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Student Government Association (SGA) President Grace Hurst presented SGA's goals for 2021-2022 academic year, including collaborate with other organizations, encourage student

engagement, promote mental health resources and advocate for student needs. SGA held several welcome back events for all students during the first two weeks of the semester. Students could take First Day of Class photos outside Heth Hall to send to their families. SGA has established new committees on parking, mental wellness and SGA Constitution revisions. Through a collaboration with the Center for Career and Talent Development, events will be held to prepare students for the Career Fair. Ms. Hurst also reported on events and initiatives SGA has planned for the fall semester, such as a talent show, costume contest, school supply drive for the local elementary schools, wellness week programming, and a holiday parade.

Vice President for Student Affairs Susan Trageser, Ed.D., Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students Angie Mitchell, and Associate Vice President for Student Life Tricia Smith gave a presentation outlining how Student Affairs staff are intentional in their approach to promoting student success and building a sense of belonging focusing on academic belonging, social belonging, campus community belonging and connections to the larger community through off-campus belonging.

Dr. Trageser shared the Models of Practice that frames the Student Affairs work, including the eight tenets upon which it is based. Ms. Mitchell and Ms. Smith shared examples throughout the presentation for each tenet. *Student-centered* included extending Student Counseling Services until 8 p.m. to better meet the needs of students. Tele-behavioral health appointments that were utilized during the pandemic will continue to be available to students increasing access over breaks and to fully online students. SAVES received grant funding to employ a Recovery Support Specialist and enhance the Recovery Lounge. As part of the grant, each campus receives a bicycle that allows the Recovery Specialist to travel around campus to meet and talk to students while offering coffee and tea. A club finder option has been added to RUInvolved. This allows students to indicate interests and matches them to a club.

Related to the *Caring* tenet, the Highlander Food Pantry, that is open to all members of the Highlander Community, became a project for sociology classes with the assistance of Dr. Beth Lyman. The students provided marketing strategies and interns to staff the pantry. The Citizen Leader Program is also incorporating the pantry as a service opportunity for students. Related to the second tenet, *Inclusion*, a seven- week Ubuntu (I am because they are) series was started this fall that will cover various social equity and inclusion topics. All employees and students are invited to attend.

Related to the *Collaborative* tenet, the second cohort of the Bridge Program started this semester. New River Community College has designated an advisor for the program that will divide her time between the campuses. The Bridge Program participants are living as themed community in Ingles Hall. The family series that began in 2019 will be restarted this fall. Families will be invited to participate in weekly informational sessions to better understand timelines and processes to assist their student.

Related to the *Learner Focused* and *Excellence* tenets, Student Affairs received funding through the Strategic Investment Proposals for three initiatives. The Center for Opportunity and Social Mobility opened this semester and will provide support, assistance, employment and programming for first-generation students. An Esports Arena will also be opened this fall to be a home for the largest club on campus with over 200 members. The new Assistant Director of ESports will be the coach for this club and also recruit at high schools. A consulting firm has

been hired to review and assess our Fraternity and Sorority Life area and to assist in strategy development as the University works to realign the culture with greater focus on founding values and community pillars.

Related to the *Efficiency* tenet, COVID-19 drove many positive changes, including holding Traditions Week online. Participating students received a gift; there was a 114% increase in participation over the previous year. Telehealth was continued. Family groups that included an upper classman paired with 12 freshmen helped address social distancing issues while still bringing students together for regular, weekly activities.

Related to the final tenet, *Team Oriented*, a Call Center was established last fall to manage the volume of calls related to COVID-19. Staff from all divisions of the University have been trained and assist throughout the day, early evenings and weekends.

Fall residence hall move-in was held over a five-day period with assistance from departments across campus. Welcome Back events were held at the beginning of the semester, including New Student Convocation, Welcome Back Bash, Movies on the Lawn, and Family Group meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. McMahon adjourned the meeting at 3:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Jenni Tunstall
Executive Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs
Secretary to the Committee

End of Board of Visitors Materials

