



## DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

### SPRING 2023

#### Message from Tammy and Fr. John

As we wind down the academic year, we encourage you, both individually and with your teams, to take time to celebrate, reflect, and assess your work this past year. First and foremost, celebrate your hard work and dedication. The role of a student affairs professional, whether that be in student services or student programming, is often challenging, demanding, and sometimes thankless so THANK YOU. Take a pause to thank yourself and your team for doing such important, impactful, and difficult work. Reflect on how you showed up this year in your work and in your personal life. We are all on a journey of constant discovery and change. What do you want to continue doing? What do you want to do more of? What do you want to change? Finally, assess your work to enable you to implement small, medium and large changes as you move into the upcoming academic year. Continual improvement is foundational to how we show up for ourselves, each other and our students. Wishing you joy, rest and rejuvenation in these upcoming summer months.

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## UPDATES

### Office of Student Affairs

In collaboration with ASUP, Division of Student Affairs celebrated our annual [Leadership Awards ceremony](#) event on 4/13/2023 with 200+

student leaders. Sixteen student leaders, one faculty, five staff, and one student organization received awards for exemplifying leadership and significantly contributing to the University's mission during the 2022-2023 academic year.

## Campus Ministry

- In partnership with the Gender and Sexuality Partnership (GSP), Campus Ministry helped plan a prayer vigil at the Bell Tower for **National Coming Out Day**. The program was recognized with an award for ASUP's Event of the Year at the [Student Affairs Leadership Awards 2023 ceremony](#).
- We adopted and piloted a *Spes Unica* retreat this year, with attendance from student leaders and retreatants. The retreat provides opportunities for small group discussions, community building, prayer experiences, and talks by student leaders on several paradoxes of the Christian life (*to lead you must serve; to gain your life you must lose it*).
- In addition to Holy Cross priests and Brothers serving as pastoral residents, we continued pastoral care to Villa Maria and Mehling Halls, which did not have pastoral residents this year. Sr. Maura Behrenfeld, FSE provided special programming for residents in Mehling Hall. Hall Masses were celebrated with the assistance of Rev. Robert Loughery, CSC.

## Campus Safety

Let us wish Michael Kranyak, interim director of Campus Safety, a fond farewell. During the transition, Gerry Gregg, formerly UP's Campus Safety director, will serve the department as outside consultant.

## Moreau Center for Service and Justice

- Participants in the Border Immersion shared their “Reflections on Migration” experience with the UP community at Founder’s Day 2023. [Read more on the blog >](#)
- 17 students earned Community Service Work Study working with 7 community partners.
- Campus Volunteer Coordinators (CVC) students participated in service opportunities with L’Arche Portland, Harvest Homes Senior Living, Roosevelt High SUN Program, and North Portland SUN Program.

## Residence Life

- Office of Residence Life spearheaded and led efforts for UP to restore the overnight component of the annual [Weekend on the Bluff](#) (WOTB) admissions event. Hosted by current resident students, 100+ admitted students stayed overnight in UP’s residence halls on April 1st after attending the WOTB day program.
- Shipstad Hall pauses its housing operation for renovations and facilities upgrades during 2023-2024 school year. [Read article >](#)

## Student Activities

- [The Beacon](#) won a Silver Crown Award from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association for overall excellence in online news, and The Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) Region 10 awarded the Beacon six first place regional awards.
- Campus Program Board's [Rock the Bluff concert](#) featuring *Dayglow* and *Isaac Dunbar* drew over 1,700 students and their Flavors of PDX event sold out (800 tickets).
- Three clubs earned invitations to national tournaments this year: Women’s Volleyball, Women’s Ultimate Frisbee, and Women’s Lacrosse.
- Approximately 850 different events were posted in [Engage](#), UP’s student involvement platform.

## Student Health Center

- The Health Center team participated in various outreach events this semester including Wellness Wednesdays, free testing events, and health outreach events in the residence halls.
- As study abroad programs return, the Health Center is busy providing travel physicals, immunization guidance, and consultation to students as they prepare for their experience abroad. The Health Center offers these appointments for any [student planning to travel abroad](#) for vacation or academics.
- Appointments for mental health medication evaluation and management continue to be in high demand. If you know of a student who might benefit from speaking with a healthcare provider about their mental health, please advise to call the Health Center x7134 to schedule an appointment.

## Wellness Center

- Recommitted to suicide prevention and being a Jed Foundation campus, [Wellness Education and Prevention](#) (WEP) provided education and prevention programming (includes Jed Foundation "You Can Help a Student/Friend" workshops) to over 1,500 students this academic year.
- WEP developed and published [UP's Alcohol and Drug Prevention & Education Program 2022 Biennial Review](#).
- An [online form](#) is available for UP staff, faculty, and students to request a Wellness Education and Prevention training (Jed Foundation's "You Can Help A Student", and "You Can Help A Friend", and Green Dot).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **4/28** (3-6pm, Academic Quad): Wellness Day
- **5/6 to 5/7:** [Commencement 2023](#)

- 6/22 to 6/25: [Alumni Reunion Weekend 2023](#)
- 8/8 to 8/11: [Green Dot Facilitator Training](#) (for faculty and staff)



## Green Dot at UP

[Green Dot](#) is an anti-violence initiative aimed at decreasing and preventing the occurrence of power-based personal violence, including dating and domestic violence, stalking, sexual assault and other forms of harassment, threat and intimidation toward an individual. [Learn more](#) >



## Past Event

### **Building Bridges: How the Catholic Church and the LGBTQ Community Can Live Out Gospel Inclusion**

Co-sponsored by the [Garaventa Center](#), Student Affairs, Campus Ministry, and [OIDEI](#) presented a livestream webinar with Fr. James Martin, S.J. [Read article](#) >

[View recording](#)

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**NEW TO THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS**



### **Brittani Klindworth**

A UP alumni, Brittani transitioned as the Associate Director for Support and Development at [Residence Life](#). She previously served as Hall Director for UP's Lund Family Hall, and Assistant Director at University of South Carolina.



### **Elizabeth Parkman**

Elizabeth joined the [Office of Student Activities](#) team, as Associate Director for Student Engagement. She previously served as the Vice President of the Friends of Peninsula Park Rose Garden and as a docent at the Portland Art Museum. She holds a master's degree from Georgetown University and lives in North Portland with her family.



### **Carrina McNerney**

A UP alumni, Carrina joined the Offices of [Campus Ministry](#) and [Moreau Center for Service and Justice](#) as part-time Office Manager. She volunteers at the Holy Cross Catholic School and Church, and previously worked at Trillium Family Services.

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**HAVE AN EVENT OR STORY TO SHARE?**

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