THE YEAR IN REVIEW

With a look ahead
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DEAR FRIENDS,

When I started this journey as the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs in July of 2019, my top priorities focused on our students and staff. I never imagined that a global pandemic would now be a part of this equation. Through it all, our commitment to these priorities has never waned. The Division of Student Affairs continues to enhance the student experience and to prepare our graduates to be leaders, thinkers and change agents. And helping us meet the needs of our students are our remarkable and dedicated Student Affairs professionals who continue to show up and provide the best programs and services for our students.

On the following pages, you will see a small portion of the work that our units have accomplished in the past year, all in the name of our students. While this is just a snapshot of their work, I am deeply appreciative of our staff for pivoting at a moment’s notice to continue providing the necessary support and programs to ensure our students’ success.
I hope that you will take a moment to reflect on the great work accomplished by our division. I also hope that you will continue to support our students and staff as they navigate our new normal.

All my best,

Willie L. Banks Jr., Ph.D.
Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs

“As a student assistant in Office of the Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs, I am thankful to be surrounded by a supportive cohort and professional staff that work in tandem to ensure we all thrive in the workspace. Overall, Student Affairs has broadened my understanding of the collective process taken toward achieving accessible higher education to supplement our academic and life goals. I keep in mind my appreciation for that process to foster my compassion as I strive toward a future in healthcare.”

~ Amira Nuñez ’21
Biological Sciences major,
Medical Anthropology minor
WHAT WE DO

In Student Affairs we recognize that this has been a challenging year of unknowns. We’ve had to adjust and change course at a moment’s notice, create new approaches to our regular duties and activities, and discover new ways of connecting with one another. We continue to face these challenges head-on with commitment and resilience, achieving unexpected and even extraordinary things with the resources at hand.

WHAT OUR WORK MEANS TO THE CAMPUS

The Office of the Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs supports the division’s goals and objectives through events and activities that promote student engagement. Our work is vital to the student experience ensuring that students have access to the full range of services offered by the division. Our work complements our students’ academic experience by providing meaningful activities that meet students’ interests while fostering their personal growth and development. In short, we strive to develop the whole student in preparation for life after UCI.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

In addition to providing leadership and support to programs and units in Student Affairs, notable efforts for the year included:

55TH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT – Produced UCI’s first campus-wide virtual ceremony

COMBATING ANTI-BLACK RACISM SERIES – Student Affairs initiated a series of programs and produced resources to engage staff in current national climate issues related to anti-Black racism. Programs featured a two-part workshop series, LEAN IN & LEARN: ANTI-BLACK RACISM WORKSHOPS, a COMMON READ CONVERSATION: HOW TO BE AN ANTIRACIST, and creation of the online STAFF RESOURCE GUIDE: GUIDANCE ON HOW TO COMBAT ANTI-BLACK RACISM.

UNITS & DIRECTORS

Anita Iannucci, Ph.D.  
ASSESSMENT, RESEARCH & EVALUATION

Kelly Carland  
COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES & SPECIAL EVENTS

Cynthia Love  
COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING

Tiana Johnson  
DEVELOPMENT & GIVING

Mark Deppe  
UCI ESPORTS
**Campus Efforts on Asymptomatic Testing & Compliance** – Communication and coordination of campuswide COVID-19 related messaging directed to students along with their parents and families with an additional focus on the cohort who continued to reside on campus in student housing.

**EverFi** – Transitioned required online learning modules on alcohol education and sexual assault prevention to a new online platform for 10,000 incoming students.

**CampusGroups** – Student Affairs implemented the CampusGroups platform to leverage UCI’s vibrant campus life into the digital realm. This campuswide engagement system promotes connection, collaboration and success by providing departments, units and campus organizations with feature-rich tools for organizational management, workflows, event promotion and management, scheduling, data gathering and more.

**Esports** – The online environment is familiar to esports players and gamers. UCI Esports transitioned easily by partnering with Campus Recreation’s intramural sports program offering a wider selection of games and supporting more tournaments.

**Student Affairs Employee of the Month** – Division-wide employee recognition program was initiated to acknowledge staff contributions serving to boost employee engagement and morale. Employees are nominated by their colleagues with final selections from each of the division’s clusters determined by campus partners outside of Student Affairs.

**The View Ahead**

Our priorities will continue to focus on student development and well-being, and supporting staff in the post-COVID work environment. We look forward to documenting a division-wide strategic plan for 2020-25 with completion targeted for early 2022. Our intention is that the experience of serving students while working remotely informs our efforts to embrace new approaches to providing meaningful and innovative avenues for student success.

“Working within OVCSA allowed me to grow professionally because of the amazing and supportive staff. The diverse workload that came from the different departments helped me develop a much more well-rounded set of skills, as well as giving me a future professional direction. My experiences working alongside the creative director have me excited to pursue a career in marketing, which might have been something I wouldn’t have discovered if not for the opportunities provided to me by OVCSA.”

~ Wilfredo Murillo ’21
(anticipated)
Political Science and International Studies, School of Social Sciences
WHAT WE DO & WHAT OUR WORK MEANS TO THE CAMPUS

This past year has been fraught with unimaginable challenges, economic hardships and painful events. It was a year of innovation and resilience. We have been called on as never before to move with speed and intention to adapt to a new pandemic reality while focusing on people, environment and fiscal responsibility. Despite the insurmountable challenges, we have fulfilled our mission by providing quality products, services and co-curricular experiences to all our campus stakeholders in support of the university’s teaching, research and public service mission.

In the wake of the demonstrations against police violence toward Black Americans and the resulting national conversation on race, our management team launched an initiative to reaffirm our commitment to inclusion and equity by mandating Managing Implicit Bias training for all managers and supervisors.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

When the state went into lockdown and the campus closed its instruction and research facilities in the spring of 2020, our dedicated and essential Auxiliary Services staff remained on site to respond to campus and student needs. Despite the difficult times, our staff served with integrity, respect and passion. While responding to the worldwide emergency, our team of professionals was able to attain the following international, national and regional awards:

• **UCI DINING** awarded 2019 national Grand Prize for Sustainability from National Association of College University Food Services (NACUFS)

• **STUDENT CENTER** received 2019 Circle of Excellence Silver Award in General Advancement: Professional Development from Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE)

• **STUDENT CENTER** received 2020 California Team Excellence Award (CTEA) from California Awards for Performance Excellence (CAPE) Program
• STUDENT CENTER received 2020 Excellence in Student Training Programs award from Association of College Unions International (ACUI)

• STUDENT HOUSING earned LEED Platinum award for Middle Earth Towers from US Green Building Council (USGBC)

• CARD OFFICE earned 2020 best card design from the National Association of Campus Cards Users (NACCU)

• STUDENT GOVERNMENT STUDENT MEDIA received 2020 Best Practice Award in Sustainable Transportation for “Transition from a Bio-Diesel to Electric Transit Fleet” from California Higher Education Sustainability Conference (CHESC)

THE VIEW AHEAD

We look forward to the years ahead as we adapt to a new way of serving our students while continuing to provide best-in-class services for students and the campus in the areas of housing, dining, retail, shuttle and event management.
**Student Housing**

- **1,380+** total students employed by Auxiliary Services
- **15,770** total beds
- **1,472** in-person events
- **251** virtual events

**Housing Sustainability/Sustainability Resource Center**

- **52** sustainability programs
  - Virtual Earth Week, coordinated in conjunction with UCI Sustainability
  - Little Ants Nature School coordinated with digital resources for children

**Dining Services**

“The events and special days are great. I have the 7-day meal plan and never worry about needing to get food somewhere else because the food here is great. I’m honestly eating better and healthier than I did at home so that’s really helping with getting used to my first year at college.”

~ Anonymous student

**The Hill**

- **$313,000** saved by students on coursebook used sales & rentals

**Student Government Student Media**

- **166** total ASUCI & AGS student legislations

**Student Media**

- **429** “Safe at Home” shows produced by KUCI

**UNITS & DIRECTORS**

- Stacy Weidner, Barnes & Noble College Booksellers
- Lin Tang, Dining Services
- Amy Schulz, Student Center & Event Services
- Stephanie Van Ginkel, Student Government
- Tim Trevan, Student Housing
MORE 2019-20 HIGHLIGHTS

Student Center & Event Services (SCES)

24,849 events booked
July 1, 2019 – March 10, 2020

2,187 unique attendees at Zoom events

102 summer conferences

SCES

“Working as a Software Developer at the Student Center was an invaluable opportunity that empowered me to have great impact at UC Irvine and gain real-world working experience where I could apply and grow my computer science skills. I found that the organization’s culture is especially unique in that it places a high degree of trust in its students, enabling them to flourish in leadership opportunities that aren’t often found in a typical student job... I am proud to have been able to contribute to the team’s continued success.”

~ Daniel Shih ’19
Information and Computer Science

Dining Services

3,039,938 meals served

68 themed programs

1,292 isolation meals individually delivered

145 video productions

874 Starship deliveries in its first 3 weeks of operation

498 pieces of new furniture installed for study spaces & lounges

72 unique attendees at Zoom events

2,187 isolation meals individually delivered

102 themed programs

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Student life at UCI is vibrant and the charge of Student Life & Leadership (SLL) is to ensure students know they belong and matter, and encourage involvement in the learning environment while promoting positive mentoring throughout. We are committed to equity and inclusion and bring a social justice lens to the student development work we do in each of our centers.

I would like to express my deep appreciation to the professional staff of SLL and the dedicated work they put forth in prioritizing students first, ensuring UCI students are cultivating skills inside and outside of the classroom to position themselves as future leaders in our community and in the world.

WHAT WE DO

Student Life & Leadership supports the intellectual, personal, social and professional development of all students. Student Life & Leadership offers education and skill development opportunities that enhance academic success and prepare students for their leadership roles in a diverse, dynamic and global society.

WHAT OUR WORK MEANS TO THE CAMPUS

SLL plays an integral role in the holistic development of students. We complement academic learning by intentionally structuring programs and services to support students in their growth and identity. We are focused on the quality of the student experience and student well-being, while promoting inclusive excellence in all settings.
SLL units prioritize cultivating campus partnerships in order to maximize our outreach to students in various settings.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

This past year, our units were able to pivot all services to a remote delivery model in a very short time. We established a new Latinx Resource Center while adding new permanent directors in the Womxn's Hub, Cross-Cultural Center, DREAM Center, Sorority & Fraternity Life, Veteran Services Center and Office of Academic Integrity & Student Conduct. We also made plans for structural changes anticipating future organizational growth in the cluster.

THE VIEW AHEAD

In 2020-21, we will reorganize the reporting structure in Student Life & Leadership by adding an Associate Dean of Students position as well as adding Student Government Student Media and the Sustainability Resource Center to our cluster. We will continue to work virtually while planning for our eventual return to campus to support student life at UCI.

“SOAR helped our organization, WYSE (Women & Youth Supporting Each other), tremendously in a time when we needed it most. Our small executive team was having difficulties with our school site and with financially affording to provide afterschool sessions when our school site was pushing new requirements onto our members. Because we were approved for a SOAR grant, the financial burden placed on our mentors was lifted and we received more than just financial help through extensive training on working with minors, resources and support from SOAR staff such as director Paulina Raygoza!”

~ Brianna Acosta '20
Psychology and Social Behavior; Criminology Law and Society
UNITS & DIRECTORS

Sherwynn Umali
ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS

Miguel Hernández,
Ed.D.
ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENTS

Kim Burdett, Ph.D.
Office of Academic Integrity & Student Conduct

Adelí Durón
Latinx Resource Center

Dani Molina,
Ph.D.
VETERAN SERVICES CENTER

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Dani Molina,
Ph.D.
VETERAN SERVICES CENTER

Center for Black Cultures, Resources & Research

Began STEM partnership at Long Beach high schools to expand the pipeline to college for Black students

Center for Student Leadership

New Student Orientation programs shifted from in-person to fully online in the span of 3 months

Provided 6,000+ first-years and hundreds of transfer students with a high quality, impactful virtual experience

Cross-Cultural Center

45th Anniversary Celebration

Dr. Joseph White Lecture featured Yusef Salaam of the Exonerated Five

5 students awarded $1,000 each for the inaugural Dr. Joseph L. White Scholarship

Campus Organizations & Volunteer Programs

622 registered campus organizations served
### Womxn’s Hub

**EmpowerHER Summit**

Brought students, faculty and staff together in February

### Student Outreach & Retention Center (SOAR)

**5,500**

Approximately predominantly-underrepresented student visits

### Academic Integrity & Student Conduct

- Developed process for COVID-19 related conduct compliance
- MOU developed with American Campus Communities student housing for their incident report and conduct adjudication system
- Developed online Academic Integrity training for all new students as part of orientation

### DREAM Center

- Developed and administered legal fee assistance
- Awarded over **$9,000** in legal fee support
- Established a need-based scholarship program to support students facing COVID-19 challenges

### FRESH Basic Needs Hub

- **Food pantry visits**
  - 4,703 students
  - 22,279 visits
- Launched Zot Bites enlisting **80+** campus partners to donate after-event meals

“**I am so unbelievably grateful and appreciative of this school’s food pantry. It takes the discouraging experience of being poor and having to see your children go without ... and restores dignity and sense of purpose among its users.**”

— *Anonymous student*

### Latinx Resource Center

**Established Fall 2019**

### International Center

- Served **10,030** International Students & Scholars from more than **100** countries
- Offered **89** in-person and virtual cultural, social and immigration events
- **406** student participants in the English Conversation Program and I-STEPs Course

### Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Resource Center

- $**24,000** in student scholarships awarded

### Veteran Services Center

UCI ranked among Top Veteran-Serving Schools in 2020 — *U.S. Veterans Magazine*

- Developed and launched a secure, efficient technology platform to ensure accuracy of U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) education benefit processing and university records for UCI’s **370+** military-connected students

### Sorority & Fraternity Life

- More than **500** students completed the new Anti-Hazing module during summer 2020

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WHAT WE DO

Our units assist students with a wide array of issues related to psychological counseling, disability-related services, assault and intimate partner violence support, recreational sports and fitness activities, a full range of health care services, and health/wellness education. We also support the early childhood education of the children in our community.

The mission of the Wellness, Health & Counseling Services cluster is to support the campus’ goal of being first in class by providing services that support students’ physical and mental health and wellness to enhance their academic success.

WHAT OUR WORK MEANS TO THE CAMPUS

Our work allows students to get the support they need. Whether it is connecting students to basic needs such as food and housing resources, providing mental health services, providing assistive technology so students with disabilities have full access to their academic coursework, or educating the campus community about ways of preventing sexual violence, our staff is involved in all aspects of the student experience. Our work allows students to prioritize their mental and physical well-being so they can focus on their academics.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

There is perhaps no accomplishment during the 2019-20 academic year greater than the swift and comprehensive move to remote services in March.
of 2020. **Campus Recreation** provided classes to viewers online, **Student Health** and the **Counseling Center** moved quickly to telehealth services, and **Child Care Services** even provided remote enrichment activities to enrolled children. Using technological solutions, our offices pivoted quickly and comprehensively so that students could continue to get support while adapting to the new reality of the pandemic.

Another point of pride during the 2019-20 academic year is Student Health’s pivotal role educating the campus about COVID-19 and creating testing protocols to help slow the spread of the virus.

**THE VIEW AHEAD**

During the 2020-21 academic year, the Wellness, Health & Counseling Services cluster will continue to define what it means to provide support services in a remote environment. Anticipating the mental health toll that a prolonged quarantine might create, services will be designed in order to mitigate some of the stress and loneliness that have emerged because of the pandemic. Further, the burgeoning racial climate in America provides additional opportunity for us to highlight culturally-sensitive programming, receive anti-racism training, and support the campus’ inclusive excellence efforts.
AVC Office
256 applicants to the Anteater Pledge Ambassadors program - Students, staff, faculty passionate about educating and impacting the campus community in a positive way about COVID-19

Center for Student Wellness & Health Promotion
6,335 total student engagements at 214 workshops
2,070 student visits to the Wellness Room

Campus Recreation
4,400 Intramural Sports participants
578,000 annual visits to the ARC

Club Sports - Spring 2020
39 teams
1,700 participants
40 live virtual classes per week

Student Health Center
8,450 Primary care telehealth visits
2,600 Mental healthcare telehealth visits
69,414 on-site appointments booked for COVID-19 sample collection

UNITS & DIRECTORS

Greg Rothberg
CAMPUS RECREATION

Mandy Mount, Ph.D.
CARE

Laura Finley-Sanbrano
CHILD CARE SERVICES

Frances Diaz, Psy.D.
COUNSELING CENTER

Karen Andrews
DISABILITY SERVICES CENTER

Brenda Lapinid
OFFICE OF THE CAMPUS SOCIAL WORKER

Patrick Haines
STUDENT HEALTH CENTER

Doug Everhart
STUDENT WELLNESS & HEALTH PROMOTION

Counseling Center
• Created the ‘Feel Good Friday’ video series
• Hosted ‘Insta-Info’ live Q&A sessions on Instagram
• Launched the ‘Mental Health Minute’ newsletter
• Developed Virtual Care Package
• Rapid transition to telebehavioral health services to provide continued support to students during the pandemic
“I have done so much better since I received the resources the CSW [campus social worker] helped me with. I really appreciate the work they do and the effort they put into trying to alleviate the anxiety and stress students like me face.”

~ Anonymous student

**Child Care Services**

Provided distance learning opportunities and parent support resources for **259** children of students, faculty and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic

UCI Extended Day Center became a Nature Explore Certified Classroom

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**Campus Social Worker**

40 connections made through FRESH Hub basic needs consults

**$57,655** in Economic Crisis Response Grant funding for food, housing, and/or medical expenses awarded to **34** recipients

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**Disability Services Center**

6,893 tests proctored

2 Leadership Awards

+2 Dr. Lorna Carlin, M.D. scholarships given

**total awarded** = **$7,800**

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“Being a student with physical disabilities, I hope to show my community there is no one way of becoming the person you want to be. I have been studying classical music for 5 years now. Being a person of color, who comes from a low income background, paying for lessons and lab fees is a challenge. And, with the pandemic, virtual lessons have begun to require microphones and other electronic equipment to help facilitate our remote sessions. I am thankful for my DSC friends. Having a community makes the world feel a little less intimidating and leaves room for inspiration.”

~ Leslie Lopez

Vocal Performance Major
Claire Trevor School of the Arts

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“Child Care Services”

**259**

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**CARE**

**Green Dot training** increased students’ ability and confidence to prevent violence

Pre-training: 44% said they would intervene if they saw someone calling their partner names or swearing at them

Post-training: Increased to **100%**

**VIP – Violence Intervention & Prevention Program:**

84 programs facilitated/coordinated

2,500+ members of the UCI Sorority and Fraternity Life community reached

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“I was treated with kindness and understanding. I felt like the people at the CARE office really cared about me and my situation. The person I spoke to did everything she could to get me any help I needed. I was less afraid and more informed after getting help from the CARE office.”

~ Anonymous student

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