Let’s Get Started!

• Introductions
  – Name
  – Hometown
  – Favorite high school or college organization
    • What did you enjoy about your involvement?
Spartan Ready!

The University of Tampa is committed to graduating students who will be successful professionals with an advanced understanding of the interdisciplinary workplace, effective leaders and engaged citizens who contribute to their community.
Why Does It Matter?

• Astin’s Theory of Involvement

—College outcomes are viewed as functions of three sets of elements. Theory of involvement explains the dynamics of how students change or develop.
Why Does It Matter?

• Three elements
  1. Inputs - demographics, student background, previous experiences
  2. Environment - range of experiences encountered during college
  3. Outcomes - characteristics, knowledge, attitudes, beliefs, values, etc. that exist after college
Why is this IMPORTANT?

• Five basic postulates about Involvement-
  1. Investment of psychosocial and physical energy
  2. Involvement is continuous, students invest varying energy
  3. Involvement has qualitative and quantitative features
  4. Development directly proportional to quality and quantity of involvement
  5. Educational effectiveness is related to level of student involvement
What did you learn from participating in these activities?
The University of Tampa
Office of Student Leadership and Engagement
www.ut.edu/studentengagement
Office of Student Leadership and Engagement

• Location: Vaughn Center, 215

• Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

• Comprised of two areas
  – Community Engagement
  – Leadership Engagement
Mission of Student Leadership and Engagement

Committed to transformative learning through the holistic development of the individual.
Office of Student Leadership and Engagement

- Intellectual Growth
- Effective Communication
- Appreciating Diversity
- Enhanced Self-Esteem
- Realistic Self-Appraisal
- Independence
- Clarified Values
- Career Choices
- Leadership Development
- Healthy Behavior
- Meaningful Interpersonal Relationships
- Collaboration
- Satisfying and Productive Lifestyles
- Spiritual Awareness
- Personal & Educational Goals
- Social Responsibility
Mission of Community Engagement

The Office of Community Engagement promotes awareness of community and global issues, empowering students to take action through service-learning and community engagement opportunities. Our work is accomplished through collaboration with our community partners, education, leadership development, programming, student services, training, support groups, self-discovery, and outreach.
PK Creedon, Former Student Government President

“For me, engaging the community releases an adrenaline rush coated with fulfillment and rejuvenation. Putting life into perspective, once I start on a service project, I can't help but laugh at the little things I was stressing about just minutes before…..It's almost upsetting how community service is often mandated for different clubs and organizations, but I can't say it shouldn't be. Sometimes we just need that little push and reminder about how rewarding it can really be. After your forced to go on that initial service project, you're compelled by an inner drive to continue to help people who can't help themselves.”
• On campus opportunities and advocacy
  • Community outreach
    – Into the Streets
    – MLK Day of Service
• Alternative Break experiences
  – 4 weekend
  – 2 spring break
  – 2 May
• Located in VC 206
Diversity Fellowship

- Provide opportunities for students to learn about diversity and inclusion
  - Two sessions this afternoon during Spartan Connect
  - Events focused on different facets of diversity including gender and race
    - Black History Luncheon (February)
    - Third annual Diversity Week (April)
- To join, students can request an application from diversity@ut.edu
Fraternity and Sorority Life

- 24 fraternities and sororities on campus
- Focus: academics, philanthropy, friendship, leadership and alumni relations
- Councils
- How to join
Mission of Leadership Engagement

Leadership Engagement, guided by the principles of the social change model, offers co-curricular opportunities that result in the creation of global citizens through leadership development and engagement in campus life. This is accomplished through student participation in leadership experiences, campus programming board and student organizations.
Leadership Programs

- ELITE
- President’s Leadership Fellows
- Coaching
- Excursions
- Retreats
- Leadership Exchange
- Leadership Studies Minor
Student Organizations

• 200+ clubs and organizations
• Involvement Fair on September 9th
• 60,000+ involvement hours in clubs last year
In what student organizations might your student be interested?
Co-Curricular Transcript Program

- Self-report involvement out of the classroom
- Resume-type report for campus involvement
- Track participation and activities on OrgSync
- Use to:
  - Obtain on-campus leadership roles
  - Obtain awards and scholarships
  - Give to employers, graduate schools, etc.
Student Government

- Leadership, budget and representation experience
- Committees - Every Tuesday at 7 p.m.
- Freshmen Senate elections
- Funding for student organizations
Student Productions:
Student Productions is UT’s campus programming board! Provides FREE entertainment including comedians, Friday night movies, late night events, educational speakers, and off-campus trips.
Special events include Campus MovieFest and Homecoming!
A variety of offices hire student employees throughout the academic year, including OSLE!

Perks include:
- Flexible Schedule around class times
- Additional professional development
- Opportunity to meet other students

Who’s Hiring?
- Visit http://www.ut.edu/hireut/ to see job openings
- Attend a training on how to navigate the Hire UT system on September 2nd from 5:00 – 5:45 pm in Riverside, Room 102
Other Involvement Opportunities

- Wellness Programs
- Spirituality
- Campus Recreation
- Student Media and Publications
- Relay for Life
The University of Tampa is proud to host its annual Family Weekend, Friday, Oct. 2 - Saturday, Oct. 3, 2015.

This year’s event will showcase the campus community and surrounding areas through an array of events and programs for the whole family. The events will begin at noon on Friday and run through Saturday night. Spend time with your student at his/her home away from home.

Register Online Now!
www.ut.edu/family
Questions?

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