



# Our Commitment to You

2022-2023 Division of Student Affairs Annual Report







Commencement 2023

# Message from the Vice President

Dear Tulanians,

After moving through the COVID pandemic and Hurricane Ida, the 2022/23 school year felt like a fresh start. Coupled with the incredible Tulane football season culminating in the Cotton Bowl win, this past academic year was truly cathartic in so many ways for the Tulane family. The Division of Student Affairs was hard at work helping to support the Tulane student community in their wonderful array of initiatives, programs, and events that contribute to our sense of campus life in the magical city of New Orleans.

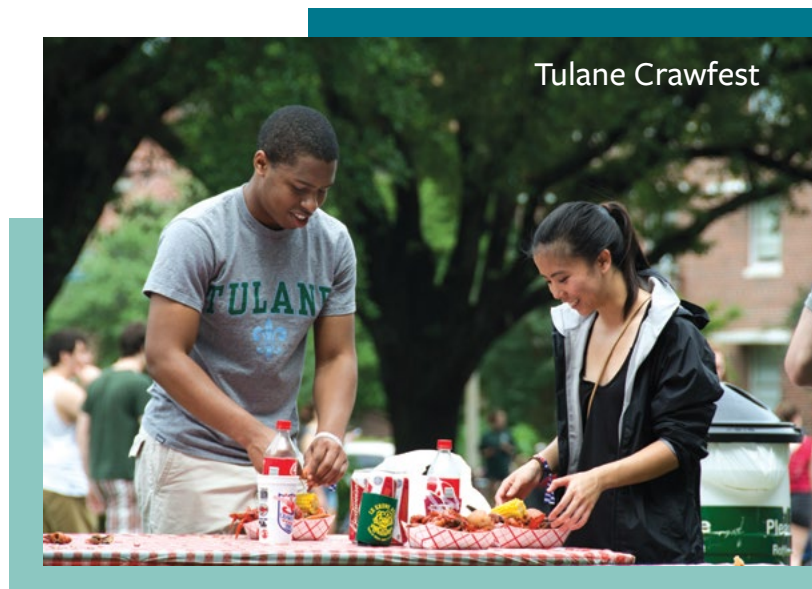
This past year was also one of “oh so close” as we finalized construction on numerous facilities that will improve the student experience. We completed the construction of the first two residence halls (River and Lake) in the Village in the middle academic quad, including the new Small Family Collaboration Hub for access by all students for living and learning spaces. We finalized the overhaul of the Natatorium in the Reily Student Recreation Center so our Tulane community can get “back in the pool” in the Fall of 2023. Last but not least, we completed the renovation of Tulane’s Recovery Community Center, a house near campus to provide programming, support, and residential living for Tulane students on a journey of recovery.

On behalf of the entire Division of Student Affairs, I want to thank you for your support and collaboration. Our students are at the core of all that we do, and we could not achieve our goals without your help. Together we lay the groundwork for a better Tulane.

Sincerely,



J. Davidson “Dusty” Porter  
Vice President for Student Affairs



# The Division of Student Affairs

## Mission

The mission of the Tulane University Division of Student Affairs is to cultivate support, connection, and growth throughout the student experience.

## Vision

The Division of Student Affairs challenges all Tulane students to learn, think, and act to benefit humanity.

## Values

To foster a community where everyone thrives, the Division of Student Affairs values: Collaboration, Integrity, Empathy, Equity, Well-Being, and Innovation.

In its efforts to support the academic mission of the institution, develop students at both the individual and community level, and enhance the university's commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, the Division of Student Affairs has identified the following strategic priorities and associated goals: Leadership and Personal Development, Culture of Care and Thriving, Supporting All Students, and Resource Management and Stewardship.

At Tulane, we have many departments to ensure we provide the best services and programs for our students. These include:

### Campus Health and Wellness

- Campus Recreation
- The Counseling Center
- Health Center for Student Care
- The Well for Health Promotion

### Student Resources and Support Services

- Case Management and Victim Support Services
- Family Programs
- Goldman Center for Student Accessibility
- Student Conduct
- Tulane Recovery Community

### Campus Life

- Fraternity and Sorority Programs
- Housing and Residence Life
- Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life

### Center for Intercultural Life

- Office for Gender and Sexual Diversity
- Office of Multicultural Affairs
- Religious and Spiritual Life

Our work starts with **you.**





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Being a student at Tulane has given me the opportunity to become the best version of myself in order to serve others. I have grown, not only as a student, but as a person due to the classes I've taken, the friends I've made, and the opportunities that I've been able to take advantage of. Being a part of the Tulane community is something that I will always cherish.”

**—Dominion Fenny, Class of 2024  
Tulane Law School**

- President, Graduate and Professional Student Association
- Graduate Assistant, Title IX Office
- Student Intern, Tulane Immigrant Rights Clinic
- TEDxTulane Speaker

# What we've been up to

## Campus Health and Wellness

- In-person patient visits across all clinics reached 26,331 while Telehealth appointments across all clinics accounted for 5,248 visits.
- The total number of patient visits at Counseling Center was 8,518. Of those visits, 6,148 were in-person and 2,370 were telehealth.

## Campus Recreation

- Fitness & Wellness programs offered an average of 72 group exercise classes each week with an average of 570 weekly participants during the Fall and Spring semesters.
- The Outdoor Adventures team partnered with the National Outdoor Leadership School to offer Wilderness First Aid certifications to 11 Trip leaders and 12 community members.

## Carolyn Barber-Pierre Center for Intercultural Life

- The Center for Intercultural Life sponsored 13 BIPOC students on an international cultural immersion trip to the Dominican Republic.

### Office for Gender and Sexual Diversity

- Over 175 students, faculty and staff participated in the largest QT Welcome Family Dinner to date.

### Office of Multicultural Affairs

- Over 25 weeks, the “Wednesdays with the O” program served more than 2,250 meals to 95 students and staff members.

## Case Management and Victim Support Services

- The department maintained a robust presence in the Tulane community through returning over 600 calls, daily in-person and Zoom walk-in hours, tabling events, and webinars.
- CMVSS continued its partnership with LSU School of Social Work, offering internship experiences to three interns.

## Family Programs

- More than 4,600 parents and family members participated in 22 webinars and tutorials, which included a new Summer School & Summer Programs and Freeman School Study Abroad and Exchange presentation.

## Fraternity & Sorority Programs

- Interfraternity Council (IFC) welcomed two organizations: Alpha Epsilon Pi and Phi Delta Theta.
- 85% of the Greek community was at or above a 3.0 GPA.
- The OFSP Community provided 4,525+ hours of community service, \$125,000+ for philanthropy, and 2,532 in-kind donations to the Greater New Orleans Community.

## Goldman Center for Student Accessibility

- Officially launched the Peer Mentoring program after three successful semesters of piloting.
- Registered 2,820 students for the 2022–2023 academic year, a 100% increase since 2018.
- Proctored over 12,000 exams.

## Housing and Residence Life

- Brought two new Residential Learning Communities to campus: Ignite, a partner with the Business School, focused on entrepreneurship, and The 1963 Collective, for first-year students interested in Black history, culture and knowledge, in partnership with the Office of Multicultural Affairs.
- The Residence Hall Association (RHA) and Community Government (CG) piloted and adopted the expansion of its glass recycling program on campus in partnership with Glass Half Full NOLA.

## Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life

- Secured funding for the WTUL radio tower transition and creation of an additional broadcasting/recording space.
- Successfully hosted the return of The New Orleans Book Festival.
- The reconstituted undergraduate student government—Tulane Undergraduate Assembly (TUA)—conducted its first successful election with 234 voters with 24 candidates and filled all 21 open delegate positions.

## Student Conduct

- Four staff members completed the preliminary Restorative Approaches training allowing the acceleration of infusing restorative approaches into the conduct process, including an overhaul of our letters, incorporation of new sanctions and additional language in the Code of Student Conduct.
- Assisted with data for the first university-wide Bias Incident Response report, drawing on two years of comprehensive bias response data for student respondents.

## Tulane Recovery Community

- Successfully opened the Tulane Recovery Community Center. The new center offers 4,800 sq. ft. of counseling rooms, group meeting spaces, and future housing options.





I am inspired by just about everyone in the Tulane community. I am surrounded by driven individuals ready to learn and grow... Through my role as an RA or at my job in the LBC, I engage with staff who genuinely care about making an impact on the lives of students. You can sense everyone's passion all around, and it makes me push myself even harder in my studies.

— Seth Meaux, Class of 2025  
Majoring in BS Management,  
Legal Studies in Business,  
MAACT Candidate

- President, Beta Alpha Psi
- Resident Advisor, Housing and Residence Life
- Vice President of Recruitment and Retention, Tower and Crescent
- Student Experience Team Member for the LBC



# Tulane Recovery Community Center

## A dedicated space for students in recovery

The emergence of informal, student-led support groups for individuals in recovery from alcohol and drug addiction began as early as the 1980s. Growing recognition of the need for formalized support of students in recovery led to the establishment of the first Collegiate Recovery Programs. These programs offered a range of services, including peer support groups, counseling, academic assistance, and social activities.

A grassroots effort began at Tulane sometime in 2010 which led the university to join the Association of Recovery in Higher Education to support Tulane students in recovery as part of an overall campus health and wellness philosophy. The Tulane Recovery Community (TRC) was formally established in 2020. Since its inception, TRC has provided an invaluable resource for the Tulane community as a whole, developing and sustaining a foundation for long-term recovery by providing a safe, non-judgmental environment to discuss collegiate-specific topics and ideas supportive of recovery on campus.

The success of the Recovery Community at Tulane is a reflection of the efforts of Tulane President Mike Fitts, the Board of Tulane, the Division of Student Affairs, the broader Tulane community, and the leadership of its inaugural Director, Jacob Goldberg.

Jacob began TRC programming with formalized all-recovery in-person support meetings, individual support, consultations with families, substance-free adventure trips and events, and trainings for staff on how to support students in recovery. He has had the opportunity to connect with, support, and grow alongside students on their personal recovery journeys.

Jacob finds himself fortunate, saying, “My experience at Tulane has been truly remarkable, and I am tremendously grateful for the privilege of serving the Tulane community... Working at Tulane has allowed me to cultivate relationships with many different people across campus. I believe I draw my own inspiration from the unique perspectives and passion that I receive from students and campus partners and leaders.”

The new Tulane Recovery Community Center, located at 2210 Calhoun, opened the summer of 2023. Equipped with counseling rooms, group meeting spaces, and a serene outdoor area, the 4,800 sq. ft. home adjacent to campus provides a dedicated substance-free programming space and a future housing option that fosters academic achievement, connection, and engagement.

The Recovery Community has become an integral part of campus life, fostering a culture of support, empathy, and understanding. The investment from the University and its stakeholders for the Tulane Recovery Community Center are remarkably unique and will inevitably serve as a model in the collegiate recovery space.



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– Jacob Goldberg  
Director, Tulane Recovery Community  
Student Resources & Support Services







My experience at Tulane has been filled with learning new things, meeting some great new people, working with awesome students, and planning fun programs. I am inspired to come to work every day because I LOVE my job.”

– Peggy Fowler  
Resident Director,  
Décou-Labat Residences  
Department of Housing  
and Residence Life





# Looking to the future

## The Village — a new residential community

In 2020, Tulane broke ground on two new residence halls initiating the first installment of The Village, the largest capital investment in Tulane's history. The first of five on-campus residences designed to transform the Tulane student experience, the interlocking halls, Lake and River, were completed in the summer of 2023. The residences feature 230,000 square feet of multi-function living, learning and gathering spaces which includes around 700 new beds. Following the completion of Lake and River Hall, Irby, Phelps, and Paterson Halls were demolished to make room for Phase 2.

Phase 2 of The Village will include the construction of Fogelman Hall to replace Irby Hall and Bayou Hall to replace Paterson Hall. Completing this project will bring nearly 800 additional students on campus, most of which will be Juniors. Two Faculty-in-Residence will live full-time in The Village and serve as visible leaders, teachers and mentors to students. In addition, a space is being designed to help foster student wellness and will serve as an amenity for all students.

Completion is slated for Summer 2025.







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