

Buildings for the Present, Building for the Future

UCF is a fast growing metropolitan university with 43,000 students. To meet the growth and provide student transition, support services and personal development, Student Development and Enrollment Services (SDES) is continuously expanding its facilities and planning more for the future.

The Registrar's Office has completed their 10-month long four-phase reconstruction project. Nearly all the spaces have been refurbished in the Millcan Hall (MH) 161 suite and MH 149 Scheduling and Resource 25 area. Kudos to the Registrar's Office staff who did not miss a deadline during the reconstruction. An Open House is planned for May 25 from 2-4 p.m. in MH 161.

Interior construction is complete at the Student Union 7,500 square foot addition. Occupancy is expected early this month, when exterior construction is complete. The Office of Greek Life and the Multicultural Student Center (MSC) will occupy the first floor. MSC's new location will offer students a better location with more space, including offices for professional staff. The current MSC, located on the third floor, will become a quiet study lounge. The LEAD Scholars Program will occupy the second floor addition.

Student Resource Center's renovations are nearing completion at the 7,000 square foot Multipurpose Room as well as the new dining establishment, The Backstage Diner. A soft opening is expected in early summer, with a grand opening in August.

Other new facilities will have their grand opening in fall 2005 including: Rosen

College of Hospitality Management's Student Apartments, Convocation Center Student Apartment Facility, Recreation and Wellness Pool and the Student Health Center.

The new Recreation and Wellness resort-style leisure pool will be 7,200 square feet with depth ranging from a zero entry point to five feet. New sand volleyball courts and tennis courts with bleachers have been included with this project. The current pool will be used to accommodate lap swimmers, aqua aerobics, water polo and other events.

The UCF Health Center, three story 48,000 square feet facility, is well under way. The building will feature five treatment pods: an urgent care (walk-in) and sports medicine pod, the Women's Clinic and three primary care (appointments) pods. A laboratory and digital x-ray unit is also included, as well as a much larger pharmacy. "Last year, the Student Health Center saw over 84,000 patients," reports Bob Faust, director for Student Health Services. "Needless to say, we have been bursting at the seams in our present, 15,000 square foot facility." According to Faust, each physician and medical provider will have two exam rooms for routine care, as well as a specially equipped



Rendering of the UCF Health Center to open fall 2005

room for minor surgical procedures in each pod in the new facility. "We also plan on making space available for chiropractic care, which we already offer on a limited basis, as well as therapeutic massage, nutritional counseling and bio-feedback," says Faust. The building is scheduled for completion in early September.

The current Student Health Center (SHC) will become the new home for the Counseling Center in early 2006. Approximately, 9,800 square feet will be completely renovated and redesigned. The renovated space will provide a warm, inviting, and confidential environment for students. Over the next few years, the center's training programs and services will be enhanced and expanded. The new center design, coupled with technological advances, will assist the Counseling Center in its mission to foster student development, success and retention.

New Career Services and Experiential Learning Facility Guiding Students' Future

The University of Central Florida has recently begun its capital campaign for a new Career Services and Experiential Learning (CSEL) Center, which would create a one-stop facility for students, faculty, alumni and employers.

From career exploration to cooperative education, internships and job placement, the CSEL center is expected to provide students and alumni with the resources needed to chart their professional paths. In addition, corporate and business partners will be able to use these facilities for on-campus recruiting. Through teleconferencing capabilities, students will

have the ability to interview with recruiters across the nation at one convenient location.

Located on the north side of campus near the Alumni Center, CSEL hopes to begin construction on the 31,648 square foot facility in 2007. The collaborative partnership between Career Services, the developmental arm of the enterprise; Experiential Learning, the instructional arm; and a community counseling and career research facility sponsored by the College of Education, results in an efficient joint usage for most of the space.

The center offers a number of naming

opportunities, including Centers for Experiential Learning, Employer Interviews, and Career Information; the Community Career Counseling Clinic; state-of-the-art Presentation and Career Education Rooms; a Career Counseling Suite and a Training and Practice Interview Studio. The new building is projected to cost \$8 million and \$1 million has already been committed by the Student Government Association through the Capital Improvement Trust Fund. Several donations have also been received from several businesses.

People in the News...

Welcome Aboard New SDES Employees

- **Alina Delgado**, coordinator, Career Development Services, Career Services and Experiential Learning
- **Natasha Finn**, pharmacy technician, Student Health Services
- **Joffrey Heard**, senior secretary, Student Legal Services
- **Geoffrey Moser**, coordinator, Educational/ Training Programs, Student Health Services
- **Cristina Vega**, program assistant, Student Academic Resource Center
- **Jennifer Welch**, senior secretary, LEAD Scholars Program
- **Karen Yerkes**, coordinator, Clinical Programs, Student Health Services



Maribeth Ehasz

Division Changes

- **Maribeth Ehasz** is now vice president for Student Development and Enrollment Services.

Awards and Recognition

- **SDES Vice President Maribeth Ehasz** was nominated and received a prestigious award from the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA). The Pacesetter Award is presented annually to chief executive officers, provosts, and chief academic or Student Affairs officers who exemplify a commitment to advising and are true advocates for students and advisors. Ehasz will be presented with a recognition plaque for this award in October at a ceremony and reception which will be held during the 2005 Annual NACADA National Conference in Las Vegas.
- **Rich McLaughlin**, associate director for the Counseling Center, attended the Association of Psychology Postdoctoral and Internship Centers (APPIC) Annual Conference from March 31-April 2 in Orlando. The conference focused on "Supervision: training, ethics and competence." McLaughlin also attended the American Psychological Association (APA) self-study internship preparation workshop.
- **DeLaine Priest**, interim assistant vice president for First Year Transitions, was recognized for outstanding service to the university by the student chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).
- **UCF Student Government Association (SGA)** has been awarded by *Florida Leader Magazine*, the "2005 Best SGA for Public University" award. This is the second year in a row that UCF SGA has been awarded this honor. To access the article, visit: www.floridaleader.org/best2005_SG_Public.htm.
- **Learning and Interacting with New Knights (LINK) First Year Experience Program** was named by *Florida Leader Magazine*, the "Best Res-Life Experience." To access the article, visit: www.floridaleader.org/best2005_1.htm.

Presentations

- **T. J. Greggs, Graham Quirk and Meredith Varner**, area coordinators for Housing and Residence Life, presented a pre-conference workshop, "The Reality of Career Services," at the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) 2005 National Conference, Tampa, in March.
- **Larry Marks**, psychologist, and **Rich McLaughlin**, associate director, Counseling Center, attended the American College Personnel Association (ACPA) annual convention in Nashville from April 2-6. Marks and McLaughlin presented "Increasing Student Attendance at Psychoeducational Presentations" during a promising practice session at the conference.
- **Joe Ritchie** (director), **Eric Hennes**, (assistant director), **Meredith Coughlin** and **Lindi Smedberg**, (graduate assistants), and **Luke Donohoo, Rachel Navarre, and Joshua Wheeler** (student Orientation coordinators), presented educational sessions at the National Orientation Directors Association (NODA) 30th Annual Southern Region Orientation Workshop (SROW) Conference held at the Clemson University, South Carolina, in March. Ritchie, in conjunction with other NODA professionals, presented, "Queer as SROW," which placed as one of the top sessions at the conference. **Donohoo, Navarre, Wheeler, and O-Teamer Jonathan Earnest** competed in the undergraduate student case study competition. Teams of two students were given situational scenarios that could potentially occur during orientation. Teams were to present solutions based on theory, practice and likely resources. **Donohoo and Wheeler** placed as one of the top two teams in the competition. **Ritchie, Hennes, and Alicia Kornowa** (assistant director) are on the planning committee for the next SROW Conference in 2006.

Publications

- **Ana Mack**, Supplemental Instruction coordinator, and **Dennis Congos**, First Year Advising and Exploration (FYAE) academic advisor, have published an article in the spring issue of *Research and Teaching in Developmental Education*. It is entitled, "Supplemental Instruction's Impact on Two Freshmen Chemistry Classes: Research, Modes of Operation, and Anecdotes." This is Congos' 16th journal publication since coming to UCF in 1998.



Marita Pascua was named Student Health Services Employee of the Quarter. Pascua, who works in the Student Health Center Business Office, was selected by her peers for her hard work and warm, helpful personality. Theresa Stevenson and Tony Piazza of UCF Dining Services presented Pascua with a gift certificate for a free meal.

The UCF Creed

Integrity, scholarship, community, creativity, and excellence are the core values that guide our conduct, performance and decisions.

INTEGRITY

I will practice and defend academic and personal honesty.

SCHOLARSHIP

I will cherish and honor learning as a fundamental purpose of my membership in the UCF community.

COMMUNITY

I will promote an open and supportive campus environment by respecting the rights and contributions of every individual.

CREATIVITY

I will use my talents to enrich the human experience.

EXCELLENCE

I will strive toward the highest standards of performance in any endeavor I undertake.



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SDES Council 2005

Mission:

Strengthen communication among employees, improve the general employee environment, build affiliation among employees within division and create awareness of the mission of Student Development and Enrollment Services.



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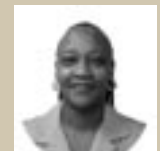
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Correction in April issue: On February 26th, the UCF Wrestling Knights traveled to Milledgeville, Ga. should read: On March 11, the Wrestling Knights traveled to Richardson, TX to compete in the NCWA national championships.

Tutors Receive UCF and National Recognition

Recently, three Student Academic Resource Center (SARC) tutors were recognized for their efforts. Elizabeth Keller was recipient of the Volunteer Tutor of the Year at the 13th annual National Tutoring Association Conference in Chicago. Keller has tutored for the past three semesters assisting College of Education students and teachers in



Elizabeth Keller assisting a student.

the surrounding community in preparation for the math portion of the General Knowledge Exam.

Maya Alphonse, Biology Tutor, was one of the recipients of \$1,500 John T. Washington Center



Maya Alphonse

Scholarship. Alphonse has been a SARC tutor since January 2003.

Jeremy Noller, Economics Tutor was spotlighted in the Honoring Outstanding Tutors and SI Leader section of the *National College Learning Center Association (NCLCA)* winter 2005 newsletter. Noller is a senior majoring in finance and has been a SARC tutor for more than a year.



Jeremy Noller



Tiffany Greenis posing for photo with Shamu.

Hospitality Association Celebrates End-of-Year Bash

The Rosen College of Hospitality Management's largest student organization, Hospitality Association, hosted a Banquet Dinner at Sea World to celebrate the end of year. After viewing the "Shamu Rocks America" show, the group walked to the Sea Harbor Pavilion for a meal. Tiffany Greenis, assistant director for Rosen Campus Life, was presented the "Staff of the Year Award" by the Hospitality Association.

Eternal Knights Honored

On April 7, approximately 200 family members and friends attended the 2005 Eternal Knights Memorial Ceremony to honor students who past away during the 2004-05 academic year.

This is a dignified yet touching program where families along with the entire UCF community join institutional leaders to remember those students.

The program honored 17 students through music, eulogy and words of encouragement. Each family was given a yellow rose and memorable keepsake.



Student Advising Available in Outreach Sessions

On Campus: First Year Advising and Exploration (FYAE) advisors have assisted more students with the new Multiple Term Registration by providing more outreach events this semester.

First-year students have been participating in record crowds. The advisors assisted 163 students at the March 24 Mega Advising event, and 143 students at the March 28 Mega Advising event (both held in the Student Union). The advisors also traveled to the Hercules Programming Center in the Academic Village on April 5 and assisted 102 students.

FYAE also hosted its first outreach event focusing on first-year multicultural populations (but open to all students). On March 1, representatives from the Hispanic American Student Association (HASA) and Elements spoke to the 30 students, as did Luis Martinez-Fernandez, Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies program.

Off-Campus: Through the collaboration of the Off-Campus Student Services, LINK First Year Experience program and FYAE took the show on the road to The Gatherings Apartments. In the two-hour event, over 50 students stopped by to ask questions about block registration and to socialize with their neighbors and university staff at pool side. Many students took advantage of the on-site academic advising provided by FYAE. The property staff initiated an aggressive advertising campaign and provided dinner.

For more information or to get involved in outreach efforts to the off-campus properties, contact Triscia Panarello at tpanarel@mail.ucf.edu or 407.823.3392.



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FROM PROMISE TO PROMINENCE
CELEBRATING 40 YEARS

UCF Hosts Record-Breaking Rec Conference

The University of Central Florida hosted the National Intramural-Recreational Sport Association (NIRSA) Annual Conference and Recreational Sports Exposition on April 5-9 at the Orange County Convention Center. This year's conference was NIRSA's biggest ever, with record attendance of 2,119 attendees.

UCF's staff and students worked very hard to assist in making the event a success. To mention a few, William Ehling, director for Recreation and Wellness Center (RWC) serves as the Region II vice president on NIRSA's board of directors. Jim Wilkening, associate director for RWC and host committee chair, led the committee through its 18-month planning process. Miss City Beautiful 2005 and UCF junior, Denesha Jenkins, sang the national anthem and Tom Huddleston, vice president for Marketing, Communications, and Admissions gave the welcome remarks.

The UCF Recreation and Wellness Center served as the site for two preconference workshops. The new UCF recreational pool facility was the highlight of the aquatic facility management tour. The flag football officials' workshop was a big hit with the 80 participating intramural coordinators and students as they learned to officiate the "All American" way. Joanne McCully, administrative assistant for RWC, assisted with the planning of the NIRSA spouse programs, which included trips around the Orlando area. The LEAD Scholars Program (LSP) members served as a central communication point of the conference. Alex LePage an intern for LSP, designed the host committee staff shirts.

The UCF Intramural and Sports Club program was awarded recognition for its efforts this year in recreational tennis. NIRSA and United States Tennis Association (USTA) awarded UCF the USA Tennis Florida Tennis Ace award for outstanding commitment to tennis development and growth on campus. Brent Boostrom, Sports Club Council president and the Intramural Tennis coordinator, was awarded the National Student Tennis Ace Award also for outstanding commitment to tennis development and growth on campus.

Recruitment is Underway

Career Services and Experiential Learning (CSEL) organized an Open House for Hughes Supply, Inc., one of only two Fortune 500 companies headquartered in Orlando, currently recruiting for 40 full-time management trainee positions. Through successfully implementing a target marketing campaign attracting 91 students, which was an increase of 279 percent from their previous visit (24).