THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS
WHERE THE CLASSROOM AND CAMPUS CONNECT
At Bowling Green State University, learning takes place both inside and outside of the classroom -- it is truly a campus-wide experience. From Orientation to Commencement, programs and services offered by the Division of Student Affairs contribute to a vibrant learning community in which our students develop leadership skills, identify and explore personal interests, refine scholarship and intellectual abilities, learn from service opportunities, and prepare for roles as future professionals and community leaders.

Our mission aims to support and challenge our students today, so they will become responsible leaders and contributing members of their communities tomorrow. Student Affairs programs and services are designed to directly connect co-curricular learning to the curricular program and to provide support services that assist students with the variety of challenges and new experiences that college students face. By taking part in these opportunities and using our services, we invite students to find success in the classroom, on the campus, and in the community.

Welcome to Bowling Green State University -- and to the many programs and services, which will help you achieve student success!

Welcome to BGSU, Falcons!

**Vision**
Developing intentional learners, engaged citizens, and social change leaders.

**Mission**
The Division of Student Affairs advances the mission of Bowling Green State University by promoting student learning and personal growth, and developing communities that value all members. We collaborate across the university to implement innovative and student-centered programs, practices, and services to support student success.

Jill Carr
Vice President for Student Affairs
Get involved

Getting involved at BGSU is critical to your success. The Office of Campus Activities (OCA) has over 300 organizations that are sure to fit any interest you have. And if not, OCA can assist you in starting an organization of your own. Fraternity & Sorority Life, Homecoming, Dance Marathon, Family Weekend, Sibs N Kids Weekend and the University Activities Organization are just a few of the groups you can get involved with. Being active on campus allows you to meet new people and learn valuable skills including event planning, budgeting and time management as well as organizational and leadership skills that will provide you with a great foundation as you begin your career.

Getting involved also means attending campus events. There are so many opportunities throughout each semester to enjoy performances, educational and athletic events, lectures, and student sponsored programs. You can also earn Ziggy Points at many of these events! Your points accumulate toward fantastic prizes. For more information, visit www.bgsu.edu/ziggypoints.

Office of Campus Activities (OCA)
401 Bowen-Thompson Student Union
419-372-2343
www.bgsu.edu/getinvolved
www.bgsu.edu/parents

- Dance Marathon
- Fraternity & Sorority Life
- Homecoming
- Parent and Family Programs
- Student Organizations
- University Activities Organization (UAO)
Take advantage of new opportunities

Make the most of your campus experience by taking advantage of various leadership opportunities on campus. The Division of Student Affairs houses a variety of organizations and services that can develop your skills as a current and future leader. Undergraduate Student Government (USG) and Graduate Student Senate (GSS) provide students with a voice in campus policy and decision-making while providing students with valuable leadership opportunities. If you are looking to improve your leadership skills, the Center for Leadership offers the BGSU Leadership Certificate Program. There are also campus-wide leadership initiatives such as Leadership Academy, a day-long workshop for emerging leaders in the fall along with a Workshop Series providing weekly offerings.

USG’s ultimate purpose is to make a difference. As a member, you have the chance to serve others and seek change that directly impacts the students of today and beyond. It’s a way to leave this campus a better place while also providing yourself with professional experience.”

—Alex Solis, ’14, Sport Management

“As graduate students, we provide a significant contribution to BGSU through our roles in research, teaching and administration. GSS provides a means to advocate for graduate education and students.”

—David Sleasman, ’13, Doctoral Program: Higher Education Administration

“In the Center for Leadership we believe that leaders are made, not born. We want to develop your leadership ability in any way possible.”

—Tiffany Smith, ’13, Intercultural Communication
Stay connected

**BG News** - Published three days a week, the BG News is the independent student newspaper dedicated to providing students with current campus information.

**BGSU Calendar** – Located on the main page of the BGSU website, the campus calendar is your guide to all of the exciting events happening across campus.

**Campus Update** – Each day, a campus wide email is distributed providing announcements and highlighting campus events.

**successNET** - Monitors student performance by providing alerts and kudos on your academic performance.

**Ziggy Points** - Ziggy Points awards students points for attending campus events. Points can be accumulated for various prizes. An incentive award program for students who attend campus events. Track via BG1 Card and MyBGSU.

**Alert BG** - A text message alert system that notifies members of the campus community in the event of an emergency.

**Student Media**
214 West Hall
419-372-2607
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/pub
www.bgnews.com
- BG News-campus newspaper
- Key Magazine
- The Obsidian-multicultural publication
- UniGraphics-student design team

Be part of a tradition

BGSU has many rich traditions. Every fall we welcome alumni and families with our annual Homecoming and Family Weekend celebrations. Highlights during spring semester include Sibs N Kids Weekend and Dance Marathon. Each Friday throughout the year, faculty, staff and students celebrate being a Falcon by wearing orange and brown, and a spirit crew tours campus giving out prizes and generating excitement. Speaking of spirit, you will often see our mascots, Freddie and Frieda, supporting BGSU as well as our SICSIC crew and nationally ranked cheer and dance teams.

**Office of the Dean of Students**
301 Bowen-Thompson Student Union
419-372-2843
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/life
- Cheer and Dance Teams
- Mascots
- SICSIC
The Office of Residence Life provides you with the opportunity to build lifelong friendships as well as support your academic success. BGSU has nine residential complexes as well as over 30 small-living units designated for Greek students. Many of our residence halls house Residential Learning Communities where you can take classes and live with other students who have a similar major and interests. We strive to promote an engaging, safe and inclusive environment where you are empowered to use your voice and be heard. While living in an environment that promotes safety, you also benefit from the opportunity to learn about other cultures and lifestyles.

Office of Residence Life
470 Math Science Building
419-372-2011
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/reslife
Live a healthy lifestyle

We promote all aspects of healthy living through our many facilities including the Student Recreation Center, Perry Field House, Forrest Creason Golf Course, intramural fields, tennis courts, walking/jogging trails, sand volleyball court, and basketball courts. In addition to our facilities Sports Clubs, Intramural Sports, Falcon Fitness, Outdoor Program and Wellness Connection provide programming to inspire active and healthy lifestyles.

Recreation and Wellness

**Student Recreation Center**
419-372-2000
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/recwell

- Student Recreation Center
  - Olympic Size Swimming Pool
  - Weight Room
  - Cardio Area
  - Elevated Running Track
  - Exercise Classes

- Perry Field House
  - Sport Courts (basketball, badminton, volleyball and tennis)
  - Turf Room
  - Exercise Classes
  - Sport Clubs
  - Intramural Sports
  - Outdoor Program
  - Wellness Connection

- Forrest Creason Golf Course

**Falcon Health Center**
The Falcon Health Center provides students with high quality care on campus. A team of medical professionals offers a wide range of services including a full-service drive-thru pharmacy. Make your online appointment by signing up on your MyBGSU web portal.

**Falcon Health Center**
419-372-2271
www.bgsu.edu/health

- General Medical Care
- Men's and Women's Care
- Allergy Injections
- Travel Medications Consultations
- Immunizations
- Lab Tests
- X-ray
- Psychiatric Services
- Drive-thru Pharmacy
- Student Insurance

**Counseling Center**
The highly qualified staff at the Counseling Center strives to promote the psychological well-being of students by providing free services that include consultation and crisis intervention, individual and group counseling, alcohol and drug prevention services, educational workshops and a stress clinic.

**Counseling Center**
104 College Park Office Building
419-372-2081
www.bgsu.edu/counseling

- Counseling Services
- Alcohol and Drug Prevention Services
- Psycho-Educational Programming
- Stress Clinic
Academic and support services
Be sure to check out our websites for additional information!

New Student Orientation and First Year Programs
The Office of New Student Orientation and First Year Programs assists new students by coordinating programs, services and resources designed to successfully prepare and support them in the undergraduate collegiate experience. Through active participation in programs, students engage in the campus experience and are introduced to strategies and resources that lead to timely degree completion by developing skills related to our Four Pillars: Academic Success, Career Development, Leadership and Engagement as well as Personal and Fiscal Responsibility.

New Student Orientation and First Year Programs
104K University Hall
419-372-0353
www.bgsu.edu/newstudent
www.bgsu.edu/firstyear
  • Orientation
  • successNet
  • Opening Weekend
  • Fall Welcome
  • Common Reading Experience
  • First Year Success Series

TRIO Programs
The TRIO Programs contains four educational outreach programs targeted to serve and assist low-income individuals, first-generation college students, and individuals with disabilities as they progress academically from middle school to enrollment in graduate school. Programs include the McNair Scholars Program, Educational Talent Search, Upward Bound and Student Support Services.

TRIO Programs
318A Math Science Building
419-372-2677
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/sss
  • Educational Talent Search
  • McNair Scholars
  • Student Support Services
  • Upward Bound
**Office of Disability Services**
The Office of Disability Services provides equal access to qualified students with disabilities and ensures that students with disabilities can freely access and participate in all aspects of campus life. Disability Services assists students in negotiating disability-related barriers and challenges and increases awareness of disability related issues.

**Office of Disability Services (ODS)**
413 South Hall
419-372-8495
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sa/disability
- National Test Center
- Academic Accommodations including:
  - Adaptive Technology
  - Assistive Learning Devices
  - Captioning/Interpreter Services
  - Course Substitution
  - Early Registration
  - Extended Exam Time
  - Alternative Formats
  - Note Taking Assistance
  - Testing Environments
  - Tty/Vrs Booth

**Student Legal Services**
Student Legal Services (SLS) is a non-profit law firm on campus that assists students with legal issues. Typical legal issues include: landlord-tenant law, contract review and revisions, consumer protection cases, misdemeanor criminal defense, traffic and licensing cases, and notary services. Attorneys are available to counsel and provide professional representation in the local court system. Students are able to utilize these services by paying a $7 (per semester) legal services fee.

**Student Legal Services**
401 South Hall
419-372-2951
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sls
- Consultation Services
- Professional representation on legal issues including:
  - Consumer protection
  - Contract review and revisions
  - Landlord tenant law
  - Misdemeanor criminal defense
  - Notary Services
  - Trafficking and licensing cases

**Office of Multicultural Affairs (OMA)**
The Office of Multicultural Affairs promotes diversity, inclusion, and retention of diverse student populations at Bowling Green State University. This is achieved by providing academic support services for diverse student populations, cultural programs and diversity education. BGSU is recognized as creating a positive living and learning environment for LGBTQ students. The LGBTQ resource center within OMA is a safe zone for students to utilize support groups and educational programming.

**Office of Multicultural Affairs**
318B Math Science Building
419-372-2642
www.bgsu.edu/oma
- Black Issues Conference
- Diversity Education Workshops including National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI)
- Safe Zone
- Latino Issues Conference
- LGBTQ Resource Center
- UNIV 1510: Multicultural Success Program
- Various diversity programming initiatives
- Ethnic Student Center
**Campus hot spots**

**Bowen-Thompson Student Union**
There are countless things to do at the Bowen-Thompson Student Union! The Falcons Nest is a great place to grab a bite to eat with friends or enjoy a movie in the Union theater. It is a great place to meet for a group project or find your own special study spot. The Union also offers a computer lab, portal services, PNC Bank, Bookstore, and BG1 Card Services.

**Library**
Centrally located on campus, the Jerome Library is the home of the Learning Commons and numerous academic resources to help you excel. The supportive staff is always willing to aid students with research assistance or any of the many library services. The Learning Commons offers assistance in areas such as math, writing and study skills.

**University Lawn**
When the weather is nice, students flock to University Lawn. The lawn is a perfect spot for reading, Frisbee, or lounging around with friends. Nestled between BGSU's historical buildings, this spot is a relaxing and peaceful getaway.

**Athletic Facilities**
Cheer on your BGSU Falcon athletic teams in our numerous athletic facilities. The Stroh Center is home to the Men's and Women's Basketball and Women's Volleyball. Support Falcon Football at The Doyt, or cheer on Falcon Hockey at the BGSU Ice Arena. Anderson Arena houses our BGSU gymnastics, the Student Recreation Center is home to our swimmers and we also have the Cochrane Soccer Field, Meserve Softball Field, Stellar Baseball Field and Keefe Tennis Courts. All facilities offer a student section so you can be in the middle of all the action.
Alma Mater
Words and music by Edith Ludwig Bell ’51
Alma Mater hear us,
As we praise thy name
Make us worthy sons and daughters
Adding to thy fame.
Time will treat you kindly
Years from now you’ll be
Ever dearer in our hearts,
Our University.
From your halls of ivy
To the campus scene,
Chimes ring out with gladness
From our dear Bowling Green.
When all is just a mem’ry
Of the by-gone days,
Hear our hymn dear Alma Mater
As thy name we praise.

Forward Falcons
Words and music by Dr. Wayne Bohrnstedt
Forward Falcons,
Forward Falcons,
Fight for victory.
Show our spirit,
Make them fear it,
Fight for dear Bee Gee.
Forward Falcons,
Forward Falcons,
Make the contest keen.
Hold up the fame of our mighty

Ay Ziggy Zoomba
Words and music by Gilbert Fox
Ay Ziggy Zoomba Zoomba Zoomba Ze
Ay Ziggy Zoomba Zoomba Zoomba Ze
Roll along you BG warriors
Roll along and win for BGSU!

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