MISSION

Integral to the rich and vibrant Iowa State University experience, Student Affairs challenges and empowers students to succeed as productive citizens and leaders in a diverse community.

CORE VALUES

Our core values are integral to our work with all facets of the Iowa State University community and underscore our programs, services, interactions, and efforts.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT & ENGAGEMENT

In recognizing the uniqueness of each student, we support their overall growth and development through leadership and involvement opportunities, rich and meaningful co-curricular activities, and global engagement experiences. We also work to remain accessible and responsive to students, and to minimize barriers that inhibit effective learning.

CONNECTION, COLLABORATION, & COMMUNICATION

We strive to share our successes and outcomes with the community, ensuring transparency and inviting discussion about where we can enhance our work. Further, we desire to instill a global mindset in all Cyclones to enhance their cultural awareness and intercultural competence.

DIVERSITY, INCLUSION, & SOCIAL JUSTICE

We seek to welcome and engage all Cyclones in an effort to create a respectful, responsible community that allows for equitable access to learning and involvement.

HOLISTIC HEALTH, WELLNESS, & SAFETY OF STUDENTS & STAFF

Cyclones should feel safe anywhere at Iowa State University. Our programs, services, and interactions are designed to embody this and to identify areas where continued work needs to occur. We function best when everyone aspires to their best physical, emotional, intellectual, financial, environmental, occupational, social, and spiritual wellbeing.

2019-2020 DIVISION PRIORITIES

In working to fulfill our mission, staying true to our core values, and adapting to the ever-changing climate, this year we will focus our efforts on the following six priorities.

STUDENT SUCCESS

We will collaborate with Academic Affairs, the ISU Foundation, and other campus partners to achieve measurable progress towards closing the achievement gap for multicultural, first-generation, low-socioeconomic, and student Veterans.

SAFETY, HEALTH, & WELL-BEING

We will work to create a safe, healthy, and wellness-focused environment for ISU students and student affairs staff so that they may thrive at ISU, in the Ames community, and the world beyond.

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, & INCLUSION

We will promote and enhance the climate on campus and in the surrounding communities so all are welcomed, included, and valued.

STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

We will lead strategic planning and campus-wide discussions that enable the university to integrate best practices, technology, and innovation to maximize enrollment and enhance persistence and graduation rates for all student populations.

ASSESSMENT & RESEARCH

We will ensure that programs, policies, and practices are informed by assessment and research to better promote student enrollment, development, learning, and overall student success.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT & RETENTION

We will create intentional opportunities to support staff and make available the resources, tools, professional development, and the growth opportunities they need to be successful.