End of Semester Highlights Fall 2017
Division of Student Affairs

• We started the semester with collaborative efforts to create the Eclipse viewing event and ended the semester in partnership to provide Cougar Night Lights.

• Employees in the Division continue to lead efforts to address Food and Housing Insecurity – including working to ensure students in need have access to meals in the dining halls through the funds raised in the Swipe Away Student Hunger Campaign.

• Members of Division are also working collaboratively across the College to create a Bias Incident Response Team.

• The Career Center continues to manage a $25,000 competitive internship award program, with 14 currently students participating in this initiative, with an emphasis on supporting summer internships for students.

• The College of Charleston Career Center was ranked #18 nationally and #1 for all public master’s level institutions (Princeton Review, fall, 2017).

• The Collegiate Recovery Program held a successful fundraiser toward efforts to create an endowed scholarship in memory of Christopher Wells.

• Residence Life Staff led Cougar Move In and successfully moved in approximately 3400 students with the help of faculty, staff, alumni, and student group volunteers. (more than 100 volunteers and of course our residential staff)

• Residence Life staff facilitated another successful hurricane evacuation! This included 9 staff from the Division of Student Affairs traveling and staying on-site at Winthrop to assist our student and numerous other staff returning to campus early to prepare our halls to re-open (Let’s hope that’s it for a while!)

• Residence Life Fall Carnival – Held our 26th Annual Fall Carnival – attendance approximately 50

• 402 Scholarship – first residential scholarship awarded to Darien Parker, College Lodge resident.

• Addition of three full time RHDs to support students and student staff (in the process of working on assessment numbers)

• The Center for Counseling and Substance Abuse Services (CASAS) continues to be the largest practicum/intern placement site in the Tricounty area with four Master’s level trainees each semester.

• CASAS sponsored successful Therapy Dog Nights- Through the course of the first six weeks of school and at mid-term, 773 students were heartened by therapy dogs from the Alliance of Therapy Dogs and their handlers. The vast majority of students who attended met anywhere
from 1-2 people to more than 5, experienced less homesickness and felt happier according to surveys as they left.

- The student-led Cougar Counseling team helped over 150 students this Fall. They assist students in late afternoons and evenings via in person and text support.

- CASAS saw more clients, and more suicidal clients this Fall vs. last Fall, with one less counselor.

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- In the midst of this we also offered several new groups for students, including one on body image, and another for LGBT students. We also offered our other groups for Sexual Assault Survivors, Yoga, and KORU mindfulness, in addition to our AoD groups

- Multicultural Student Programs and Services (MSPS) re-invigorated the Safe Zone Training program this fall semester and trained: 68 Teaching Fellow scholarship recipients in the School of Education, Health, and Human Performance They also conducted four one-hour refresher sessions for 25 faculty and staff previously trained.

- On Saturday, November 18th MSPS staff presented programs and initiatives the Office of Multicultural Student Programs and Services offers to facilitate a more diverse and inclusive environment for students at the college during the Black Alumni Council Breakfast.

- Staff from MSPS and OID will present a session titled “Reframing the Conversation of Diversity and Inclusion on Campus” during the NASPA Multicultural Institute in New Orleans, LA, December 10 -12, 2018. Presenters include Dr. Renard Harris, Dr. Teresa Smith, Rochelle Johnson, and Kimberly Gaillard.

- Each year MSPS participates in Cougar Countdown. This year, MSPS sponsored Snacks on the Green, on Wednesday, 12/6/17 1-3pm. Over 180 students enjoyed hamburger and chicken biscuit sliders. They were very appreciative of destressing before exams.

- Student Health Services conducted three flu clinics this semester which in total vaccinated close to 800 faculty and staff at no cost to students or staff.

- Student Health Services collaborated with DHEC to offer our first ever, free STI screening in the Stern Center with more than 420 tests run at no cost to the students.

- Student Health Services participated in Weeks of Welcome handing out about 400 health kits including free thermometers to students at the beginning of the year.

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