

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **OVERVIEW**

The Associate Vice President and Dean of Students Office exists to assist students in achieving their educational goals by offering assistance with academic matters, health and well-being, leadership and student development with respect and individualized attention. This support fosters student retention, persistence and graduation and also reinforces the mission of Florida Atlantic University's Division of Student Affairs.

### **MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

- Assistant Director of Student Conduct – new position integration as primary contact with Housing/Residence Life for Conduct violations/process.
- Assist Athletic Dept. with Military Appreciation Day game (November) to improve from last year.
- Implement numerous activities and events during November 2013 as Military/Veteran Appreciation Month
- Continue to improve FAU Veteran Web Portal, functional completion by December 2013
- Continue to work toward physical space (i.e. Veteran Center) for veterans with projected resolution during Spring 2014.

### **MAJOR CHALLENGES**

- The number of mental health issues in Housing continues to be on the rise.
- Meeting the needs of special student populations
- Decrease in E & G funding and need to examine other funding sources to accomplish the stated goals.
- The ability to maximize the various funding sources within the Division of Student Affairs to meet the University and Divisional Strategic Goals.

### **MAJOR GOALS**

- Streamline academic petition process to one process for all colleges “true” fee forgiveness for students receiving Title IV funding (financial aid) and have been approved via the ECW process.
- Assistant Director of Student Conduct – new position integration as primary contact with Housing/Residence Life for Conduct violations/process.
- Implement NASCAP assessment plan.
- Continue to implement partnership with Academic Affairs for Regulation 4.001 Code of Academic Integrity seminar and tracking of cases in Maxient database; present information to university community.
- Create Investigations model for all conduct administrators.
- Next phase of paperless conduct process; utilize Ipads/Tablets for conduct meetings (Residence Life has purchased for RC's).
- Improve Veteran Forum (January) and dramatically increase faculty involvement.
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- Promote a “paperless” office environment.
- Build relationships with external agencies (medical facilities) for the purpose better serving FAU students.
- Continue to enhance the Student Crisis Intervention Committee process, internal assessment model for student cases, and communication and training programs/presentation to faculty, staff and students on how to identify and help distressed/disruptive students.

- Continue to development and implement, as it related to meeting the University and Divisional Strategic Plan, the Council for the Advancement of Standards (CAS) in Higher Education, and assessment for the functional areas within the Division of Student Affairs.