



The Dean of Students Office

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- **Mission**: The Dean of Students Office is committed to creating a community of **Honor, Character, and Excellence**. Utilizing a comprehensive approach to student development, we foster ethical decision-making, uphold student rights and responsibilities, and provide distinctive student support services.
- **Vision**: The Dean of Students Office hopes to inspire students to engage and succeed in their individual pursuit of learning, growth, and transformation.



Dean of Students Services



Academic Honesty



Student Conduct



CARE Team



Emergency Resources



Programs & Workshops

Dean of Students Advising



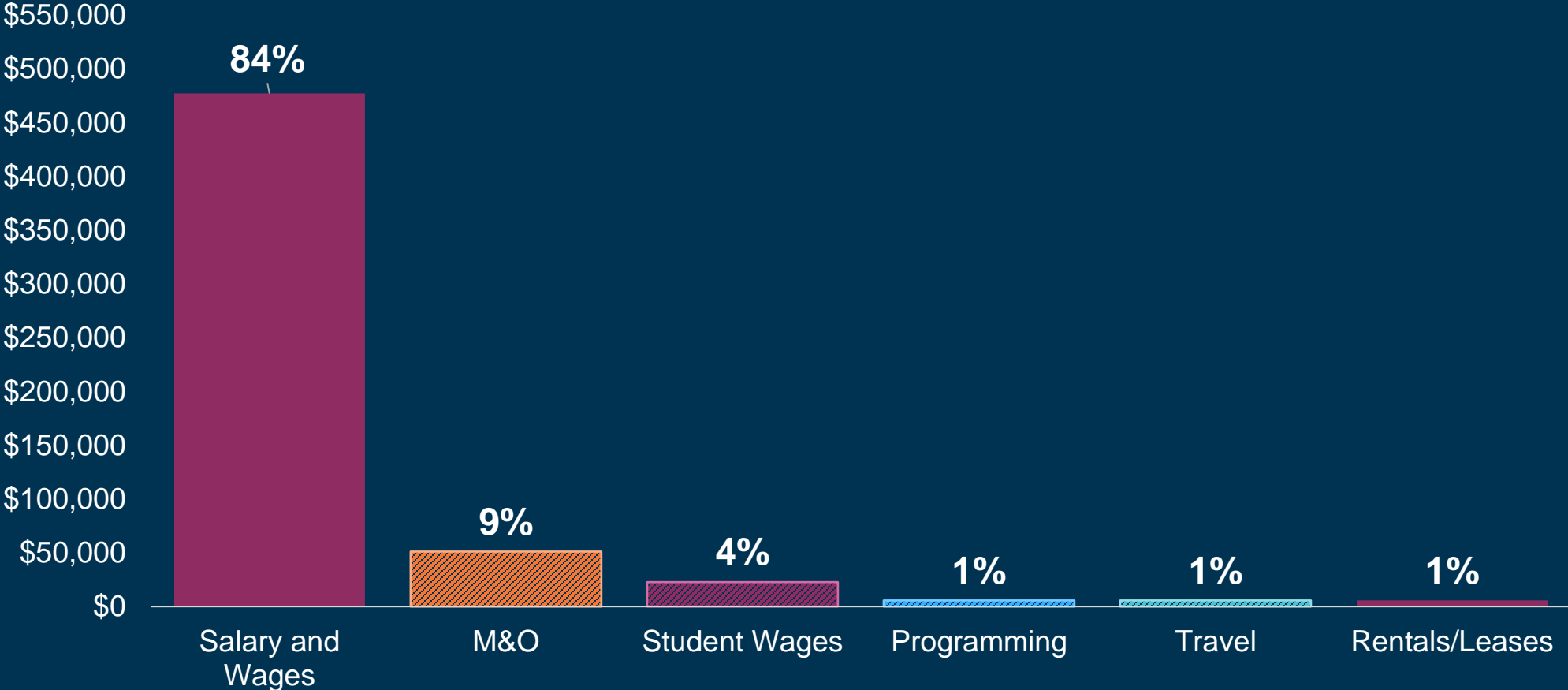
Student Government



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Budget Overview (\$567,887.00)



The Benefit to Students

- Trained Professional Staff (in-person and virtual student support) →
 - Guidance through the Academic Honesty process →
 - Student Rights and Responsibilities →
 - Student, Faculty and Staff Training/Support →
 - Student Employment Opportunities →
 - Student Programming and Workshops →
 - Software and Technology →
- Emphasis on Student Care
 - Uphold Academic Integrity
 - A Safe Campus Community
 - Timely Student Response
 - Student Referrals
 - Student Connection and Engagement
 - Protect Student Confidentiality

By the Numbers (Data)

- Academic Honesty
 - 40% decrease (15) in number of AH violations
 - Increase in violations involving Artificial Intelligence
- Student Conduct
 - 60% increase (148) in student conduct incidents
 - 28% of reports (42) classified as “Information Only”
- CARE and Mental Health
 - 2% increase (54) in CARE/mental health reports
 - 93% of students who received CARE Team support and/or services maintained their UHCL enrollment
- Hawk Emergency Fund
 - Processed 84 student applications
 - \$3,850.00 awarded to 13% (11) students
 - 87% students denied and/or referred to the Basic Needs Grant in the Center for Student Advocacy and Community
- Campus-wide Trainings
 - Trained 250+ students, faculty and staff
- DOS Office Interactions
 - 375 student interactions
 - 26% (98) General Information or Informal Questions
 - 22% (80) Academic Consultations (i.e., appeals, reinstatements, withdrawals, etc.)
 - 16% (60) Hawk Emergency Fund
- Student Satisfaction
 - 93% of students indicated a satisfactory experience and interaction with our office
 - 93% of students felt they were treated with respect
 - 93% of students reported that they see the Dean of Students Office as a student resource

Successes - Challenges - Opportunities



Successes

- High Level of Student Support
- Decrease in Academic Honesty Violations
- Revitalized Student Conduct Processes

Challenges

- Increase in the Complexity of Student Mental Health
- The Use of Artificial Intelligence
- Increase in Classroom Disruptions

Opportunities

- New Strategic Direction for the Office
- Aligning with Best Practices
- Increase Student Engagement

Significant Changes Since Last Year

- Academic Honesty
 - Streamlined Academic Honesty Council processes
 - Provided training for new and current faculty
- Student Conduct
 - Revised and aligned Student Code of Conduct with The University of Houston
 - Created a Sanctioning Guide for Hearing Officers
 - Re-developed and streamlined University Hearing Board processes
- Crisis Awareness Response Emergency Team
 - Restructured CARE Team meetings
 - Provided campus-wide training surrounding student care
 - Building out a one-sheet CARE response plan (in progress)
- Policy Work
 - Developed a new Alcohol Distribution Policy
 - Revised the Freedom of Expression and Hazing policies
- Programs, Workshops, and Initiatives
 - Implemented campus-wide trainings and workshops on incident reporting, making student referrals, etc.
 - Increased engagement at student events and traditions
 - Creating a new Student Handbook (in progress)
- Staffing
 - Hired Work-Study Eligible students
 - Hiring a new Assistant Vice President, Dean of Students (in progress)
- Office Environment
 - Creating a more student-friendly space (ongoing)
 - Converting a vacant office space into a multi-use conference room (in progress)

One-Time Funding Requests

- New FY24 One-Time Funding = None
- New FY25 One-Time Funding Requests = None
- New FY26 One-Time Funding Requests = None

5% FY26 Budget Reduction

- Reduce Maintenance and Operations by \$24,394.35
 - Eliminate two student employee positions (\$14k)
 - Offer less campus-wide programs and training (\$4,394.35)
 - Decrease office supply spending (\$2k)
- Reduce our Travel Budget by \$4,000.00

Questions?





Thank You