

Student Well-being Task Force Update

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Dear University community,

The Provost's Task Force on Student Well-being is excited to share that the group's membership has been finalized, and the work has begun. We had our first meeting on October 5th. Together, the task force will spend the 2021-2022 academic year assessing SLU's well-being ecosystem for students and exploring actions that can create a culture of well-being for students.

The Task Force will take a broad approach to this work, considering data, assessing existing resources, and exploring policies and practices that contribute to or inhibit student well-being. Ultimately, the Task Force will develop recommendations, in collaboration with the campus community, to inform the creation of a Student Well-being Strategic Roadmap for the University.

The following individuals committed to participating in the task force:

- Asmira Alagic, Faculty, Arts & Science
- Lauren Baker, Student, Arts & Science
- Angie Bradley, Staff, Sports Medicine and Athletics
- Steve Byrnes, Staff, University Counseling Center
- Amrita Chatuvedi, Faculty, School of Education
- Sarah Cunningham, Vice President, Student Development
- Tyler DeShon, Staff, Student Affairs-Medical School
- Andrew Erdmann, Staff, Dean of Students Office
- Annie Garner, Faculty, Psychology
- Troy Hargrove, Staff, School for Professional Studies
- Sydney Jackson, Student, Arts & Sciences
- Amber Johnson, Interim Vice President, Division for Diversity and Innovative Community Engagement
- Anna Kratky, Staff, Office of Institutional Equity and Diversity
- Whitney Linsenmeyer, Faculty, Nutrition & Dietetics
- Debie Lohe, Provost's Office
- Erick Messias, Faculty, Psychiatry, School of Medicine
- Vithya Murugan, Faculty, Social Work
- Zahva Naeem, Student, Arts & Sciences
- Joseph Nolla, Student, Philosophy & Letters
- Mike Otten, Staff, Department of Public Safety
- Fred Rottnek, Faculty, Family & Community Medicine, Addiction Medicine
- Laurie Sewell, Staff, Student Health Center
- Heather Stout, Staff, School of Law
- David Suwalsky, Vice President, Mission & Identity
- Allison Twohig, Student, School of Nursing
- Danny Willis, Dean, School of Nursing

As you can imagine, there were many more individuals interested in participating, and we believe the SLU community's input and ideas are essential to the success of the Task Force's work.

We will be holding listening sessions to hear diverse perspectives on student well-being. As draft recommendations begin to take shape, we will invite your feedback on those recommendations. Until then, please share your input with us [here](#). (Note: you must be logged into your MySLU account to access the form.) We will want to hear from you throughout this process.

The link to the feedback form is also available on the [Office of the Provost Student Well-being Task Force Page](#). We will post regular updates and information on this page, as well.

We are committed to determining recommendations that center our goal to be people for and with others, and look forward to continuing our work together.

Sincerely,

Ellen Barnidge and Eric Anderson
Task Force Co-chairs