

Student Engagement Work Group

A goal of the 2021-2026 Division of Student Life Strategic Plan is to, “Enhance the student experience through meaningful engagement and high-impact practices.” A specific tactic within this goal is to, “Define and adopt a Division and institutional definition of student engagement that reinforces a broad array of significant learning experiences.” The Student Engagement Work Group is charged with outlining a definition of student engagement in the Division of Student Life and a plan for sharing and reinforcing this definition across the division.

Scope:

- The work group should focus its efforts on the Division of Student Life in order to create a common language around student engagement across the division. A future work group will think about how the definition can be adopted institutionally.
- Ensure the definition of student engagement is broad enough to capture the various opportunities students can engage in. The work group should share the definition with the key stakeholders for feedback: Pomerantz Career Center, Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates, International Programs, Undergraduate Student Government, and Graduate and Professional Student Government.
- Clarify and distinguish, as necessary, the difference between student engagement and high-impact practices.

Sponsor: Vice President for Student Life

Members:

- Jamarco Clark – Co Chair
- Danielle Barefoot – Co Chair
- Shalisa Gladney
- Leandra Jenkins
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- Ben Lewis
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Deliverables: The work group is responsible for delivering the following:

- Definition of student engagement that encompasses a broad array of significant learning experiences that has been shared with key stakeholders.
- A plan to share and reinforce the definition with staff in the division. This plan should clarify for staff what this definition means and why it matters.

Schedule:

- Meetings would be bi-weekly starting in mid-April.
- Anticipated time commitment is approximately 1 hour a week.
- Due date for above deliverables is July 1, 2021.