

Executive Summary

Blueprint for Academic Excellence Galen Fellows AY2022-2023

Highlights

Virtual & In-person Lunch & Learn-Creates a virtual environment for academic deans/professionals to interact with students with similar and/or majors

CPR/First Aid Certification Classes-Help students meet academic & community program requirements

Virtual Specialty Spotlight Series-A series of virtual presentations by healthcare professionals in the community that allow them to interact with students who are interested in the same or similar career paths

Mission Statement

Galen Health Fellows is an allied health community that seeks to connect and develop students through scholarly and practical experiences that better position them for graduate/professional school and/or the workforce. Galen Health Fellow students will leave with the confidence and know-how to influence their peers and impact their world.

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Vision Statement

Through strategic partnerships within and outside of the University community, Galen Health Fellows strives to be a national model for allied health living-learning programs from which students undoubtedly leave with the knowledge and confidence to make a lasting impact in the health professions and the world.

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Values Statement

Shaping student experiences to become a well-rounded allied health student by building upon the five core competencies of interdisciplinarity, service, critical communication, cultural competence, and leadership.

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Goals - Looking Back

No goals have been entered for this section.

Goals - Real Time

Goals for the current Academic Year.

Goal 1 - Support for academic attainment

Goal Statement	Provide supportive living and learning environments that promote academic attainment of resident students
Linkage to University Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attract, inspire, challenge and enable our students to become innovative thinkers and transformative leaders. • Create new pathways to research excellence to become AAU eligible.
Alignment with Mission, Vision, and Values	Galen Health Fellows provides an environment that encourages original research and academic exploration.
Status	Progressing as expected (multi-year goal)
Action Plan	Maintain and develop new linked courses for community. Offer and encourage students to attend research workshops (co-hosted with the Office of Underwith the goal of applying for competitive mini-grants. Encourage students to utilize the Student Success Center.
Achievements	Continuing to work with major departments to develop linked courses and encouraging the mini-grant for research with students.
Resources Utilized	Personnel and budget for residential programming
Goal Continuation	The community will continue to support students interested in research by funding the Magellan Galen grant and co-hosting Getting Started Workshops with the Office of Undergraduate Research.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Continue to increase interest in research and Magellan Galen grant applications
Resources Needed	Budget of funds and residential programming
Goal Notes	<p>38 students participated in Discover UofSC</p> <p>20 students attended Office of Undergraduate Research workshop</p> <p>Anthropology 102 included in linked course listings</p> <p>Continue to drive communication with students to communicate their academic interests and needs as we continuously develop a supportive programming structure</p>

Goals - Real Time

Goal 2 - Connecting students to UofSC

Goal Statement	Connect residents to USC opportunities and activities both as part of the living/learning community and outside of the community to cultivate a sense of belonging with the university
Linkage to University Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attract, inspire, challenge and enable our students to become innovative thinkers and transformative leaders. • Create new pathways to research excellence to become AAU eligible. • Cultivate a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive campus culture where every individual, regardless of background, has the full opportunity to flourish and thrive.
Alignment with Mission, Vision, and Values	Galen Health Fellows seeks to connect and develop residents through strategic partnerships within and outside of the University community, which positions students to gain scholarly and practical experiences for graduate/professional school and/or the workforce.
Status	Progressing as expected (multi-year goal)
Action Plan	Continue working with Area Coordinator and graduate students to maintain and strengthen community education plans. Also, continue working with the Office of Undergraduate Research and Office of Pre-Professional Advising. We will continue to add departments that can provide resources to our students.
Achievements	Began working with the Career Center to inform students of the resources offered and will support workshops for resume writing, cover letters, interviews, and inform the use of HandShake
Resources Utilized	Personnel, Budgeted fund for the community
Goal Continuation	Will continue to host events that will support opportunities and resources for the Galen community. We have begun looking for more virtual opportunities that may support students in a very similar manner as face-to-face.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Continue reaching out to departments to gain knowledge about resources available that will best support the Galen student experience.
Resources Needed	Adequate space to host workshops
Goal Notes	Hosted 8 student breakfasts serving approx.40 students and over 300 students in total over the Fall 2021 semester Hosted 3 Specialty Spotlight presentations highlighting community and campus partners with audiences over 50 for each interaction

Goals - Real Time

Goal 3 - Connections to Faculty Principal

Goal Statement	Enhance resident students' living and learning experience by encouraging interactions and connections with Faculty Principal
Linkage to University Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attract, inspire, challenge and enable our students to become innovative thinkers and transformative leaders. • Assemble and cultivate a world-class faculty and staff. • Create new pathways to research excellence to become AAU eligible. • Cultivate a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive campus culture where every individual, regardless of background, has the full opportunity to flourish and thrive. • Harness the power, attributes and institutional diversity of an integrated and interoperative university system that enhances access, success and affordability for every eligible SC student.
Alignment with Mission, Vision, and Values	Galen Health Fellows encourages students to develop cultural competency and apply it to their education, lives, and career.
Status	Progressing as expected (multi-year goal)
Action Plan	Maintain (and develop new) current initiatives that have been impactful.
Achievements	Students stopping in for office hours Formation of campus and community partnerships and activities that promote student engagement
Resources Utilized	Budgeted funds for the community Budgeted funds through University Housing
Goal Continuation	Lunch with Dr. Simmons will continue but due to the pandemic will be limited, virtual office hours weekly, and breakfast with the community to be set up in a safe manner.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Continue to add events and activities supporting the student experience and interaction with the Faculty Principal
Resources Needed	Budgeted funds for food purchases
Goal Notes	<p>Connected with over 60 new freshman students at the beginning of fall 2021 semester in town hall meeting</p> <p>Connected with over 300 students through hosting 8 student breakfasts throughout the fall semester</p> <p>Connected with 10 students for 8 days on an alternative spring break trip in the Dominican Republic where students worked closely in seaside mobile clinics and focused on critical public health-related tasks in community areas.</p>

Goals - Real Time

Goal 4 - Service

Goal Statement	Find and facilitate opportunities for students to engage in service and volunteering outside the classroom with organizations that are focused on initiatives related to allied health sciences majors found in the learning community.
Linkage to University Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attract, inspire, challenge and enable our students to become innovative thinkers and transformative leaders.
Alignment with Mission, Vision, and Values	Strategic partnerships within and off campus will help connect students with organizations and service opportunities. Increased engagement with service opportunities will help students gain practical experience in the real world while also contributing to their development as well-rounded allied health students before graduation.
Status	Newly Established Goal
Action Plan	Actively reach out to off-campus organizations in order to create partnerships and plan events that facilitate students' ability to engage in service opportunities. These opportunities will be linked to multiple majors pursued by allied health students in the Galen Health community.
Achievements	Insure that students attain a minimum number of service hours, as well as strive to increase the number of students in the Galen Health community that participate in service opportunities. Monitoring the number of service hours students' accrue and the organizations they volunteer with will assist in achieving this goal.
Resources Utilized	Rental of large vans for transportation
Goal Continuation	Consistently working to facilitate service opportunities related to the allied health sciences as well as insuring students are made aware of these opportunities and document the service hours they have completed.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Plan to coordinate with off-campus organizations to identify and promote events that offer opportunities Galen Health students to engage in service off-campus.
Resources Needed	Budgeting for transportation, connections with off-campus organizations, personnel.
Goal Notes	<p>Hosted alternative spring break trip where at least 30 hours of international service was completed by 10 students over 5 days</p> <p>5 students completed 3 hours of service and provided 128 meals to at least 60 homeless persons with Oliver Gospel Mission</p> <p>6 students completed 2 hours of service and packed 448 bookbags with Harvest Hope for children</p> <p>Continuing to connect and re-establish relationships with service-centered organizations post-pandemic</p> <p>Over 50 students created 140 Christmas cards to be given to a local</p>

Goals - Real Time

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Goals - Real Time

Goal 5 - Organized Programming

Goal Statement	Create and foster an environment where students have an opportunity to build partnerships outside the classroom with other students, faculty, and staff at events/programs organized specially for the community.
Linkage to University Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attract, inspire, challenge and enable our students to become innovative thinkers and transformative leaders.
Alignment with Mission, Vision, and Values	Coordinate events that are collaborative efforts with upperclassman and graduate students in related majors, faculty, and staff in the health sciences.
Status	Newly Established Goal
Action Plan	Plan more events involving faculty interaction and upperclassman students in a variety of majors. Help students understand the importance of gaining knowledge about other academic interest and programs.
Achievements	We have arranged virtual Specialty Spotlight programs that highlight former UofSC students in their current healthcare professions who come from varying backgrounds. These professionals also agree to allow students to connect with them for more questions about their field and some sense of mentorship.
Resources Utilized	Blackboard Collaborate
Goal Continuation	We will continue to support this goal by seeking former UofSC students who are healthcare professionals in different fields.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Plan to coordinate with academic departments to coordinate events that support the needs of Galen students.
Resources Needed	Budgeted funds for food purchases (limited due to Covid-19) Availability of space to host events (hosting on a virtual platform at this time but may have several more limited events based on new protocols impacted by Covid-19)
Goal Notes	Completed 6 first aid & CPR classes totaling 18 hours of certification training for 60 students Hosted 50-90 students virtually for Specialty Spotlight presentations Hosted 25 students at Office of Undergraduate Research Workshop

Goals - Looking Ahead

Goals for the next Academic Year.

Goal 1 - Support for academic attainment

Goal Statement	Provide supportive living and learning environments and encourage engagement and high impact practices that promote academic attainment of resident students
Linkage to University Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a sustainable campus infrastructure that supports academic excellence and preeminent student life.
Alignment with Mission, Vision, and Values	Galen Health Fellows provides an environment that encourages original research and academic exploration.
Status	Progressing as expected (multi-year goal)
Action Plan	Maintain and develop new linked courses for community. Offer and encourage students to attend research workshops with the goal of applying for competitive mini-grants. Encourage students to utilize the Student Success Center.
Achievements	Continuing to work with major departments to develop linked courses and encouraging the mini-grant for research with students.
Resources Utilized	Personnel and budget for residential programming
Goal Continuation	The community will continue to support students interested in research by funding the Magellan Galen grant and co-hosting Getting Started Workshops with the Office of Undergraduate Research.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Continue to increase interest in research and Magellan Galen grant applications
Resources Needed	Budget of funds and residential programming
Goal Notes	Increase participation in Discover UofSC by 5%

Goals - Looking Ahead

Goal 2 - Diverse connections to UofSC

Goal Statement	Ensure that students from all groups are connected to UofSC and that all students are exposed to diversity and develop an attitude of inclusiveness and understanding of equity
Linkage to University Goal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultivate a more diverse, equitable, and inclusive campus culture where every individual, regardless of background, has the full opportunity to flourish and thrive.
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Achievements	Began working with the Career Center to inform students of the resources offered and will support workshops for resume writing, cover letters, interviews, and inform the use of HandShake
Resources Utilized	Personnel, Budgeted fund for the community
Goal Continuation	Will continue to host events that will support opportunities and resources for the Galen community. We have begun looking for more virtual opportunities that may support students in a very similar manner as face-to-face.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Continue reaching out to departments to gain knowledge about resources available that will best support the Galen student experience.
Resources Needed	Adequate space to host workshops
Goal Notes	Increase undergraduate workshops by 1 offered each semester Increase Career Center offerings by 2 offered each semester

Goals - Looking Ahead

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Resources Utilized	Budgeted funds for the community Budgeted funds through University Housing
Goal Continuation	Lunch with Dr. Simmons will continue but due to the pandemic will be limited, virtual office hours weekly, and breakfast with the community to be set up in a safe manner.
Goal Upcoming Plans	Continue to add events and activities supporting the student experience and interaction with the Faculty Principal
Resources Needed	Budgeted funds for food purchases
Goal Notes	Increase student event interactions with Dr. Simmons by 5%

Goals - Looking Ahead

Goal 4 - Service

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Resources Needed	Budgeting for transportation, connections with off-campus organizations, personnel.

Goals - Looking Ahead

Goal Notes	Identify 2 new volunteer opportunities Increase student interaction with Galen group volunteer opportunities by 10%
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Goals - Looking Ahead

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Goal Notes	Identify 1 campus organization to work directly with to host an event that will support the mission and vision of Galen Identify 1 off campus organization to work directly with to host an event that will support the mission and vision of Galen

Programs or Initiatives

Effective Programs or Initiatives

List your most effective programs/initiatives toward fulfillment of mission.

Program Launches

List any programs/initiatives that were newly launched during the Academic Year or any programs/initiatives you would like to launch in the coming year(s). Describe the program/initiatives, provide financial requirements (including additional staff), and academic year in which you would launch. What key performance indicators are you utilizing to track the success of this program?

Program Terminations

List any programs that were newly terminated or discontinued during the Academic Year. Provide justification as to why the program was discontinued.

Program Rankings

List any nationally ranked or external recognition during the Academic Year. For each, provide the formal name of the program followed by the name of the organization that issued the ranking, the date of notification, effective date range, and any other relevant information.

Initiatives and Fees

Initiatives

Describe any new initiatives your unit will need for the coming year.

Fees

List any new or changed fees that your unit has implemented or had to take on in the last academic year.

Community Engagement

Community Perceptions

Describe how your unit assesses community perceptions of your engagement, and how the unit assesses the impact of community engagement on students, faculty, community and the institution. Provide specific findings.

Collaborations

Internal Collaborations

List your Unit's most significant internal collaborations and multidisciplinary efforts that are internal to the University. Details should be omitted; list by name only.

External Collaborations

List your Unit's most significant external collaborations and multidisciplinary efforts that are external to the University. Details should be omitted; list by name only.

Campus Climate and Inclusion

Campus Climate and Inclusion

Activities the unit conducted that were designed to improve Campus, Climate, and Inclusion.

- International Breakfasts have been organized by Galen Health Fellows to heighten cultural awareness and competence and expose Galen students to cuisine from other cultures they may have not otherwise had the opportunity to experience.
- The Galen Health Fellows book club is open to students across campus and covers a diverse range of topics along the axes of race, gender, and class.
- The Major Mixer Event helped encourage students from different majors in the community to meet one another and gain perspectives and friends they may not have had the chance to acquire.
- Our Faculty Principal, Dr. David Simmons, co-chairs (along with Catherine Sturm) the Housing DEIA Action Committee as is responsible for developing the department's action plan for DEIA.

Concluding Remarks

Weaknesses and Plans for Improvement

What is your unit struggling with? What plans do you have to overcome the weakness that you have faced in the next academic year.

Key Issues

Identify key issues or potential challenges your unit will encounter this coming year and the steps you plan on initiating.

Quantitative Outcomes

Explain any surprises regarding data provided in the quantitative outcomes modules throughout this report.

Cool Stuff

Describe innovations, happy accidents, good news, etc. that occurred within your unit not noted elsewhere in your reporting.