

SECTION ONE – STUDENT AFFAIRS

VICE-PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

The Vice-President for Student Affairs, Dr. Jim Earle, works closely with individual students, a variety of student groups, faculty, staff, parents, and alumni to create and maintain an environment that is educational and participatory in nature, built upon cooperation, trust, and mutual respect. The Vice-President helps students to develop positive individual and community and assists students in resolving personal, interpersonal, and family problems. The Office of Student Affairs conducts on-going research and a variety of planning activities, and regularly consults with the Provost, Dean of Academic Affairs and academic departments to improve the student experience. The Vice-President coordinates all co-curricular programs. The staff of the Student Affairs Division maintains active working relationships with student leaders of about forty clubs and organizations and works closely with the student in the administration of student government and the student activities fee which funds campus clubs and organizations.

CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Co-curricular programs occur outside the University classrooms, but are desired to compliment the goals of the Individual and Community integrated curriculum. This unique format endeavors to unify a student's social and intellectual experience. These programs are primarily designed by staff and students, in conjunction with the faculty, and occur in the residential and social arenas.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Student development programs encourage personal growth and assist students in developing life-management skills. The Outreach Education Center, Career Planning and Placement Office, the Office of Community Service, Academic Services Center, Health Center, Men's and Women's Athletics, Campus Ministries, Recreation and Intramural Sports, student leadership, Residential Life and Student Activities are among the educational opportunities offered in the student development program. The faculty and staff encourage your involvement as active participants in personal development and in the daily life of the University. Students have special opportunities to participate in the operation, management, and planning of most phases of university life. We also encourage you to be responsible as citizens of the campus community and of the Monadnock Region. Student development provides the support, assistance, and teaching that expands your horizons and enhances the quality of your life as a student.

RESIDENTIAL LIFE

As a residential university, Franklin Pierce is focused on providing housing for all of our students and connecting academic with residential learning. The university provides opportunities for our residential students to interact and collaborate with peers from a

variety of diverse backgrounds. We encourage our students to become active residents of the university so they can enhance their university experience.

The Department of Residential Life, administered by the Director of Residential Life, six live-in professional staff members and a graduate assistant, is responsible for the daily concerns that may arise within the university residences. Residential Life handles all room assignments, roommate concerns, maintenance issues and coordinates the Residence Hall Association (RHA) which provides residential students an opportunity to collaborate and further developed the sense of community.

As a residential university, the centerpiece of the developmental process for our residents is co-curricular programming. Besides providing developmental and community based programs, we feel that an important component of the students' overall development is to provide educational programs that compliment the academic experience in the classrooms.

Room Changes - Students may not change rooms within the first two weeks of the semester. During the first two weeks of the semester the University puts a "freeze" on any room change activity in order to account for all residents and open rooms. Students may make room changes after the "freeze" All changes must be approved by the Department of Residential Life prior to any physical move taking place. There will be no refunds for any portion of the room charges, nor will there be additional charges added to the student's statement after the first two weeks. Once a student checks into a residence hall, he/she may not change status from a resident student to a commuter student. Any exception to this rule must have the approval of the Vice President of Student Affairs. Any refund will follow the schedule prescribed under "Withdrawal for Regular Terms."

Meal Plan Changes – All freshmen are required to be on one of the University's two unlimited meal plan options, regardless of where they reside on campus. Freshmen commuter students are exempt from this requirement, but may opt to participate in any one of the University's meal plan options by enrolling in the Residential Life Office. Sophomore, junior or senior year students living in Lakeview, Sawmill, Northwoods or Mountain View may elect one of the other plans or no meal plan. Any upper-class (non-freshman) student living in standard residences (Granite, Mount Washington, New Hampshire, Cheshire, Monadnock or Edgewood) must elect one of the meal plans available to them. Any changes to meal plan options must be made before the Add/Drop Period ends and this must be done in the Office of Residential Life. Any exceptions (e.g., documented medical issue that necessitates being off the meal plan) must be approved by the Director of Residential Life before the end of the Add/Drop Period.

ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION SERVICES

In accordance with Franklin Pierce University's focus on individual development, alcohol and other drug abuse prevention services are available which emphasize education, prevention, and intervention. Professional staffs in several departments coordinate services. Students may be self-referred or referred by concerned faculty, staff or fellow students as well as by the university judicial process for brief assessment and intervention. Off campus referrals are available. In addition, an Alcoholics Anonymous chapter holds open meetings on campus. For more information contact the Center for Outreach Education or a Residential Life Experience Director. Information relating to the Drug Free Schools and Communities Act can be found on the student life, judicial affairs page of the University website.

THE CENTER FOR OUTREACH EDUCATION

The center was established to assist students with their growth and development through the university years. The focus is on furthering self-understanding while encouraging a sense of community. The Center emphasizes education in skills that can be used continuously throughout a person's life. Through group programs, one can learn how to change self-defeating behavior, manage anxiety, improve relationships, and develop leadership skills. The Center will meet individually with students to find appropriate on and off campus services. The Center also has a full-time woman's crisis advocate available. The Center for Outreach Education is located in the lower level of Granite Hall with Health Services.

HEALTH CENTER

The Health Center is located on the lower level of Granite Hall and is open to all students. Students are seen by appointment only to allow sufficient time for assessment and avoid waiting time. Walk-in emergencies, however, are dealt with immediately. On-campus nurse practitioner appointments are available. All appointments with physicians, clinics, and hospitals are made through the Health Center to provide proper insurance coverage. The University health insurance will not cover students who are not referred by the Health Center. All appointments can be made by calling ext. 4130. In case of illness or accident when the Health Center is not open, students should notify residence hall or campus safety staff, who will arrange for appropriate care. Student EMTs are available on campus for emergencies and will arrange emergency transportation when necessary.

If you are absent from classes for any length of time due to medical reasons, please notify the Health Center and Academic Affairs. This notification allows us to respond appropriately to your individual circumstances. The Health Center does not provide excuses for missing classes. Please contact us if you have any health care needs, need medical advice, have insurance questions, or would like educational programs provided.

CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT

The Career Planning and Placement Office located in New Hampshire Hall, offers a variety of services for students and alumni around career decision-making and job search issues. These services include career assessment testing, individual career counseling, workshops, internet guidance, career panels and special programs, a career resource library, job and internship listings, on-campus recruiting, career fairs, and graduate school information. Assistance is available for choosing a major, developing a career plan, resume and cover letter preparation, applying to graduate school, job searching, interviewing, and making the transition to the world of work.

DEPARTMENT OF CAMPUS SAFETY

Located in St. Peter's House on University Drive, the Department of Campus Safety exists to provide protection and services to the university community. The Office of Campus Safety is open and officers are on duty around the clock, every day of the year. The Office of Campus Safety provides emergency services, including dispatching emergency medical technicians and the Franklin Pierce University Fire Company.

Should an individual observe any suspicious activity, suspicious person, any violation of law or campus regulation or should any crime be committed against a person, his/her property or any member of the university community, the Department of Campus Safety should be contacted immediately at extension 4210 or through our Immediate Service Number at extension 5555. If you wish to report information about an incident and remain anonymous you may call voicemail 4100 and leave a message for ext. 2795.