

Student Development Staff

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 - Mrs. Denise Atkinson, R.N.
- **Student Services**
 - Ms. Emily Pettit, Director
 - 12 Residence Life Staff Members



Student Development Division Mission Statement

The Student Development Division establishes and maintains a community living environment that is secure, comfortable, enjoyable, and accepting of diversity; where students learn to live and live to learn.

By offering opportunities for personal development and leadership through student organizations, athletics, and residence life programming the Student Development Division supports the Institution's academic goals and nurtures the spirit and principles of community living.



A Typical Day

Weekdays

- Breakfast from 7:30-8:30am
- Classes start at 8 am and last through 5pm
 - Courses operate on a college model
 - Students may have free time during the day
- Lunch 11:30-1pm
- Classes in the afternoon
- Dinner 5pm
- 6-8pm
 - Sports, Club meetings, Wal-Mart runs, Free Time
- 8-10pm, QUEST
- 10:00- 10:30pm Happy Half (free time downstairs)
- 10:30pm, Room Check
- 12 midnight, Lights Out, Internet shuts off



Weekends at GSSM

First Month at GSSM

- Juniors are required to stay on campus.
- This helps students adjust to our routine, build friendships and get settled into GSSM life.
- PARENTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to visit during this time.
- The first weekend for Juniors to go home is after Convocation (usually the first weekend in September).

Long Weekends

- About every 4th weekend (once a month) we have a Long Weekend (LWE). After classes on Thursday, the residence hall closes and all students leave for a long weekend at home.

What do weekends look like at GSSM?

- On any given weekend there are approximately 100 students on campus.
- Friday and Saturday night
 - No QUEST
 - No Lights out, internet on all weekend
 - Room check at midnight
- Off campus activities and trips include: Paintball, Planetarium, Bowling, Carowinds, Florence Mall trip, Charleston, Myrtle Beach and various Cultural Events.
- Some sporting events are also held on the weekend



Campus Activities

Campuswide Programming

- Orientation Week
- Body Awareness Week
- Cultural Diversity Week
- Home Going Week
- Masquerade Ball
- Coffee House (open mic)
- Battle of the Halls
- Beach Volleyball
- Scarowinds
- Field Day
- Movie Nights
- Winter Formal and Prom





Leadership and Service

Many ways to get involved- 30 + Clubs

Clubs, Academic Teams, Performance Groups

- Band/Orchestra, Chorus, Gospel Choir, Step Team
- YIG, Model UN, Mock Trial,
- Spanish and French Club
- Beta Club, NHS, Interact, Jr. Civitans
- Chess team, Math team, Science Olympiad
- Ultimate Frisbee, Soccer, Archery
- Cultural Diversity Club, National History Club
- Ballroom Dancing, Art Club
- Student Council, Ambassadors, Natural Helpers





ASSOCIATION
Learn and Live
PEE DEE HEART WALK



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Residence Life Staff

- 12 Live-In staff members
 - 4 Residence Life Coordinators (RLC's) are full time professional staff members



- 8 Resident Assistants (RAs) are part-time college students



Residence Life Staff Responsibilities

- On duty 24/7 while students are on campus
- Responsible for safety and security
- Community building
- Offer support and guidance to students
- Provide educational programming



R.A. Programming

“Education does not always take place in the classroom”

Stressed or Anxious

- The program is to notify students about the realities of stress. After the program, students should be more knowledgeable about how to relieve stress.

Roommate Game

- The Roommate Game is designed to challenge a pair of roommates to find out just how well they know each other.

Sumthin' Fa Da Fellas

- This was a program designed to provide tips for the guys in regards to dressing up for formal events such as Prom and Winter Formal.

Kalmia Gardens- Service Project

- Students used part of a Saturday to give back to our local community. Activities at Kalmia have ranged from spreading bark along trails to cleaning out an overgrown pond. (This type of service looks good for colleges)

Are You an Innie or an Outtie?

- This program is based on the Meyer's Brigg Personality Test. Students learn about themselves and how they relate to others on their floor.



Security and Leaving Campus

Safety and Security

- 4pm-8am Security Officers patrolling inside and outside
- ID cards provide secure access to the building and assigned rooms
- Students must always sign out when leaving campus
- We have established walking boundaries
- After dark students must travel in groups

Transportation- Cars and Bicycles

- Cars have very restricted use
 - » Home on weekends, Prom and WF, College and scholarship interviews
- Locked inside student parking lot
- \$200 a year
- We recommend car pooling on weekends
- Bicycles are welcome

Church on Sunday (if interested, not required)

- About 6 different denominations are within walking distance from GSSM
- Some churches that are further away will send a van or bus to pick up students who would like to attend
- Sometimes faculty or staff members will take students to church



Health Services

- Nurse is on campus 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Monday – Friday
- Students who are ill are excused by the nurse prior to class.
 - Confined to room until next morning
 - Meals brought to room
 - Nurse will check on student during the day
- If student needs to see a doctor, parent will be contacted first.
 - Nurse will arrange for transportation to and from the appointment
 - Necessary paperwork, insurance information, etc. managed by Nurse
- Students are required to have health insurance
- Certain medications are controlled by the nurse
- Flu shots are available in the fall



Athletics at GSSM

Varsity Sports

- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Golf
- Soccer
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Track
- Volleyball



Intramural Sports

Touch Football, Soccer, Basketball,
Ultimate Frisbee



Additional Athletic Activities

- YMCA memberships for students
- Each student is required to complete 2 hours of physical activity a week (PAR)



Counseling

- College application process
- Help with scholarships
- Personal counseling



Naviance

What can it do?

- College searches
- See college visits scheduled
- Produce scattergrams
- Track deadlines
- Links to selected third-party resources
- Shows gpa's & test scores
- We send Common App online



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What can it do?

- » Electronically send transcripts
- » Secondary School Report
- » Teacher Recommendations
- » School Profile

to about 450 Non-Common
Application colleges & university



QUESTIONS?



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