Student Affairs

The Division of Student Affairs is one of the major administrative units of the University. The philosophy of Student Affairs correlates with the University's major goals and supporting policies. The programs and activities conducted by the Division of Student Affairs are integral to the mission of the University, address the diversities of the environment in which it resides, and respond to student needs.

The Bradley environment provides opportunities for the deliberate and total development of its students and encompasses experiences beyond the classroom. The Division is concerned with the whole student and believes that what students learn and experience influences their aspirations, development, and achievements.

Therefore, the Division of Student Affairs enhances students’ educational experiences through the mobilization and coordination of resources of the University community in order to develop responsibility within students for growth and development.

The Division complements the academic experience through programming provided by the Centers for Student Involvement, Student Development and Health Services, Student Support Services, and the Smith Career Center. The Division of Student Affairs is also responsible for the Office of Parent Relations.

Center for Cocurricular Development

- Multicultural Student Services
  - Minority Student Services
  - International Student Services
  - Romeo B. Garrett Cultural Center
- Intramural and Recreational Sports
- Off-Campus Student and Non-Traditional Student Services
- Parents’ Weekends
- Student Organizations
- Student Activities
- Student Government
- Student Media

This Center provides a cohesive plan of programs, activities, events and services designed to respond to the cultural, social, physical, and recreational needs of all students enrolled at Bradley. Opportunities for leadership and group development are provided for students to learn new skills, broaden their abilities, and manage their organizational activities. Communication between faculty, administration, students, and staff will be encouraged as a means to promote a well-informed campus community regarding student activities and government. Multicultural Student Services and the Romeo B. Garrett Cultural Center foster a greater awareness of the minority and international experience by responding to social, cultural, educational, and philosophical concerns.

International Student Services insures the successful transition of international students into campus life and assists them in confronting their responsibilities and challenges while in this country.

Intramural and Recreational Sports offers students opportunities to participate in a wide variety of sport and recreational activities. A diversified schedule of activities is maintained for the novice to the advanced competitor.

Off-Campus and Non-Traditional Student Services helps coordinate efforts designed to meet the special needs of these students.

Student Activities organizes social life, which includes concerts, dances, lectures, and special events such as Campus Carnival, homecoming, and a variety of student committees and programs. The office also registers student organizations and provides information and certain administrative services for more than 200 student groups.

Student government organizations provide leadership opportunities for students to participate in the governing process of the University, particularly as it relates to student concerns and welfare.

Student media, including the weekly newspaper the Bradley Scout, the yearbook Anaga, the literary publication Broadside, and the radio station WRBU, offer communication experiences and opportunities for interested students. All student media bearing the name of or sponsored by Bradley University must be approved and supervised by the Communications Council.

Center for Student Development and Health Services

- Academic Exploration Program
- Academic Advisement
- Counseling
- Health Services
- Testing and Guidance
- Orientation
- Parents’ Board
- Wellness
- Division of Student Affairs Research

The Center for Student Development and Health Services is designed to provide opportunities and assistance to students for the realization of their personal and educational goals. Beginning with an appropriate introduction to the University environment, students are subsequently provided with advisement; counseling and wellness services; health services; and opportunities to investigate and explore new academic areas and challenges.

The Academic Exploration Program (AEP), one part of the University’s academic advisement program, provides direction to a large number of academically undecided students. In addition to individual diagnostic evaluations and course sampling, special advisement services are provided to help students begin understanding the implications of their educational and career interests.

The Academic Exploration Program and other advisement services are offered through the Center for Orientation and Advisement. Orientation programs assist new students’ and their parents’ adjustment to the University and the parents’ adjustment to being the
parent of a college student. During orientation, academic, career, and personal skills are assessed and enhanced, which ensures a foundation of support that helps students realize their educational goals.

Student Health Services provides personal counseling services to aid in the total development of students as well as to enhance the success of their academic achievement. Services are provided by professional counselors and are confidential and free for Bradley students.

Health Services provides primary care for Bradley students, free of charge. The Center offers care for injuries and short-term illnesses and advises students on medical matters. The physicians may also refer students needing more intensive physical or medical care.

Center for Residential Living and Leadership
- Lewis J. Burger Center for Student Leadership and Public Service
- Judicial System
- Fraternities and Sororities
- Residence Programs
- Residence Halls and Residence Hall Staff

The Center for Residential Living and Leadership is responsible for the general welfare of the residential hall students and members of fraternities and sororities at Bradley University, particularly as it concerns their outside class activities and living environment. This office interacts with all segments of the University including students, faculty, administrators, parents, and the community. The responsibility of the judicial system is to protect the rights of the University and the individual student.

Center for Student Support Services
- Learning Assistance Center
- Tutoring
- Turning Point Program
- Retention Programs
- Office of Student Accessibility - ADA
- Student Affairs Intern Program
- Advancement (Alumni) and Proposal Opportunity
- Technology Oversight

The Center for Student Support Services provides academic support and guidance to assist students in their academic success. The staff offers programs, services, and resources to students who request academic assistance. The goal of the Center for Student Support Services is to help students be academically successful and graduate from Bradley University.

The Office of Student Accessibility-ADA meets with students with physical disabilities to determine reasonable and appropriate accommodations. Students with permanent or temporary physical disabilities must disclose their situation to the Office of Student Accessibility-ADA in order to receive accommodations.

The Center for Learning Assistance assists students with documented learning disabilities. Appropriate testing accommodations are arranged through the Center for Learning Assistance upon verification from their health care provider. Study skills and speed reading seminars are available each semester.

Tutoring services are provided through the Center for Learning Assistance. Students receive two hours of free tutoring each week. Students requesting tutoring services must go to the Cullom-Davis Library to receive tutoring coupons.

Students on academic probation are required to participate in the Turning Point Program. Students learn to develop time management skills, advocacy communication techniques, and study techniques. Additional retention programs for students with special needs are available through the Center for Student Support Services.

Smith Career Center
The Smith Career Center assists students in exploring and defining career options, developing job search strategies, obtaining career-related work experience, and identifying and connecting with prospective employers. Innovative services respond to current trends and economic conditions affecting the job market and career opportunities. These include:
- individual career advisement
- job search preparation
- resume development and review
- cooperative education and internships
- career seminars
- job fairs
- graduate and professional school fair
- campus interviews with employers
- one-credit course in job search strategies

Extensive Web-based resources are available to help students learn more about career information, job availability, employer information, and networking. Specific resources such as eRecruiting (resume database, job listings, and campus recruiting sign-ups) and CareerSearch (directory of over 1.7 million employers nationwide) are available through the site.

Bradley University students and alumni must register with the Smith Career Center to obtain an eRecruiting Web account. Having an eRecruiting account allows registered users to submit resumes for the Web Resume Book, review Web job listings, and participate in campus interviews. Registration is restricted to currently enrolled Bradley University students or alumni.

Students are encouraged to gain career-related work experience prior to graduation through internships, cooperative education, and summer or part-time employment. Internships or cooperative education experiences provide opportunities for professional development, which integrate classroom theory with supervised work experience.

Several hundred employers visit the Bradley campus each year to consider Bradley candidates for internship, cooperative education, summer, part-time and full-time jobs. Students have the opportunity to meet employers during special presentations, job fairs, and on-campus interviews.