

Center for Student Involvement



As a unit within Student Affairs, the Center for Student Involvement (CSI) is a multifaceted team working together to support students and student organizations. We create an engaging and inclusive environment that promotes leadership development, cultural awareness and community involvement to help students find their passion and their place.

At-a-Glance

- \$1,438,651 annual budget, \$1,250,529 coming from student fees
- 15 full-time staff; 70 student staff
- A service of CU Student Government

510
RECOGNIZED
STUDENT
ORGS

48,105
OVERALL
EVENT
ATTENDEES



Student Involvement

The CSI strives to connect all CU Boulder students with experiences that promote student success, personal growth and a vibrant campus community.

Programs & Events

- Overall event attendance: 48,105
- 4,800 students attended the UMC Fall Fest during Fall Welcome.
- 5,000 students attended the Be Involved Fair, learning about the variety of student organizations and other involvement opportunities that exist on campus and in the Boulder community.
- 7,000 students attended Program Council's WelcomeFest concert, making it the largest non-athletic event for students on campus.
- 11,500 students attended other Program Council concerts, comedy shows and film screenings.
- Annual Late Night Breakfast events took place in the fall and spring, with 1,700 total students in attendance.
- 1,086 students attend cultural based programming through the Dennis Small Cultural Center.
- 3,601 students attended student involvement programming through I Love Mondays, Ralphie's Cooking Basics and Buffalo Nites.
- 74 students participated in the Core Leadership Program (CLP) through CU GOLD. 75% of students strongly agreed that they are "motivated to take on leadership opportunities moving forward" and 86% strongly agree or agree that they "made connections with peers as a result of participating in CLP."
- 1,303 student events were posted on the BuffConnect calendar.
- 11,750 students attended six large-scale speaking events put on by the Cultural Events Board and the Distinguished Speakers Board this year, four of which were sold out. Speakers brought to campus were Aly Raisman, Anderson Cooper, Brené Brown, Common, GZA and Hasan Minaj.
- Program Council provided event support for 55 student organizations and 73 department and external events accross campus.

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Working for the Center for Student Involvement is one of the best things that happened to me during my time at CU Boulder. It has given me confidence and has made me feel empowered to do my best. I have been given opportunities to challenge myself and blossom as an individual, and for this I am so thankful for this experience.

Mercell Enayat
CSI Student Event Planner

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TOP 5

REASONS STAFF & FACULTY RECOMMEND STUDENTS TO GET INVOLVED ON CAMPUS*

LEADERSHIP
FINDING COMMUNITY
MAKING CONNECTIONS & FRIENDS
PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT
CAMPUS EVENTS

TOP 5

PURPOSES OF CSI BASED ON STAFF, FACULTY & STUDENTS ON CAMPUS*

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
CONNECTIONS & COMMUNITY
OPPORTUNITIES TO GAIN NEW SKILLS
INVOLVEMENT ON CAMPUS
CAMPUS EVENTS

*as reported in the 2018 Student Involvement Survey

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENTS

**NEW STUDENT ORGANIZATION
OF THE YEAR
SPANISH AND PORTUGUESE
GRADUATE ASSOCIATION**

**STUDENT ORGANIZATION
OF THE YEAR
OSTEM
(OUT IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,
ENGINEERING AND MATH)**

**INNOVATIVE PROGRAM AWARD
CU BOULDER ESPORTS**

**CULTURAL PROGRAM AWARD
INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL**

Student Organizations

- Launched BuffConnect online engagement platform in July 2017 for student organizations.
- 510 Recognized Student Organizations (RSOs).
- 24,291 involvement hours tracked through BuffConnect, which reflects the student attendance at events or programs that use card swipe.
- 23% more student organizations requested funding for travel opportunities, campus events and operational needs.
- 437 funding requests were submitted for funding by student organizations, which is a 41% increase from previous year.
- The Resource Center completed 438 individual print jobs, saving student organizations \$29,072.08 by utilizing this service on campus, instead of outsourcing to off-campus print shops.
- The Resource Center printed 42,268 color copies and 29,036 black-and-white copies for student organizations.
- Top RSO Categories: Academic STEM (85); Art, Music & Entertainment (65); Recreation & Wellness (50); Cultural & International (48); and Social Justice & Activism (35).

Fraternity & Sorority Life

- 1,424 women participated in fall 2017 sorority recruitment with 950 women affiliating with one of the nine sororities on bid day.
- The Panhellenic community opened for extension and through this process Phi Mu was selected to join the sorority community.
- CUIFC was established on campus and currently three fraternities are affiliated with the University – Phi Delta Theta (Fall 2017), Sigma Tau Gamma (Spring 2018) and Beta Theta Pa (Fall 2018).
- 3,000 students participated in Greek Week programming.
- Due to the growth of the fraternity and sorority life community on campus, this unit of the CSI will be moving to a new location in the UMC to have more capacity and space to serve this population of students.

437

**STUDENT ORGANIZATION
FUNDING REQUESTS
SUBMITTED**

41% INCREASE FROM PREVIOUS YEAR

570

**LIVE CHAT
INTERACTIONS
THROUGH
CSI WEBSITE**

\$29,072

**AMOUNT SAVED FOR
STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
BY UTILIZING THE SERVICES
OF THE RESOURCE CENTER**

Campus & Community

- CSI helped the Division of Student Affairs develop the Student Engagement Response Team (SERT), a team to support students' awareness of policies when they hold an event that may run into these policies, such as a demonstration, protest or rally.
- Provided event planning, marketing and staffing support for large-scale campus wide programs for Halloween, St. Patrick's Day and Finals Week collaborating with Campus Recreation, Health Promotion, Off-Campus Housing & Neighborhood Relations, Residence Life and Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution.
- The inaugural Creed Week took place on campus, highlighting how students can "Live the Creed" through programming and marketing that occurred throughout the week. Campus partners for this event included Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution, Health Promotion, the Volunteer Resource Center, the Gender & Sexuality Center and several academic departments.
- CU GOLD collaborated with Residence Life to facilitate large- and small-group sessions at Stampede camp in the fall.
- CU GOLD facilitated 10 Workshops in a Box to campus partners and student organizations.
- 140 students from across Colorado and Wyoming participated in the inaugural Greek Life Innovation Summit. The summit engaged leaders to create solutions for issues challenging the fraternal experience and how to make positive changes in their communities.
- Four staff members held leadership positions in professional associations.
- CSI staff members presented 11 different times throughout the year at annual conferences and institutes.
- Received the award for Most Innovative Program or Service for BuffConnect at the annual Student Affairs Staff Recognition Awards.

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Being involved with CU GOLD has been a truly incredible experience that has allowed me to grow as a leader and greatly strengthen my connection to the CU Boulder campus. As an out-of-state student, coming to a university as large as CU was very overwhelming. Joining the Core Leadership Program and Applied Leadership Program under CU GOLD helped me meet students that share similar interests as me. I developed life-long friendships through my involvement in these programs, and it has helped make this large campus feel a lot smaller.

Katelyn Fagen
CU GOLD
Student Leader

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