# **DEAN OF STUDENTS NEWSLETTER**

The Dean of Students is committed to success. We advocate for students as they navigate personal and educational challenges, educate to promote a respectful and safe campus environment and engage parent and family members as partners in educational success.

The Dean of Students Office will establish itself as the premier campus leader in creating opportunities to engage and support students and their families in a meaningful Cougar experience that positively impacts student success.

#### Dear Cougars,

Greetings and welcome to the latest edition of the Dean of Students Newsletter for the University of Houston! With the new academic year in full swing, we are delighted to share all the exciting updates and events happening on campus. From new educational programs to student organizations, there is something for everyone at UH. As always, our team is here to support and guide you throughout your journey at our university. Let's work together to make this academic year a successful and memorable one!



# **COMMUTER ASSISTANT PROGRAM**



Meet Melanie Hernandez, a driven Junior student MISSION SPIRI majoring in Nutrition and serving as the Head Commuter Assistant for the Commuter Assistant Program. She strongly believes in the power of student organizations to create a sense of community on campus and encourages her peers to join and connect NV( with others. Melanie is committed to making a positive GR/ impact on campus and in her community through her leadership and involvement.

#### Did you know?

- · Students who exhibit concerning behaviors can receive support from the UH Care Team, led by the Dean of Students Office.
- The Dean of Students Office partners with UH Athletics and SGA to collaborate on joint tailgates.



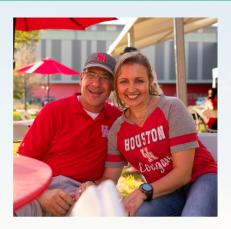




#### **FAMILY WEEKEND**







The Dean of Students Office hosted a fun-filled family weekend on September 22nd-24th, offering various activities and events that catered to the interests of all family members. One of the weekend's highlights was a cozy family movie night featuring Spider-Man: Across the Spider-Verse, which brought families together for a night of laughter and bonding.

On Friday evening, the families were provided dinner at the Fish Fry, a culinary experience that pleased everyone. Additionally, the Family Feud competition was a stimulating activity that put teams' knowledge and creativity to the test as they attempted to provide the most popular answers to survey questions.

In addition, families were treated to a lively tailgate before the highly-anticipated UH vs. Sam Houston State football game, where they were able to mingle and connect with other families. The event was a huge success, as families cherished the quality time spent together and created treasured memories that would last a lifetime.

The UH Dean of Students Office extends heartfelt gratitude to all the departments, dedicated staff members, and student leaders whose unwavering commitment, volunteerism, and support contributed to making this weekend an unforgettable and enriching experience for all who participated.









## DOS/SGA LUNCH AND LEARN

The "UH Dean of Students Office Lunch and Learn" is an event hosted by Dean of Students office to create an informal and educational setting where students or student organizations can have lunch with the staff while learning about their responsibilities, resources, and services the DOS Office offers the UH community.

Topics covered during Lunch and Learn sessions may vary widely and can include:

- 1. Academic Success
- 2. Campus Resources
- 3. Student Life
- 4. Health and Wellness
- 5. Belonging and Support
- 6. Career Development
- 7. Student Rights and Responsibilities



The picture attached is the Lunch & Learn with the UH Student Government Association, which took place on September 14th. The next Lunch & Lunch is planned for November 16th with the Women and Gender Resource Center.

## **JOINT TAILGATE**



For each UH home football game tailgate, a collaborative effort among the Student Government Association, Athletics Office, and the Dean of Students Office will take place that welcomes all students, providing them with an opportunity to come together, free merch, enjoy free food and soft drinks, be entertained by a DJ, and recognize outstanding contributions made by student organizations and university departments to the campus community.

This joint tailgate event not only serves as a fun and memorable pre-game gathering but also helps build a strong sense of community and pride among students.









Let's see how many questions you can answer correctly!



A. 1927 B. 1934 C. 1947 D. 1945

2. Who was the University of Houston President before Renu Khator?

A. Barry Munitz B. A.D. Bruce C. Jay Gogue D. Philip G. Hoffman

3. Which of the services does the Dean of Students Office provide?

A. CARE Team B. Academic Support C. Student Advocacy D. All of the above



The **first ten** students to submit their correct responses to the Dean Of Students Instagram (@uhdos) will receive a prize.

\*Must be following @uhdos on Instagram

### **DEAN'S TIPS FOR SUCCESS**

Our Associate Dean of Students, Sara Jahansouz Wray, has provided tips for the success of all UH students:

- Get Involved On-Campus!
- Find a student organization that interests you or attend events that you enjoy.
- Your involvement shouldn't be focused on building your resumé alone.
- Develop a sense of belonging with people that share similar interests.
- Allow yourself to learn and grow by immersing yourself into something new.
- Take advantage of the opportunities that UH offers.







