



IF YOU COULD BE VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AT UTSA FOR ONE DAY/WEEK, WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH THE OPPORTUNITY?

"I would do all that I could to spend equal time at both campuses. It would be important to me to be visible to all of my employees and to be able to assist hands on whenever possible. I would insure that my time and programs were accessible to all."

"Collaborate with Academic Affairs to incorporate True Colors and the Four C's throughout the entire university."

"As VP for a day, I would walk around both campuses to where the students congregate to greet them and receive feedback about what they know or think about Student Affairs. Any ideas for improvement I would pass on to appropriate department heads. If I could continue to be VP for a week, I would go to each department's "lowest man on the totem pole" staff to shadow them to see what positive impact they are making on individual's lives through the 'nitty gritty, everyday' tasks they perform."

"I would take the opportunity to make sure that all the departments that fall under me would know the duties of all the other departments under Student Affairs to better serve/direct students/each other when problems arise and to make sure that all staff go the extra mile when it comes to helping someone."

"If I could be VPSA for a day or week, I feel I would try to meet with as many student leaders on campus to understand where they feel the direction of the campus is heading. I also feel that after these meetings, I would explain to them where I feel the campus is heading and see what ways we could initiate their ideas into the ideas of the greater campus community."

*"To be the president for a day would surely be a treat,
But only if I could do it for an hour, or a day, or a week
To handle such a work load and the grind of day to day
Would weigh heavy on my life even with the good pay
But do the job I would and I would do it so grand
And would keep reminding myself that one day it would all end
But create lunches, and talks, and celebrations I would
Much like what already happens and it's all very good"*



WHAT DO YOU THINK IS MOST REWARDING ABOUT YOUR CAREER IN STUDENT AFFAIRS AT UTSA?

"One of the most rewarding features is - I am learning and growing on a daily basis."

"Simply having the honor and privilege of being a part of our students development and success."

"The most rewarding part about my career in Student Affairs is that I am able to wake up every morning and come to a place that is full of fun and diversity."

"I enjoy making a positive difference in the lives of individuals and UTSA as a whole community."

"Being a part of the Student Affairs family."

"The student affairs staff has been empowered to take risks and think outside of the box for the benefit of the students."

"I had no clue when I was 18 and studying sociology that I would end up falling in love with higher education."

"The most rewarding thing about my career in Student Affairs at UTSA is the opportunity to enhance and share my knowledge."

"I get to work with awesome coworkers, I help people unwind from the daily school work, and I think that makes it the most rewarding job I could hope to have."

"The most rewarding thing about a career in student affairs is having extended relationships with students, seeing them develop as young adults and having some positive influence in that process."

"Between our events targeted towards students or the many professional staff networking events there's always somewhere or some way to get involved and interact with the UTSA community."

"And I would sing and dance and rejoice with glee At graduations, and successes of each students victory For I will have known that by doing my duty and doing my part I played a role in each success and would take it heart For the reward or monetary increase is really not our biz Let's face it; no one will get rich from what our take home is "

"Considering my own day to day experience and that of my colleagues, the clearest indicators of our work being a career (rather than a j-o-b) are that we clearly seem to feel impelled to grow and improve, that we're regularly reflecting on our abilities to identify and impact students' needs, and that for the most part we experience the work as genuine f-u-n."

"What amplifies that answer though is the myriad of ways that I am able to engage, support and challenge our students."

"I can plan an event, host a speaker, or do a presentation for any company, anywhere...but in Student Affairs, I have the opportunity to enhance the college experience for any number of students I may interact with throughout my daily job requirements."

"I want to help students that don't really have a path or a plan and find their passion."

"The first and most inspiring reason for me to do the work I do is for the students."

"My career in Student Affairs has opened many doors for me to learn while enjoying what I do as well."

"I feel that the most rewarding part of working in Student Affairs is working with students. I believe this is most rewarding because you usually get to see them come in as freshman and watch them grow in a holistic manner until they are seniors."



WHICH UTSA STUDENT AFFAIRS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY (EDUCATION WORKSHOP, STUDENT AFFAIRS ORIENTATION, TRUE COLORS, FOUR C'S, SPRING CONFERENCE, ETC.) HAS BENEFITTED YOU MOST AND WHY?

"The Student Affairs Orientation was most beneficial to me in that it provided me an opportunity to network with all of the departments under the Student Affairs umbrella and to put a face with the voice and name. "

Spring Conference

"I love the diversity of topics and the fact that our very own people are presenting and facilitating."

True Colors

"All the colors intertwine giving each of us different strengths. "

Spring Conference

"We constantly encourage our students to challenge themselves, so I appreciated the opportunity to put into practice what I try to teach. "

"The Spring Conference because it gave me an opportunity to go beyond my comfort zone and implement the Four C's by creating a new presentation in collaboration with an academic affairs colleague. "

True Colors

"We became a better and more cohesive team. "

"So take heart fellow workers and with work don't be annoyed

*Not all are as lucky as we to be gainfully employed
And to my coworkers, though green, or blue, or yellow*

*We all know that we oranges are the most fun fellows
Be it our spring conference or our days of orientation*

Take time to relax and to reflect in meditation

*All we have done during the year and semester too
We are all proud Roadrunners, through and through"*

"I would think True Colors because it open your eyes to how different each of the colors are and how better to deal with colors different from your own. "

True Colors

"This helped me to understand and connect with my staff better and them with me (a huge help for any new supervisor). "

Spring Conference

"I got to better know people in the division and their talents and interests."

Student Affairs Orientation

"Also, it was helpful to learn of the functions of all the components within Student Affairs. Every department has its own unique feature that assist Student Affairs to provide quality and effective service to our students; whether new freshman or alumni...we serve them all with compassion and precision."

True Colors Workshop

"It helped me better understand how personalities work, what intrigues each color and how to communicate better with each color type."

True Colors

"I feel this has been the most beneficial to me because it has made it easier to do my job. I was able to understand and learn that everyone does not work in the same manner "