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### ANNUAL MISSION OF THE ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**SCOPE:** The Trustees of Arkansas State University serve the people of the State of Arkansas by providing management and control of the Arkansas State University System.

**FUNCTION:** The governing body of Arkansas State University is the Board of Trustees. Its constitutional authority to control the university is exercised primarily through control of finances, appointments of personnel, of strategic goal setting, and of approval of policies and procedures. The Board is composed of five trustees, one appointed each year for a five-year term by the Governor of Arkansas and confirmed by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State. Trustees may be reappointed to a second five-year term.

**PUBLIC PURPOSE:** Arkansas State University educates leaders, enhances intellectual growth, and enriches lives. (ASU=e<sup>3</sup>)

**DUTIES:** Ordinarily, the Trustees do not involve themselves in the day to day affairs of the university. Rather, operating responsibilities and the authority to act are delegated to the president; and it is primarily through the president that the trustees monitor the university activities. The president serves as the executive for the System of Arkansas State University instructional sites and campuses, and as executive of the Jonesboro campus.

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### **ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM VISION AND MISSION**

**VISION:** The Arkansas State University System will create better educated citizens prepared for a global and technological society by providing quality undergraduate and graduate education, useful research, and dedicated public service.

**MISSION:** The mission of the Arkansas State University System is to contribute to the educational, cultural, and economic advancement of Arkansas by providing quality general undergraduate education and specialized programs leading to certificate, associate, baccalaureate, masters, professional, and doctoral degrees; by encouraging the pursuit of research, scholarly inquiry, and creative activity; and by bringing these intellectual resources together to develop the economy of the state and the education of its citizens throughout their lives.

Each component of the Arkansas State University System will be characterized by:

-A supportive learning environment; personal development, leadership, and service opportunities; and facilities, technologies and support necessary to meet the needs of students, faculty, and staff;

-Racial, ethnic, gender and cultural diversity in the faculty, staff, and student body, supported by practices and programs that embody the ideals of an open, democratic, and global society;

-Instructional technologies, student support services, and on-line and distance education to advance the purposes of teaching and learning;

-A commitment to sharing human, physical, information, and other resources among system components, and with state agencies, schools and higher education institutions, to expand and enhance programs and services available to the citizens of Arkansas.

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- ASU Factbook
- Board of Trustees Resolution
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### ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY-JONESBORO MISSION

Arkansas State University educates leaders, enhances intellectual growth and enriches lives.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Promotional Brochure
- Student Handbook
- University Website

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### **PRESIDENT'S OFFICE**

We strive to set a standard of service in creating a caring campus environment in which all members of the university community are valued for the contributions they make in furthering the mission of the university.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Unit Website

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### DIVISION OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS & RESEARCH

We work collaboratively to provide leadership and support for students to learn and prepare for global citizenship, for faculty and students to pursue research and creative activity, for faculty to develop innovative teaching and learning strategies, and for staff to succeed professionally.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Arkansas Biosciences Institute

The mission of the Arkansas Biosciences Institute is to improve the health of Arkansans through new and expanded agricultural and medical research initiatives. ABI will become internationally recognized as a leader in health and life sciences research. Its multifaceted programs will strengthen Arkansas through science-based economic development including research, education, and technology. By working on joint and related research initiatives, the five member organizations created a large community of scientists and researchers who can better compete for external grant awards from federal sources and national foundations, increase the number of scientists and staff supported by extramural funding, share resources (equipment and expertise), attract other scientists to Arkansas, and encourage science-based economic development in the state.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Assessment Services

We support continuous improvement efforts of Research and Academic Affairs' units and programs by assisting with the evaluation of the success of their activities, by providing guidance and opportunity for assessment and through the collection, analysis, and distribution of impartial and meaningful information.

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#### Center for Learning Technologies

Innovation in the service of education.

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#### Center for Regional Programs

The mission of the Center for Regional Programs is to extend the resources of Arkansas State University-Jonesboro to meet educational needs and to provide public service for the citizens. The Center for Regional Programs works closely with university colleagues, business and industry, public school education, Arkansas two-year colleges, and communities in Arkansas so the resources and programs of Arkansas State University-Jonesboro are responsive to the needs of the region and the state. To accomplish this mission, the center provides off-campus credit programs and courses, independent study credit courses, workshops on campus, non-credit courses, personal enrichment courses, and public services.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

#### Office of the Registrar

The mission of the Office of the Registrar is to support the instructional mission of the university and provide professional service to our customers with competence, integrity, compassion, and concern.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook

### COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

To prepare young men and women for entry and career advancement in the food, fiber and natural resources industry, which involves production (farming), agribusiness and value-added processing, public service and rural leadership;

To conduct problem-solving research related to crop and livestock production, natural resource management, and value-added processing in collaboration with private and other public sector entities;

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To provide educational opportunities and experiences for transfer of knowledge in classrooms and adult continuing education; All within environmentally sound and sustainable systems!

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

The mission of the ASU College of Business is to provide high quality management education to traditional and non-traditional students in the Mid-South and to provide support for businesses and communities through research, economic development activities, and consultative services.

The College strives to build challenging programs of excellence with emphasis on leadership/values, international business, technology, entrepreneurship, and economic development through an educational process that fosters analytical thinking, problem solving, communication skills, and experiential learning. Emphasis is placed on undergraduate education, while meeting the needs of the business community through select graduate degrees and professional workforce development programs.

The College is committed to enhancing professional development of faculty and staff through support of applied research, instructional development, and professional growth activities in a collegial environment. Professional development is also provided to students through student organizations, honor societies, and action-based learning.

The mission is strengthened through ongoing review and continuous improvement of all programs and activities.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

## Department of Accounting & Law

The mission of the Department of Accounting & Law is to prepare students for responsible careers in accounting and other business related professions.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

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### Department of Computer & Information Technology

The mission of the Department of Computer & Information Technology is to offer students the technological and analytical skills necessary to improve their lives and to be successful in an increasingly complex and globally-oriented world. We support this effort through original scholarly contributions to our chosen fields and by service to the University as well as to other organizations in the Delta Region and beyond.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact

### Department of Economics & Finance

The Department of Economics & Finance prepares our community for the future by providing economics and finance education, enhancing intellectual growth by creating and disseminating knowledge, and enriching lives through service to business, not-for-profit organizations, and local government.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact

### Department of Management & Marketing

The Department of Management and Marketing supports the missions of the University and College of Business developing students' leadership and decision-making skills by providing high-quality management, marketing, logistics, entrepreneurial and international business education at the undergraduate and graduate level to traditional and non-traditional students in the Mid-South. The faculty also provides leadership to student organizations and support for businesses and communities through research, economic development and consultative activities.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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### Center for Regional & Community Development

The mission of the EDA University Center for Regional & Community Development is to address the economic revitalization goals of the Economic Development Administration (EDA) by leveraging the resources of the university, and its allies and partners, with particular focus on the community development process and capacity building at the local level.

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#### Small Business Development Center

The mission of the Arkansas Small Business Development Center (ASBDC) is to achieve a significant positive economic impact providing quality services to assist businesses and nascent entrepreneurs to operate profitable ventures. As an accredited member of a national program, the ASBDC is a statewide delivery network that pursues its mission in partnership with the U.S. Small Business Administration, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, other institutions of higher education, and additional key strategic alliances.

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#### COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATIONS

(This mission statement includes the Department of Journalism, the Department of Radio/Television, and the Department of Communication Studies.)

The College of Communications provides students with an education that enables them to gather, organize, synthesize and communicate information professionally in a democratic, multicultural society.

Our students learn to think critically and communicate effectively, providing them with the intellectual flexibility to perform the jobs of today and to assume leadership in meeting the challenges of tomorrow.

Our Undergraduate students will acquire an understanding of:

1. The depth and breadth of the arts and humanities, social and behavioral sciences and natural and mathematical sciences;
2. Theory, concepts and skills central to the practice of communications;
3. The social, political and economic roles of communications in a democratic society and an increasingly interdependent global community;
4. The importance of diversity in society and in the media;
5. The impact of technology on the dissemination of information and ideas;
6. First Amendment and legal principles related to communications;
7. Ethics in the practice of communications.

Graduate students will acquire the knowledge and skills to prepare themselves for communications leadership in the profession or the academy. They will be able:

1. To apply theories of communications to problems of today;
2. To apply principles of research to problems and issues in communications;
3. To evaluate critically the role of media and their performance in a global, multicultural environment.

Faculty members will assist students in achieving these goals through effective teaching, mentoring and advising, - activities that require them to maintain a high level of academic and intellectual vitality by:

1. Participating regularly in activities contributing to the body of scholarly and professional knowledge in communications;
2. Maintaining an active program in academic and professional development;

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3. Assisting public, professional and academic groups in solving communications problems;
4. Promoting the development and enhancement of communications programs in high schools and community colleges;
5. Engaging in continuing systematic review and self-critique of teaching, scholarship and service.

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### Department of Journalism

The mission of the Department of Journalism is to educate students to the broad reasoning ability and specialized skills expected by the small- and medium-market communications outlets where most will seek employment. Our purposes are to 1) provide a rich cultural background against which students can build rewarding lives; 2) present current communications issues in the context of their origin and development; 3) help students acquire skills and knowledge required for beginning competency and continued achievement in journalism and mass communication; and 4) provide the practical and theoretical background necessary for students to pursue successful graduate work in mass communications, should a student choose to do so.

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### Department of Radio/Television

The mission of the Department of Radio-Television provides students an education that enables them to gather, organize, synthesize and communicate information professionally in a democratic, multicultural society. Radio-TV students learn to think critically and communicate effectively, thereby gaining intellectual flexibility to perform the jobs of today and to assume leadership in meeting the challenges of tomorrow.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

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### Department of Communication Studies

The mission of the Department of Communication Studies is to provide rigorous study in human communication theory, research, and practice. By fostering an environment of critical thinking and free expression we seek to advance the study of human communication.

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### Graphic Communications Program

The mission of the Graphic Communications Program seeks to educate students to broad reasoning ability and specialized skill expected by the graphic communications industry for entry- and mid-level management positions and instill a sense of professionalism in students.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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### COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

The mission of the College of Education is to generate and disseminate knowledge through teaching, research, and service; and to apply that knowledge to improve education and the quality of life for all individuals in a pluralistic and democratic society. We accomplish this within student-centered, intellectually challenging environments with faculty and staff dedicated to excellence.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Center for Excellence in Education

The doctoral program at Arkansas State University is committed to preparing effective educational leaders who

- aspire to receive the highest professional degree
- seek equitable treatment of all people
- function as risk takers and change agents
- implement creative changes and innovations through collaboration
- use the professional knowledge base to positively impact the educational environment

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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### Department of Educational Leadership, Curriculum, and Special Education

The mission of the Department of Educational Leadership, Curriculum, and Special Education is to provide graduate programs for the preparation and licensure of school leaders and special education faculty.

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#### **Department of Health, Physical Education, and Sport Sciences**

The mission of the Department of Health, Physical Education, and Sport Sciences is to :

- Provide curricula and instruction to enhance the development of physical, mental, social, and emotional qualities essential for living a quality life and encourage positive health behaviors for all.
- Provide quality professional preparation programs that meet appropriate standards at both the undergraduate and graduate levels.
- Provide an intramural and campus recreation program.
- Promote an overall wellness environment for all ASU students/employees.

To accomplish this mission, the department places primary focus on quality teaching. In addition, it strives to provide service to the (a) college and university, (b) elementary and secondary schools, (c) community and state, and (d) related professional organizations and agencies. The department engages in scholarly pursuits that will enhance the professional growth of its faculty and contribute to the knowledge about human performance.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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#### **Department of Psychology & Counseling**

The primary mission of the Department of Psychology and Counseling is to teach basic principles underlying psychology as a behavioral science and to prepare graduate-level students to become psychological-counseling professional service providers. At the baccalaureate level, there are majors and minors in psychology, service courses for Professionally Emerging Teachers and other programs including general education. At the graduate level, the program prepares professional service personnel at the master and specialist degree levels as school, community, and rehabilitation counselors; educational and psychological examiners; and college student personnel specialists. The department also provides advanced educational psychology as a core course for MSE majors as Emerging Professionals.

The department is committed to serving the university, the profession, and the public by contributing to excellence in education, high professional standards for service delivery, and consumer advocacy. The department is also committed to research and scholarly activities to expand the academic knowledge base and to improve the quality of professional services.

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#### Department of Teacher Education

The mission of the Department of Teacher Education is to generate and disseminate knowledge through teaching, research, and service; and to apply that knowledge to improve education and the quality of life for all individuals in a pluralistic and democratic society. We accomplish this within student-centered, intellectually challenging environments with faculty and staff dedicated to excellence.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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#### COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

The overall mission of the College of Engineering is to provide a broad education in the fundamentals of engineering and technology while providing opportunities for emphasis in specialized areas of study. An important corollary is the development of the ability to think logically, creatively, and quantitatively, and the skills necessary to effectively communicate both fundamental and applied knowledge. This unified approach provides an inherently flexible base that permits graduates to fill general or specialized positions in industry, government, and private practice or to pursue advanced degrees after graduation.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
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#### COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS

The mission of the College of Fine Arts is to provide nationally recognized, innovative education, performances and programming in the visual and performing arts.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
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#### Department of Art

The Department of Art at Arkansas State University will provide an educational environment that fosters the creation and understanding of art.

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### Department of Music

The Department of Music has a multifaceted mission. We are here to prepare music majors to be highly skilled music educators, performers and/or composers. We prepare the general university student to understand, appreciate and support the art of music. We provide quality musical performances and events for the university, the community, and an ever-expanding region.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

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### Department of Theatre

The mission of the Arkansas State University Department of Theatre is to prepare students of theatre for employment within the profession and/or graduate studies and to advance the appreciation of theatre within the university and community as well.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

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## COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

The mission of the College of Humanities & Social Sciences is to provide an excellent educational experience for all students in the traditional humanities and social science disciplines and in innovative interdisciplinary programs and degrees. The College of Humanities & Social Sciences seeks to:

- Provide excellent instruction to all students in essential skills (i.e. intellectual engagement, communication, writing, critical thinking, problem solving) and in the general education components of degree requirements;
- Assist all students in understanding the importance of the humanities and social science disciplines in their everyday lives;
- Provide a dynamic transformative education for undergraduate and graduate majors in the humanities and social science disciplines that will lead to successful careers and/or challenging opportunities in graduate or professional schools;
- Encourage faculty to contribute to the discovery of new knowledge through research and creative activity;
- Encourage faculty to explore ideas for interdisciplinary programs and collaborative research;

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- Promote an understanding and appreciation of diversity in all its various forms, and the ways it can contribute to the enrichment of society;
- Recruit, train, and retain a highly skilled professional staff that will provide invaluable support to sustain the operations of the College;
- Encourage the study of languages and participation in international exchange programs as means to better understand and appreciate world cultures;
- Explore partnerships with government, business, agriculture and industry;
- Promote service learning opportunities for students;
- Encourage and develop outreach activities to enrich the minds and hearts of precollegiate students, alumni, and diverse communities of greater Arkansas.

#### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
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#### Department of Criminology, Sociology, & Geography

The mission of degree programs in Criminology, Sociology, & Geography is to provide the best education possible for students by expanding their intellectual understanding of the world, developing their critical reasoning and communication skills, laying a foundation for understanding the scientific method and encouraging relevant career paths after graduation. It is our mission to provide students with a diverse, quality curricula focused on preparation in both the natural and social sciences. This mission merges well with the broad mission of the university which is to “pursue and share knowledge within a caring community that prepares students in challenging and diverse ways to become more productive global citizens” and the specific mission of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences which is to establish a partnership among students, staff and faculty to expand and disseminate knowledge.

#### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

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#### Department of English & Philosophy

The Department of English and Philosophy has a multiple-role teaching mission. In its service courses, the mission of the Department is to assist in providing students across the university with critical thinking skills, writing skills, and a broad introduction to the humanities and their importance, as well as provide for a number of other majors advanced skills and knowledge in the humanities which those programs believe their graduates need. The degree mission of the department is to provide department graduates with the skills and knowledge for a variety of careers or for graduate or law school or other professional study through the development of close reading, writing, and critical thinking skills and through an

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in-depth study of a discipline. The department also supports the integration and cooperation of different fields of study in its role as home to a number of interdisciplinary minors.

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#### **Department of History**

The mission of the Department of History is to promote the study of History and its related disciplines, to disseminate academic and intellectual excellence, and to maintain high professional standards. In addition, the Department of History, through its organization, curriculum and pedagogy, adheres to the following goals and objectives:

- to inculcate in the students an understanding and appreciation of the past and the forces that shaped it;
- to expand student's factual knowledge and conceptual understanding of history;
- to instill and refine in the students the historical methodology and rigorous scholarly attributes and prerequisite skills, notable of analysis, synthesis, and interpretation;
- to provide quality instruction and a favorable learning environment for the study of History for all students regardless of academic major;
- to provide professional training to students who wish to teach in public schools and community colleges, to pursue Ph.D. degrees in the field of history, or to seek careers in the field of public history, culture and heritage; and
- to assist liberal arts, pre-law, business and other majors in the development of valuable skills and intellectual faculties as required by the civil society.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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#### **Department of Languages**

The Department of Languages provides the linguistic proficiency and knowledge leading to a respect and appreciation of other cultures that students will need to succeed in a rapidly changing world.

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**Department of Political Science**

**B.S.**

To enhance students' understanding of the diversity of approaches to knowledge; to enhance an awareness and appreciation of their intellectual heritage; to expand their understanding of government and cultures; to facilitate work and political concepts at the formal operational level of reasoning, to develop generalizations, to build theory and to apply it to problem solving; to increase their tolerance of differences and appreciation for ethical values; and to instill in them a desire for lifelong learning and citizen engagement.

**M.A.**

The basic mission of the MA in Political Science program is to provide students with the essential background and skills necessary to pursue a variety of occupations and/or interests, all of which share an abiding interest in politics and government.

**M.P.A.**

The purpose of the Master of Public Administration Program is to prepare individuals for positions of leadership in governmental and non-governmental public service organizations. Since the scope of public service is wide and highly diverse, we seek to serve a range of students by providing a generalist degree in a compact program taught by professionals contributing to the region and the discipline.

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**Ecotoxicology Research Facility**

The Arkansas State University Ecotoxicology Research Facility (ERF) is a multi-user laboratory facilitating intercollegiate research and collaboration with other universities, state and federal agencies, industries, and various interest groups. The ERF utilizes standard US EPA test protocol and develops innovative techniques to measure environmental parameters and investigate ecosystem functions. As a US EPA certified laboratory, we specialize in laboratory and in situ biomonitoring to measure fate and effects of known and emerging contaminants for use in environmental forecasting. Ongoing Quality Control, Quality Assurance, and Good Laboratory Practice within the ERF results in scientifically sound research for use in environmental management decisions.

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**Graduate Program in Environmental Sciences**

The mission of the Graduate Program in Environmental Sciences (EVS) is to bring a diverse research, teaching, and outreach capacity to bear on environmental problems from local to global scales. The biological, physical, and social

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scientists in the program represent a broad range of disciplinary expertise, while working within the unifying framework of the analysis of environmental problems, and developing management strategies to address them. The study of the environment demands understanding of social, physical, and biological systems, and the transfer of basic research findings through implementation, teaching, and outreach. EVS facilitates the cross-disciplinary collaboration necessary to address vital contemporary questions.

Faculty expertise includes conservation biology, molecular biology, population ecology, environmental chemistry, biogeochemistry, ecotoxicology, soil science, GIS, hydrology, environmental economics, and political science.

EVS provides students the opportunity to build and individualized program drawing on the breadth of associated faculty. Our challenge is to provide a well-rounded graduate education that creates scientists with the ability to successfully address dynamic problems, simultaneously allowing for in-depth, specialized research at the forefront of a selected field of endeavor.

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#### **Heritage Studies PhD Program**

The mission of the program is to produce heritage professionals with knowledge and skills needed to support the identification, assessment, preservation, interpretation, management and promotion of historic and cultural resources for non-specialist or “public” audiences.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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- Unit Website

### **COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS**

The primary mission of the College of Nursing and Health Professions is to provide quality education to students, graduates and health care providers in a variety of health disciplines. Recognizing its unique position in the Lower Mississippi Delta region, the College provides educational programs that are designed to promote lifelong learning based on the expressed needs of its varied constituencies. The College assesses the attainment of this mission in terms of the contributions its graduates make to health care in the Delta region and beyond.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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### Clinical Laboratory Sciences Program

The purpose of the clinical laboratory sciences program is to provide educational experiences resulting in clinical laboratory professionals with the theoretical knowledge and the technical skills necessary to provide quality laboratory services in accordance with nationally accepted standards. The programs provide quality educational experiences to students throughout the state of Arkansas and the lower Mississippi Delta area with respect to both the delivery systems utilized and the content prescribed.

The programs provide fully integrated associate and baccalaureate programs that allow students to enter and exit two levels with a minimum of repetition. The associate degree level provides educational experiences resulting in the basic theoretical knowledge and technical skills necessary to function as clinical laboratory technicians. The baccalaureate degree level builds upon the foundations provided by the associate degree level to provide comprehensive and in-depth educational experiences necessary for the decision making and problem solving required to function as clinical laboratory scientists.

In accordance with the mission of the university, educational experiences include opportunities for critical thinking, effective and logical communication, and use of current technology and other resources to allow students to expand and utilize their knowledge.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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### Communication Disorders Program

The mission of the Arkansas State University Communication Disorders Program is to prepare competent speech-language pathologists and to provide ethical service delivery to the spectrum of individuals with communication disorders.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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### Department of Nursing

The primary mission of the Department of Nursing is to prepare students for beginning and advanced practice as registered nurses. Arkansas State University nursing programs are committed to quality education and to meeting the unique needs of northern and eastern Arkansas and the surrounding area. Research and scholarly activities within the department contribute to nursing theory, practice, and education. Service activities focus on leadership and consultation in a variety of health-related areas.

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### **Programs in Physical Therapy (PTA)**

The Arkansas State University Physical Therapist Assistant Program attempts to meet the demand for quality physical therapy services in the lower Mississippi Delta Region by producing competent, self-directed graduates who are committed to high educational, clinical and professional standards and dedicated to meeting the diverse needs of those persons entrusted to their care.

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### **Graduate Program in Physical Therapy (MPT)**

The mission of the Graduate Program in Physical Therapy is to provide students an educational foundation that prepares them for practice in a variety of settings particularly those practice settings commonly found in the Mississippi Delta region. The program provides the student an opportunity to make a meaningful and practical application of an undergraduate liberal arts and sciences preparation in the process of acquiring professional competencies. The Graduate Program in Physical Therapy strives to facilitate life-long learners who will use their problem solving skills to positively address the health needs of the state, region and country. The Graduate Program in Physical Therapy exposes students to, and involves students in, basic and clinical research via a faculty research mentoring relationship. Such exposure and involvement are key elements in the development of a professional who is pro-actively involved in change rather than reactive to change. The program places high value on socialization into the professional physical therapy community. Students are encouraged to take advantage of many opportunities for professional growth and development.

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### **Radiologic Sciences**

The Radiologic Technology Program exists to produce competent, entry-level radiographers for the practice of diagnostic imaging. The mission is obtained through attainment of the following goals:

- Students will demonstrate acceptable problem solving skills.
- Students will communicate effectively with peers, medical staff and patients.

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- Students will be clinically competent.
- Students will demonstrate professional behavior and attitudes.

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#### **Department of Social Work**

The mission of the ASU Social Work Program is to provide graduates who will enrich the lives of others through service.

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### **COLLEGE OF SCIENCES & MATHEMATICS**

The College of Sciences and Mathematics mission is to provide Arkansas State University students both foundational and advanced studies in the natural, chemical, physical, mathematical and computational sciences. Study in the college prepares students to assume their places as knowledgeable and skilled participants in the knowledge-based economy of our society, and prepares the future leaders who will contribute to the intellectual, economic and technological growth and development of their chosen community.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
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#### **Department of Biological Sciences**

It is the goal of the Department of Biological Sciences at Arkansas State University to become a comprehensive biology department that is internationally recognized for academic and research excellence that is distinguished by an emphasis on interdisciplinary instruction, the interfacing of teaching and research, and research programs integrating molecular, cellular, organismal, and conservation biology.

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#### Department of Chemistry & Physics

The mission of the Department of Chemistry and Physics is to be the premier institution for teaching, research and service in the region, serving not only the people of the Delta, but of the entire world. This mission will integrate these three areas of focus to meet the needs of a society that has an ever increasing reliance on science and technology.

We will provide educational opportunities for the general populace to understand the importance of all aspects of the physical sciences to their lives as well as create the next generation of professional science researchers and educators to the highest standards through our offerings of bachelors, masters, and doctoral degrees. Our research not only will expand the fundamental knowledge of chemical and physical systems, but to apply this knowledge to solving problems of societal and civic interest and to creating opportunities for economic development.

This research is inseparable from our teaching, as it is a major component of learning at both the undergraduate and graduate level. The teaching and research expertise of our faculty, staff, and students will provide vital service to the operation and development of the University, local, state, national, and international communities.

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#### Department of Computer Science

The Department of Computer Science is committed to the tradition of a liberal arts education. As part of a larger academic community, the faculty of the Department of Computer Science are dedicated to the enrichment of members of this community, faculty, staff and students, through research, teaching, service, and collaboration. In research, we intend to regularly contribute to the current knowledge in computer science areas. In teaching, we intend to provide our students with a broad understanding of computer science and a foundation for continued learning. In service, we intend to establish and maintain access to current technologies. In collaboration, we intend to adapt computer science for use in solving problems in other disciplines.

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#### Department of Mathematics & Statistics

The Department of Mathematics & Statistics strives to provide the highest quality education in the disciplines of mathematics and statistics. Our mission includes providing education at the undergraduate and graduate levels in support of degree programs in mathematics and statistics; providing education at the undergraduate and graduate levels in support of degree programs in other units; and providing education in support of the general education mission of the university. Our mission is accomplished through excellence in teaching, student advising, and conducting pure and applied research.

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### **Arkansas Heritage System Initiatives for Technical and Education Support**

Arkansas Heritage SITES, a program of Arkansas State University, focuses on identifying, researching, preserving and promoting the natural and cultural history of the region and the state. The office works with community leaders on heritage projects that develop a sense of pride in place and serve as an economic catalyst for affected communities. At the same time, such projects serve as educational laboratories for Arkansas State University students by providing opportunities for research, internships, special projects, and enrichment experiences outside the classroom.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### **Delta Studies Center**

The mission of the Delta Studies Center is to confirm Arkansas State University as the lead university in studying, celebrating, and developing the Lower Mississippi River Delta.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

## **Graduate School**

The Graduate School exists to provide leadership, service and support for all graduate programs; engage the graduate faculty in the development, review and updating of curriculum in graduate programs to prepare productive global citizens; encourage excellence in teaching in graduate programs; encourage the pursuit of knowledge through scholarly activities; assist in enrollment management through recruitment of graduate students, especially including minority students and support and fostering of university centers; and reflect a student-centered, caring attitude.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
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### Honors College

The Honors College aims to transform students over the course of their study of various disciplines to make them active, creative scholars, fully prepared to contribute their knowledge and skills to the wider world.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### Institutional Research & Planning

We serve the university community by collecting, archiving, analyzing, and reporting internally consistent and accurate data which facilitates strategic planning and management decision making and assists in the assessment of institutional effectiveness, compliance requirements, and student learning.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Promotional Brochure
- Unit Website

### Dean B. Ellis Library

We are a teaching library. Our vital information resources and skills advance the university community's pursuit, development and sharing of knowledge.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Administration

We help others in the Library achieve their goals by effectively administering the necessary resources in accordance with the regulations of ASU and the State of Arkansas.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

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### Archives & Special Collections

Archives and Special Collections are unique elements of the teaching library. By assembling, preserving, making accessible, and exhibiting the documentary heritage of Northeast Arkansas we advance the university community's pursuit, development, and sharing of knowledge.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Acquisitions

We strive to provide vital, balanced, and technologically sophisticated information resources that advance the university community's pursuit, development, and sharing of knowledge. We will develop and maintain collections of print and electronic books and serial publications, audiovisuals, and other print and non-print media, both current and retrospective, that support teaching, research, and community service.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Cataloging

We provide bibliographic control and organization to the materials acquired by the library, process library materials, and maintain ongoing bibliographic control and organization of library materials in order to advance the university community's pursuit, development, and sharing of knowledge.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Circulation Services

The mission of the Circulation Services Department is to consistently provide accurate, efficient, and effective service in a courteous manner to the university community. We are determined, committed, and highly motivated to surpass the expectations of our customers in their pursuit of knowledge, understanding, and wisdom within the frameworks of the Dean B. Ellis Library and Arkansas State University missions.

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### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### **Interlibrary Loan**

In compliance with the ASU and Library Mission Statement, our resource sharing/document delivery service will obtain and supply materials to our university customers as needs occur and to meet the needs of other libraries and the public in a timely fashion.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### **Media Services**

We provide media, equipment, training, and hands-on assistance to facilitate the university community's use of diverse learning technologies.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### **Periodicals**

We provide public service and access for ASU students, faculty and staff by processing, maintaining and preserving serial publications in a variety of formats in support of the Library's mission.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### **Reference Services**

The mission of Library Reference is to assist the university community's pursuit of academic goals and knowledge by providing instruction, assistance and education in information resources and systems.

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### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Military Science

The mission of Military Science is to commission the future officer leadership of the U.S. Army, the Army National Guard and the U.S. Army Reserves.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- Personal Contact
- ASU Factbook

### Museum

The Arkansas State University Museum shares knowledge of natural history and cultural heritage with people of all educational levels by collecting, preserving, researching, and interpreting objects, with emphasis on the Mississippi River Delta region. The Museum also provides leadership for the pursuit of related endeavors in the region.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### University College

We facilitate the success of students in achieving their educational goals. This is accomplished in part by collaboration with other units within the University and by utilizing academic offerings of other colleges at Arkansas State University.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Academic Success Center

The mission of the Student-Athlete Academic Success Center is to provide academic support, educational programs and learning opportunities for all student-athletes and aid them in their academic, athletic, and personal development.

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- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

**Advisement Services**

The mission of Advisement Services is to provide advisement that is built into the fundamental nature of the first-year experience in ways that promote (1) clear, supportive and accurate information that is easily accessible to students; (2) meaningful involvement with the campus; and (3) learning, not teaching, as the hallmark of the first-year experience.

**Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

**First Year Studies**

We facilitate the success of first-year students and assist them in achieving their educational goals.

**Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

**Student Support Services**

Student Support Services provides academic support services in a caring environment to develop participants' educational and leadership skills in their pursuit of a baccalaureate degree from Arkansas State University.

**Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

**Upward Bound**

The mission of Upward Bound is to successfully prepare potential first generation college students with economic need for education beyond high school by promoting academic development, career planning, and personal/emotional development.

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### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

## DIVISION OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION

The Division of Finance & Administration is a collaborative, problem-solving team that supports the Educational Mission of Arkansas State University.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

## Environmental Health & Compliance

The mission of Environmental Health & Compliance is to provide leadership and education to enhance the environment, prepare for an emergency or disaster, and enrich the safety of the University community.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

## Human Resources

The Department of Human Resources is dedicated to supporting the mission and goals of Arkansas State University by providing superior customer services in a caring, trustworthy, and timely manner. We recognize that the employees of ASU are our most valuable asset and will be treated as such. We will ensure that all policies, rules, and practices treat employees fairly, with respect and equality. We will continuously function as a high performance team through the development of human resources competencies, skills and knowledge.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

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**Payroll**

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**Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

**Athletic Finance Control**

Our mission is to review expenditures and keep the Athletic Department in compliance with current financial policies and procedures as well as federal and state laws and regulations.

**Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact

**Internal Audit**

We support Arkansas State University in the pursuit of its mission by evaluating the adequacy of the internal controls, accuracy of financial records, and compliance with standard accounting practices, governmental and state regulations, and university policies and procedures.

**Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

**Budget Office**

The mission of the Budget Office is to provide information that facilitates the advancement of the university's primary mission of teaching, research, and service in an efficient, effective, and timely manner.

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#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

#### **Procurement Services**

The mission of Arkansas State University Procurement Services is to provide University departments with procurement services that effectively and efficiently respond to their operating needs.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

#### **Facilities Management**

Our Mission is to provide an environment that promotes quality learning through effective leadership and innovative development of Arkansas State University Facilities. We are committed to excellence in customer service, safety and integrity.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Website

#### **Convocation Center**

We serve as a gateway to the University, providing entertainment, meeting facilities, and quality programs and services for the enhancement and development of the University and the community.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

#### **Information Technology Services**

Information Technology Services is charged with leading the University in the delivery and support of technology as it relates to the University's teaching, research and service functions. As a service to the University Community,

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Information and Technology Services connects constituents with knowledge by combining information, experience, and technology leadership; and assures the availability and security of the University Information Technology Infrastructure through effective and proactive management of its' entrusted resources.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

## DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

We provide services and co-curricular experiences to enhance students' learning and development and to enrich their lives.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

## Admissions

We serve prospective undergraduate students by providing them with quality information and an efficient, student-centered admissions process.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

## Career Services

As the university's centralized, comprehensive career services center, we provide numerous learning strategies and services that lead to current and permanent employment opportunities that assist in achieving the career goals of our students and alumni.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

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#### Counseling Center

The mission of the Counseling Center is to assist students to define and accomplish personal and academic goals by providing: (1) High quality counseling services and crisis intervention to students who may be experiencing psychological, behavioral, or learning difficulties; (2) Programming focused on the developmental needs of college students to maximize the potential of students to benefit from the academic environment and experience; (3) Consultative services to the University to make the environment supportive of the intellectual, emotional, and physical development of students.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

#### Dining Services

Our mission statement is “to create and offer services that contribute to a more pleasant way of life for people whenever and wherever they come together.”

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

#### Disability Services

We provide assistance to students with disabilities, ensuring access for full participation and strive to create a positive image within the university community through representation and implementation of academic and non-academic adjustments for persons with disabilities.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

#### Financial Aid/Scholarships

The ASU Financial Aid & Scholarships Office meets individual student financial needs by providing the resources to students who would otherwise be unable to pursue a college education.

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### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### **International Programs**

As ambassadors for internationalization, the Office of International Programs seeks to provide international experiences for the ASU community through the presence of international students and faculty on the ASU campus and opportunities for all students and faculty to pursue their academic interests abroad.

We process and admit international students to ASU; provide information, programs and services to make the students' U.S. experience as productive as possible; and assist department chairs and directors with the paperwork necessary to hire international faculty and staff. In addition, the staff works with students and faculty, interested in an academic experience abroad, to find opportunities that meet their needs and expectations.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### **Residence Life**

Residence Life provides a safe, diverse, and well-maintained environment that complements and supports the academic mission of the University. We create a dynamic living/learning experience that promotes and inspires individuals to become empowered community members.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### **Student Health Center**

The mission of ASU's Student Health Center and Pharmacy is to provide primary health care to students and as needed to employees in an unbiased and friendly environment that promotes student and community wellness.

### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

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### Student Conduct

It is the mission of the Office of Student Conflict at Arkansas State University to provide programs and services designed to foster a positive and safe environment for student learning. The Office of Student Conduct at Arkansas State University strives to help achieve a community in which individuals demonstrate respect for others, themselves and the University; uphold the standards set for in the Student Code of Conduct in relation to behavior and academic integrity and understand the impact that their behavior has on the Arkansas State University community.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### Student Union

We provide a facility that offers a variety of programs, activities, and services which enhance a diverse learning experience.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### Testing Center

We organize and administer standardized examinations within a secure and comfortable environment to assist our customers in attaining educational and occupational goals.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### University Police

To protect and serve the campus populace by enforcing University rules and regulations, federal and state laws, and foster an atmosphere that is conducive to education and personal safety.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

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### DIVISION OF UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT

We aggressively promote and build partnerships that strengthen and support the university and its students.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Alumni Relations

We focus our efforts on partnerships that involve alumni in the life and work of Arkansas State University.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### ASU Foundation, Inc.

Arkansas State University Foundation Inc. is an Arkansas corporation which was chartered March 7, 1977, for the primary purpose of advancing higher education, research and allied supportive activities for ASU through the promotion of private financial support.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### Development

Our mission is to Secure and Steward private resources for Arkansas State University by aggressively building partnerships that enhance the university's commitment to its students.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
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### Planned Giving

The Office of Planned Giving assists donors who want to include Arkansas State University in their estate planning. Our staff provides information to donors and their advisors about gifting methods to achieve the donor's philanthropic goals in a tax-wise manner.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### Publications & Creative Services

The office of Publications and Creative Services will present the image of the university to its various constituencies in a professional and consistent manner, observing the standards that apply to university imagery. We will create products that will assist the university's marketing and development efforts and produce the desired results.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### University Communications

The University Communications Office tells Arkansas State University's stories of student, faculty and staff achievements and activities through internal communications and the news media.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

- ASU Factbook
- Personal Contact

### Intercollegiate Athletics

Arkansas State University Athletics strives to uphold the goals set forth by the University and NCAA and holds as its primary purpose to direct each student-athlete toward growth academically, athletically, and socially while maximizing the contributions of administrators, faculty, staff, coaches, and student-athletes through diversity management and training.

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### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Faculty Senate

The mission of the Faculty Senate of Arkansas State University is to carry out the functions, fulfill the responsibilities, and address the concerns of the Faculty Association, including, but not limited to, a shared responsibility with the University Administration to insure the best practices in the governance of the institution through shared governance, to uphold and defend academic freedom, including freedom of speech, to support the university mission of teaching, service and research, and to defend and advance the professional values and standards that define higher education.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- Personal Contact

### Staff Senate

The mission of the ASU Staff Senate is to represent all ASU non-faculty employees of the University and to serve in an advisory capacity to the Chancellor of the University with respect to all matters concerning staff.

The Staff Senate is intended to provide a forum for all full-time employees with fringe benefits and part-time employees. The Staff Senate will endeavor to participate constructively in matters that benefit the University and the staff it represents.

### Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:

- Personal Contact
- Unit Website

### Student Government Association

The Student Government Association is committed to providing support, fellowship, and advocacy for the students of Arkansas State University. As the designated representative voice for the students, SGA strives to promote a greater understanding and cooperation with the faculty and administration. SGA works to ensure that the students realize their rights to influence academic policies on the university's campus.

Each college has representation on the senate along with International and Non-traditional representation on both undergraduate and graduate levels. One purpose of student participation in government is to train for the role of a citizen in the community. A sense of responsibility and concern on the part of each student with respect to every other

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student and with respect to the welfare of the student community is promoted through SGA participation. These senators and SGA staff member serve on many shared governance committees, representing your concerns in matters as important as financial aid and scholarship, safety, parking services, and student disciplinary areas.

Regular meetings of SGA are held in order to carry out the responsibilities of initiating all legislation concerning the welfare of the student body, supporting the functions and activities of the student body, vesting authority to student organizations, investigating any appeal made to it by any student concerning problems of general student welfare or well-being, assuming financial responsibility for SGA funds, and reviewing the financial records of all registered student organizations. Resolutions passed by the Student Government Association are presented by the SGA President to administrators who discuss implementation of student requests. These resolutions are not taken lightly and are utilized to the benefit of students whenever possible. SGA strives to create, maintain, and regulate beneficial customs and traditions at the Arkansas State University campus.

Since the Student Government Association acts as a liaison among the students, faculty, and administration, it is important for all persons to acquaint themselves with the policies of SGA and how they affect the organizations to which they belong.

#### **Method(s) of Communicating Mission Statement:**

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