

# STUDENT SUCCESS

## ANNUAL REPORT 2022–23

### FIRST GENERATION STUDENTS

This year, UNCG's First Generation Student Success Program hosted 11 events throughout the academic year. The events hosted focused on the following: Academic Success (3), Networking (2), Professional Development (1), Social (4), and Wellness (1). The division had over 300 attendees participate in our events throughout this year. The most attended events were Pick up a First G Survival Kit and First G Celebration. Survival Kit pickup was hosted during First G at the G week in November in collaboration with HRL and the 1st G Student Group. The focus was on building connections and making students aware of on campus support and the student groups we have at UNCG that want them involved with future events. Lastly, a celebration was hosted in April, in collaboration with HRL and the 1st G Student Group. To wrap up the academic year, UNCG had a game night and food for all first-generation college students to celebrate their accomplishments and give a small gift to our graduating seniors before they depart UNCG.

### SPARTAN READY

The Division's Student Employee Experience Committee continued to refine a central curriculum and standards to help standardize the experience for student employees. With this program, students are supported through three coaching appointments with four targeted questions to discuss their experiences and help frame how the skills they are developing as student employees will help them in their chosen profession. The program pilot launched for Student Affairs student employees and other supervisors of student employees on campus who wanted to participate in the program. Approximately 300 students were part of the year-long program. The goal is to expand to all student employees for the Division and make the program available to the entire campus for Fall 2023.

### SPARTAN EXPERIENCE

The new curricular approach program will launch in Fall 2024. The Spartan Experience will focus on the following five areas: Connections (belonging, student success), civic leadership, career development, well-being, and inclusion (intercultural skills). Through the Spartan Experience, students will augment their curricular experiences to develop the 21st century skills they need to be successful in their professional and personal lives after graduation. The curriculum will provide students with a guided pathway, spiraled experiences, and will deepen their learning outside of the classroom. The first year will focus on the first-year student class beginning Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 and expand to include all students in 2024. Part of this intentional approach includes an introductory emphasis on Connections (belonging) and Well-being.

### SPARTAN CONNECT

In order to better support student curricular engagement, a new vendor was secured to host the platform. Through this new platform, there are better integrations to host different types of experiences to demonstrate student learning and engagement. In the first year, the refreshed Spartan Connect platform launched with 353 organizations migrated, 3,371 members, and 6,663 event attendees in the new platform.

UNCG also added a professional and peer coaching program in 2022. Through a UNC system office grant and private donor, a full-time coach and peer guides were hired to support students' subclinical mental health needs. As a result of this programs, students can receive guided coaching to support their social and emotional development. The program was developed in Fall 2022 and implemented beginning Spring 2023. A yearlong pilot will commence in 2023–2024.