



## HUSKY UNION BUILDING

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

Division of Student Life



# The Gathering Place *where all* Our Storylines Intersect

Of all the ways our university influences the future, none are more important than educating the next generation of thinkers, doers and leaders. Our wide range of educational opportunities enable UW students to better understand their responsibilities as members of an increasingly interconnected and global society.

**Leadership.**  
**It's the Washington Way.**

## Our Story

The Husky Union Building (HUB). It's not just where we work, it's what we do. We are building student life here.

At the HUB, we are building an emerging generation of leaders and citizens. We advise and equip students to serve their campus in myriad ways. Our student government empowers not only the University of Washington's (UW) aspiring senators and diplomats, but also its bike mechanics, its concert promoters, its punk-rock radio hosts. Plus, the HUB employs students to run everything from the sound board to the bowling alley. Our staff guides these students as they take their first steps of leadership, and walks alongside them on whatever paths they take.

We are building dynamic campus culture. Whether it's a Lu'au, a Lunar New Year Party, or a Lawnapalooza Concert, everyone knows the place to go for fun and engaging events is the HUB.

We are building campus community. Everywhere you look in the HUB, students are meeting and eating, singing and sign-making. Whether it's around a cafe table, a pool table, or a conference table, we connect with each other at the HUB. This is the UW's gathering place where all our storylines intersect.

And now, we are building a better facility. A two-year, top-to-bottom remodel is underway at the HUB. With better access, better light, better-designed meeting and event spaces, in the new HUB we will connect with the campus better than ever before.

The Husky Union Building. We are building a more perfect union.

## Our Commitment

**Access** - The HUB is an access point to the UW for those who are enrolled, employed, or enjoying a visit. By providing space, services and programs for the UW community, the HUB is an environment rich in interactions. By reducing barriers that inhibit social interactions, the HUB has become a beacon for community engagement.

**Diversity** - The HUB reflects the diversity of our UW community. We actualize what others only conceptualize through the open exchange of beliefs and opinions, the presentation of traditional programs as well as the founding of new events, the registration of a wide array of student organizations, and the guidance and mentoring of students.

**Engagement** - The HUB fosters self-directed learning that allows students to root their academic, personal and professional goals in meaningful experiences. Through their involvement in Registered Student Organizations (RSOs), the Associated Students of the University of Washington (ASUW), the Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS), student employment and HUB programs and events, students are constantly challenged to redefine themselves within the context of the world around them. We create avenues for students to participate in the campus culture, dialogues, and processes that further deepen their connection to the UW.

**Care** - The HUB is a principled space where all members of the UW community are welcome. With doors and arms open, the HUB and its staff demonstrate our commitment to care by providing individual attention to the well-being of UW students and community members.

**Student Learning** - By assuring access, actualizing diversity, demonstrating care, facilitating engagement, and with an eye on effectiveness, the HUB is a powerful vehicle for student growth and development outside of the classroom. Furthermore, the HUB buttresses the student learning goals of other UW units by providing facilities, services, advising and employment that spark student inquiry, discovery, growth.

## Quick Facts

### The HUB as an Access point for students, faculty/staff, and community members

- **\$34,693** of HUG Event Funding was allocated to off-set the cost of student events
- 510 RSOs utilized the free services of
- Provided building access from 7-11pm M-F and extended weekend hours
- **2,669** subsidized reservations were made by RSOs, ASUW and GPSS organizations
- **1,287** subsidized reservations were made by UW departments
- **238** reservations were made by off-campus organizations
- More than **800** students were helped by Student Legal Services regarding personal legal issues
- **2,602** valuable items lost on campus were received and processed by the central Lost & Found at the HUB Info Desk

### The HUB promotes diversity

- **772** RSOs represented a diverse range of cultures, beliefs, ideologies and lifestyles.
- **8** student commissions within ASUW are dedicated to represent traditionally underrepresented populations and are supported by the HUB
- Homecoming, Spring Pow Wow, HUB Crawl, Mr. and Ms. Greek, Desi Dhamaka, Fall Fling, Bite of Asia, Afro-Caribbean Night and other traditional programs are advised by HUB staff

### The HUB as vehicle for engagement

- **4,767** student, departmental and community meetings, programs and events were hosted in the HUB
- **305** students were employed within ASUW, GPSS and the HUB
- 33 registration sessions led to the Student Activities Office (SAO) registering 772 RSOs and over 3,500 students as listed officers of their RSO
- **481** programs were held by ASUW, GPSS and student organizations; these were advised and overseen by HUB staff and resources

### The HUB as an effective organization

- **66.7%** of HUB operating cost is supported by self-generated revenue

- Current projections indicate that the HUB Remodel will come in under its **\$86.2 million** estimated construction budget
- Payroll for **366** staff and student employees is handled by HUB Accounting
- **3,000** customers are served daily at the Newsstand at By George
- **161** events requiring approval through the Use of University Facilities (UUF) Committee were overseen by SAO
- **94** budgets and approximately **\$5.5 million** in expenditures are processed internally by HUB Accounting

## Efficiencies

- A shared service model was created in Campus Life by "bundling" several units with common work and overlap (student engagement units such as Student Publications, Ceremonies, Community Standards and Student Conduct, Fraternity and Sorority Life, Recreation Sports Programs, Q Center, and HUB) under the Associate Vice President for Campus Life
- Implemented a new Campus Resource Leadership website to assist student organizations and students-at-large
- The HUB made improvements to the SAO website for the student organization orientation, online registration, and club management process

## Challenges & Opportunities

- Increasing and maintaining campus awareness of relocated services and offices that are operating out of Condon Hall and other campus locations during the HUB Remodel Project.
- Helping students and staff adjust to workflow within the confines of Condon Hall.
- The HUB Closure and Remodel Project has significantly reduced meeting and event programming space on the UW campus through 2012.
- Transfer of management of the South Campus Center to Health Sciences has further reduced meeting and event programming space.
- The lack of financial resources makes it difficult to implement HUB sponsored events and programming for students.
- Further budget cuts for the HUB will negatively affect human resources within the department.



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