

A GUIDE TO STUDENT LIFE & SERVICES



#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The division of Student Affairs serves students and the greater campus community through programs and services that support scholarship, leadership development, and a work/life balance in a safe, secure, and caring environment. We strive to empower students to be responsible, and respectful citizens with an understanding and appreciation for diversity.

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The Division of Student Affairs is dedicated to building and fostering a vibrant, safe, and supportive campus environment that facilitates students' success and personal well-being. Student Affairs is the day-to-day counterpart to Academic Affairs, offering support and services outside the classroom, such as residential life and dining, clubs and organizations, career planning, as well as, campus safety, diversity programs, orientation and student health. The Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs provides leadership and serves as the centralized communication point for the division. Student Affairs upholds and models the mission, vison and values of the division.

The Division of Student Affairs is comprised of many different departments with one overarching theme: helping students. This resource guide is designed to give you a better understanding of each of these departments.

For more information, please follow the web links at the bottom of each page or contact us at:

studentaffairs@daemen.edu or 716-839-8200

Daemen.edu/studentaffairs





## DAEMEN COLLEGE DRESIDENCE LIFE



The Office of Housing and Residence Life strives to provide a safe and vibrant living-learning community where residents achieve personal growth through their experiences in a diverse residential community.

## HOUSING AND RESIDENCE LIFE

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The Office of Housing and Residential Life offers numerous opportunities to support academic pursuits, personal growth, and community involvement, all while fostering the creation of lifelong friendships and connections. Living on campus offers students a place to live and work that enhances their college experience by putting them at the center of everything: classes and labs, the library, recreational facilities, volunteer opportunities, and more. The Residence Life Team consists of a Director, Assistant Director, professional live-in staff and student Resident Assistants (RAs); they provide the programming and support necessary to encourage personal growth and community while creating a safe living and learning environment. The Office of Housing and Residence Life can assist with:

- Housing/Roommate Questions
- Meal Plans
- Accommodations
- · Resident Assistant applicants
- Programming
- Conflict Resolution
- Student Code of Conduct

Daemen.edu/residencelife









Dining Services provides well-prepared, healthy, and affordable food options to meet the nutritional, educational, and social needs of students and the College community through a variety of quality services.

## **DINING SERVICES**

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Dining Services provides more than meals; they provide the place and space to connect with others or relax after classes. They give you the opportunity to refuel and refresh during an active day on campus and they are an integral part of the college experience.

In addition to providing meals for the resident student population in the Wick Dining Room, Dining Services operates the Wildcat Den and 78 West for more informal dining options such as quick serve menus, grab-and-go for light meals, snacks, and beverages. Dining Services also offers exemplary catering services and great customer service each and every day.

The goal is to provide students with a delicious, nutritious, and affordable community dining experience, no matter where they choose to eat on campus. Whatever your dietary needs or tastes, options abound.

#### Daemen.edu/diningservices











Student Activities helps students plan and promote diverse, cultural, educational, social and recreational programs to prepare them for future success, build community, and develop leadership.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

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The Student Activities office provides an environment for students to test new ideas, develop leadership skills, and create community. A vibrant part of college life exists outside the classroom and students' satisfaction with their college experience is often directly related to their involvement in campus life and student activities.

There are over 60 active student clubs and organizations of different interests, including: academic, special interest, student government and Greek life. Student groups provide opportunities for students to broaden their experiences, develop leadership abilities, provide a sense of responsibility, and give service to the college community.

Student Activities also sponsors numerous academic and cultural programs, guest speakers, athletic events, intramural sports, health & wellness programs, service opportunities and just-for-fun social events. The overall educational experience of students is enhanced through participation in campus activities.

#### Daemen.edu/studentactivities









Recognizing the necessity of diversity for the sake of learning, we envision a campus community that demands respect for diversity and a campus climate that fosters an understanding of diversity grounded in the College's fundamental commitment to human dignity.

# DIVERSITY AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

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The Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs (DMCA) is responsible for facilitating enriching and impactful diversity education experiences for our community. Through collaboration with various campus partners, the DMCA holds the primary responsibility of providing faculty, staff and students with resources, guidance and support for any issues/initiatives/programming as it relates to diversity and inclusion.

Diversity and inclusion represents both the breadth of our individual differences and unique life experiences as well as our efforts to create a community that is welcoming of everyone regardless of difference or experience. This may include race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation to name a few. The DMCA offers a multitude of programs aimed at supporting an inclusive environment on campus as well as celebrating our students and their cultural backgrounds. They work to address issues of potential bias on campus, utilizing an online bias reporting form and other mechanisms.

The Diversity Ambassadors Program provides students with the opportunity to serve as resources and mentors to their peers as it relates to creating an inclusive and welcoming environment at Daemen College. Diversity Ambassadors plan and execute educational and social programs participate in open houses, orientations, and other campus wide programs.

Daemen.edu/diversity









# ORIENTATION & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

#### ORIENTATION

Beginning college is a fun and exciting time for students and their families. It can also be a bit overwhelming. To assist with this transition, Daemen College offers orientation programs for first-year students, transfers, and families. The goal of orientation is to develop and coordinate programs that promote academic success, support personal and social development, and provide students and families with information about the services, support systems and issues facing college students.

#### **Student Orientations:**

Daemen offers programs for both first-year and transfer students to aid new students with their transition to Daemen. These programs provide students the tools needed to be successful at Daemen. All new students are required to attend an orientation program.

#### **Parent Orientations:**

Daemen College is a place for students to make new friends, develop new skills, and learn about themselves and the world. Parents/guardians need to be aware that their sons and daughters are making many new transitions at this time in their life. To help with this transition, we invite all parents/guardians of incoming first-year students to our Parent Orientation. The parent program schedule runs concurrently with, but separate from, the student orientation to meet the different needs of students and parents/guardians.

Daemen.edu/orientation

#### **LEADS**

Daemen College's LEADS Center serves as a clearinghouse for students aspiring to realize and develop their leadership skills. The program affords Daemen students the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to bring purpose, meaning, and integrity into their lives, and consequently the lives of others. The program emphasizes life-long learning and civic engagement through interdisciplinary programs that provide and encourage the development of consciousness of self, fostering inclusive collaborative relationships, social change, and civic responsibility.

Daemen.edu/leads



#### MILITARY FRIENDLY SCHOOL

This national designation is awarded to top colleges, universities, community colleges, and trade schools in the country that are doing their most to embrace student veterans and have dedicated resources to ensure their success in the classroom and after graduation.

## **VETERANS SERVICES**

# NANCY HABERMAN GACIOCH (NHG) CENTER FOR VETERANS

The mission of the Center is to support veteran scholars and eligible family members' success in postsecondary education by coordinating services to address their academic, financial, physical and social needs.

The Center provides the necessary tools to better ensure academic success and social integration within the Daemen College family, including:

- · A one-stop experience to student veterans and dependents
- A liaison to other offices on-campus to streamline student service processes
- · Administration and certification of VA education benefits
- Resources that enhance the educational experience for our military-aligned students
- Assistance answering questions, helping with career and personal vocational choices, and academic coaching

Daemen.edu/veterans







## **CAREER SERVICES**

DISCOVER WHAT'S NEXT



Career Services, in partnership with faculty, staff, students, parents, supporters and alumni is committed to providing the resources, skills, and professional development opportunities to support, prepare and empower students and alumni to achieve their career goals.

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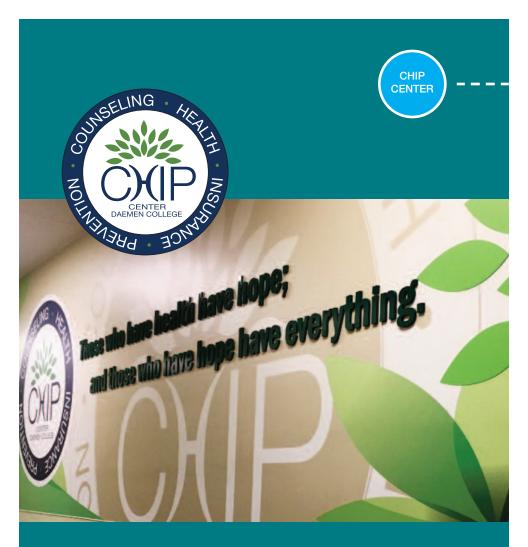
#### **CAREER SERVICES**

Career Services offers a variety of services to assist students and alumni across all academic disciplines in all phases of their career decision-making and job search process. In addition to traditional appointments, the Career Services team offers drop-in sessions that last 15 minutes or less and can accommodate electronic requests using Skype and FaceTime. They also offer students and alumni an industry-specific Career Advisor that provides resources, advisement and insight related to their industry. The following services are available to all currently registered students and alumni for FREE, for LIFE:

- Individualized career action planning
- Assessments to understand your skills and interests (MyNextMove, Strong Interest Inventory, etc.)
- · Professional document assistance: resume/CV, cover letter and references
- Access to Handshake, a mobile friendly platform that provides access to jobs and internships
- Internship opportunities with local, national and international organizations
- · Mock interviews to help you enhance your interview skills
- · Assistance with searching and applying to jobs and graduate schools
- Professional development workshops and networking events to connect with employers

#### Daemen.edu/careerservices





The CHIP Center promotes wellness by empowering students to be well-informed and self-directed participants in their lifestyle and healthcare choices.

Health and Insurance Services | Counseling Services | Prevention Services

## **CHIP CENTER**

#### **HEALTH AND INSURANCE SERVICES**

Health and Insurance Services is designed to foster and improve the health of Daemen College students. They provide quality services that empower students to be well-informed and self-directed participants in their own health. They are here to:

- · Connect students with health and wellness organizations that fit their needs
- · Coordinate educational, health and wellness opportunities
- Prepare students to be their own health advocates
- · Prepare students to be informed consumers of health care services
- Ensure students are compliant with NYS laws regarding immunizations
- Offer and ensure students have adequate health insurance coverage
- Maintain confidential immunization and medical records

Daemen.edu/healthservices



#### PREVENTION SERVICES

Daemen College takes the health and wellness of its students very seriously. Prevention services are designed to offer various wellness events on campus during the academic year to support our students and help them make informed decisions regarding their health and wellness needs.

The CHIP Center maintains regular efforts to examine policies and protocol as it relates to reducing sexual assault, dating abuse, stalking and substance use. In doing so, the Student Wellness Advocacy Group (SWAG) works to address these important issues by creating meaningful programming opportunities to help students learn and make healthier decisions.

Here are some of the wellness/programming efforts:

- Annual Wellness Fair
- Blood drives
- Flu shot and immunization clinics
- Alcohol education and sexual assault prevention courses
- Free and confidential screenings for Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
- Bystander intervention training provided by Crisis Services of Buffalo
- Education and training for Campus Security Authorities (Clery Act) and Responsible Persons (Title IX)

#### Daemen.edu/preventionservices



#### **COUNSELING SERVICES**

The Counseling Services office serves the psychological well-being of the Daemen College community so that students may be successful academically, ethically, spiritually, and personally. The counseling staff consists of professionally licensed mental health professionals who are committed to responding to the mental health needs of students in a compassionate, competent, and confidential manner.

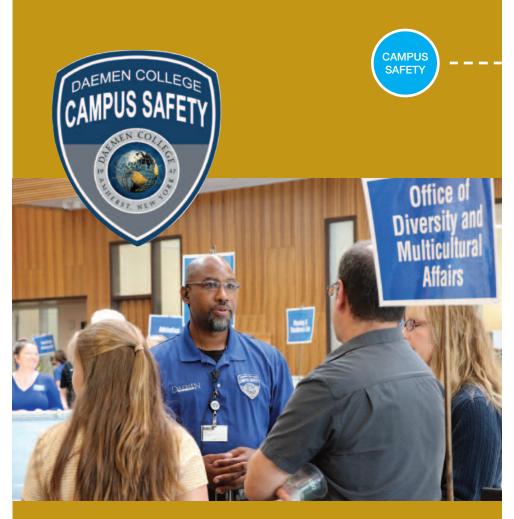
Services are available to all currently registered students and include: individual counseling, group counseling, mediation, and consultation.

All registered Daemen students are eligible to attend up to 15 sessions per academic year free of charge. Students needing more than fifteen sessions can coordinate with their counselor to accommodate additional needs.

Appointments are scheduled around when you and your counselor are available. Students can work with the counselor of their choice—there are a variety of counselors to choose from. No referral is necessary—simply call, email, stop in, or fill out our online inquiry form to set up an appointment to talk.

#### Daemen.edu/counseling





Through professionalism and a focus on service, the Office of Campus Safety will provide the Daemen College community with a safe and secure campus environment that is conducive to learning and growth.

24/7/365 | 716-839-SAFE (7233)

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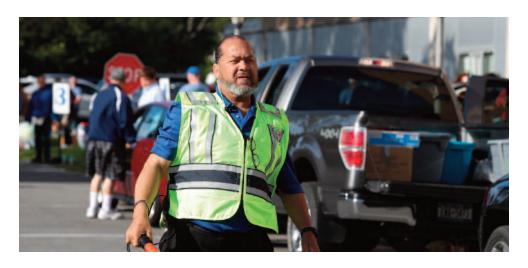
The Department of Campus Safety is committed to providing the campus with a safe, secure and friendly environment. Campus Safety is staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, by trained professionals employed to serve the College. Campus Safety strives to improve daily life around campus through continual training, upgrades and services. They are committed to crime prevention and to ensuring the safety of everyone on campus.

Campus Safety can be reached by calling 716-839-SAFE (7233) or stopping by the Campus Safety desk in the Wick Student Center. Students may also use the Alertus smartphone app to send a message to the Campus Safety desk with their location, if activated on their phone.

The Campus Safety assists the College on a daily basis, including:

- Student IDs
- Lost & Found
- · Parking Permits
- Lockers
- Emergency Notification System

#### Daemen.edu/campussafety





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