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University Park, September 15, 2022

Welcome Back to Campus from Your Student Senate President



Greeting Fellow Jaguars,

My name is Marquis Parks, and I am currently serving as your 2022-2023 Student Senate President. I'm very excited to write to you as we start a year that'll be the best the school has seen. I want you to know that your experience here at Governors State University will be a valued one to say the least. This institution is filled with talented, hardworking, and persevering students from all backgrounds and all over the world and we take pride in that. Are you ready to show your Jaguar Pride?

Governors State University has no shortage of resources and opportunities to offer you. As a student, you have access to resources such as the Counseling and Wellness Center, where you can get your required immunizations, women's health screenings, basic physicals and sports physicals. If you need mental health support, the center also

offers counseling services. To help enhance your fitness and physical health, be sure to check out our Recreation Center and our pool, located in the A building.

Not sure where you want to head after your education journey is completed? Feel free to stop by the Center for Junior Year on the first floor of the C-Building. There, you can explore majors or explore career options that'll help set you on a path to success. To better support your education inside and outside the classroom, we have resources like our Library, food pantry, Career Services, Academic Advising, and Financial Aid services. Don't forget to check out the Academic Resource Center, which houses Disability Services, Tutoring Services, the Writing Center, New Student Programs, Retention, the GEER Project, and the TRIO program.

While on campus you will see art all around including the Arts Gallery in the E-Lounge and the award-winning Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park where all students can take self-guided tours of the 100 acre park 365 days a year at no cost.

Finally, make the most of your time with us by getting involved. GSU is home to over 80 student-led clubs and organizations, including my personal favorite, Student Senate. I have found that getting involved has opened up so many networking, relationship and career opportunities for me. It can be difficult returning to the classroom or heading there for the first time. That's why we want to offer you the support that you need. I can't wait to get to know you all. Have an amazing school year!

Go Jaguars!

Marquis Parks, Student Senate President