

Student Town Hall

Questions & Answers

Q: Can we go back to having fall graduation?

A: Supporting this investment will require us divesting in another area or identifying new funding sources.

Q: Why have more fees when a lot of students are not on campus?

A: General fees are approved by the BOG, proposed increases and decreases are submitted during the fee cycle which is typically in December.

Q: How do you plan to gain the trust and respect from the Bronco family?

A: By being open and transparent. We plan to have Town Halls like this to keep our students, faculty, staff, and alumni of what we are doing. It is important that we keep them informed.

SH - Q: Based on your experience on the Board of Governors, do you believe that having a board that is comprised of majority white males works against HBCU's, and if so, how do you plan to work on breaking these barriers.

Q: How will you make sure that the increase in security funds will be properly displayed within University?

A: The funds will be used in accordance with BOG guidance.

Q: Do you have any intention of leaving division two sports in hopes to join a division one conference?

A: The University does not have plans to join a division one conference at this time.

Q: Will you guys have any type of commencement for students that graduated in May 2020 and November 2020? Graduating from college is a huge milestone for some and the school has not said anything in regard to graduation for these students.

A: Our plans are to include some of the May 2020 graduates in the spring 2021 commencement.

Q: Are there thoughts on collaborations with other universities for course work that is transferable other than the lower-level courses and just online?

A: We have reciprocal articulation agreements with every 4-year institution in the UNC System. Additionally, we are typically able to accept courses from other accredited 4-year institutions. This process typically requires the course acceptance/substitution to be reviewed by multiple

areas, to include the Registrar and the department chair for the appropriate discipline. Similar to many 4-year institutions, we do not accept upper division courses from 2-year institutions, unless there has been a transfer/articulation agreement established for specific courses in a specified degree program.

Q: What is your tentative plan to increase the number of traditional students on campus?

A: FSU's Strategic Plan 2020-2025 sets the agenda for the next 5 years for the university. Recruitment of traditional-aged college students is featured prominently in Strategic Priority 1: Academic Excellence and Strategic Priority 2: Campus Student Engagement. These priorities outline intentional plans to increase and maintain the number of first-time freshman students from counties in North Carolina to a total of 750 annually and enhance student life programming and opportunities to create a vibrant student experience.

Q: Are there any plans to upgrade the dorms?

A: FSU's Strategic Plan 2020-2025 Priority 5: University Sustainability outlines plans to build and upgrade the campus physical infrastructure. This priority includes developing a multi-year construction and renovation plan to upgrade the residence halls.

Q: What will be implemented to ensuring the safety of students in UPA and campus in general?

A: Safety is our number one priority, and we are making funds available to ensure the safety of our students. We will be installing more secure doors at UPA. We will be installing a guard house at the main entrance to campus that will be manned during the evening and night hours.

Q: I would like to know why is it so hard for your advisor to call or meet with you to discuss the routes you really want to go?

A: Providing timely and accurate responses to student questions and issues is paramount to ensuring on-time graduation. If there are issues connecting with an academic advisor, please notify the appropriate department chair or the dean's office for that specific discipline immediately.

Q: Can we create a Doctorate program for Broadwell Business College of Business and Economics

A: As a constituent institution of the UNC System, new degree programs must be approved by the UNC System Board of Governors. We currently have multiple undergraduate and graduate degree programs in various stages of the review process.

Q: Will there be a distribution center for administering the COVID-19 vaccine for students here at FSU?

A: The vaccine is being administered here on campus through the month of May.

Q: What is your plan on raising university endowment?

A: By engaging more with all faculty, staff, students, alumni, friends, corporations, and foundations to make the case for financial support to FSU.

Q: Do you have any plan to address the increased hate crime against Asian Americans recently?

A: The Division of Academic Affairs issued a statement regarding this topic.

Q: What is your plan on making Fayetteville State University a household name throughout the state and the nation?

A: The university brand is extremely important, and we are going to look at ways to enhance the FSU brand so that we can have more national exposure.

Q: What are your thoughts on expanding FSU, making more connections, and getting those big donors to help build the University especially Dorm rooms?

A: We want to engage and connect more with those who would like to support FSU. Through that engagement, we can help FSU expand and grow.

Q: Since COVID has taken a huge toll on athletics and athletic funding, how does FSU plan to gain adequate funding for the next seasons when CIAA chooses to resume all athletic play (as for equipment, uniforms, scholarship money etc.) & the 4 Women's Athletics teams that won the CIAA championship in 2019 & 2020 that have not received rings because of the inadequate funding.

A: The University will continue to work with all internal and external constituents to assist the athletic department with addressing the needs of our student-athletes.

Q: What are some of the academic programs you would like to see FSU have on the undergrad and grad level?

A: A Doctor of Business Administration and a Doctor of Nursing Practice.

Q: Chancellor Allison, how will your office accommodate students with an open-door policy to discuss these issues further?

A: Students are our number one resource and we recently set up an area on the website for students to address any issues or concerns they might have. The issue or concern the student might have is sent to the appropriate person for action. The page can be found at:

https://www.unctsu.edu/assets/Documents/Student%20Complaints%20Procedure_fillable.pdf