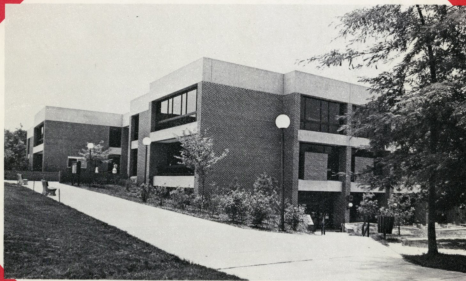


GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY
THE STATE UNIVERSITY IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA

The Student Union



Hours

Monday-Thursday

7 AM-11 PM

Friday

7 AM-midnight

Saturday

9AM-midnight

Sunday

12 noon-11PM

Closed holidays.

Hours may vary during summer and semester breaks.

George Mason University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action institution, committed to serving all people by providing equal opportunity for study and employment on the basis of individual merit and qualifications; to attracting qualified minorities, women and handicapped persons and insuring their full participation in the opportunities afforded by the University; and to full compliance with all applicable Federal and Commonwealth laws, regulations, and executive orders.

George Mason University is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

The Student Union

A Note about the Union

The George Mason University Student Union serves as the community center of the University, providing a wide variety of services and conveniences for all members of the campus family, and hosting most of the non-academic programs and activities which take place on the campus. Throughout this booklet you will find a summary of the many purposes which the building serves; yet the Union is more than just a building—it is people coming together to share in each other and in the environment of the Union. Here people are introduced to some things (and people) which they might never have experienced.

While you are here, discover your Union: have a beer, watch a film, wander through an art exhibit, play a game of pool, meet others. It is our belief that the environment of the Student Union can stimulate people in many ways and truly round out one's education. Some of your most rewarding experiences will lie in visiting and using the Union throughout your years at George Mason University.

People are what a Union is—a Union of people!

Arts & Crafts

Arts and Crafts facilities are available in Rooms 230 and 231. Work tables, lockers and sinks will be furnished and materials for oil painting, pottery, leather work, poster making, or candle making can also be obtained. Part-time instructors, all-day workshops, and plenty of work time will be provided. Students who wish to participate, either as instructors or in the workshops, are encouraged to contact the Arts and Crafts rooms or telephone 323-2275.

Bank

United Virginia Bank operates banking facilities in Room 238. Full-service banking, free checking to GMU students, and a 24-hour banking unit are provided. Students are able to cash checks, obtain money orders, open savings accounts, and obtain saving certificates. Hours of operation are 9 AM-2 PM Monday-Friday. Telephone 938-2900.

Bookstore

The bookstore, located on the second floor in Room 237, offers textbooks for all courses and school supplies at retail prices. It also carries clothing, jewelry, items bearing the GMU insignia and other items of interest to the University community. Used books are repurchased by the bookstore at the end of the semester. Hours for the bookstore are from 9 AM-3 PM Monday-Friday. Evening hours are 5:45-7:15 PM Tuesday and Wednesday, with extended hours of 9 AM-7 PM during registration and the first weeks of classes. Telephone 323-2169.

Cafeteria

Located on the first floor, the cafeteria provides food service for hot meals from 7 AM-2 PM and 4 PM-6:30 PM Monday-Friday. Coin-operated machines and microwave ovens throughout the Union offer snacks and hot food at any time. The cafeteria on the North Campus operates from 7:30 AM - 2 PM with coin-operated machines also available. Telephone 323-1120 (MC) or 591-3912 (NC).

The Rathskeller, located in Phase II of the cafeteria is open from 11 AM-10 PM Monday-Thursday and from 11 AM-5 PM Friday, 8 PM-12:30 AM Saturday and is closed on Sundays. Pizza, hot sandwiches, beer and soft drinks are served. Live entertainment is featured on Saturday nights.

Campus Ministry

The Campus Ministry Association is a group of chaplains on campus daily to be of assistance to students in a variety of ways. They're willing to discuss any topic with an open mind. They provide opportunities for students to volunteer in social action work among the needy off campus. The chaplains are available for counseling, and also for small spiritual growth groups and educational seminars. A good number of students have found the Retreat Weekends very worthwhile.

The communications base is the Campus Ministry Office, Room 229, just off the Union Lounge. Telephone 323-2160.

Snag a chaplain. He'll try to help in any way he can. Contact phone for chaplains at their homes: Fr. Wozniak 978-4141; Rev. Dwain Gregory 978-3583.

Career Planning and Placement

The Office of Career Planning and Placement, Room 365, assists students in formulating career plans and finding part-time and full-time employment while in school and after graduation. On-campus recruitment interviews are held throughout the year for seniors who are registered with the Office. The Career Reference Library, Room 367, maintains an extensive collection of career information and graduate school catalogs. Full-time, part-time and summer job notices received by the University are posted on a job board outside Room 365; alumni may receive full-time job notices through the mail upon request. Telephone 323-2476.

Cooperative Education

The Office of Cooperative Education provides qualified students the opportunity to integrate formal classroom instruction with practical, off-campus work experiences. The industrial, governmental, or business assignment supplements the student's academic area of interest.

"Cooperative" describes the close working relationship maintained between the University on the one hand and the employer on the other. The University teaches basic facts, theories, and principles; and the practical on-the-job experience comes from work in the field. The Co-op Program affords students the opportunity to apply themselves and to determine what is expected in their chosen field of endeavor, and also to obtain a better career insight through observation and inquiry. This program also promotes a better appreciation for and understanding of the requirements for specific subjects in the curriculum. Telephone 323-2535.

Counseling Center

George Mason University's Counseling Center, located in Room 364, provides specialized services for student development including counseling for personal adjustment, social skills and communication enhancement, marriage and couples counseling, educational and career counseling and psychological testing for understanding how one functions as a person. Individual counseling and group workshops for personal growth and development are also available. Minority students may wish to contact the Center's Counselor for Minority Students. The Center offers its services on a strictly confidential basis and at no charge to the student. Telephone 323-2165.

The Counseling Center also serves as the University testing center where students may take the College Level Examination tests (CLEP), and obtain applications for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE), Law School Admission Test (LSAT), Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), Medical College Admission Test (MCAT), Dental Admission Test (DAT), Veterinary Aptitude Test (VAT), and the Miller Analogies Test (MAT). For further information call 323-2525.

Dry Cleaning Service

A dry cleaning service is available in Room 228 of the Union. The hours of operation are from 8:30 AM-2:00 PM Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Office, located in Room 353, offers a limited amount of loans, scholarships, and part-time jobs to eligible needy students. Applications are accepted year-round; awards are made on a first come, first served basis, but students are encouraged to apply by May 1 for the following academic year to receive the maximum consideration. Short-term emergency loans in small amounts are available to currently enrolled students. The office maintains a bulletin board and announcements of available scholarships are posted as they are received. Telephone 323-2176.

Honor Committee

The Honor Committee is a group of elected students whose primary duty is to instill the concepts and spirit of the Honor Code within the student body. The secondary function of this group is to sit as a hearing committee on all alleged violations of the Honor Code. Copies of the Honor Code are posted throughout the campus and are made available to entering students. Established at George Mason on May 14, 1962, the Honor System is recognized and accepted as an integral part of the University. The Honor Committee is in Room 306, and members' phone numbers are available to students with inquiries after business hours. Telephone 323-2195.

Information Center

The Information Center, located near the main entrance to the Union, provides campus information, bulletins of upcoming events and locker rentals. Lockers are available at the beginning of each semester. Telephone 323-2374.

Minority Affairs

The Minority Affairs Office, Room 309, provides a program designed to enhance George Mason University's service to minority communities. The program's objective is to shape an education environment which reflects and expresses the ethnic and cultural diversity of its context, and which addresses the educational needs of all the people of its constituent area. Integrated into GMU's total process, the program is designed to affect every segment of the University in a positive way. Service to students is provided through the recruitment, retention, and development of students belonging to minority groups; the goal is to support minority students—financially, psychologically, and academically—in their efforts to complete a university education. The program also serves the University in helping to improve relations and services to minority communities outside the campus, and in developing a faculty of diverse races and creeds. Telephone 323-2383.

Recreational Facilities

The gameroom, located in Room 204, offers ping pong tables, pinball, football machines, billiard tables and chess games. Nominal fees are charged for use of the billiard tables, but ping pong and chess may be used without charge. Television rooms may be found off the Main Lounge in the Union. The gameroom is open from 8:30 AM-11 PM Monday-Thursday, 8:30 AM-11 PM on Friday, 9 AM-11 PM on Saturday and noon-11 PM on Sunday. Telephone 323-2374.

Scheduling

All Student Union facilities, including conference rooms, lounges, cafeterias, patios and any other space, must be scheduled in Room 310 of the Union or by telephone, 323-2164. Student activities and University-wide events are given highest priority for space usage. All University groups are strongly encouraged to schedule their events a semester in advance, if possible, and to include many of their major activities in the yearly Student Handbook calendar.

Most facilities may be reserved free of charge by University groups. Additional charges are sometimes involved for extra custodial, maintenance or administrative support services. Please keep in mind that many services (including audio-visual, general equipment and furniture needs, parking considerations, and food services) are available to you. Take time to discuss these possibilities in the Student Union, Room 310 or telephone 323-2164.

Student Activities

The Coordinator of Student Activities, located in Room 310, provides a variety of support services to student clubs and organizations, student publications, the Student Government, and students interested in starting new clubs. Other functions of the office include new student orientation, leadership workshops, and information about clubs and activities. Telephone 323-2574.

Student Government

George Mason University's Student Government, occupying Rooms 305 and 308, provides students an opportunity to participate actively in the administration of their own affairs. It also acts as a link in fostering student-faculty relationships and in providing effective representation on the students' behalf. All students are encouraged to participate in the Student Government. A list of current officers and representatives is posted by the Office. Also posted are the phone list and committee assignments. Telephone 323-2196.

Student Health

The health service provides basic first aid, treatment of minor illness, referral services, hygienic information and counseling, and information on the health and accident insurance offered to students at the University. Located in Room 355 of the Student Union, the health service is open from 8:30 AM to 9 PM Monday-Friday. A smaller office is located in Room 105 on the North Campus adjoining the Student Affairs Office and is open from 9 AM to 1 PM Monday-Friday. Both offices are staffed by registered nurses with the cooperation of a consulting physician. For more information call 323-2584 (Main Campus) or 323-2589 (North Campus).

Student Union Staff

The office of the Coordinator of the Student Union, Room 310, is the administrative center of Union operations. Scheduling of the Union facilities and all student groups on campus are handled through this office. Staff personnel are on duty whenever the Union is open to assist in any way possible. Telephone 323-2164.

Union Board/Activities Room

The Union Board/Activities Room (303) is the office of the Student Government Activities Chairperson and the Chairperson of the Student Union Governing Board. Telephone 323-2196.

Veterans Affairs

The Veterans Affairs Office, Room 352, assists veterans in matters concerning VA educational benefits. The office offers information, forms and help. Telephone 323-2381.

Vice President for Student Affairs

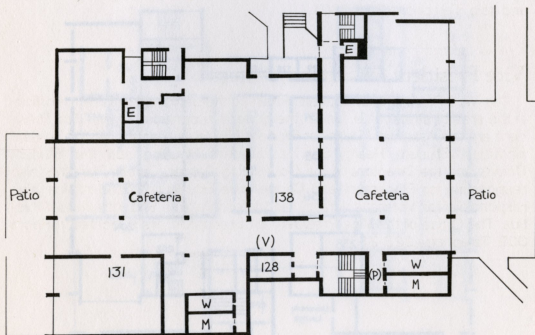
The Vice President for Student Affairs is the senior administrative official in the area of student life. Under the general supervision of the Vice President are the Associate Dean for Student Life (also responsible for Student Activities, Student Health Service, Student Housing and the Student Union); and the Directors of the Counseling Center, Career Planning (also responsible for Placement and Cooperative Education), Student Aid (also responsible for Veterans Affairs), and Intercollegiate and Intramural Athletics. The Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs is located in Room 302. Telephone 323-2134.

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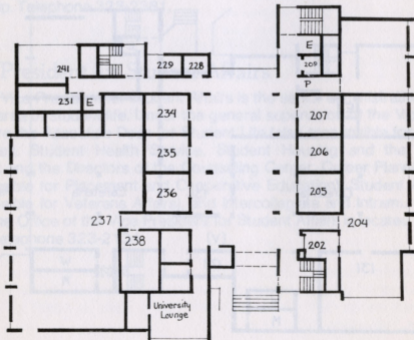
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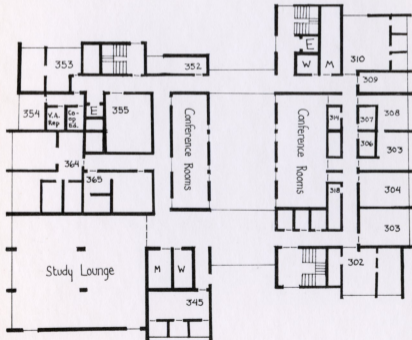


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