



Savannah State University
Office of Student Programs and Organizations

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Dear NASAP Participant:

Congratulations! Thank you for accepting the challenge to participate in the National Association of Student Affairs Professionals Student Leadership Institute 2015. This year's theme is: ***"Rethinking Leadership: The Power of Imagination, Creativity and Change!"*** We have planned a great institute where your "learning and leadership" will be put to the test!

The National Association of Student Affairs Professionals (NASAP) is a professional organization dedicated to promoting excellence in Student Affairs. The organization serves as a beacon for student affairs personnel addressing the issues and needs of today's college students. It is on the leading edge regarding issues, solutions and professional development opportunities for student affairs professionals who serve minority populations in diverse settings around the country.

As a component of NASAP, The Student Leadership Institute is an intensive, interactive, and stimulating learning program. It is a seven day program designed for newly elected Historically Black College and University Student Leaders (Student Government, Class Officers, Greek Councils, Student Ambassadors, Activity Boards, Programming Boards, Kings and Queens) who are committed to uplifting their organizations and their university.

Before you arrive, the steering committee has a few "tips" that will be helpful in making your stay more productive and comfortable.

School Material

The primary goal of the Institute is to prepare participants to develop resourceful solutions to problems they are likely to encounter as student leaders on their respective campuses. In order to produce future campus leaders, we ask that you bring one or two of the following items:

- Student Activities Policy and procedure book/manual/guide
- Business Cards for each participant (networking purposes)
- Constitution- for Student Government / Ambassadors / Activities Boards
- Greek guides / procedure manuals
- School paraphernalia to trade or give-a-way

Leadership Topics

The Student Leadership Institute will accomplish these goals and objectives through case studies, role play, small group discussions and short lectures. The educational and learning opportunities are received when all participants are active and involved throughout the process.

Leadership Topics

Conflict Resolution
What is SGA?
Stress Relievers
Planning a Retreat
Greek Life and My Role In Greek Life
The Perfect Campus Tour
Problem Solving
How To Be The Best King and Queen
Understanding the Nguzo Saba Principles
Effective Communication

Roles and Responsibilities
Fund Raisers and Grants
Icebreakers
Budget Issues
Hazing vs. Membership Intake
Community Service
History and Traditions
Motivation of Members
Student Rights!
Defining Your Leadership Style

Accommodations

On campus accommodations will be provided in “Tiger Place.” One of the newest housing facilities on campus offering air conditioned rooms, internet, family room, meeting room, laundry, snack area and security. All Georgia State University campuses are non-smoking. The committee will provide you shower curtain, hand soap and (1) towels and (1) wash clothes. It is important to bring the following items:

- Personal toiletries
- Personal sheets and pillow for the bed (twin)
- Extra towels and wash cloth (towel can be used for the Savannah Beach Trip)
- Shower shoes
- Iron (if possible)
- Medical items (medicines)
- Workout clothes
- Camera
- Sleepwear
- Awareness Walk clothes/Shoes

Dress Attire

Dress for the **INSTITUTE** is Business Casual with times of Business Professional and School Pride Clothing. You will be walking from session to session and comfortable clothing and shoes are encouraged. You will need at least three to four (3-4) upscale business professional outfits for Concurrent Sessions, the Women’s Tea/Men’s Smoker and “Student Awards Ceremony and Brunch.” After day-time professional meeting, you can relax in your casual clothing. Attire schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, May 26, 2015	Umoja Day	Business Casual
Wednesday, May 27, 2015	Kujichagulia Day	Business Professional Late Night– Casual Wear
Thursday, May 28, 2015	Ujima Day	Business Professional Late Night– Casual Wear
Friday, May 29, 2015	Ujamma Day	Business Professional (Morning) <i>Men Session: Business Suits, ties, ascots, squares</i> <i>Ladies Session: Business Suit- Church Hats/Gloves (optional)</i> School Pride Shirts & Polos (Afternoon

4pm)

Saturday, May 30, 2015	Nia & Kuumba Day	School Tee Shirts (Awareness Walk) Business Casual (Polo/Tee Shirts)
Sunday, May 31, 2015	Imani Day	Business Casual (Morning) <i>Worship Service- Optional</i> <u>AWARDS CEREMONY AND Brunch:</u> <i>All WHITE Affairs!!! (White) Business Professional or Upscale Spring Attire</i> Beach Wear (Afternoon)
Monday, June 1, 2015	Closing Day	

Business Casual definition: Business casual is crisp, neat, and should look appropriate even for a chance meeting with a CEO. Khaki pants, neatly pressed, and a pressed long-sleeved, buttoned solid shirt are safe for both men and women. Polo/golf shirts, unwrinkled, are an appropriate choice if you know the environment will be quite casual, outdoors or in a very hot location. Wear a leather belt and leather shoes. Athletic shoes are inappropriate.

Business Professional definition: Pressed and professional suit and dress shirt- Solid colors are best. (navy, black, gray, or brown) Dress shirt should include a tie. Polished shoes and matching belt.

Beach Wear definition: Shorts, tee-shirt, bathing suits, flip flops, sandals, and tank tops are all acceptable for the beach!

“After Five/Upscale Spring” definition: Also known as cocktail attire, elegant skirts/dresses. This Year’s Theme is “The All White Affairs!” Dress To Impress!

Meals

The institute will provide all meals three times a day except on the weekends, which will be twice a day. During your beach trip, all meal will be self purchased.

Weather Update

Savannah State University is located in close proximity to Savannah, Georgia. The weather in May is at a range of mid 80’s to 90’s in the day and 70’s. A light jacket is appropriate may be appropriate. Because we are located next to the Atlantic Ocean, an umbrella should be considered during this time of year.

Special Events

There are several events planned to help you enjoy your leadership experience. Each evening, participants have the opportunity to exercise and relax utilizing recreational facilities on campus. The **INSTITUTE** offers swimming, basketball, weight lifting, tennis, volleyball, bowling, movies, billiards, and board games for you to unwind after a day of workshops and discussions.

In addition to the recreational activities, there will be opportunities for participants to visit the cultural sites in the local area including the Riverfront-Savannah.

Transportation

Savannah /Hilton Head International Airport

Shuttle service between the Airport and the Savannah Campus will be available on Tuesday, May

26, 2015 between the hours of 12 pm and 7 pm. Please call Shed Dawson (912) 358-3433 with campus shuttle details (time, number in party) no later than Monday May 18, 2015.

Or:

If you are arriving at **Jacksonville (FL) International Airport**, 2 hours away from SSU, please contact Super Shuttle Transportation:

Super Shuttle- (904) 765-9999

Charleston (SC) International Airport (CHS), Charleston, SC

CHS to SSU: approx. 109miles, 2 hours

Rental Cars:

Savannah/Hilton Head International Airport (SAV) Savannah, GA

If you are arriving at Savannah Hilton Head International Airport, you should consider renting a car or van for transport. There are eight (8) auto rental agencies located at the SAV airport.

Avis	Budget
Dollar	Enterprise
Hertz	National
Alamo	Thrifty

Well, we are only two weeks away from your arrival! You are now prepared to embark on a fantastic leadership adventure! I believe we will offer not only a superb educational experience, but also a program that promotes individual growth and development along with fun activities. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Desmond Stowe – Director of the Student Programs and Organizations at (912) 358-3117 or email at stowed@savannahstate.edu.

Sincerely,



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