

# Student Affairs and Campus Life

Beginning of Year Briefing  
2017-18



## Free Weekly Legal Sessions Offered for Students



- *"Ask a Lawyer Anything"* sessions start Sept. 12
- Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. in 5 Wilder Hall
- Any topic including immigration and the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program

## My UMass App – New Features



- Facilities and Campus Services Request Form
- Emergency Evacuation Areas for halls in the campus map
- In Process:
  - CCPH program and group highlights
  - MinuteFund integration
  - Weekly events

## Student Care and Emergency Response Fund



- Micro emergency grants
- Students experiencing an unexpected financial hardship
- [minutefund.umass.edu/project/5670](https://minutefund.umass.edu/project/5670)

## Supply Closet Initiative



- Five Student Care Supply Closets
- Toiletries and household items for students facing economic insecurity or unexpected financial emergency
- Stocked by donation drives and the Student Care Emergency Response Fund

# Single Stop Resources Page



- Self help resources
  - Quick troubleshooting guide
  - Anonymous and private
  - Stabilize common life challenges to avert crises
  - Connection to campus and community resources
  - Most resources available to non-students/family members
- [umass.edu/studentlife/single-stop](https://umass.edu/studentlife/single-stop)



## Social Media











- UMass Social Media Directory
- UMass Social Media Branding Guidelines
- UMA Snapchat (new)
- SACL Social Media Guidelines

# Library Resources

- Spotting fake news
- Remote Access bookmarklet for electronic journals and periodicals
- 3D Printing
- Free New York Times online subscription

## HOW TO SPOT FAKE NEWS

 <p><b>CONSIDER THE SOURCE</b> Click away from the story to investigate the site, its mission and its contact info.</p>	 <p><b>READ BEYOND</b> Headlines can be outrageous in an effort to get clicks. What's the whole story?</p>
 <p><b>CHECK THE AUTHOR</b> Do a quick search on the author. Are they credible? Are they real?</p>	 <p><b>SUPPORTING SOURCES?</b> Click on those links. Determine if the info given actually supports the story.</p>
 <p><b>CHECK THE DATE</b> Reposting old news stories doesn't mean they're relevant to current events.</p>	 <p><b>IS IT A JOKE?</b> If it is too outlandish, it might be satire. Research the site and author to be sure.</p>
 <p><b>CHECK YOUR BIASES</b> Consider if your own beliefs could affect your judgement.</p>	 <p><b>ASK THE EXPERTS</b> Ask a librarian, or consult a fact-checking site.</p>

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**SPIRE Help and Additional Links**

**STUDENTS: Your opinion matters!**  
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- No app needed
- Search, add, drop, or swap classes from all types of mobile devices
- For SPIRE tech support:
  - IT User Services at 413-545-TECH (8324)
  - [it@umass.edu](mailto:it@umass.edu)

## Facilities and Campus Services (FC&S)

- UMass Construction Updates
- PVTrAck
  - Real-time bus locations, alerts, departure estimates, and trip planning
- Facilities Service Requests
  - My UMass App
- FC&S Services Catalog
  - F&CS Services and Resources Guide
  - Rates
  - Contact people





- Let's Talk Drop In sessions
- "Stress GPS" drop in Stress group 3:00 M-F New Africa House 4th floor
- TAO – Therapist Assisted Online
- Stress Management for RAs and Peer Mentors
- [Support Groups](#)

# Student Organization Resource Center (SORC)



- Agency of the SGA/GSS
- Frontline support for student organizations – advice, planning, questions
- Free printing, event ticketing support, photography, art supplies, assistance with business processes, and open space for all students
- 9am-6pm - Student Union 208
- Online Event Planning Moodle
- Diversity TALKs
  - Monthly topics – 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment, Multiculturally Competent Leadership, etc.

## Hate Has No Home at UMass: Resources

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**HAS NO HOME**  
**AT UMASS**

- Digital media toolkit
- Events
- Diversity Resources
- *Speak Up: Responding to Everyday Bigotry*, a resource guide from the Southern Poverty Law Center
- Bias Reporting and Crisis Support

[umass.edu/diversity/hate-has-no-home-at-umass](https://umass.edu/diversity/hate-has-no-home-at-umass)

## Ways to Stay Connected: Resources for SACL Staff

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- Learning Together
- U Matter
- Bi-monthly newsletter
- Staff Resources website
- Campus events calendar



Have a  
Successful 2017-18!

