The UWG Coliseum

FY16: A Year in Review
Our Mission

The Coliseum is a destination multi-purpose venue connecting superior educational growth with quality events and services while creating a positive impact on the University and regional communities.
Record # of Events

A record number of events were held at The Coliseum, totaling 486, an 88% increase over last year. Also, over 200,000 people attended events at The Coliseum!

Field Placement

This year, two of The Coliseum Student Assistants gained employment in the field immediately after graduation. Ashley Prather and Jake Berry (profiles listed later) have officially joined the ranks of facility and event managers!

Departmental Goals

1. Create positive impacts
2. Create and sustain action within the facility
3. Achieve and maintain employee engagement within the department
This is What We Do

**FCA Football Camp**
Quickly becoming a tradition, Fellowship of Christian Athletes held the Worship and Meeting sessions of their Football Camp in The Arena.

**Convocation**
Convocation and Playfair are UWG’s fun way of welcoming the new Freshman class to the University. UWG welcomed the largest class in school history this year!

**Probe Fair**
High School students from around the region piled into The Coliseum to learn about many different post secondary educational opportunities.

**CHS Cheer**
Carrollton High School brought many cheer teams to The Coliseum as they hosted a sectional competition in The Arena.
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Cole Swindell
Cole Swindell, Adam Sanders, and Jon Langston rocked The Coliseum filled with UWG students, faculty, staff, and members of the West GA community!

UWG Basketball
The UWG Basketball season was in full swing for both Men and Women! The Men were building a foundation that would lead to raising the Gulf South Championship banner!

Preview Day
Hundreds of future UWG students filled The Coliseum on Preview Day to learn about what it means to be a Wolf and what UWG has to offer.

GHSA Basketball
The Coliseum hosted the GHSA 6A State Basketball Quarterfinals and Semifinals. Over three days, the top teams in GA competed for a chance to play in the finals.
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SPMG Society All-star Basketball
The UWG SPMG Society held an all-star basketball game featuring current players and UWG Staff.

Commencement
With a campus wide power outage, UWG staff came together to move the first ceremony to University Stadium and then back to The Coliseum for the second.

HS Graduations
Graduates from 7 different local high schools received their diplomas and moved toward the next stage in life!

UCA Cheer Camp
Cheerleaders from around the region came through The Coliseum to learn from the reigning UCA National Champions!
Additional Storage
In an effort to increase efficient storage space within The Coliseum, a Mezzanine was added on top of our current storage rooms. The Mezzanine added much needed storage to the facility!

Outdoor Lighting
With reservations and event numbers on the rise, more and more events are occurring after dark. By adding additional LED lighting to The Coliseum entrance both event guests and students attending class can feel more safe after dark.

Pavers
In an effort to ensure the safety of our guests while entering and exiting our facility, pavers were laid over the grass circle in front of The Coliseum.
Why it all Matters -
Former Coliseum Student Assistants

Jake Berry
Event Coordinator
The Coliseum

Stephen Aluko
Assistant Event Manager
University of Oregon

Daniel Quintanilla
Player Development Coach -
Community Basketball Programs
Atlanta Hawks

Grant Zimmerman
Fan Ambassador
College Football Hall of Fame

Jerrah Osborne
High School Math Teacher/Coach
Cherokee County School District
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Ashley Prather
Assistant Event Manager
Whelan Event Services

Trish Wise
Athletic Coordinator
Tuscaloosa County Parks and Rec

Garret Smelser
Project Management Coordinator
Sports Turf Company

Tyler Killian
Account Executive
Atlanta Falcons

Micah Denney
Operations Coordinator
Disney Vacation Club
Our Accomplishments

Focused on Safety

Four different staff members within our department received accolades at the annual UWG Risk Management Awards:

- Safety Leader of the Year: Charles Cantrell
- Risk Manager’s Award for Excellence: The Coliseum
- Above and Beyond Award: Trent Ross, Jeremy Sheffield, Charles Cantrell, Cole Stratton
- Vigilance Award: Trent Ross, Jeremy Sheffield
- Horizon Award: Cole Stratton

Cross-Divisional Recognition

Members of The Coliseum were honored this year with Best of the West Nominations from other divisions across campus. Charles Cantrell and Cole Stratton both received Cross Divisional nominations.

Working within the Division

Charles Cantrell was recognized with a Best of the West nomination from within the Division of Academic Affairs for his excellent work and embracing the Strategic Imperatives!
Trip to GuestX

Three members of The Coliseum staff traveled to Dallas, TX to attend IAVM’s GuestX Conference. Attendees got an insiders’ perspective on how Guest Services & Security impacts the overall patron experience!

Trip to The GA Dome

Student Assistants visited the Georgia Dome and had the opportunity to speak with members of the Georgia World Congress Center Authority Management Team to get a better insight into the field of Facility and Event Management.

Trip to UGA

After making the trip to Athens, members of The Coliseum staff toured The Ramsey Center (UGA’s Campus Recreation Facility) and Sanford Stadium (UGA’s Football Facility). Along the way, students were able to pick the brains of other industry professionals working in different areas of the field.
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