

# ORGANIZATIONS

## Alumni Association

The University of Montana Alumni Association, established in 1901 by Eloise Knowles, represents more than 85,000 graduates, former students, and friends around the world. The mission of the Association, with offices in Brantly Hall, is to "identify and serve the needs of this University, its alumni, students and friends." The Alumni Association sponsors and helps coordinate Homecoming, Charter Day, Distinguished Alumni awards, Senior Recognition Day, scholarships, internships, and commencement reunions. The Association also connects alumni with currently enrolled students who are exploring career options. Visit the Alumni website (<http://www.grizalum.org>) for more information.

## Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM)

### Associated Students of the University of Montana (ASUM) Student Government

The Associated Students of the University of Montana is the recognized representative body for both undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Montana. Through ASUM, UM students can voice their opinions and concerns, establish new programs and services for the benefit of all UM students, volunteer on a variety of influential committees, and fund almost 200 student groups on campus. As the only elected, legitimate voice for all UM students, the ASUM Senate meets weekly to discuss topics and find solutions to issues pertinent to students at UM. ASUM offers a variety of beneficial services to students that have paid the student activity fee, and works in the best interest of all UM students. For more information, please contact ASUM at 243-2451, check out the ASUM website (<http://www.umt.edu/asum>), or stop by the ASUM office at UC 104.

### ASUM Child Care Preschool and Family Resources

The ASUM Childcare Preschool and Family Resources operates five child care and early education centers. Child care is available to students, faculty, and staff. The centers are open for children 18 months to 6 years old. The program provides referrals to private residences providing child care for children ages new born to 12 years as well as a variety of family resources. For more information, please contact us at 243-2542, the ASUM Child Care Preschool and Family Resources website ([http://www.umt.edu/asum/asum\\_agencies/Childcare/default.php](http://www.umt.edu/asum/asum_agencies/Childcare/default.php)), or stop by the Child Care office at UC 119.

### ASUM Legal Services

ASUM Legal Services provide limited, low-cost legal services to activity fee paying students at The University of Montana and Missoula College. For more information, please contact us at 243-6213, the ASUM Legal Services website ([https://www.umt.edu/asum/asum\\_agencies/New\\_Legal\\_Services/default.php](https://www.umt.edu/asum/asum_agencies/New_Legal_Services/default.php)), or stop by ASUM Legal at UC 112.

### ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center

The Renter Center provides counseling for student renters experiencing issues with their landlord, encourages positive neighborhood relationships, assists students with finding housing, and advocates for renters. Additionally, the agency maintains the Off-Campus Housing Finder and a Rate Your Landlord Application located on the agency website. The Renter Center also runs the Neighborhood Ambassador Program, which works to improve the quality of life in the neighborhoods

surrounding the UM campus by bridging the communication gap between student renters and permanent residents. For more information, please contact us at 243-2017, the ASUM Off-Campus Renter Center website ([http://www.umt.edu/asum/asum\\_agencies/Off\\_Campus\\_Renter\\_Center/default.php](http://www.umt.edu/asum/asum_agencies/Off_Campus_Renter_Center/default.php)), or stop by the Off-Campus Renter Center at UC 118.

## ASUM Transportation

The ASUM Office of Transportation promotes and provides transportation options to the University of Montana campus community. Getting to campus and finding a parking space can be frustrating and expensive, and the Office of Transportation offers several convenient alternatives. The UDASH bus operates 3 daytime transit routes:

- from UM to ride lots and student housing at South Campus every 5-10 minutes (Red Line (<http://udash.org/red>));
- between Missoula College and UM every 15 minutes (Blue Line (<http://udash.org/blue>)); and
- between Russell and Wyoming Streets and UM via 5th and 6th Streets every 30 minutes (Purple Line (<http://udash.org/purple>)).

UDASH also operates late night bus service between downtown, UM, and South Campus student housing with service every 15-30 minutes (Gold Line (<http://udash.org/gold>)). The Office of Transportation also provides information and personalized trip planning for Mountain Line, Missoula's city bus. Both bus services are free and open to the public.

In addition to bus service, the Office of Transportation provides interest-free bike loans up to \$1,000 for 18 months, bike repair stations around campus, bike tune-up classes and events, and low-cost semester-long bike rentals. The office also operates the Yellow UBike program offering free-two day bike checkouts through the Mansfield Library.

More information is available on the Office of Transportation website (<http://udash.org>), by phone at 243-4599, or in person in UC 105.

## KBGA Radio

KBGA College Radio, 89.9 FM, is the student-run, college radio station for The University of Montana. Also available streaming online on the KBGA Radio website (<http://kbga.org>), we provide a diverse format of music and talk programming 24 hours a day. We are a non-commercial, educational station, so everyone is welcome to become a DJ. For more information, please contact us at 243-6759, the KBGA Radio website (<http://kbga.org>), or stop by the KBGA office at UC 208.

## Montana Kaimin

The Montana Kaimin is the University's student-run newspaper. Published since 1899, it has worked hard to serve, entertain, and inform students with issues that are important to them. Publication begins the first week of school and it is printed on Wednesdays during the fall and spring semesters. The Kaimin website is updated daily during fall and spring semesters. For more information and past editions, please contact us at (406) 243-6646, through the Montana Kaimin website (<http://www.montanakaimin.com>), or at our offices in Don Anderson Hall, 208.

## UM Productions

UM Productions is a student-run/student-funded organization whose goal is to bring quality events to The University of Montana and the Missoula community. UM Productions strives to provide students with hands-on experiences and employment opportunities and bring concerts and events that are focused on diversity with a strong dedication to the arts. Check out our website for upcoming events and job opportunities. For more information please contact us at 243-4981, on the UM

Productions website (<http://www.umt.edu/umproductions>), or stop by the office at UC 104.

### **Student Political Action Office**

The Student Political Action office is a resource for students who have a desire to participate in the political process at the local, state and federal levels. Through a student committee, the SPA office works to represent student interests by working with City Council, the State Legislature and the Montana Delegation. For more information, please contact us at 243-2451, the Student Political Action Committee website ([http://www.umt.edu/asum/asum\\_agencies/political\\_action.php](http://www.umt.edu/asum/asum_agencies/political_action.php)), or stop by the ASUM office UC 105.

### **ASUM Student Resolution Officer**

The Student Resolution Officer is your representative for handling student complaints against a faculty member or university administrator that cannot be resolved informally. The Student Resolution Office advocates for students in a three-step dispute resolution process. For more information, please contact the Resolution Officer at 406-243-5431, the ASUM Student Resolution Officer website ([https://www.umt.edu/asum/asum\\_agencies/student\\_resolution\\_officer.php](https://www.umt.edu/asum/asum_agencies/student_resolution_officer.php)), or stop by the ASUM office at UC 105.

### **ASUM Student Clubs and Organizations**

ASUM recognizes and offers funding for 200 student organizations and special interest clubs. Find out about a student group that interests you and the many benefits student groups receive by checking out the ASUM Student Groups website ([https://www.umt.edu/asum/student\\_groups/default.php](https://www.umt.edu/asum/student_groups/default.php)) or stopping by the ASUM office at UC 105.

### **Fraternities and Sororities**

The Greek Community of The University of Montana provides a comprehensive educational, social, and living experience for members through the promotion of friendship, leadership, personal development, academics, and services to the University and the Missoula community. The Greek members donate their time and support to over 50 recognized philanthropies. Additionally, they involve themselves in a wide variety of campus leadership organizations, such as Residence Life Staff, PRO's, ASUM Senate, Advocates, Peer Advising, and Mortar Board.

The Greek system has six (6) national fraternities (Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma and Sigma Phi Epsilon) and four national sororities (Alpha Phi, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma). Information about Greeks can be obtained in the Office of Greek Life (UC 209B), or by visiting the greek life website (<http://www.umt.edu/fsi>), or calling 243-2005.

### **Peace Corps**

Peace Corps service is a life-defining leadership experience. The Peace Corps is a 27-month commitment during which volunteers provide technical assistance in six program areas:

- education,
- agriculture,
- environment,
- health,
- youth and community development,
- business and information and communications technology.

Peace Corps volunteers live, learn, and work with a community in one of more than 70 countries overseas.

The Peace Corps Office provides support to students and community members interested in pursuing service with the United States Peace Corps. During walk-in hours and scheduled appointments, Returned Peace Corps Volunteers provide guidance about the application process, as well answer questions about their first-hand experiences living, learning and working with a community overseas. In addition, Peace Corps staff table on-campus and in the community, visit classrooms, and host information sessions, application workshops, and Returned Peace Corps Volunteer panels. For additional information, please visit the Peace Corps Campus Representative at 154 Lommasson Center, call (406) 243-2839, e-mail: [peacecorps@umontana.edu](mailto:peacecorps@umontana.edu) or visit the Peace Corps website (<http://www.umt.edu/peace-corps>).