

# LEADERSHIP

Living-Learning Community Newsletter 2025-2026



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## WELCOME!

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# MEET YOUR RAS!

## Hoang Dang

**Major: Cybersecurity**

Hey y'all! My name is Hoang Dang, and I'm going to be your RA for the Leadership LLC! This is my first year in the role, and I'm super excited to learn, grow, and build a community with y'all! I'm majoring in Cybersecurity, and I used to compete in chess for Missouri State. If you ever want to play a match, I'm always down! I was born and raised in Vietnam, and one of my favorite things to do in Springfield is exploring not only Vietnamese restaurants but also different cuisines around the world. Missouri State has been an amazing experience so far, and I truly hope it will be the same for you. Let's make this year unforgettable! #GoBears

**Take this survey.**  
to tell Hoang & Emma  
what events you want!

\*you could win a \$50 gift  
card!

## Emma Bougher

**Majors: Application  
Development and Data  
Analytics**

Hi everyone! My name is Emma Bougher, and I'm your RA on Freddy 3 East Main for the Leadership LLC! I'm a junior double majoring in Application Development and Data Analytics in the College of Business. I'm originally from Willard, Missouri, so I've pretty much grown up around Springfield and know lots of fun spots around town. In my free time, I love being outdoors, playing board games, spending time with friends and family, and going on new adventures. I'm super excited to meet you, get to know each of you, and help make Freddy feel like home. Don't be afraid to stop by and say hi—I'm always up for a good conversation, game night, or an event on campus. Welcome to Missouri State! #GoBears #FreddyFam

# Meet Your LLC Partner!



## Briar Douglas

**Coordinator, Student Engagement:  
Co-Curricular Involvement**

Welcome to Missouri State, Bears! My name is Briar Douglas and I oversee all of our 300+ student organizations on campus and coordinate our leadership development programs through the Office of Student Engagement. Leadership education has been a passion of mine for the last three years, and I'm very excited to work with each of you to sharpen your leadership skills through the Leadership LLC!

## *Welcome to the Leadership LLC!*

At Missouri State, we strive to develop ethical and culturally competent leaders. We believe that leadership is collaborative, civically responsible, and committed to improving the communities around us. Leadership is also a self-driven process—you are in the driver's seat for your own growth as a leader.

Your participation in this living-learning community is just the beginning of your leadership journey here at MO State and we can't wait to see you thrive during your time on our campus. I am SO excited to get to know you and work together this year – it's a great year to become a Bear! If you ever have any questions or need anything at all, don't hesitate to reach out.

We're all here for you! See you soon, good luck, and GO BEARS!





Want to learn more about Freddy House? Check out this video!

Your LLC Social will be on:

**Monday, August 18, at  
7:00 pm in Freddy  
House Grand Lounge**

You won't want to miss this  
chance to meet your floor and  
your LLC partners!

**Join us for trivia,  
tacos, churros,  
and prizes!**



Our campus **Bear Line** service can help you get around once you get to campus! Check out the routes offered by our shuttles so you can figure out the best ways to get to class and around town. There is even an app you can download to track each Bear Line and see current wait times! To learn more, click [HERE](#).



Want to check out where your classes are and where to park on campus? Visit the campus map [HERE](#).



# GET INVOLVED!

THERE ARE OVER 300+ STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AT MSU



Student Government Association (SGA) is an organization that represents the larger student body and that works on a variety of initiatives to better campus. Meetings are held every Tuesday at 5:30 pm in PSU 313. Find more information about SGA initiatives and how you can be an SGA senator [HERE](#).



student activities council

The Student Activities Council (SAC) meetings are held every Tuesday at 4 pm in PSU 313. SAC plans and implements free events for the MSU student body, including educational, social, cultural, and entertainment events. You can find more information about SAC [HERE](#).



RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION

Residence Hall Association (RHA) meetings are held every Monday at 4 pm in PSU 313. Find more information about RHA [HERE](#). RHA plans and implements programming for all of the residence halls, and serves as the voice of residence hall students to administration.



The Office of Student Engagement (OSE) oversees all of these organizations and more. There are over 300+ organizations on MSU's campus! (Check out the OSE [HERE](#))

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CHECK OUT THE OFFICES TO GET INVOLVED WITH!



The Office of Student Engagement (OSE) is located on the lower level of Plaster Student Union in room 127 (near the elevators). The OSE works with a variety of programs and organizations, including Student Activities Council, Student Organizations, Homecoming, Fraternity & Sorority Life, MO State LEAD, Transfer & Commuter Programs, and Traditions Council. Find more [HERE](#) or reach out to your LLC partner (Briar) with questions! (briardouglas@missouristate.edu)

The Center for Community Engagement (CCE) is located on the lower level of the Plaster Student Union in room 131, near Starbucks. The CCE works with programs such as the Bear Pantry, Bear Breaks immersion trips, Peace Corp prep, Public Affairs Academy, Bonner Leaders, and AmeriCorps. Interested in connecting with local service organizations? CCE staff can help you make those connections. Learn more about the CCE [HERE](#).



The Mary Jean Price Walls Student Resource Center (Bear Cave) is located on the lower level of the Plaster Student Union, room 101, across from Starbucks. The Bear Cave is open from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday- Friday. For more information regarding Bear Cave programs and services, click [HERE](#).





## ***Thursday, August 14***

### **Button Making 3-5pm**

Magers Health and Wellness Center  
Room 100

### **Movie on the Mall 8:30pm**

North Mall (Rain location: PSU Theater)  
Follow @mostatesac for the movie announcement!



## ***Friday, August 15***

### **Snow Glad to See You**

11am-2pm (rain or shine)  
Plaster Student Union Patio

### **Playfair/Maroon Madness 6-9pm**

Plaster Sport Complex (Rain location:  
Hammons Student Center)



## ***Saturday, August 16***

### **Yoga 2-3pm**

Magers Health and Wellness Center  
Room 100

### **Bear Bash 7-10pm**

North Mall and Plaster Student Union



## ***Sunday, August 17***

### **New Student Convocation 2-3pm**

Great Southern Bank Arena

### **Student Organization Festival 3-5pm**

Great Southern Bank Arena Concourse

### **Belong-B-Que 5-7pm**

North Mall (Rain location: Foster Rec)

For the full list of events, click [HERE!](#)



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