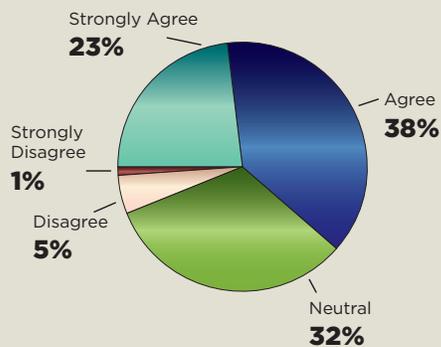


## Closing the Loop

*"However beautiful the strategy, you should occasionally look at the results."* Winston Churchill

### Positive Progress

CGUS Students  
from All Departments



Convocation survey results indicated that most students are aware of the forward progress made by our College. Students at the Winter 2015 Dean's Convocation responded to the question: **At Life University, the College of Graduate and Undergraduate Studies has made positive progress as a college in the past 6 months.** Of the 164 student respondents, only 11 or 6% did not see positive progress for the College.

Thank you for all that you do for our students –all of us in some way impact the students' experiences at LIFE!

## Coming In 2015

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, April 2nd 8am to 3pm  
Spring FSDP will be one day only!  
Blackboard Collaborate Training  
LAMP Strategic Plan Update  
by Dr. Rob Scott

## CGUS Milestones for the Second Half Of 2014

### July-August 2014

- Developed and obtained Board approval of a Mission Statement for the new combined College
- Graduated the first class for the Master of Athletic Training degree program
- Initiated ACBSP accreditation application for the undergraduate business program
- Obtained ICF Board Certified Coach designation for undergraduate coaching psychology program



### September-October 2014

- Launched online Master of Science in Positive Psychology degree 2 years prior to schedule
- Communicated remote parking concerns and alternatives to upper administration
- Inaugurated the CGUS Dean's Convocation
- Attained CAATE accreditation of the Master of Athletic Training program



### November-December 2014

- Graduated the first class for the Master of Science in Clinical Nutrition degree programs
- Submitted application for reaffirmation of ACEND accreditation of the nutrition dietetics program
- Revised the BS in General Studies curriculum
- Organized the first Symposium for Scholarship and Creativity (in collaboration with the Office of Sponsored Research and Scholarly Activity, Marketing, and Athletics)

## New Staff Please extend a warm welcome to our Newest CGUS staff members:

**Veronica Bedford**, *Community Outreach & Internship Coordinator*  
Veronica has a master's degree from Emory University and comes to us from Paxen Learning Corporation. She will be working with all department chairs and faculty to provide experiential learning opportunities for our students, as well as educational outreach for the CGUS programs.

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**Akima Burns, Administrative Assistant to the Dean**

Akima earned her bachelor's degree in business management from Kennesaw State University. She was employed in the corporate sector at Bank of America and has previous administrative assistant experience in educational settings.

**Keyonda Smith, Online Learning & Graduate Studies Coordinator**

Keyonda received a doctorate degree in naturopathy and is presently completing her PhD in higher education. She most recently taught health sciences and general education courses for Fortis College and served as Director of Curriculum Content for RMI Online Training. Contact her for any Blackboard questions, as she will be creating Collaborate training modules to help faculty. She will also help with online course design as the CGUS expands its online presence and educational offerings.

## Recognition and Reminder

### Thanks to the faculty who attended the Convocations.

We'll continue to recognize your great contributions to student success at future Dean's Convocations.

As a reminder, faculty whose classes are canceled are responsible for bringing their students to the Dean's Convocation. A signed roll of attendance from these instructors is expected as it is a required activity during class time.

## Remembrance *and* Appreciation

We also remember and miss **Debbie Lancaster**, whose sudden passing after 25 years at Life University took us all by surprise. Thank you to all who signed Debbie's memory book and attended her memorial service. We especially appreciate the departments' administrative assistants - **Darlena, Ellen, Martha, and Melissa** - for planning special events (such as our birthday parties, college functions, and holiday celebrations) and for keeping the departments running smoothly over the past year.



## College of Graduate & Undergraduate Studies Fall 2014 Dean's Convocation



Freshman Class of 2017-18, Life University



Sophomore Class of 2016-17, Life University



Junior Class of 2015-2016, Life University



Senior Class of 2014-2015, Life University



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