

Human Resources Newsletter

Office of the Provost &
University College
July 2025

Hello New Hawkeyes!

Help us in extending a warm welcome to the newest members of the Provost Organization & University College joining us, or transferring to new roles!

Reagan Cook, Coordinator, AS&R, University College

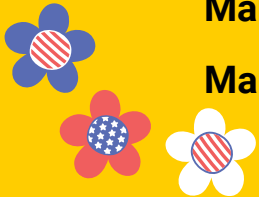
Lizzy Bateson, Registrar Services Specialist, Registrar

Jason Lammer, Undergraduate Evaluator, Admissions

Mary Owens, Special Projects Coordinator, Enrollment Management

Mary Alice Waite, Visitor Services Coordinator, Pentacrest Museums

Upcoming New Hire Breakfast Club: July 9th



Human Resources & Wellness Highlights

Paid Parental Leave

Starting July 1, 2025, the University of Iowa will offer a new benefit to support employees during important family milestones. The Iowa Paid Parental Leave (IPPL) program provides paid time off for FMLA-eligible employees following the birth or adoption of a child.

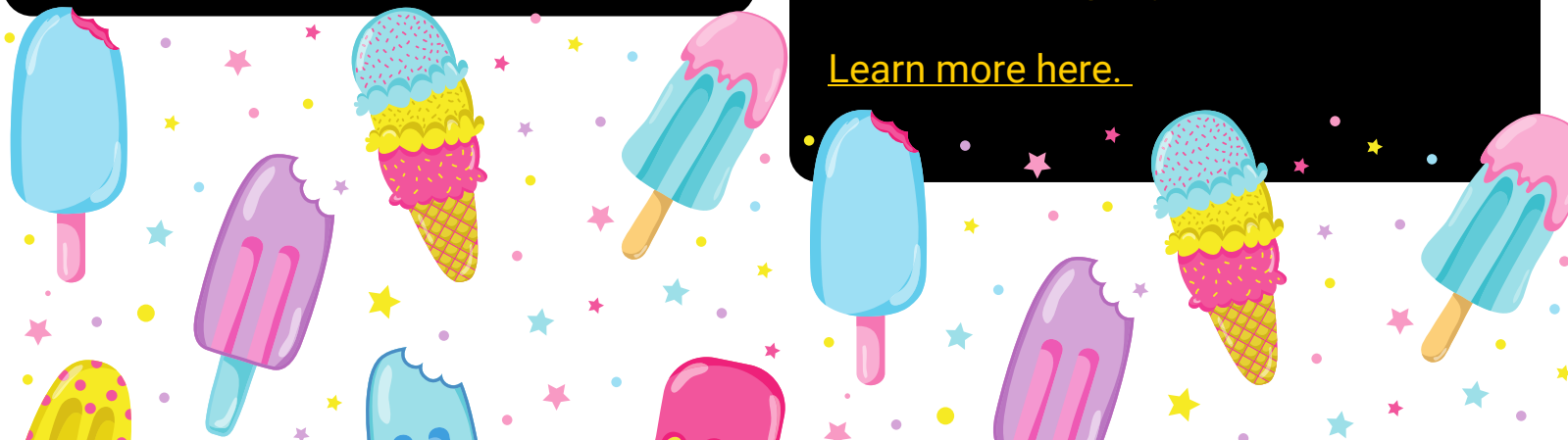
[Check it out!](#)



Free Health Coaching

liveWELL Health Coaches empower employees to make sustainable lifestyle changes that enhance their overall well-being. Through collaboration and support, health coaches guide employees to set goals, use their strengths, discover strategies, and celebrate their progress.

[Learn more here.](#)



July Milestones within Office of the Provost & University College!

ONE YEAR

Paige Busick
Matt Hodges
Todd Jones
Brooke Merkel
Miriam Ochs
Maureen O'Neill
Nate Scheib

TWO YEARS

Mark Archibald
Ellie Evans
Mahvish Farid
Doug Foster
Allison Lang
Candice Stevens
Seth Studer
Ben Szot

FOUR YEARS

Candice Clark
Margaret Kaus
Ashley Scheve

FIVE YEARS

Mark Anthoney

TEN YEARS


Cory Gundlach

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS

Cheryl Howes

THREE YEARS

Tatiana Ochoa
Adriana Ojeda
Chris O'Sullivan

*Milestones are reflective of OP/UC dates, not full UI anniversary dates*

Thank you

Submit high fives [HERE](#) to recognize your amazing colleagues and teammates!

Congratulations to **Hallie**, our randomly selected high five gift winner! Keep your eyes on campus mail for your gift!



June High Five Recipients

Cherrie Baird
Lizzy Bateson
Amy Brewster
Emily Brunner
Jake Dedore
Robyn Falline
Jayme Johnson Strike
Amanda Moy
Kate Murphy
Maureen O'Neill
Hallie Russell



Departmental Showcase:

Student Disability Services

We are THRILLED to welcome to the Office of the Provost, Student Disability Services!

Student Disability Services (SDS) at the University of Iowa is committed to ensuring equal access and fostering an inclusive academic environment for students with disabilities. We collaborate with students, faculty, and staff to provide individualized accommodations and support that promote academic success and full participation in university life.

Our services include:

- Academic Accommodations tailored to individual needs, including exam modifications, media accessibility, and services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) students.
- Consultation and Training for instructors and departments to support inclusive teaching practices and effective implementation of accommodations.
- Student Support through one-on-one meetings with Access Consultants, guidance on applying for accommodations, and resources to navigate academic life.
- Instructor Resources to help faculty understand their roles in the accommodation process and foster accessible learning environments.

SDS is here to empower students, educate the campus community, and remove barriers to learning—ensuring every student has the opportunity to thrive.

Supervisor Spotlight

Upcoming Supervisor Lunch & Learn

Join us for part three of the Employee Lifecycle Series: Offboarding

Tuesday, July 29th, 12:00-1:00, ZOOM

Practical Applications of Supervisory Skills

Applications open NOW for this comprehensive six-week training series designed to support new or aspiring supervisors

Learn more [here](#).



July HR Question of the Month

WHERE'S HERKY?!

Take a break and look for our favorite mascot in the picture on the next page!

June HR Question of the Month

What is your favorite way to energize during the day??

**Most Popular Answer:
Movement Break!**



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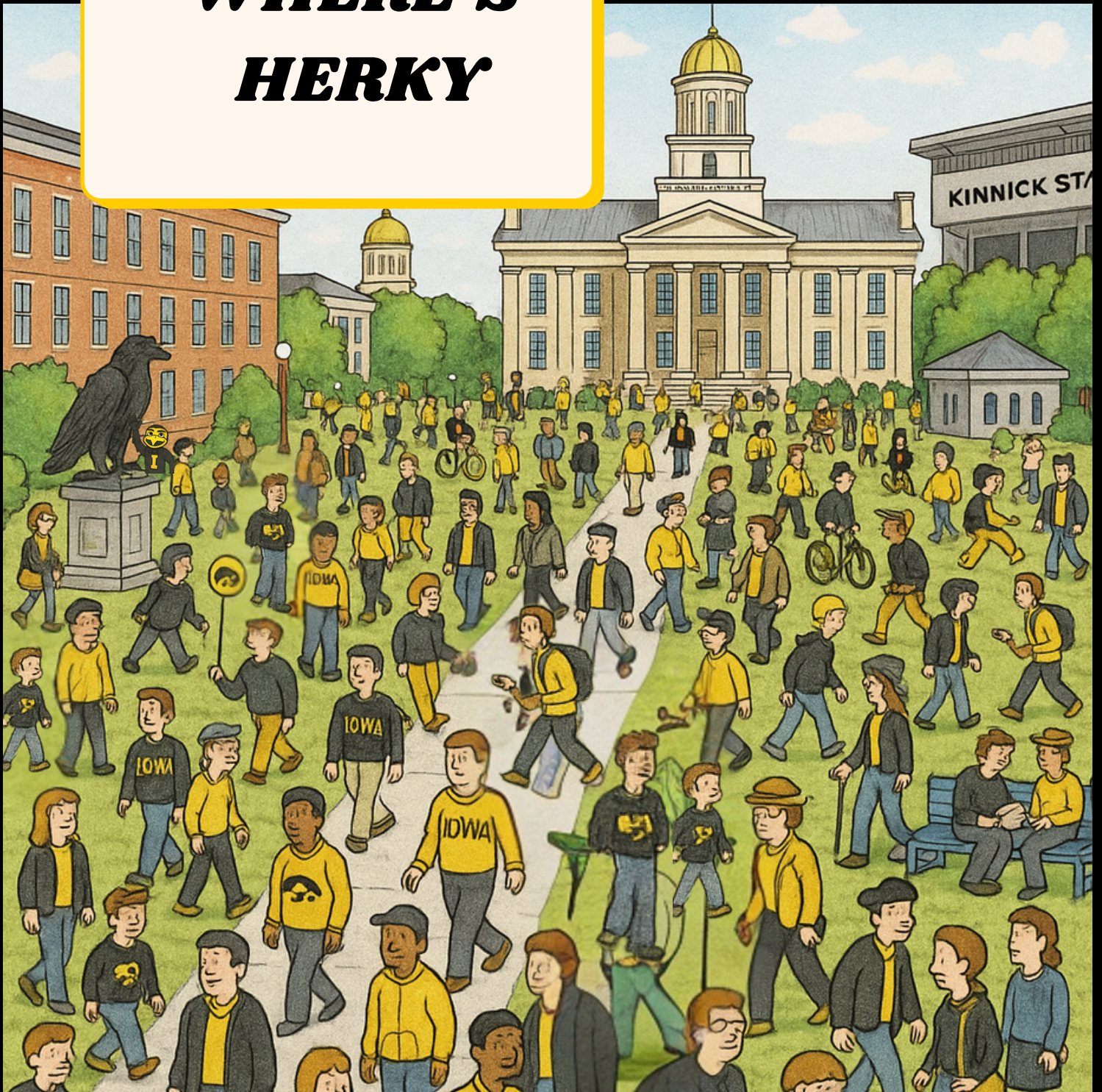


Figure 1. Campus scene illustration generated by ChatGPT (OpenAI, 2025) using the prompt "Where's Waldo-style Iowa Hawkeyes campus scene with Herky the Hawk."

