





Bowie State University

2026 Fall Town Hall

November 6, 2026

Aminta H. Breaux, Ph.D

President

Points of Pride

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Forbes

#7 Top 10 Public HBCUs in the US and **#5 Online Degree Programs**

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Newsweek

Gender Fair

#6 America's Best Colleges for Women in Maryland

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U.S.News & WORLD REPORT

Among **Top 20 HBCUs** of the over 100 HBCUs in the country

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Earned the prestigious **Carnegie Classification** as a **Research College and University**

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Named a **2026–2027 Military Friendly, Military Spouse Friendly School** and 2026 Top Yellow Ribbon School by ***U.S. Veterans Magazine***.

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GCEC GLOBAL CONSORTIUM OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP CENTERS

EIC received the **Highly Commended Outstanding Award in the Emerging Entrepreneurship** Centers category from the Global Consortium of Entrepreneurship Centers. The first HBCU to be recognized in the category.

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Bowie State University

Graduating Nursing class achieved a **100% first-time pass rate** on the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses

















BSU in the News: Homecoming 2026

- We kicked off Homecoming Week with a soul-filled Gospel Concert featuring **Anthony J. Brown & group therAPy, Maurette Brown Clark**, the Bowie State University Choirs, Alumni Choir and Symphony of Soul.

- **Homecoming 2026 Coronation** featured the crowning of Chiamaka Ekekwe, the 80th Miss Bowie State University, and Mr. Ryan Lynch, the 34th Mister Bowie State University.

- Bowie State University took over **CBS Baltimore's Campus Connection** segment discussing BSU's Homecoming, Alumni activities, and the Symphony of Soul's upcoming appearance in the Battle of the Bands.

- Bulldog pride was on full display at this morning's Homecoming Parade, **led by Grand Marshal and Emmy Award-winning journalist Wisdom Martin**, who truly showed up and showed out, bringing his infectious enthusiasm and high energy to the parade and game-day celebrations.

- **Maryland Governor Wes Moore** joined us as a special guest in the parade and back on campus. His participation added to the excitement and joyful atmosphere of an unforgettable Homecoming celebration, making the day even more special for the entire Bulldog Nation.

- Congratulations to Head Football Coach Dawson Odums, his coaching staff, and our Bulldog football team for an **exciting 16–13 Homecoming victory over the undefeated Johnson C. Smith University.** This impressive win moved BSU to the #5 spot on the CIAA Footbal standings for Week 8.

- BSU ended Homecoming week on a good note. **The Symphony of Soul Marching Band** for proudly representing Bowie State University at the 2026 Capitol Battle of the Bands, ending with a **$3,500 donation from McDonald's in support of the band**.

















BSU in the News

- Bowie State University's **Entrepreneurship Innovation Center was selected by TEDCO as a Urban Business Innovation Initiative Entrepreneur-in-Residence partner**, with three entrepreneurs-in-residence chosen to support startup growth, innovation, and economic development in Prince George's County.

- Bowie State University President Aminta H. Breaux has been named to ***Washingtonian Magazine's* "Most Powerful Women in Washington 2026"** list, which recognizes 300 women shaping government, business, law, media, education, nonprofits and the arts across the region.

- The **National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc**. named President Breaux one of their **2026 Torchbearer Award** recipients. The award is given to women who are trailblazers in their field.

- Prince George's County Councilmember Edward Burroughs III announced the **elimination of outstanding balances owed directly to Bowie State University by District 8 students**, providing **$360,000** in financial relief to students facing barriers to enrollment, continued education and graduation.

- Congratulations to **Dr. Jolisa Williams**, Interim Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics and Recreation, on receiving the **2026 BSN SPORTS Resilience Award from Women Leaders in Sports**.This recognition celebrates her strength, perseverance and commitment to leadership in collegiate athletics.

- **Noah M.P. Harris was elected her International Second Vice President of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated**, becoming an international officer for an organization of more than 390,000 members while she remains a full-time undergraduate.

- Approximately **1,128 Dean's List students** were recognized with a special tailgate and honored during halftime at the BSU versus Virginia Union University football game.

- The **15th Annual Bulldog Golf Classic** brought alumni, friends and supporters together to show up for our #BowieBOLD student-athletes. This tradition has helped support the **scholarships, equipment and resources** that allow our Bulldogs to keep pushing forward in the classroom and in competition. Preliminary amount raised from the annual event: Gross $63,311 and Net: $45,635. ***$10K more than the net raised in 2025***.

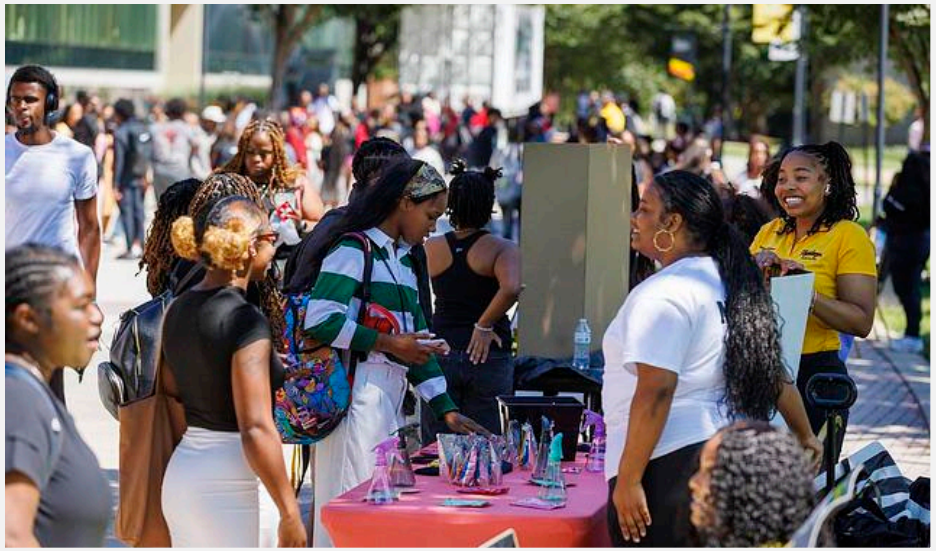


10 Years of Excellence and Impact

- Become known for Research Growth and our Carnegie Classification.
- 33 new academic programs since 2019, including two new Ph.D. programs and signature programs in data science, cyber operations, artificial intelligence and health informatics, expanding access to high-demand career fields.
- Increased Scholarships and Student Financial Support.
- Historic Private Giving: $128.5 million and increased endowment from $7 million to $89 million.
- Transformed campus through Capital projects--Entrepreneurship Living Learning Community, Tubman Hall Renovation, Martin Luther King Jr. Building.

Bowie State University
Student Experience

Who Are Our Bulldogs?



- **6,045** total students
  4,933 undergraduates
  1,112 graduates

- **5,217** within the state of Maryland
  828 outside the state of Maryland

- **226** International students
  **Top three countries: Nigeria, Ghana, Jamaica*

Campus Resources









- **Academic Advising**

Faculty ⟶ Department Chair ⟶ Dean ⟶ Provost

- **Engage Center for Experiential Learning and Career Readiness**
- **Entrepreneurial Innovation Center**
- **Counseling Services**
- **Disability Support Services**
- **The Writing Center**
- **Military Resource Services**

**Ribbon-cutting on November 10th*

Bowie Pride









- **Student Leaders**
  Support student leaders by attending meetings and events

- **Bowie Student Athletes**
  Attending games and cheering for your Bulldogs
  Sports currently in season: Basketball, Bowling, Football, Indoor Track and Field, Volleyball

- **Professional Dress Wednesdays**
  Preparing for the workforce with how you dress
  Stop by the Bowie Business Boutique in the Engage Center to build up your wardrobe.

- **Join a Student Organization**
  There are 60 organizations on campus. Find your tribe in on of these organizations or start one that interests you. Find the full list on the Campus Life tab on the BSU website.

Bowie State University Faculty





Expanded Academic Programs

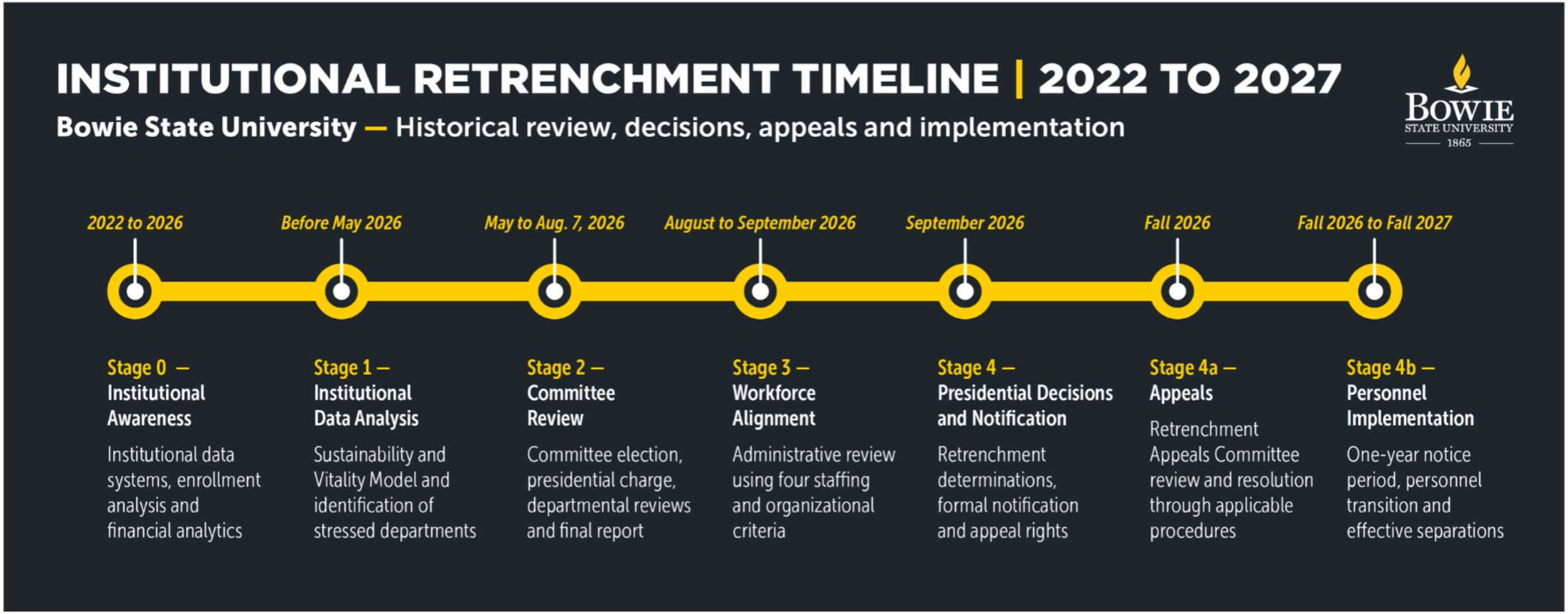
- Ph.D. in Nursing Education
- Bachelors Degree in Artificial Intelligence
- Immersive Media, Entertainment and Gaming (IMEG)—an interdisciplinary program and partnership with the Department of Fine and Performing Arts and Computer Science

Faculty Awards

Faculty awards for the period of January 1st 2026 to October 19th 2026	
Number of Submissions	**80**
Total Requested Funds $	**$53,511,574.00**
Number of Faculty submiitted	**41**
Number of New Awards Received	**32**
Total New Awards $	**$8,379,708.00**
Number of Faculty Received Awards	**17**

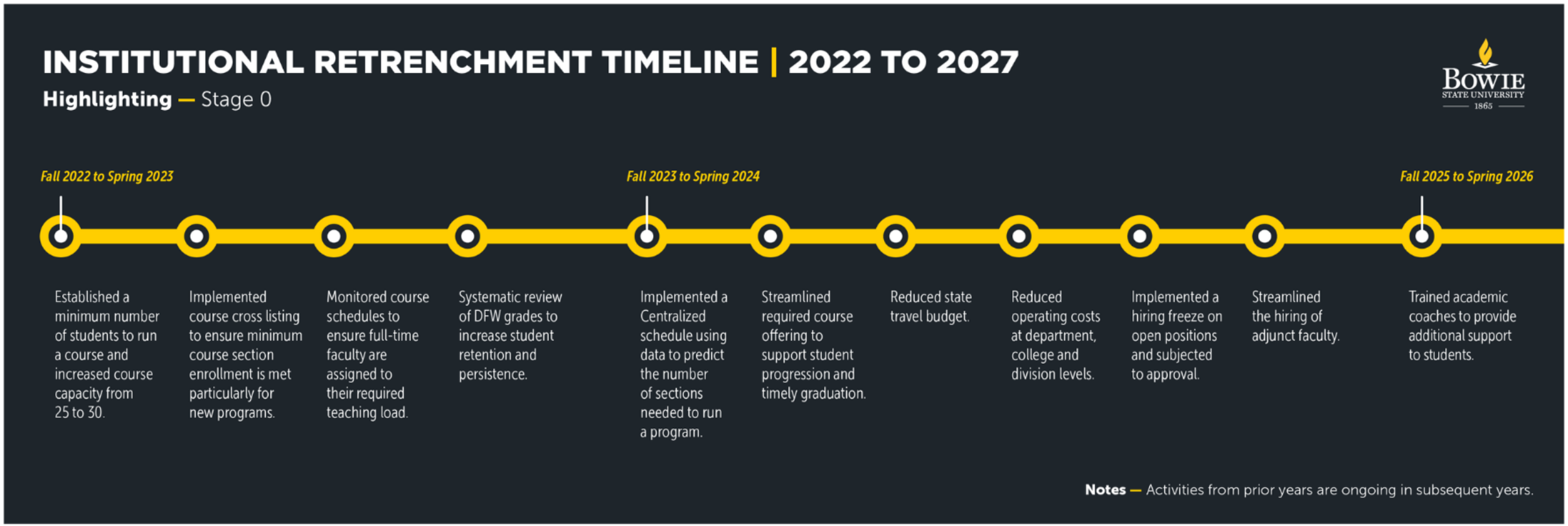
- **Dr. Charles Adams**, *"The Bowie State Prison-to-HBCU Reentry Bridge: Building the Reentry Component of the Prison-to-HBCU Pipeline"*
- ***Dr. Priscila Chaverri-Echandi***, *"DNA barcoding of Downy Mildew"*
- ***Dr. Melissa Duchene-Kelly***, *"Rural Healthcare Workforce Academy (RHWA): Connecting Maryland Talent to Rural Healthcare Careers"*
- ***Dr. Ashley Gilchrist***, *"Socio-Critical AI Literacy and Ethics for Society (SCALES) Initiative"*
- **Dr. Anne Osano**, *"Microgravity Kale: Metabolites, RNA and ML-PAM"*
- **Dr. Shannell Thomas**, *"Addressing Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking at HSIs, HBCUs, and TCUs*
- **Dr. Soo-Yeon Ji**, *"Collaborative Research: Excellence in Research: Designing an adaptive attack risk estimation framework for proactive cyber threats"*
- **Dr. Jie Yan**, *"Excellence in Research: Enhancing the Trustworthiness of LLM and VR Assisted Digital Forensic Investigation"*

Retrenchment Timeline



*Retrenchment Q&A: https://bowiestate.edu/about/administration-and-governance/office-of-the-president/retrenchment-faqs.pdf

Institutional Retrenchment Timeline
Stage 0



Bowie State University Staff

BSU Women's Forum



- **Fall Wellness Series**
  -Nov. 10: Gratitude & Wellness Circle
  -Dec. 8: Year-end Reflection & Reset
- **Green Room Conversations**
  -Every 3rd Thursday
- **9th Annual Women's Expo**
  -March 30





Campus-wide Wellness Day

- **November 20**
  10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
  Student Center

Activities include:

- Art therapy
- Cardio Core class
- Line Dance
- Mental health panels
- Free haircuts for students
- And more

Human Resources Healthy U BSU Launch

Wednesday, November 11 |12:00 PM - 2:00 PM | Student Center, Ballroom

Join Dr. Nicole Cammack, Owner - Black Mental Wellness Corporation for an interactive Mental Health Workshop including Wellness Bingo, jump rope, cards games, etc. as we kick off the Healthy U BSU Program.

Thursday November 12 – TIAA – How to get the most from your employee retirement plan Seminar (Financial Wellness)

November 20 - BSU Wellness Day – Hosted by Student Affairs/Wellness Center (Audience is Students, Faculty, and Staff)

November 24 - TIAA: Myth busting: Planning and managing healthcare expenses (Financial Wellness)

Visit the Healthy U BSU tab on the BSU website for more information.

Human Resources Professional Development Opportunities



November & December 2026 Learning Schedule	
Tuesday , November 5 **Thursday November 12** **10:00 am – 11:00 am** **Virtual**	**Office Hours with HR: Performance Management Process – Phase II** Mary Ogan | Manager of Training & Development, Human Resources Mishkka Murphy| HR Associate, Human Resources
Tuesday, November 10 **10:00 am – 11:30 am** Room 1330 Martin Luther King Jr Center	**Talent Management Strategy: Succession Planning** Shawn Celio| Vice President of Human Resources | University of the District of Columbia
Thursday, December 1 **10:00 am – 11:00 am** **Virtual**	**Feeling Stuck? Practical Ways to Get Yourself Going Again (Wellness)** Peter Conti | ComPsych Guidance Resources
Tuesday December 3 **10:00 am – 11:00 am** Virtual	**Surviving, Reviving, Thriving (Wellness)** Michele Richardson| Director, Henry Wise Wellness Center
Tuesday December 3 **10:00 am – 11:00 am** Virtual	**Understanding your Employee Assistance Program (Wellness)** Peter Conti | ComPsych Guidance Resources

Shared Governance

Shared Governance Definition

The following statement was developed with the use of multiple resources including the American Association of University Professors (AAUP), the American Association of State Colleges and Universities (AASCU), and the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges (AGB):

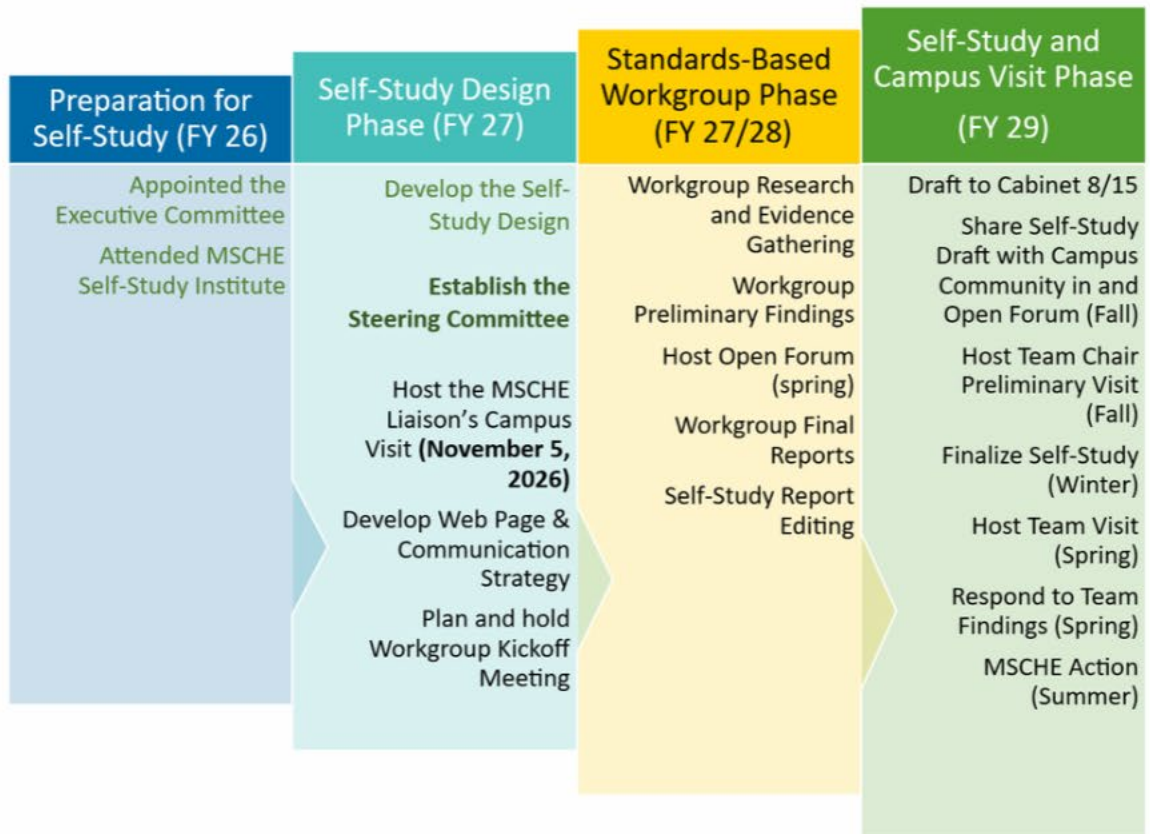
"Shared governance is the process by which administrators, faculty, staff, students, governing boards, and key institutional constituents work together in mission-related decision-making that shapes the direction and success of the institution. At its core, shared governance means that all members of the campus community have both a voice and a role in institutional decision-making and "ensures the inclusion of a range of voices and ideas in the formulation of goals, priorities, and strategies. Effective shared governance strengthens institutions by serving as a vehicle for necessary change." (AGB). It promotes transparency, accountability, and collaboration across all areas of campus life—from academic planning and budgeting to student success and community engagement."

The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) is a global institutional accreditor recognized by the United States Secretary of Education since 1952. As an accreditor and member of the regulatory triad, MSCHE assures students and the public of the educational quality for its over 500 institutions of higher education.

Bowie State University's MSCHE Reaffirmation of Accreditation Steering Committee is comprised of faculty, staff, and students from a variety of different disciplines and areas of expertise, will oversee the development of the university's Middle States Self-Study Report. Specifically, the committee is charged with the following responsibilities:

1. Provide oversight and coordination of the self-study process and site visit
2. Ensure engagement with the campus community to gather information and to seek input from various university constituencies
3. Serve as co-chairs for working groups to ensure that charges are met and that key issues identified by each group are communicated and addressed both critically and analytically
4. Identify areas of concern relative to the Standards of Accreditation and Requirements of Affiliation that should be addressed prior to reaffirmation
5. Ensure the integrity of the process and the university's responses

Self-Study is a Multi-Year Process



Updated October 2026



Multi-Year Evaluation of University System of Maryland Presidents

This fall, the University System of Maryland (USM) launched multiyear reviews of two university leaders, including President Aminta Breaux. These periodic reviews are a standard element of the Board of Regents' duties and reflect its commitment to leadership excellence, shared governance, and continuous improvement.

The review is both formative and constructive. It recognizes accomplishments, identifies opportunities for continued growth, and provides useful feedback to help strengthen President Breaux's leadership and advance Bowie State University's priorities. It's not designed as a single-point judgment; rather, it offers a thoughtful, comprehensive assessment of leadership over the course of her tenure and informs continued institutional progress.

Facilitated by an independent consultant, the review considers several areas, including:

- University leadership
- Progress toward academic goals
- Fiscal management
- The research enterprise
- Development of non-state grants, contracts, and gifts
- Community outreach and engagement
- Strategic partnerships
- External relations



Multi-Year Review Timeline

- **September 2026**
  Notification to President of Multi-Year
- **Mid-September 2026**
  Consultants meet with Chancellor and Vice Chancellors meet with Presidents
  -Chancellor charges the consultants
  -Consultants meet with Vice Chancellors
- **September 16, 2026**
  Notification to University community of Multi-Year Review
  -Include 2-week window for community input via email
- **October 7, 2026**
  President's Self-Assessment due to Chancellor (7 weeks to prepare)
- **Late October 2026**
  Consultants visit with Stakeholders for 1.5 days
- **January 2027**
  Consultant formal report due to the Chancellor
- **January 2027**
  Chancellor meets with Consultants to discuss the review
  -The Consultants will provide an oral briefing in addition to the written report.
- **January 2027**
  Chancellor presents the Review Report and President's Response to the Governance and Compensation Committee
- **April 2027**
  The Review Report and President's Report is discussed with the full Board

Private Giving



Endowment Increase

$7 million in 2017
$89 million in 2026.

- ***BSU Bold: The Campaign for Excellence***
  - Closed at **$128.5 million.**
- 271% increase in endowed scholarship dollars
  - $135,359 to **$502,333** in FY 25
- **Student Emergency Fund**
  - 0 to **$272,300**
  - Increase in current use scholarship dollars award
  - $147,081 to **$1,478,371** in FY 24

BSU Bold: The Campaign of Excellence Final Report on Campaign Performance February 2026



President’s Holiday Party

Save the date for
The President’s Holiday Party

Thursday, December 3rd
in the Student Center.

CIAA 2027

February 23-27th
in Baltimore

#FebruaryIsCIAA

10th Anniversary Gala



Celebrating a Decade of Distinction

Saturday, May 1, 2027

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center

6:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m.


THANK YOU