"I would like to thank the faculty, staff, and peer mentors for their unconditional support...especially, Ms. Carolee Ramsay, Randy Moore, and Dr. Saint-Louis."

"As a student, I can say without hesitation that Student Engagement staff knew how to engage me and my peers in critical thinking with fun."

"Student Engagement staff has demonstrated continuous dedication towards student success, not just in student life, but also with our academic life."

"As of January I have been a fellow to the NUFP program by NASPA attached to the Guttman Student Affairs Team. The time I’ve spent with the Student Affair’s team in my school and my time at the NASPA conference has left a huge impression on me."
**MISSION:**

The Office of Student Engagement (OSE) at Guttman Community College provides integrated, student-focused programs by creating a supportive and inclusive environment. OSE complements the academic experience by connecting and engaging all students with the community, thereby empowering students to lead engaged academic and personal lives.

**GOAL:**

To provide appropriate support services that will foster each student’s academic, personal, and professional growth through:
- Academic & Transfer Advising
- Career Development
- Leadership
- Wellness & AccessABILITY
- Financial and Legal Counselling
- Public Benefits Assistance

Within the context of institutional advancement and improvement, the Office of Student Engagement and Success (OSE) has continuously tried to be adaptive and student-focused in the 2013-14 academic year. According to the kiosk system recently developed to track student visits to less confidential areas of OSE https://q.guttman.cuny.edu/main/reports/Full.aspx, student visits exceeded 1400 in a 6 month period (Dec 2013-June 2014). The data above indicates that students are becoming more aware and engaged with support services.

**WHY ENGAGEMENT?**

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**Values**

The following values will be utilized by OSE in the fulfillment of its mission:

- Sustain on-going commitment to help students achieve academically, professionally, and socially
- Provide a positive and productive environment for learning and achievement
- Encourage students to become more active learners through the provision of internal and external educational experiences
- Prepare students to work more collaboratively with others
- Uphold high standards of ethical behavior
- Obtain and maintain high levels of trust between students and OSE personnel
- Maintain a diverse environment that supports the education and emphasizes the respect for all cultures and the uniqueness of individuals

**Mission’s Alignment with Guttman’s Learning Outcomes**

1. **Intellectual Skills for Lifelong**
   a. Learning that is flexible, diverse and available at different times and in different places
   b. Lifelong learning crosses sectors, promoting learning beyond traditional schooling and throughout adult life

2. **Civic Learning, Engagement, and Social Responsibility**
   a. Increase likelihood of graduation
   b. Improve students’ satisfaction with college

3. **Applied Learning**
   a. Enhances, supplements and integrates the learning that occurs in a formal classroom setting
   b. Prepares students for better lives and careers