

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY
FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Culture of Collaboration
For
Student Success

APPA: Effective and Innovative Practices Award Application
2020



COLLABORATION

“Working together in support of a shared vision”

Statement of Program

We have all heard the phrase that “oil and water” doesn’t mix. It means to be very different, having a natural tendency to separate or cannot be mixed with each other successfully. It sounds a lot like facilities and academics, does it not? Academics have traditional roles of teaching and research whereas facilities have support roles like maintenance and operations. The current thought was we have very separate identities that “cannot be mixed successfully.” At OSU Facilities Management (FM), we have challenged that thinking and believe we have a lot to offer academics and ultimately student success. We have embraced the belief that student success is a shared responsibility.

Within this application, you will read how FM has successfully pushed the boundaries of traditional thinking and established a new way of working that collaborates with the Oklahoma State University academic community and is the basis of our application for the APPA Effective and Innovative Practices Award.

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