



Abbiney Story

UNA Student Employee of the Year



Abbiney is a dedicated and highly skilled student employee for the University Events Center Operations and Event Management who goes above and beyond in every aspect of her role at UNA. She is a graduating senior majoring in Political Science with a double minor in Public Administration and History. As the first point of contact in the office, she greets students, employees, and guests with a warm smile, offering exceptional customer service and assisting with everything from booking spaces to answering complex questions. She also supervises the Lion's Den Game Room, managing schedules, coordinating events, troubleshooting equipment issues, and training new employees. Abbiney has significantly increased attendance at the Lion's Den through her innovative program where each employee holds a monthly event. Abbiney has also gained experience across several Student Affairs departments, developing a broad understanding of various functions and the ability to effectively step into multiple roles as needed.

In addition to her duties in the GUC Operations office and the Game Room, Abbiney is a key planner for events like the Haunted GUC and plays a vital role in marketing and promoting departmental activities. She is also actively involved in the UNA community as the President of the Model UN and the College of Democrats, where she has led initiatives like helping students prepare for voting and organizing travel for Model UN conferences. Outside of her work at UNA, she contributes to the Shoals Democrat Club and enjoys fostering collaboration between local and student organizations. Abbiney's professionalism, hard work, and positive attitude has made her an invaluable asset to the university, and she is highly regarded by all who work with her. Upon graduation in May 2025, she will pursue her Master's degree.