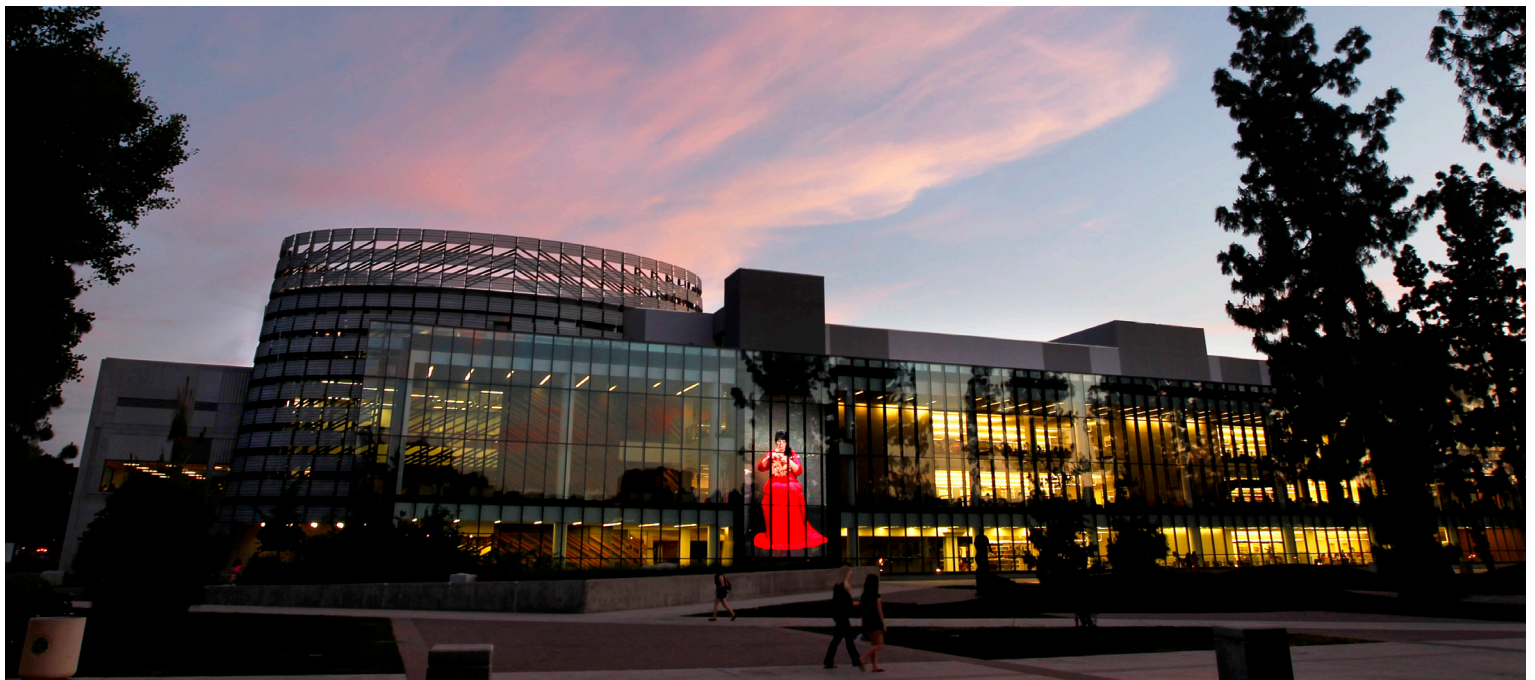


SEPTEMBER 2019

Bulldog Newsletter

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF FRESNO STATE PARENTS ASSOCIATION



FALL 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

- SEPT 11 Fee Payment Deadline
- SEPT 18 Last Day to add a class with permission
- OCT 21-27 Homecoming
- OCT 25-27 Family Weekend
- NOV 4-8 Spring 2020 Registration
- NOV 11 Veterans Day (no class)
- NOV 27-29 Thanksgiving Break
- DEC 11 Last Day of Instruction
- DEC 16-20 Finals
- DEC 20 Last Day of the Semester

Dear Families,

We are a few days into the fall semester and the campus is alive with activity. New and continuing Fresno State students are settling into the new schedules on their path to a degree. This is an exciting time for both students and their families but it can also be a time of uncertainty. The Fresno State Parents Association is here to help families during their transition and throughout your students' time at Fresno State.

The Parents Association is here to support Fresno State families and give you the opportunity to connect and engage with the University. As a member of the Fresno State community there are numerous resources, programs, and events to support your student. Being more informed will help you support your student as they navigate their way towards graduation. Try to get involved in your students' academic career whether through the Parents Association or through your students major. You'll both have a better experience at Fresno State and they'll graduate sooner.

The Parents Association is a great way to support your students but in the end involvement in any form is beneficial. If you have questions about Fresno State and your new extended family please contact our office anytime. We're all here to support student success and we hope you'll consider joining the Parents Association. Go Dogs!

Kenneth Ternate
Coordinator, Office of New Student Programs

FAMILY WEEKEND

Family Weekend is an informative, engaging and important yearly tradition during Homecoming Week! Over the course of the Weekend, Fresno State welcomes parents, grandparents, siblings, significant others and any other family members to visit campus to interact with the organizations, people, and places that have become so important for their students.

Attending Family Weekend will provide parents and families to spend quality time with their student. Not only does it strengthen their relationship, but it can provide students the opportunity to bridge the gap between their lives both on and away from campus.

For questions regarding Family Weekend please visit their website at fresnostate.edu/familyweekend or contact Jerry Gomez with Student Involvement at familyweekend@mail.fresnostate.edu.



A red banner with white and blue text and graphics. The text reads: "FRESNO STATE FAMILY WEEKEND OCT. 25-27, 2019". Below the text, it says "All Bulldogs and their families are invited!" and "Registration and Schedule: fresnostate.edu/familyweekend". At the bottom, the Fresno State Student Involvement logo is displayed. The banner features several circular photos of people at events and a large paw print graphic.

Friday, October 25, 2019

Family Weekend Welcome and Ice Cream Planetarium Experience
Police Department Experience
Various Campus Tour Experiences
Information and Advising Open Houses
Wine Tours and Tasting
Homecoming Pep Rally
Evening Entertainment- Magician, Nash Fung

Saturday, October 26, 2019

Welcome Reception
Brunch with President Castro & Dr. Lamas
Advising Resource Fair
Kremen Education Family Fun Open House
Bowling & Billiards
Fresno State Tailgate
Homecoming Football Game vs Colorado State

Sunday, October 27, 2019

Farewell Brunch

STUDENT CUPBOARD

At Fresno State, the basic needs of our students is important to us. We want students to succeed both inside and outside of the classroom. The Food Security Project, which is 100% donor funded, was created in 2014 to reach out to students in varying levels of food insecurity, as well as provide students with resources available to them both on and off campus.

The Student Cupboard is a free food and hygiene pantry for currently enrolled Fresno State students. Students are able to shop from this free grocery store for things like rice, beans, pasta, cereal, canned goods, fresh fruits and vegetables and more. Once a month, hygiene packs are distributed for students with toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, soap and laundry soap. We also assist students in finding out if they are eligible for money loaded on a card for groceries each month through CalFresh outreach. We also offer cooking classes, nutrition demonstrations, and connections to other resources to help students with their basic needs.

Visit us online at fresnostate.edu/foodsecurity.



Did you know?

Interested in a more active role?

Please consider joining the Parent and Family Advisory Council. We meet once a semester to plan future initiatives and make programmatic improvements.

It is a great way to volunteer your time to help improve the college experience for your student.

If you want to learn more email kternate@csufresno.edu.

ADVISOR SHOWCASE



Russell Gross

Every year faculty, staff, and students nominate advisors from across campus to be selected as Advisors of the year through the Fresno State Campus Advisors Network. It is rigorous nomination and approval process to showcase the best advisors on campus.

Russell Gross serves as a Veterans Counselor through the TRiO Student Support Services Veterans program on campus. The program serves Veteran students who are first generation, low income, and/or disabled. Through the Student Support Services Veterans program, Russell provides academic support for each participant to excel academically and graduate.

Born in Kingston, Jamaica, Russell served in the Marine Corps for 27 years in active duty. Russell has worked at Fresno State for four years and is proud to support student success.



CAN Award recipients with Dr. Harper, Provost and Dr. Lamas, Vice-President

ADVISING

It is highly recommended for your student to meet with an advisor at least once a semester to stay on track to graduate on time. Students can either meet with their Major Advisor or an Academic Counselor in their respective college/school Advising Center. The University Advising Center is also available to advise any student on a variety of topics and concerns. Students are able to request an appointment using Bulldog Connect found on their My Fresno State account.

In addition to class selection, your students' academic advisor can check on graduation requirements and give students updates on changes to academic policies at the University. All eight Colleges on the Fresno State campus have their own Academic Advising Center.

Advising Centers

College of Arts and Humanities Advising and Support Center
Craig School of Business Advising Center
Health and Human Services Advising and Career Development Center
Jordan College Advising and Career Development Center
Kremen Education Advising and Student Services Center
Lyles College of Engineering Advising Center
College of Science and Mathematics Advising and Resources Center
College of Social Sciences Advising Center
University Advising Center

Speech Arts 156
Peters Business 185
McLane Hall 194
Agricultural Sciences 110
Education 100
East Engineering 383
Science I 136
McKee Fisk 207
Joyal Administration 224

STUDENT SHOWCASE

Selma Sanchez is a Peer Academic Counselor in the University Advising Center. She is a senior Food Science and Nutrition major: Dietetic option.

She began working in the University Advising Center in 2016 as a sophomore. As a Peer Academic Counselor, Selma advises students on general education, major exploration, readmission, and withdrawing among other things. "Working for UAC has allowed me to see how resilient and bold students at Fresno State can be when it comes to meeting their educational goals. I truly feel at home in our office and have been given the support and tools I need to succeed."

Selma has been an Orientation Leader, a Student Involvement Ambassador, the Pre-Nursing Club president, and has served on a number of campus committees. She represents Fresno State in all she does.



Selma Sanchez



UPCOMING DEADLINES

With the fall semester in full swing and classes beginning it also means that the deadlines will be coming up quickly. Here are some dates to keep in mind in the coming weeks. For more information and additional dates visit the Registrar's Office at fresnostate.edu/studentaffairs/registrar/deadlines.

- September 11 - Last day to drop/withdraw online without permission
- Fall 2019 Final Registration Fee Payment Deadline
- September 17 - Last day to drop a course without a "W" grade on student's transcript
- September 18 - Last day to change to credit/no credit grading
- Last day to apply for graduation in May 2020

Want to know more?

If you would like to be involved, continue to receive communication, or would simply like to give some feedback complete the online survey at https://fresnostate.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_enfTlyeYhQt9LZb or use the QR code below. Your feedback will help determine what services and programs we offer in the future.

Go Dogs!



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