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Dear Parents and Families,

We hope you are all well!

In this email you will find:

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Message from the Director of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement

Dear Parents and Families!

Happy November! We are in the 10th week of the semester and soon we will be taking a break for Thanksgiving, heading into finals and closing out a great Fall semester. For the next few weeks, we will be focusing on the ways a student can tend to their academics as well as prepare for next semester.

Mid-Term Grades- For many students, this is an incredibly important point in the semester. Mid-term grades have been posted. Students can access their mid-term grades via Bannerweb (<https://inside.southernct.edu/advising/resources/videos>). Please know that mid-term grades are NOT calculated in any way in a student's final grade. They should consider their mid-term grade as a benchmark, or snapshot, of their academic progress thus far in the semester. If a student has questions about their mid-term grade, they should connect with their professor. As students evaluate their performance, they could utilize several resources in developing a plan in pursuing their academic goals. In addition to connecting with their professors, they could seek academic support for both the content of their courses and guidance in improving their overall skills as a college student at the Center of Academic Success and Accessibility Services (<https://inside.southernct.edu/casas>). If a student determines that they may not be successful in a course, they can withdraw from a course before Sunday, November 20th (<https://inside.southernct.edu/onestop/withdrawal>). Please encourage your students to connect with their advisor if they are considering withdrawing from a course.

Course Registration for the Spring 2023- Seniors began registering for the Spring 2023 courses today! Below, you will see an email from the Registrar's office discussing the process, dates and instructions sent to students regarding course registration. All undergraduate students are required to meet with their advisor in order to register for their Spring courses. Please encourage your students to connect with their advisors as soon as possible. Naturally, an advisor's schedule will fill quickly as student's procrastinate and delay and try to meet closer to their registration date instead of doing so well in advance.

First-Generation Day- Lastly, November 8th is National First-Gen Day. Southern has an incredibly high number of students who will be the first in their families to graduate from college. We recognize and celebrate our first-generation students! As part of First-Gen Day, we are holding celebration next Tuesday, November 8th (see

information below). We also want to recognize the families of these incredible students who are here making you all proud! On November 8th, consider reaching out to your first-gen student and let them know just how proud you are!

Have a great week and please let us know if we can be of any support to you!

Sincerely,

Sal Rizza
Director of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement

Email from the Registrar

Hi Owls,

To help you prepare for the upcoming Spring 2023 advising and registration season we have prepared this guide. For many of you, this will be first time you are registering for classes in the new system. Be sure to [Plan Your Schedule](#) in advance as described below, so you can register for classes with ease on your registration day.

Visit the [Registration Checklist](#) in advance to help you prepare for registration:

- Plan your schedule
- Find out how to obtain a pin
- Look up your registration date and time
- Check your holds

Find your Registration Date ([verify your time here](#)) based on the registration calendar:

- Graduates and Post-baccalaureate student registration opens on October 31, 2022
- Seniors student registration opens on November 1, 2022
- Juniors student registration opens on November 7, 2022
- Sophomores student registration opens on November 9, 2022
- Continuing Freshmen student registration opens on November 14, 2022

Do not delay in scheduling an Academic Advising appointment for undergraduate students:

Academic advising procedures differ depending on your major and class, ranging from group advising sessions to individual meetings with your assigned advisor. You will receive an email from your major department or advisor explaining their procedure.

- If you are a freshman in your first semester (regardless of major), you will meet individually with your INQ instructor for course registration advising and to receive your registration PIN number.
- If you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior or senior, you should follow the academic advising procedure detailed by major department or assigned advisor for course registration advising and to receive your registration PIN number.
- If you have been not contacted by your advisor/department, please contact your advisor or the department chairperson for your major directly ([Who is my advisor?](#)).

Plan Your Schedule

Watch the [video](#) (2m8s) or follow these steps to plan your schedule:

- Go to [MySCSU](#)
- Select Banner Student
- Records and Registration

- Registration and Schedule Planner
- Select the Term
- Add Courses
- Add Breaks (times you can't attend classes due to other obligations)
- 'Generate Schedules' to review your schedule options
- Select your favorite schedule to 'Send to Registration Cart'

Register for Classes

Once your registration date and time arrives, you can return to your planner and click 'Register' to complete your registration.

Note: When creating a schedule plan, also save a backup schedule of your favorites in case seats are no longer available in your first choice.

Registrar's Office

Southern Connecticut State University
(Hours) Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
(Tel) 203-392-5301
(Email) Registrar@SouthernCT.edu
(Web) OneStop.SouthernCT.edu



November 8 is National First-Gen Day, when colleges and universities across the country celebrate their first-generation students -- and Southern is taking part in the festivities!

Being a first-gen student means that your parent(s) did not complete a 4-year college or university degree, regardless of other family members' (i.e., your siblings!) level of education. Therefore, being a first-generation student means you are a trailblazer!

Southern is excited to celebrate our Owls who are the first in their families to attend college.

Join us in Engleman B121 from 3:30-5:30 for refreshments, conversation, and stories of first-gen experiences, and pick up some first-gen swag.

All are welcome!

<https://www.southernct.edu/first-gen>

#CelebrateFirstGen #FirstGenOwls

Celebrate

FIRST-GEN DAY!



Tuesday, November 8 • 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Engleman B 121

**JOIN US FOR A CELEBRATION
OF OUR
FIRST-GENERATION STUDENTS!**

Hear stories of first-gen experiences, join the conversation,
pick up first-gen swag, and enjoy light refreshments with us.

All are welcome
undergrad and grad students, faculty, staff, alumni

#CelebrateFirstGen
#FirstGenOwls



Information Regarding Thanksgiving Break Residence Halls Closing

The Residence Halls will be closing for Thanksgiving break at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2022.

We understand that students may have class after 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 22, 2022; if you have class, you have until 11:00 p.m. on November 22nd to check out of your residence hall. If you need until 11:00

p.m. to vacate your hall because of class or extenuating circumstances, please email your residence hall director by Friday, November 18th at 4:30 p.m. Please include your name, ID #, room, and the reason for your request to stay beyond 5:00 p.m. Upon closing, students will not be permitted in the building unless they have notified their hall director in advance.

The residence halls will re-open on Sunday, November 27, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

The Office of Residence Life offers the option to remain on campus during Thanksgiving Break for students who have extenuating circumstances and are not able to return home for the holiday. We can also accommodate students who need to return early on Sunday (prior to 2:00 p.m. when the residence halls re-open) due to travel conflicts.

Please see below for the available break housing options:

Entire Break: Tuesday through Sunday (the fee for this option is \$192.50)

Return Early: Sunday between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. (the fee for this option is \$38.50)

You must complete the Thanksgiving Break Housing Application. **To reach the application:**

- Log in to your Banner Student account.
- Select "Student Services"
- Click "MyHousing"
- "Proceed to MyHousing Portal"
- Next to the Residence Life logo in the top lefthand corner, click on the three lines
- Select "Applications"
- Click "Thanksgiving Break Housing Request"

Please note: there is a fee of \$38.50/night for Thanksgiving break housing. **The deadline to request to stay during break is noon on Friday, November 18, 2022.**

Your Residence Hall Director and Resident Advisors will be going through your room/apartment to make sure that it has been closed properly and that you have followed all closing procedures. If you wish to report a maintenance issue, fill out the [online form](#). You may also utilize the maintenance request cards located at your hall's front desk.

Please do the following to prepare your room for Thanksgiving break:

- Take home any valuables or anything that you will need during Thanksgiving break. Please understand that housing and facilities staff may enter rooms to complete work orders.
- Clean your room and take any garbage to the dumpsters adjacent to your residence hall.
- Remove and discard any perishable items from your refrigerator that might spoil during Thanksgiving break.
- Lock your windows and close your curtains/blinds.
- Unplug everything within your room except fish tanks, your cable modem, and your refrigerator.
- Make sure your room door is closed and locked.

A note about packages:

Please note that packages delivered during the break period will be held at Facilities until the week following the break. If you need to receive items during the break, please ensure that you update your delivery address to your break address/location. We also recommend pausing or delaying deliveries until after the break, if possible.

If you have any questions regarding the Thanksgiving break closing, please do not hesitate to contact your Resident Advisor, Residence Hall Director, or the Office of Residence Life at (203) 392-5870.

Have a restful and relaxing Thanksgiving break, and best wishes for the remainder of the semester!

The Office of Residence Life

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Information Regarding Housing for the Spring Semester

We hope your fall semester is going well. We wanted to let you know that you can now pay the housing deposit and apply to housing for the Spring 2023 academic semester. This is a great opportunity to live on campus for a semester and take advantage of all the amazing things we have to offer (especially during the cold winter months ahead)!

How to apply and pay your deposit:

- Log on to your [MySCSU](#)
- Click on Banner Student
- Select MyHousing
- Next to the Residence Life logo on the top left click on the three lines
- Click "Applications"
- Click on "Housing Application and Deposit"
- Complete the application and pay the \$250 non-refundable housing deposit

Important information you need to know:

- The \$250.00 housing deposit is non-refundable.
- The deposit must be paid online with a credit card through the MyHousing Portal.
- You must pay your deposit by the November 3rd deadline to be eligible to participate in room selection.
- Upon submission of the housing deposit, you will have until November 30, 2022 to cancel your contract.
- After November 30, 2022, you are financially bound to the terms and conditions of the housing contract for the entire academic year (spring semester) and the housing contract cannot be cancelled to reside off campus during the contract term.

Your \$250.00 non-refundable housing deposit for the 2023 spring semester is due at the time of application. Please be aware that by paying your \$250.00 non-refundable housing deposit, you are agreeing to the terms of the academic year housing agreement (contract). To view a copy, please [click here](#).

As always, should you have any questions regarding the housing deposit or the contract, please feel free to contact our office at (203) 392-5870 or send us an email at reslife@southernct.edu.

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APPLICATIONS NOW LIVE ON YOUR MYHOUSING PORTAL

If you're not sure about a full year on campus, live on campus for the spring 2023 semester! We know you'll love it and join us again next year!

STEPS TO APPLY

- Log on to your MySCSU
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this week @ Southern

Ongoing

Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. The exhibition runs through December 8th, 2022.

African Art Exhibit

Buley Art Gallery - Ground Floor

Highlights from the permanent collection of African Art are now on view in the Buley Art Gallery. A variety of ceremonial and utilitarian objects including masks, drums, and divination tools that are both culturally rich and historically significant are on display.

Sponsored by: Buley Library

Every Friday from October 7- December 9 (closed November 25)

9:30am-12:30pm

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic

Connecticut Hall - Conference Room (entrance on the left side of the building)

COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are available. Everyone is encouraged to stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines. The clinic is open to the public for everyone ages 12 and up. Pfizer and Moderna primary series and bivalent booster will be available. No appointment needed – walk-ins only.

Monday, October 31

8:30am-4:30pm

SAGE Center Halloween Party & Costume Contest!

Adanti Student Center 324

It's spooky season! Join us Monday, October 31st all day long (8:30-4:30) for a Halloween celebration and costume contest! We will have some snacks and goodies available to all the goblins and ghouls who come to say hello. For our costume contest, come in with a costume, sign up to be a contestant, and we'll post a pic of your costume on our Instagram story! Voting will be open until 4:30 in the SAGE Center, so check out our story, write down your favorite costume, and we will choose the winner with the most votes!

Sponsored by: SAGE Center

8:30am-4:30pm

Costume Contest

Instagram @programscouncil_scsu

Show us your best scary, funny or unique costume for a chance to win a prize! Post your picture on Instagram and use the hashtag #ProConHalloween!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

12:00-2:00pm

Maker Mondays

Buley Library Ground Floor - Makerspace

Come to the Buley Library Makerspace every Monday 12-2 pm to learn a new maker skill each week! Drop by when you can and leave when you need to!

Sponsored by: Buley Library

1:00pm-2:00pm

Trick or Treating and Meetings

ASC Theater

Relive your childhood and go trick or treating with ProCon! Join us in the theater for our weekly meeting and hit each of our trick or treat stops while you're in there. No costumes necessary, but we will never say no to a well-dressed trick-or-treater. See you there!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

4:00-9:00pm

Fright Feast

Join us for a scary good dinner in Connecticut Hall from 4pm to 9pm!

Sponsored by: Sodexo

6:00pm

Social Justice Retreat Info Session

Adanti Student Center 234

Are you looking for ways to build connections and engage in meaningful discussions? Or perhaps you want to gain new knowledge around social justice issues? Well, look no further! The MCC's much anticipated Social Justice Retreat is now accepting applications. If you want to learn more about the Social Justice Retreat, a transformative weekend experience where students can build connections and discuss critical topics regarding diversity and social justice, stop by our info session!

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

Tuesday, November 1

4:30pm

MCC Movie Night

Adanti Student Center 234

Join the MCC's Evening Connection for the screening of *Soul*, a 2020 animated musical comedy film. This movie follows a pianist whose soul and body get separated before his big break as a jazz musician. Grab some popcorn and enjoy this movie about passion, love, and choices.

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

7:30-9:00pm

Large Group Bible Study

Adanti Student Center 201

Welcome to InterVarsity's Large Group Bible Study on campus at ASC 201. All are welcome to come explore the bible together and see how the passages can relate to college students!

Sponsored by: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

Wednesday, November 2

12:00-2:00pm

World Languages Meet & Greet

Engleman B121

Meet & greet with World Languages Department faculty, students, and staff. Come learn about our major and minor programs while enjoying pizza and refreshments, music, and gifts!

Sponsored by: World Languages Department

1:00-2:00pm

A Walk in the Woods-Prayer Project

Adanti Student Center 227

Join Rabbi Barbara in an exploration of prayer. We will look at what prayer really is and find ways to connect with our Judaism outside of the synagogue. Take a walk in the woods, find a verse that speaks to you and design a chant, make a piece of art that reminds you to slow down and be grateful, keep a gratitude journal, write your own prayers. There will be 4 sessions. Participants need to commit to all 4 if possible, for continuity. Please RSVP if you plan on coming to all 4!

Sponsored by: Hillel-Jewish Students Organization

3:30-4:30pm

First-year Bible Study

Adanti Student Center 303

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship will be hosting a first-year bible study at Southern! This is for any students who are new to Southern and want to connect with other first-year students who also want to learn more about how the bible relates to our college lives.

Sponsored by: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

4:30pm

Loteria/Bingo Night

Adanti Student Center 234

Join the MCC's Evening Connection for a night of Loteria! Loteria is the Mexican version of bingo that uses images on a deck of cards instead of numbered ping pong balls. Loteria winners get MCC swag!

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

6:00-8:00pm

Murder Mystery Party

Engleman D253

Come visit us in Engleman Hall's English Common Room (D253). Come in costume and help us figure out who the murderer is before there are more casualties! There's pizza and music! It's November 2nd, the first Wednesday of the month, from 6-8 PM.

Sponsored by: Bookmarks English Club

7:15-8:00pm

Early Bird Orientation Ambassador Info Session I

Adanti Student Center 217

Come learn about the Orientation Ambassador position from the Orientation team and begin the application process!

Sponsored by: Office of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement

7:30pm

Art of Trio, featuring SCSU Jazz Faculty

Engleman C112

Take a mid-week break to hear some jazz! SCSU faculty members David Chevan (bass), Rex Cadwallader (piano), and Will Cleary (saxophone) create a free-flowing and spontaneous performance. This performance is sponsored by the Stutzman Family Foundation.

Sponsored by: Department of Music

8:45-9:30pm

Early Bird Orientation Ambassador Info Session II

Adanti Student Center 217

Come learn about the Orientation Ambassador position from the Orientation team and begin the application process!

Sponsored by: Office of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement

Thursday, November 3

8:30-10:30am

Good Morning, Commuters!

Adanti Student Center 217

Good Morning, Commuters! Stop by ASC 217 for a free hot breakfast before you take on your day! Mingle with other commuter students while enjoying a free breakfast!

Sponsored by: Commuter Services

12:00-1:00pm

PB&J Thursday

Engleman Breezeway

Join ProCon in the Engleman Breezeway, right across from the bagel wagon, for free PB&J's and snacks every Thursday!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

1:00-2:00pm

Mug Painting

Adanti Student Center 217

Come join Procon for a fun afternoon of mug painting!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

2:00-3:00pm

InterVarsity Prayer Group

Buley 202

Come join InterVarsity Christian Fellowship in our weekly prayer meeting. This is a time for students to come and receive pray for anything. It is also a time to be able to pray for things happening on SCSU's campus.

Sponsored by: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

4:30pm

Health Equity Discussion with Health Services

Adanti Student Center 234

Come join the MCC's Evening Connection in collaboration with Health Services for a discussion on Health Equity. Health Services will give a brief overview of what health equity is, contributing factors, advocacy and some practical tips to spread awareness and promote healthy families and communities. Stop by for an afternoon of fun, education, and sweet treats!

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

7:00-10:00pm

Tavern Night

Adanti Student Center 303

Come visit our makeshift renaissance themed tavern! Come either in costume or just normal, but enjoy a return back to our LARP club roots where we will offer events like game tournaments and roleplay events (alcohol will not be offered or allowed).

Sponsored by: Tabletop Club

Friday, November 4

9:00-10:00am

The Science of Autism Talk Series

Virtual-Register [HERE](#)

A variety of educational and informative virtual sessions that will focus on current topics in the area of autism spectrum disorder. Focusing on areas of either current research, controversy, or where more work is needed.

Sponsored by: The SCSU Center of Excellence in Autism and the Yale Child Study Center Autism Center of Excellence.

1:30pm

Study Session

Adanti Student Center 234

Are you looking for a place to catch up on work? Join the MCC's Evening Connection for an afternoon study session

Sponsored by: Multicultural Center

4:30-5:30pm

Hybrid Shabbat

Remembrance Garden, Behind Engleman and Morrill and online [HERE](#)

Join Rabbi Barbara and Hillel for our weekly Shabbat! Everyone is welcome, no matter your faith or experience. Come celebrate the end of the week with Shabbat prayers, learn about Judaism, and make new friends! We will be meeting at the Remembrance Garden, behind Engleman Hall and Morrill Hall, weather permitting. We will also have a computer set up at the garden on Microsoft Teams if you would like to join virtually.

Sponsored by: Hillel - Jewish Students Organization

5:00-6:00pm

Cooking with the SIAs

Instagram [@sia_betanu](#)

Join us on Instagram live to learn how to cook one of the most typical dishes in the Dominican Republic

Sponsored by: Hermandad de Sigma Iota Alpha, Inc.

Saturday, November 5

12:00pm

SCSU Football vs. Post University

Jess Dow Field

Come cheer on the Owls as they take on Post University!

Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

5:00-9:00pm

PCAO's Chipotle Fundraiser

Chipotle Mexican Grill-910 Chapel Street, New Haven, Connecticut

The Chipotle Fundraiser will help PCAO raise money for our "Child of the Year", Spencer, and support him financially as he continues his fight against B-Cell Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia. Spread the word and head on out to Chipotle to support a good cause!

Sponsored by: Southern Connecticut State University Pediatric Cancer Awareness Organization

Planning an event? [Send us your flyers](#) for our social media stories for this week!

Resources

Helpful Links- <https://inside.southernct.edu/parent-family/helpful-links> , these are a number of helpful links that we have gathered specifically for parents/families that will be helpful now and in the future.

Resources- <https://inside.southernct.edu/inside-southern>, these is another general page filled with links that may be helpful!

Residence Life- <https://inside.southernct.edu/residence-life>, with so many questions regarding residence life, this may be a great place to find information!

Advising- <https://inside.southernct.edu/advising>, information regarding academic advising.

University Calendar- <https://calendar.southernct.edu/>

Academic Calendar- <https://catalog.southernct.edu/undergraduate/academic-calendar.html?>

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You were subscribed to this listserv as your email is listed in your student's profile based on their initial application to Southern.

The emails you will receive will include the information we send to your students, additional strategies specifically designed for parents/families and how they can best support their students and general information regarding the university.

As we will be intentional on the information we send, we will try not to "flood" your inbox and be very strategic on sending the most pertinent information.

We also invite you to join our Parent/Family Facebook Group, <https://www.facebook.com/groups/scsuparents/>.

However, if you prefer not to receive future emails, please unsubscribe by replying to this email.
