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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!

Next week will be the sixth week of the semester. While **first-year students** are wading through their first semester through their first college experiences, upper-division students are in a different place. Speaking with a number of sophomores this week, some are feeling great while others are very stressed. Often, the conversations seem predicated by different majors, experiences and expectations. Students who started strong last year continue to thrive even when faced with adversity while those who may have struggled in their first year are not only faced with classes that continue to challenge them but also by the pressure of raising GPAs, building better habits, and their own expectations. For those with sophomores and juniors, now would be a good time to check and see how they are feeling as they will soon prepare for harder course assignments. They'll soon be meeting with advisors and may be questioning their majors and career trajectories.

It is also important to note that mid-terms are just around the corner and many students may have already been assigned major assignments including essays, projects, presentations and exams. As you connect with your students, encourage them to visit the <u>Center of Academic Success and Accessibility Services</u> not only if they struggle with a specific course or assignment but also to ensure they are achieving their goals. Even the best student has the ability to improve and prepare!

Parent and Family Day- Registration is open! and Family Day will be Saturday ,October 14th from 10am to 3pm. In addition to Parent and Family Day, we will be celebrating our traditional Homecoming as parents, families and alumni will attend many of the festivities together. The day will begin with an opportunities for families to attend a special Early Owl Family Day Breakfast at 10am (\$15 per person). Following breakfast, families are invited to participate in the Homecoming Festival by Jess Dow Field where we will have carnival games, inflatables, music and more. Our homecoming football game begins at 2pm where the Owls face the AIC Yellow Jackets. Families may choose to attend the Crescent Players show, "Footloose" at an additional cost.

Visit <u>https://go.southernct.edu/homecoming/events.phpinformation</u> for more information.

Registration

Early Owl Family Day Breakfast, \$15 per person (includes breakfast sandwiches, hashbrowns, coffee, juice and guarantees receiving a SCSU Homecoming T-Shirt)

General Homecoming and Family Day Activities- FREE (carnival games, homecoming tents, football game, SCSU Homecoming T-

Shirts while supplies last) Registration is required! Additional Costs: Food Trucks, Ticketed Events (Crescent Players Musical) <u>Click here to register!</u>

Sibling Night- Please also see the information below regarding Sibling Night! This will be a great opportunity for students to share their college experience with siblings, cousins and friends!

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



2023 Family Day Registration

We are incredibly excited to welcome you to campus and to spend a fun-filled day together!

Registration

Early Owl Family Day Breakfast, \$15 per person (SCSU Students Free)

General Registration FREE

Early Owl Family Day: Breakfast sandwiches, hash browns, coffee, juice and guarantee your SCSU Homecoming T-Shirt

General Registration: Includes Student Festival, Homecoming Tents, Football Game, SCSU Homecoming T-Shirts while supplies last! Additional Cost: Food Trucks and Ticketed Events (Crescent Players Musical)

Click here to register!

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Parking

Wintergreen Parking Garage (23 Wintergreen Avenue, New Haven, CT).

Check-In

Stations to check-in will be located at the Welcome Tent in front of Moore Field House from 10am to 11am. Upon check-in, families will be provided with their check-in credentials and commemorative gift.

What to Expect

Parts of the day are outside so please prepare accordingly! Family Day is part of Homecoming Weekend where alumni and students celebrate the spirit of Southern. In addition to the activities specifically provided to families and students, alumni will be on campus as well and all alumni activities are accessible to all students and families on Saturday.

Visit https://go.southernct.edu/homecoming/events.php for more information on Monday, October 3rd.

Sibling Night!



Commuter and Resident Students will soon receive the email below!

Dear Owls,

The first signs of fall are right around the corner, and we are excited to bring back Residence Life's Sibling Night. The Residence Hall Association (RHA) will be kicking off Homecoming weekend with our annual Sibling Night on Friday, October 13th, 2023. Siblings, cousins, and friends are invited to Southern to spend the night with their favorite owl on campus. RHA has put together an evening that's filled with a variety of fun events and activities. Siblings must be ages 5 to 15 years old to participate in the evening events and ages 8 to 15 to stay overnight. Siblings of commuter students will be able to participate in the evening events but not be able to stay overnight.

Event Time: 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Residence Life Quad

Siblings ages 5 to 7 should be picked up by 9:00 p.m. at the conclusion of the event on Friday, October 13th. Residential Siblings ages 8 to 15 are permitted to stay the night in their SCSU sibling's residence hall until 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 14th, 2023.

Registration Date(s): Thursday, September 28th, 2023, through Wednesday, October 11th, 2023. *Application closes at 10:00 p.m.*

Where do you register?

- <u>Click here for the event registration form</u>.
- Once completed, look for a confirmation email with forms to fill out further for your registration.
 - For siblings ages 8 to 15 who are staying overnight: the roommate agreement form must be signed by the student host, and their roommate(s). This form can be e-mailed, faxed, or dropped off at the Office of Residence Life in

Schwartz Hall Room 105. This form is due to the Office of Residence Life by 10:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 11th, 2023.

• For all siblings attending the event: the parent consent form will be emailed directly to the parent/guardian email address submitted in the application. This online form must be submitted by 10:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 11th, 2023.

Helpful Information about Sibling Night:

- The visiting siblings will be given special Siblings Night ID name tags, which will allow them access to the residence halls of their host, and the ability to participate in activities and dinner for Friday night.
- Siblings must be between the ages of 5 and 15. For safety reasons, only residential siblings between the ages of 8 and 15 are permitted to stay overnight. Students may only host up to two siblings.
- Students are responsible for their guests and must accompany them at all times.
- Siblings of any gender may stay in a SCSU student's residence hall room with their roommate's permission.

Sibling Night Activities May Include:

- Euro Bungee
- Staff a plush
- Face Painting
- Video Games
- Board Games
- Photo booth
- Raffle prizes
- Novelties
- T-shirt giveaways
- Blanket giveaways
- Crafts
- Meet Otus the Owl

Frequently Asked Questions:

Do we have to check in somewhere when we arrive?

Check-in begins on Friday, October 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the Farnham Hall Programming Space. SCSU hosts and their siblings/guests must go there to check in and receive their name tags. Games, crafts, and other fun activities will be going on in the Farnham Programming Space from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Siblings and guests will then go with their hosts for the night to their perspective residence hall.

Do we have to check out?

All siblings must check out with a staff member in the Farnham Hall Programming Space by 9:00 p.m. on Friday, October 13th. Siblings ages 8 to 15 who are staying overnight must check out by 10:00 a.m. at the front desk of their SCSU sibling's residence hall on Saturday, October 14th, 2023.

Where do siblings sleep?

Siblings will stay in the same room as their college student sibling.

What should siblings bring?

Bring a sleeping bag and pillow, warm clothes, and a toothbrush. You might also consider extra money for late-night pizza and any items related to the options for the weekend.

Is this only for younger siblings?

All siblings are welcome; there will be activities during Siblings Night that are appropriate for all ages.

Will food be provided?

On Friday evening, catered food options will be available. On Saturday, a continental breakfast will be available for pick up between 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. in the SCSU student's residence hall lobby.

What is Owl Family Day?

Each fall, SCSU invites parents and families of students to attend Owl Family Day on Saturday, October 14th, a special day on

campus during one of New Haven's most beautiful seasons. Family Day is a part of our Homecoming festivities where alumni, families, and students celebrate the spirit of Southern. This annual event provides an opportunity for you to visit your student's campus home, talk with university faculty and staff, tour downtown New Haven, cheer the SCSU football Owls to victory, and meet other SCSU families.

Click Below for more information on Owl Family Day: https://www.southernct.edu/homecoming

We look forward to having an enjoyable night filled with fun, laughter, and sibling bonding. If there are any questions, please call the Office of Residence (203) 392-5870.

Thank you,

Office of Residence Life I Southern Connecticut State University 501 Crescent Street I New Haven, CT 06515 T: 203.392.5870 I F: 203.392.5867 I E: reslife@southernct.edu W: www.southernct.edu/residencelife





Every Friday during the semester, faculty and staff receive "Next Week @ Southern," a compilation of the following week's events for the Southern community, produced by the Office of Integrated Communications & Marketing. If you have an event to share, please <u>visit this page</u> for instructions. <u>See the full calendar of events here.</u>

Ongoing

Pre-Columbian Ceramic Art from the Permanent Collection

Mon.-Thurs., 11:00am-4:00pm

Through December 7

Buley Art Gallery - Ground Floor

A selection from Southern Connecticut State University's permanent collection of Pre-Columbian ceramic art is on view in the Buley Art Gallery through December 7, 2023.

On exhibition is a rich and complex survey of artifacts from the regions of modern-day Mexico, Guatemala, Costa Rica, and Peru. These objects span in time from the early Chavin civilization in Peru, dating as far back as 900 B.C., to the Nicoya civilization in Costa Rica, dating to around 1500 A.D. Known for their proficiency in the ceramic arts, these civilizations created elaborately decorated vessels and sculptural forms that were utilitarian, ceremonial, and religious and served as visual histories.

Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Healthy Futures Study

Through October 31

Researchers at the Physical Activity and Health Behavior lab want to learn more about the experiences and perspectives of young adult women who are overweight regarding their own health and health behaviors.

This study is IRB approved and recruiting participants through October.

This study is FULLY ONLINE and participants who are eligible and complete the study survey and focus group will be compensated with a \$100 Amazon Gift Card! Please fill out this <u>brief (<5 mins) online survey</u> For info contact Dr. Kristie Rupp at <u>ruppk1@southernct.edu</u>.

SGPS Owl Recognition Award Nomination Submissions

Through October 13

The School of Graduate and Professional Studies wants to hear from you!

We are asking you to nominate a Southern graduate student, graduate faculty, staff, or alumnus/a for a chance to win an SGPS Owl Recognition Award this fall semester!

Submit nominations here

SCSU Voice and Swallowing Lab

Researchers at the SCSU Voice and Swallowing Lab are interested in testing the consistency of oral pressure measurements during swallowing and would like you to participate!

All participants must be 60+ years old. Participants must not have a history of swallowing difficulty or have any condition that may cause swallowing difficulty. We will ask you a series of health questions to ensure you qualify.

Participation will require four visits to the Voice and Swallowing Lab and each visit will take 20-30 minutes. At each visit you will swallow small amounts of food and liquid while a small bulb measures your tongue pressure. These are non-invasive measures. You will be compensated for your time.

Understanding how consistent oral measures are across time is informative for helping people who have difficulty with swallowing. If you are willing to participate or have any questions about participating, please contact Dr. Julian Smith at smithj181@southernct.edu.

This study has been approved by the IRB.

Saturday, September 30th

12:00pm SCSU Football vs Saint Anselm College Jess Dow Field Cheer on the Owls as they take on Saint Anselm College! Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

6:00pm Women's Soccer vs Franklin Pierce University Jess Dow Field Cheer on the Owls as they take on Franklin Pierce University! Sponsored by: SCSU Athletics

Monday, October 2

QPR (Suicide Prevention) Training

12:30pm - 2:00pm ASC 308 The QPR mission is to reduce suicidal behaviors and save lives by providing innovative, practical and proven suicide prevention training. The signs of crisis are all around us. We believe that quality education empowers all people, regardless of their background, to make a positive difference in the life of someone they know. All students, faculty, and staff are welcome to participate. Please <u>RSVP</u> beforehand! Hosted by: Division of Student Affairs Themed Weeks, Wellbeing Center

Movie and Discussion of West Side Story

5:00pm Adanti Student Center - Room 301 Join OLAS for a movie screening and discussion conversation on *West Side Story*! An adaptation of the 1957 musical, *West Side Story* explores forbidden love and the rivalry between the Jets and the Sharks, two teenage street gangs of different ethnic backgrounds.

Tuesday, October 3

Sabor y Saber: Celebrating LGBTQ+ Latinx/Hispanic Voices

12:00pm

Adanti Student Center - Room 201

Join us for a dynamic panel discussion that shines a spotlight on the remarkable LGBTQ+ Latinx community.

Local drag queens, students, and faculty members will share their unique perspectives and experiences, shedding light on the intersectionality of Latinx and LGBTQ+ identities.

Sponsored by the SAGE Center and the Multicultural Center

Sit Down & Write

3:00pm - 5:00pm

Online

Sit Down & Write is a "Facilitated Writing" session. The idea is that we can have a dedicated time, every week, devoted to writing...or any other quiet creative activity. By scheduling it, and having a group, we can motivate ourselves to actually Sit Down & Write.

We're using the Pomodoro Technique, which consists of 25-minute working sessions and 5-minute breaks: a time-tested technique that helps many people focus and accomplish tasks.

Everyone is welcome, students, faculty, & staff. Come write with us!

Hosted by: Buley Library

Online Location: https://libguides.southernct.edu/sitdownwrite

Wednesday, October 4

Swap Shop Open House

10:30am - 12:30pm

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The Swap Shop is a FREE office supply reuse store for faculty and staff. Donations are welcome but not necessary in order to shop. Be sure to bring your ink/toner numbers for additional savings!

Anthropology Speaker's Series: "How to Celebrate Oktoberfest-Style" presented by Dr. Claudia Bosch

1:00pm - 2:00pm Engleman C013 An anthropological investigation of one of the largest folk festivals in the world that takes place in Germany every spring. After the presentation join anthropology faculty and students for sausage pizza and n.a. beer, and learn about what you can do with a degree in anthropology.

For questions, contact skoczenk1@southernct.edu.

Hosted by: Division of Student Affairs Themed Weeks, Major & Career Exploration Week

"Mi Gente, Mi Familia, Mis Amigos": Student, Staff & Faculty Mentorship Connection

1:30pm - 2:30pm

Engleman Hall - Room B121

The Multicultural Center staff proudly invites the Southern community and allies to come meet and network with Latinx/Hispanic students, faculty, and staff with the intention of building long-lasting relationships for our BIPOC students. Meet ALAS(Advancing Latino/a/e/xs at Southern) and learn about their work and priorities supporting the Latinx community. Light refreshments will be provided.

Sponsored by ALAS(Advancing Latino/a/e/xs at Southern) and the Multicultural Center

Field Hockey vs University of New Haven

7:00pm - 10:00pm Jess Dow Field Streaming Video: <u>https://www.ne10now.tv/southernctowls/</u>

Thursday, October 5

Administrative Enrichment Series: Student Support

10:00am

Pinciaro Room (EN A208)

Join Jules Tetreault, Chris Piscitelli, and Jenna Retort as they discuss the various support services and resources that Student Affairs offers our students.

The Administrative Enrichment Series is a collection of workshops, lectures, and activities designed to create connection, enrich work lives, and provide learning opportunities to staff at Southern.

Register here

Swap Shop Open House

1:00pm - 3:00pm TE-8 The Swap Shop is a FREE office supply reuse store for faculty and staff. Donations are welcome but not necessary in order to shop. Be sure to bring your ink/toner numbers for additional savings!

International Scholar Meet & Greet

3:00pm - 4:00pm School of Business - Common Room Stop by and welcome Visiting Scholars for the AY 2023-2024. Hosted by the Global Education Advisory Committee & the Interdisciplinary Studies program. Free and open to all. Refreshments will be served.

Friday, October 6

Community Garden Work Party

9:00am - 2:00pm Community Garden Come down to the Community Garden behind Davis Hall and get some experience with everything garden! If it's raining, email us at <u>sustainability@southernct.edu</u>. Hosted by: Sustainability Office

Faculty Mentoring Circle: AI-Part I

10:00am - 11:00am

Buley Library - Room 219

Please join the Faculty Mentoring Circle for the first in a three-part discussion series on the use of AI in academic life. This month's discussion will be facilitated by Melanie Savelli of the Department of Communication, Media, and Screen Studies. The Circle is a wonderful opportunity for colleagues to mentor and be mentored, regardless of status. The Circle meets formally six times over the course of the academic year. Each gathering features discussions facilitated by faculty and/or staff who are informative on themes generated by Circle members. Circle members are also encouraged to be in contact outside of on-campus meetings.

<u>RSVP here</u>

Celebration of Excellence

12:00pm - 2:00pm Adanti Student Center - Ballroom Annual recognition of faculty who have received awards over the previous year

Shabbat!

4:30pm Adanti Student Center - Room 236 Repeats weekly (to Dec 1) Join us in the new interfaith space on Fridays during the semester for Hillel's Shabbat celebration! Refreshments will be provided. Open to all students, faculty, and staff

Volleyball vs Assumption University

6:00pm - 8:00pm Pelz Gymnasium Streaming Video: <u>https://www.ne10now.tv/southernctowls/</u>

Footloose

8:00pm - 10:30pm

Lyman Center, Main Stage

The opening performance of *Footloose* at Lyman Center on Friday, Oct. 6th is free for all students to attend. *Footloose* is a 1998 musical based on the 1984 film of the same name. It tells the story of Ren McCormack, a teenager from Chicago who moves to a small town, where he attempts to overturn the ban on dancing instituted by the efforts of a local minister. Directed and choreographed by Larry Nye. Music direction by Jill Brunelle.

Performed and run by all students: theatre majors, minors, Crescent Players, and more exploring and training for a professional career in the performing arts.

Tickets: lymancenter.org

Saturday, October 7

Field Hockey vs Saint Anselm College

1:00pm - 4:00pm Jess Dow Field Streaming Video: <u>https://www.ne10now.tv/southernctowls/</u>

Women's Soccer vs Assumption University - Senior Day

4:00pm - 6:00pm Jess Dow Field Streaming Video: <u>https://www.ne10now.tv/southernctowls/</u>

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Tickets: lymancenter.org



Dear Students,

SAVE THE DATE! The Undergraduate Open House is right around the corner, just two months away!

→Saturday, November 11th – 9:30am to 1:00pm (Please note that this date coincides with Veterans Day).

Are you a dedicated student looking to make a positive impact on our campus community?

We invite you to join us as a **volunteer**, where your presence can truly shape how our visitors experience Southern and influence their decision to apply and enroll.

VOLUNTEER FORM

Help us showcase "Southern hospitality" – the positivity, care and excellence that Southern is known for!

Your commitment as a volunteer can significantly contribute to the success of our event and the future of SCSU. Thank you for your dedication to our community!

We look forward to working together to create memorable experiences for our visitors! Submit your volunteer interest

here - by Friday, November 4th

Questions? Please contact Nick Gleifert, event coordinator, at gleifertn1@southernct.edu or x2-6477.

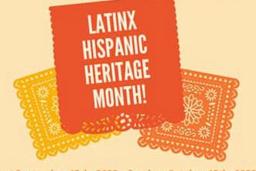


Each year from September 15 through October 15, Hispanic and Latino Americans celebrate the contributions and cultures of Hispanic Americans, whose heritage can be traced to Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America. September 15 is significant as the anniversary of independence for Latin American countries Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence on September 16 and September 18, respectively. The celebration extends into October to mark "El Dia de La Raza" or "Day of the Race," which celebrates the Heritage of Latin America and all the ethnic and cultural influences that make it distinctive.

Southern celebrates National Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month this year with a variety of events, including music, discussions, movie, food, and dance.

See the full schedule of events on the SCSU website here.

OUTHERN CELEBRATES September 15th thru October 15th, 2023



Friday, September 15th, 2023 - Sunday, October 15th, 2023 Buley Library First Floor Exhibit Case | Open during Library hours Buley Library Celebrates Latinx/Hispanic Heritage Month Visit Buley Librarys first floor exhibit case during library hours for a display of resources that represent Hispanic culture and heritage.

Nednesday, September 20th, 2023 Buley Library Patio | 12:00pm - 2:00pm

Fiesta Latina 2023 Enjoy southern style piña coladas and experience Latin music through a mix of salsa, merengue, bachata, Latin jazz, reggaeton and Latin pop played by our guest

Tuesday, September 26th, 2023

Residence Life Quad | 8:30pm Movie on the Lawn: In the Heights Enjoy the film version of Lin-Manuel Miranda's award-winning Broadway musical.

Wednesday, September 27th, 2023

Adanti Student Center Ballroom | 1:00pm 15th Annual Empowering Lives: Latinos Driving Prosperity, Power, and Progress in America Chris Soto, senior advisor to U.S. Secretary of Education, shares his personal story of obstacles and triumphs that helped shape him into the leader he is today.

Wednesday, September 27th, 202

Adanti Student Center Room 309 | 7:30pm Noche de Juegos: Domino Tournament Join SIA for a domino competition to determine Southern's Domino Champion!

Thursday, September 28th, 2023

Adanti Student Center Theater | 12:00pm - 1:00pm Bridging Cultural and Social Differences for Indigenous Health in Peru

The school of nursing reports back on the study abroad program to Cusco, Peru. Learn more about this exciting summer service-learning experience.

Monday, October 2nd, 2023

Adanti Student Center Room 301 | 5:00pm - 6:00pm Movie & Discussion of West Side Story Join OLAS for a movie screening and discussion conversation on West Side Story.

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Adanti Student Center Room 301 | 5:00pm - 6:00pm

Sabor y Saber: Celebrating LGBTQ+ Latinx/Hispanic Voices The SAGE Center presents a dynamic panel featuring drag queens, faculty, and staff for a discussion that shines a spotlight on the intersectionality of Latinx and LGBTO+ identities.

Wednesday, October 4th, 2023

Engleman Hall Room B121 | 12:30pm - 1:30pm Mi Gente, Mi Familia, Mis Amigos: Student, Staff, and Faculty Mentorship Connection

Connect with fellow Latinx/Hispanic students, faculty, and staff in this networking opportunity for our BIPOC community members.

ednesday, October 4th, 202

Adanti Student Center Room 202 | 6:00pm Cena a las Seis

Join MCC and ALAS for our Latin cuisine "dinner at six" with featured host Dr. Rafeal Hernandez, Chair for the Department of World Languages and Literature who will share his personal story and tips on how to navigate life's obstacles.

Wednesday, October 4th, 202 Adanti Student Center Room 309 | 7:00pm

Papel Picado Workshop: A Mexican Folk Art Tradition Papel picado translates to perforated paper. SIA will teach you the history of this traditional Mexican folk art and have you practice making your own!

Thursdayday, October 12th, 20

Connecticut Hall Main Dining | 11:00am - 2:00pm

A Taste of Latin America Enjoy a Latin inspired lunch for \$10.00 at Conn Hall in honor of Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month. Savor foods from different Latin countries and embrace Latin culture with members from the MCC and OLAS.

Tuesday, October 17th, 2023

Adanti Student Center Room 301 | 12:00pm An Afternoon with Roberto Alfaro: No Dream is Too

Big To dream! Local author Robert Alfaro discusses his book, Fighting Through the Hurdles of My Life: A Memoir and tells his story of survival, heartbreak, and redemption.

Thursday, October 26th, 2023

Adanti Student Center Ballroom | 8:00pm - 12:00am Noche de Gala

Join OLAS at their annual semi-formal! Come and enjoy a night of Hispanic foods and dancing to a variety of music as we pay tribute to and honor Latin culture! Funds raised from this event will benefit scholarships for incoming Latino students.



Title IX and Sexual Misconduct Reporting

Dear Southern Student,

At Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU), we are committed to creating a community where individuals are treated with dignity, respect, civility, kindness, and compassion. Your health and safety are a top priority! In line with this mission, we comply with Title IX of the Education Amendment of 1972 which prohibits sex discrimination including acts of sexual harassment/misconduct at educational institutions. Acts of sexual misconduct (sexual harassment, sexual assault, intimate partner violence, sexual exploitation, and stalking) are a violation of Southern Connecticut State University policies, as well as state and federal law. We encourage you to report any incidents of sexual misconduct and/or utilize the support and advocacy services available to you. (click links below to access respective policies)

https://www.ct.edu/files/pdfs/5.2%20SexualMisconductReportingSuppMeasuresProcesses.pdf

https://www.ct.edu/files/pdfs/4.11%20-%20Statement%20of%20Title%20IX%20Policy.pdf

https://inside.southernct.edu/sites/default/files/a/inside-southern/diversity/T-IX-Grievance-Procedures.pdf

https://www.ct.edu/files/pdfs/2.1%20StudentCodeofConduct.pdf

RESPONSIBLE EMPLOYEES

All employees, including faculty, staff and administrators, are responsible employees and are required to report disclosures or reports of sexual misconduct except for those University employees in our Health Center and Counseling Center. This means that when you report or disclose information regarding sexual misconduct to a responsible employee they will need to report this to the University's Title IX Coordinator. The University Advocate will then be contacted and provide you with information including supportive services, reporting options, and your Title IX rights.

Please note that if you are under the age of eighteen (18) the Title IX Coordinator must contact the Connecticut Department of Children and Families to inform them of the alleged situation involving sexual misconduct.

FORMAL REPORTING OPTIONS

University Police @ 203.392.5375 (If you wish to press criminal charges.)

Ms. Paula Rice, Title IX Coordinator @203.392.5568 ricep1@southernet.edu (If you wish to file a complaint with the university.)

Anonymous Reports, please click here http://www.southernct.edu/university-police/silent-witness.html

ADVOCACY & SUPPORT SERVICES

•University Victim Advocate - 203-392-6946 office • 203-687-1252 cell

•Violence Prevention, Victim Advocacy and Support Center (VPAS) 203-392-6946

• University Police 203-392-5375 or 911

•Title IX Coordinator Paula Rice 203-392-5568

•Office of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion 203-392-5491

•Office of the Dean of Students and Student Conduct 203-392-6188

•Human Resources: (for student employees) 203-392-5405

•Multicultural Center 203-392-5879

•Interfaith Office 203-392-5331

•Sexuality and Gender Equality Center (SAGE) 203-392-8989

Confidential Support Services

SCSU Counseling Center @ (203)392-5475

SCSU Health Center @ (203)392-6300

Women & Families Center@1-888-999-5545, 24/7

The Umbrella Center for Domestic Violence Services @ (203)789-8104, 24/7

To learn more about reporting options and advocacy, support services, students' rights (including rights of pregnant/parenting students) please click here <u>Students' Rights | Southern Connecticut State University (southernct.edu)</u>

Support and Resource Team

Southern Connecticut State University's Support and Resource Team (SART) is designed to provide a collaborative victimcentered team response to survivors of sexual misconduct. The SART members can connect a survivor to many supportive options including counseling, medical attention, judicial services, advocacy, law enforcement, referrals, and general information regarding sexual misconduct and intimate partner violence. A complete list of SCSU Support and Resource team (SART) members is available at <u>https://www.southernct.edu/vpas/sart.html</u>.

Prevention Education and Awareness Programs

The University understands the importance of prevention education and is committed to providing you with ongoing education through its prevention programming and awareness campaigns. It is with this purpose we offer numerous educational opportunities for you including a required online course, *Not Anymore*. At the beginning of the fall semester all students were informed of the requirements to complete an initial or refresher module of the *Not Anymore* course. Individual emails were sent to all students with instructions on how to access the training. Reminder emails will be sent to students who still need to complete this requirement.

Educational information and programming that are related to prevention, bystander intervention, rape culture, and more are also provided throughout the academic year. Please visit the Violence Prevention, Victim Advocacy and Support Center (VPAS) events page <u>https://www.southernct.edu/vpas/events.html</u> for a complete list of programs.

Be Informed: Know Your Campus Crime Report

We want you to be informed of the number of incidences of sexual misconduct and intimate partner violence reported to the University. Click here to view the entire Uniform Campus Crime and Safety Report https://inside.southernct.edu/university-police/clery-report

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Resources

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

Residence Life- <u>https://inside.southernct.edu/residence-life</u>, 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.

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

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/ .