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Dear Parents and Families,

We hope you are all well!

In this email you will find:

1. Message from the Director of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement
2. Email from the Center of Academic Success and Accessibility Services to students with a D, F or Incomplete.
3. Email from the Registrar's Office- Course Registration
4. Thanksgiving Break Residence Halls Closing
5. Housing for the Spring Semester (for families of commuter students)
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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- As we shared last week, students can access their mid-term grades via Bannerweb (https://inside.southernct.edu/advising/resources/videos). Below you will see a sample email that our Center of Academic Success and Accessibility Services sends to all students who have a D, F or Incomplete as a mid-term grade. This is only one of the ways we, as an institution, attempt to connect and engage with students to support them in finding academic success. Professors, offices, advisors, supervisors, coaches, residence hall staff members, and so many others will do their best to check in with students to offer support. We ask you, as family members, to encourage your students to engage us. We want to see students succeed! Too often students struggle and wait until they've fallen too far behind. It is valiant that students want to be independent but as well all know from experience, sometimes we all need just a little help to find our way.

Course Registration for the Spring 2024- Seniors began registering for the Spring 2024 courses yesterday! 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.

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 students with a D, F or Incomplete received from the Center of Academic Success and Accessibility Services. This email has been modified. The emails students receive are individualized.

Hello (Student Name).
I hope you are doing well! I am reaching out from the Center for Academic Success and Accessibility Services (CASAS) regarding your midterm grade of **(specific grade)** for **(specific course).**

With midterm grades being released, we know that this can bring feelings of stress and anxiety. Let us support you! We can provide **academic success coaching and course-based tutoring** to help give you the strategies and tools to finish the semester strong.
To make a coaching or course-based tutoring appointment:
1) Log into MySCSU
2) Select the "EAB Navigate" app
3) Click "Make an Appointment" on your right
4) Select "Center for Academic Success and Accessibility"
5) Select "Course Based Tutoring" or "Peer/Professional Coaching"
6) Then, select a date and time that works best for you. If you are doing course-based tutoring, select the course you need support with.
It is not too late in the semester, however, it is *crucial* that you take the next steps to ensure you are finishing the semester strongly!
Here are the next steps you can be taking:

- Make a tutoring/coaching appointment with our center as soon as possible.
- Connect with your professors to see how you can improve your grade in the course.
- Create an academic plan moving forward (CASAS can help!)

If you don't know where to start or have met with me before, you can (make an appointment with a CASAS Staff Member)

Center for Academic Success and Accessibility Services (CASAS)
Southern Connecticut State University | Buley Library, 3rd Floor

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Email from the Registrar

Hi Owls,

Winter and Spring class registration opens Monday!

- Winter opens October 30, 2023 (All Students)
- Spring opens October 30, 2023 (Graduates and Post-baccalaureates)
- Spring opens October 31, 2023 (Seniors)
- Spring opens November 6, 2023 (Juniors)
- Spring opens November 8, 2023 (Sophomores)
- Spring opens November 13, 2023 (Continuing Freshmen)

Students register at specific times on these dates, look up your date and time here.

Next, be sure you are prepared to register with the Registration Checklist. This helpful tool will guide you through how to plan your schedule, obtain your pin, and verify that you do not have any holds preventing registration.

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. You will receive an email from your major department or advisor explaining their procedure.

- If you are a **freshman in your first semester**, you will meet individually with your INQ instructor or assigned First-Year Advisor 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 advisor for course registration advising and to receive your registration PIN number.

- If you have been not contacted by your advisor/department (*Who is my advisor?*), please contact your advisor or the department chairperson for your major directly.

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

Information Regarding Thanksgiving Break Residence Halls Closing

Dear Resident Student,
The holiday season is upon us!
The Residence Halls will be closing for Thanksgiving break at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21st, 2023. The residence halls will re-open on Sunday, November 26th, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

We understand that students may have class after 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 21st. **If you need to remain on campus for an evening class or an extenuating circumstance please email your Residence Hall Director by Friday, November 17th at 4:30 p.m**. Students with extenuating circumstances are eligible to stay on campus until 11:00 p.m. and will not be billed during this time. Please include your name, ID number, 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. Student access to the residence halls will be turned off.
For an additional fee, the Office of Residence Life offers students the option to remain on campus or return early during Thanksgiving Break.
Please see below for the available break housing option at an additional cost:

- • **Late Check-Out:** Stay the night on Tuesday, November 21st, and leave before noon on Wednesday, November 22nd (the fee for this option is $40).
- • ***Entire Break**: Tuesday, November 21st through Sunday, November 26th (the fee for this option is $200.00).
- • **Return Early**: Arrive on campus on Sunday, November 26th between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. (the fee for this option is $40).

*Unfortunately, we do not offer a partial stay during the Thanksgiving Break. If you need to remain on campus for any part of the break (except the late checkout and early return) you will be billed $200.00 for the entire break.
You must complete the Thanksgiving Break Housing Application. **The deadline to request to stay during break is noon on Friday, November 17th, 2023.**
To reach the application:

- • Log in to your Banner Student account.
- • Select “MyHousing”
- • Next to the Residence Life logo in the top left-hand corner, click on the three lines.
- • Select "Applications".
- • Click “Thanksgiving Break Housing Request”.

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

- • Take home any valuables or anything that you will need (such as medications) 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 of November 27th, 2023. 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 or send us an email at reslife@southernct.edu. We are open Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
We hope you all have a restful and relaxing Thanksgiving break and best wishes for the remainder of the semester!
Sincerely,
The Office of Residence Life

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*

Information Regarding Housing for the Spring Semester for Commuter Students

Hello Owl,

We hope your fall semester is going well! We wanted to let you know that the housing application and deposits for the Spring 2024 academic semester are now available. It's a great opportunity to live on campus for a semester and take advantage of all the amazing things we offer, especially during the cold winter months ahead!

Life on Southern's campus begins in the residence halls. Click here to watch more!

How to apply and pay your deposit:

- Go to your BannerWeb account through MySCSU.
- Click on Student Services.
- Select MyHousing.
- Click on the "Applications" tab.
- Select "Spring Housing Application and Deposit" from the drop-down menu.
- Complete the application and pay your non-refundable $250 Housing Deposit.

Important Information you need to know:

- The $250.00 housing deposit is non-refundable. By depositing, you agree to the academic year housing agreement contract terms. To view a copy, please click here.
- The deposit must be paid online with a credit card through the MyHousing.
- To be eligible to participate in the room selection process, housing deposits are due by 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, November 28, 2023.
- You must participate in room selection on Friday, December 1st, 2023, to select a room for the Spring 2024 semester.

- Upon submission of the housing deposit, you will have until 11:59 p.m. on November 30, 2023, to cancel your contract.
- After November 30, 2023, you are financially bound to the terms and conditions of the housing contract for the entire spring semester and the housing contract cannot be canceled to reside off campus during the contract term.
- Watch your Southern email account and MyHousing for more information regarding the room selection process and more!

Why live on campus? That's easy...

- It's convenient.
- There are no hidden costs.
- You get furnished rooms.
- Utilities are included.
- Access to academic and health resources Access to residence life staff paraprofessional and professional staff Access to amenities such as volleyball and basketball courts.
- Video game rooms.
- Computer labs.
- Printing stations.
- Access to many diverse types of programming in and out of the halls.
- Interaction with peers and friends.

The list goes on...

As always, should you have any questions regarding the housing deposit or the housing contract, please feel free to contact our office at (203) 392-5870 or send us an email at reslife@southernct.edu. We are open Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

We hope you consider living on campus!

Sincerely,

The Office of Residence Life

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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?fbclid=IwAR1sTtbXODwnV3QixzKk4KcsMw4rMXo2c4VasAlAndGGQewphMqSK3TnCNs**

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.