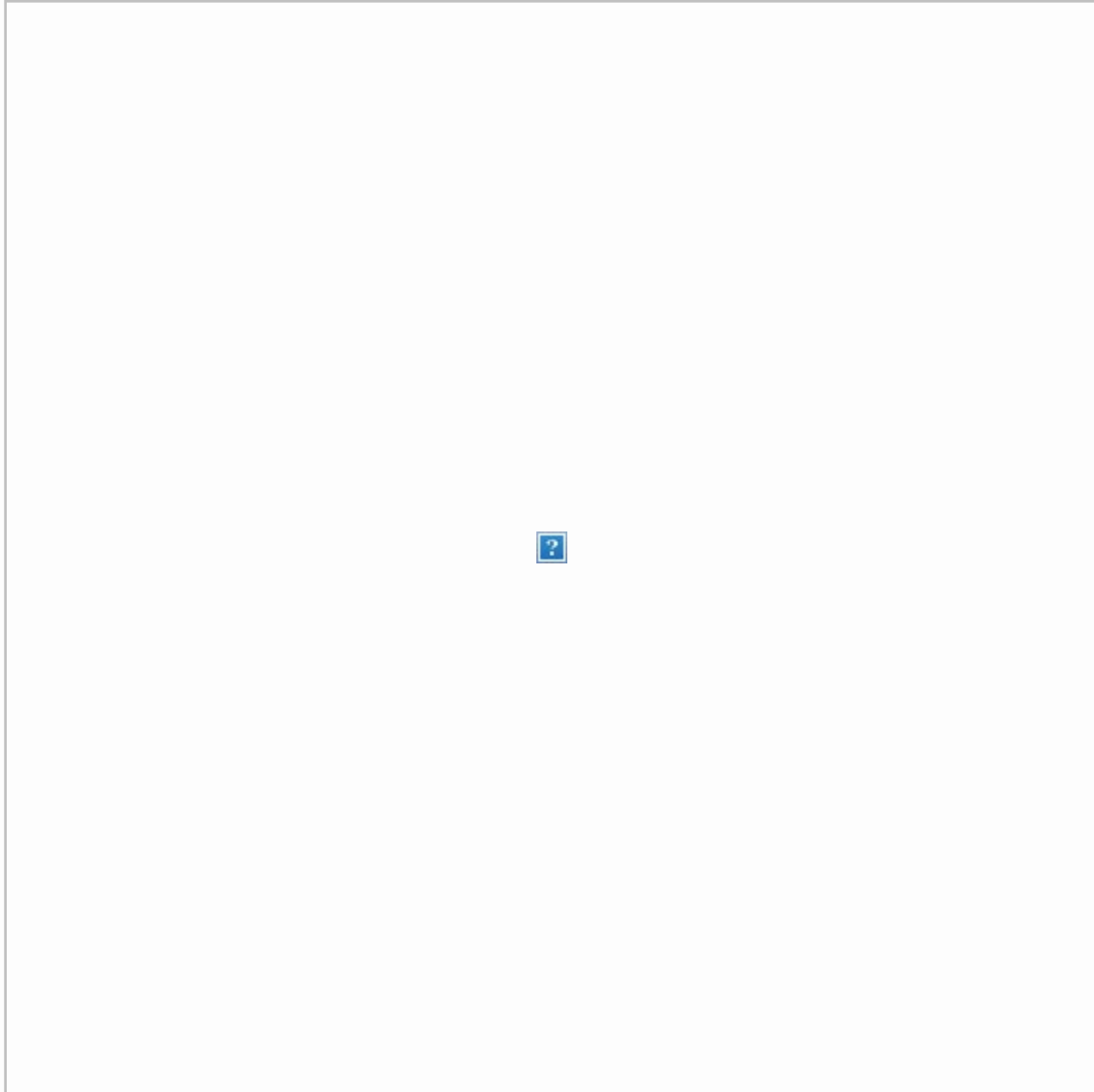


From: [Sal Rizza, Director of OTEE](#)
To: [Rizza, Salvatore A.](#)
Subject: Owl Family Update: Week 4
Date: Monday, September 16, 2024 3:26:18 PM



Family Update: September 16, 2024

One Month Down

This email contains the following:

- Message from the Director of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement
 - Weekly Feature
 - Financial Literacy Week
 - Bronze Leadership
 - News and Notes
 - FERPA Guidelines
 - This week at Southern
 - SCSU Resources
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Dear Families,

This week will bring the close to the first month of the semester. Time goes by so quickly! Twelve weeks will remain and I think this is an ideal time to have a meaningful conversation with your students. Consider asking the following...

Has the start of the semester been the best possible?

I like to start with this because if the answer is "yes," I like to follow up with asking what specifically has been going well, why, and how can they continue? I also like to ask what challenges they foresee and what excites them most. If the answer is "no," I like to follow up with asking for specifics, what they wish they had done differently, and how they can change the trajectory of the rest of the semester so that when asked again, they can get closer to a "yes."

Recently on the Family Facebook page I noticed many questions regarding Residence Life, Advising, and about resources available. I posted a mid-week update that while we have staff that sometimes respond to questions, the page's primary purpose is for families to connect, share information and offer support to each other. We are all here to help but we do our best when we can connect with your students directly. **Please encourage your students to ask questions and utilize the resources available to them!** We want to support you all! We want to hear from you! We share the same goals in helping students achieve their goals and find success. One of those goals is for students to become independent and autonomous as they prepare for their futures.

Sibling Night- This year's Sibling Night will be Friday, October 4th from 6pm to 9pm. The Residence Hall Association (RHA) will be kicking off Homecoming weekend with our annual Sibling Night on Friday, October 4th, 2024. Siblings, cousins, and friends are invited to Southern to spend the some time with their favorite owl on campus. This is for siblings of residents and commuter students! For details

and to register [click here](#).

Please complete this and all registration forms by 10:00 pm, Monday, September 30, 2024.

Lastly, Parent and Family Day- This year's Parent and Family Day will be Saturday ,October 5th. One of the questions on Facebook was in regarding student registration- Students **ONLY** need to register if they are attending the breakfast in the morning. It will be \$20 for them as well.

[More information.](#)

[Homecoming and Family Day events.](#)

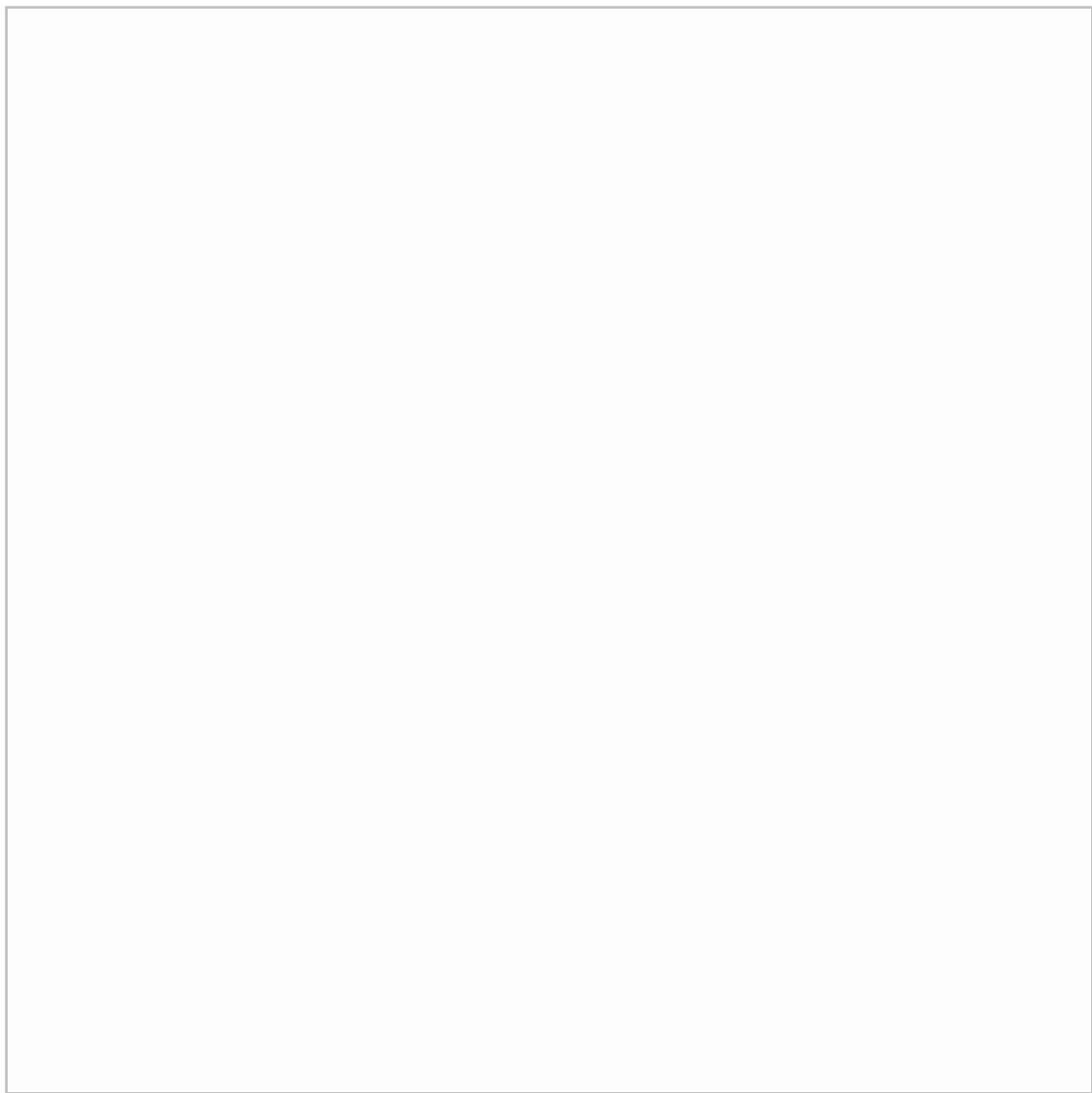
[Register now!](#)

Please know that our office is her to support not only students, but all of you! If we can be of support, please reach out to us.

Sincerely,

Sal Rizza

Director of Orientation, Transition & Family Engagement



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1:30pm - 3:00pm

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Southern Connecticut State University Celebrates **Hispanic / Latine Heritage Month. Click [HERE](#) to view all upcoming events!**

Bronze Leadership

Information shared with students from the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development...

The **Bronze Leadership Certificate Program** is a year-long experience designed for students like you who are ready to dive into leadership opportunities on campus. Whether you see yourself applying to be a Resident Advisor, a Peer Mentor, running a student organization, the captain of your athletic team or stepping up in your future career, this program is the first step to make that happen.

What's in it for you? You'll build skills in:

- **Communication**
- **Critical thinking**
- **Equity and inclusion**
- **Leadership**
- **Career development**

This program is all about setting you up for future leadership roles - whether that's on campus during your time here, or out in the world after you graduate. Plus, you'll get to connect with other students who are just as excited about leadership as you are, and there are chances to shadow current campus leaders if you want to see what those roles are really like.

Interested? Here's how to get started:

- Attend a Bronze Leadership Kickoff meeting to learn more about the program and ask questions. This is not required but highly encouraged!
 - Thursday, September 19th @ 4PM - 5PM in ASC 217
 - Monday, September 23rd @ 1PM - 2PM in ASC 301

- Apply to the Bronze Leadership Certificate Program [HERE](#). Once you apply, you will receive additional information via a welcome email!

If you're ready to make your mark and start your leadership journey, we'd love to see you in the Bronze Leadership Program. Don't wait - this is your chance to get ahead! For any questions, please reach out to Talia Lent at lentt1@southernct.edu.





Email from the Registrar's Office...

Hi Owls,

This is an important notice about your education record and your rights as a student. Southern Connecticut State University is committed to protecting your education records under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). For full details on our FERPA policy, please visit the [Student Records website](#) and look for the FERPA section.

As an annual reminder, you have the following rights regarding your education records:

- **Inspect and review** your education records.

- **Request an amendment** to your education records.
- **Request that your directory information** be withheld from public disclosure.

If you wish to withhold your directory information from public disclosure, please visit the [Student Records website](#) and find the Directory Information section for the full policy and request form.

Additionally, you can authorize the release of your student record information to a parent, guardian, or other third party. To do this:

- Log into [Banner Student](#).
- Go to Records and Registration.
- Select Authorization to Release Records (if viewing on a cell phone, check Additional Links).
- Click Add a New Designee.
- Select Financial, Academic, or Both types of information.
- Set a 4-digit Authorization Code (this code will be required by the designee to discuss your records).
- Enter Parent/Guardian/Third Party Information.
- Save.

You can revoke access at any time by following the same steps.

Regards,

The Registrar's Office

Southern Connecticut State University

Hours: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Tel: 203-392-5301



Every Monday students receive an email with many (almost all) of the events happening on campus. Here is a sampling (not the full email)

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[Trip Alert](#)

New Haven Pizza Tour

Friday, September 20th

6:00pm - 9:00pm

New Haven Pizza Tour

Downtown New Haven

Join us for the ultimate pizza adventure in Downtown New Haven! Gather your friends and embark on a culinary journey through the city's renowned pizzerias and taste the unique flavors from each location. Whether you're a fan of the classic margherita or a creative topping enthusiast, this pizza tour promises a deliciously unforgettable experience.

This is a RSVP event! Secure your spot starting on Monday, September 16th at 1:00PM on OwlConnect by clicking [HERE](#) (link will not work until 1:00pm)

Sponsored by: Programs Council

[Monday, September 16th](#)

11:00am - 2:00pm

Hispanic & Latine Heritage Month Kickoff

Buley Library Patio

Come and enjoy an afternoon filled with Latin American-inspired cuisine, culture, and music to celebrate the start of National Hispanic/Latine Heritage Month.

Sponsored by: The Multicultural Center, The Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Organization of Latin American Students (OLAS), Hermandad de Sigma Iota Alpha, Inc., Latin American and Caribbean Studies (LACS), the Caribbean Student Association (CSA), Advancing Latino/a/e/xs at Southern (ALAS)

8:00pm - 9:00pm

Guess the Theme Song

Online [CLICK HERE](#)

Event Password: ProCon2024!

You think you know your favorite TV show...?! Then come and join ProCon for a musical night of virtual guess that theme song. Listen carefully for your favorite tunes and be the fastest to click the song to have a chance to win some fantastic prizes!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

[Tuesday, September 17th](#)

6:00pm

The Secrets to Happiness: Discovering the Science of Wellbeing with Dr. Laurie Santos - Register [HERE](#)

The Lyman Center

Join us for an inspiring and insightful evening with Dr. Laurie Santos, the renowned professor of psychology at Yale University and creator of the globally popular course The Science of Well-Being. Dr. Santos is also the host of the hit

podcast The Happiness Lab, which explores the science behind happiness and how we can lead more fulfilling lives. This event is free to all but registration is required!

Sponsored by: The Wellbeing Center and the Lyman Center

Wednesday, September 18th

10:00am - 2:00pm

GYT: Express Testing

Granoff Hall - Health Services

Come down to Student Health Services to get STD tested. Available to all students, appointments are recommended and can be made by clicking [HERE](#). Walk-ins are also available!

Sponsored by: Student Health Services

12:00pm - 5:00pm

Blood Drive

Engleman Hall Room B121

In partnership with The American Red Cross, we invite you to our upcoming blood drive. Give blood, help save lives. Your donation can make a significant impact on the lives of those in need.

Go to RedCrossBlood.org and use Sponsor Code SCSUNH to make an appointment.

Sponsored by: The Wellbeing Center, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and The American Red Cross

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4:00pm - 7:00pm

Field Hockey vs. Franklin Pierce University

Jess Dow Field

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7:00pm - 9:00pm

Men's Soccer vs. Queens College

Jess Dow Field

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Thursday, September 19th

8:30am - 10:30am

Good Morning Commuters

Adanti Student Center Room 217

Looking for a nutritious and delicious breakfast? Commuter Services has your back! Join us every Thursday for breakfast sandwiches.

Sponsored by: Commuter Services

11:00am - 1:00pm

Red Flag Campaign

Engleman Rotunda

Stop by Buley Patio to join V.P.A.S. in making red or green flags in a relationship, while enjoying free goodies and learning about healthy and unhealthy signs in a relationship!

Sponsored by: Violence Prevention, Victim Advocacy and Support Center (V.P.A.S.)

12:00pm - 1:00pm

PB & J Thursday

Engleman Hall Room B121

Head to the breezeway outside Engleman B121 for ProCon's PB&J Thursday! We are your lunch providers every Thursday as we provide snacks, drinks, and most importantly, PB&J sandwiches!

Sponsored by: Programs Council

4:00pm - 5:00pm

Bronze Leadership Certificate Program Kickoff Meeting - RSVP [HERE](#)

Adanti Student Center Room 217

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Sponsored by: The Office of Student Involvement and Leadership Development

7:00pm - 9:00pm

Residence Hall Association's R&B Night: Aux Battle & Paint and Sip

Residence Life Quad

Come enjoy a chill night of R&B vibes, there's something here for everyone! Eat some food, enjoy some vibes and paint the night away!

Sponsored by: Residence Hall Association

Friday, September 20th

9:00am - 4:30pm

DEI Annual Conference - Register [HERE](#)

Adanti Student Center

The Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is looking forward to our second annual DEI conference to help kick off the 2024-2025 academic year! All students, faculty, staff, and administrators are more than welcome to register.

Sponsored by: The Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Saturday, September 21st

1:00pm - 4:00pm

Field Hockey vs. American International College

Jess Dow Field

Cheer on the Southern Owls as they take on American International College!

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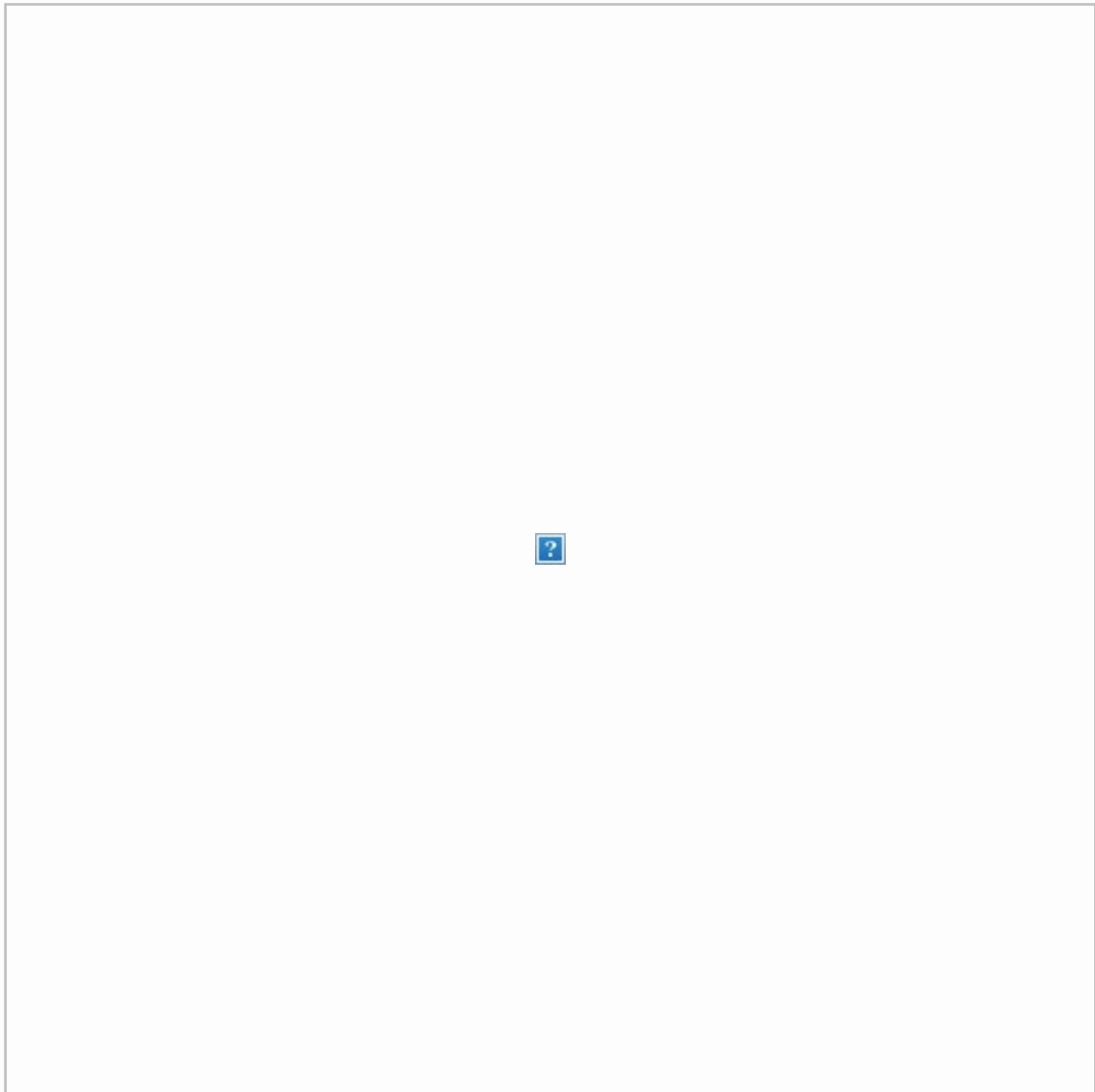
4:00pm - 6:00pm

Women's Soccer vs. Adelphi University

Jess Dow Field

Cheer on the Southern Owls as they take on Adelphi University!

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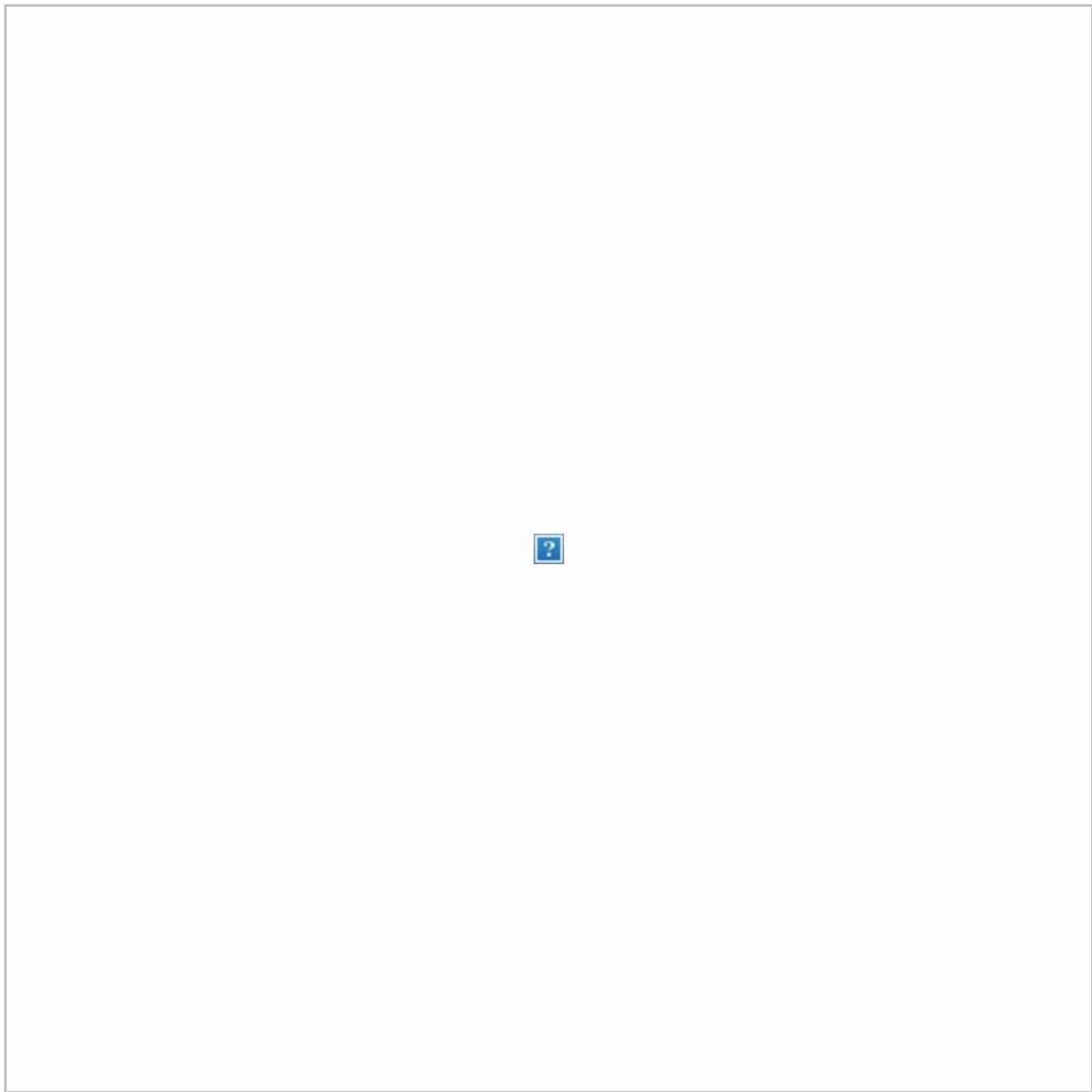


Helpful Links- these are a number of helpful links that we have gathered specifically for parents/families that will be helpful now and in the future.

Resources- these is another general page filled with links that may be helpful!

Residence Life- with so many questions regarding residence life, this may be a great place to find information!

Advising- information regarding academic advising.



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