Hey Slugs! We hope that the quarter has been fun and successful for you so far. We are so excited to bring you our second newsletter of the winter quarter with filled with resources, activities, and employment opportunities around campus. We encourage you to visit our website to learn more about our team, access parent resources, and to check out the events and opportunities for first generation students.

Visit Our Website!

FGI Team Spotlight

Erick Martinez (he/him/his)
Porter College | Psychology & Economics Double Major

Erick is a fourth-year undergraduate student who is pursuing a Psychology and Economics double major. He is an undergraduate research intern for the First Generation Initiative in the Student Success Educational Equity Research Center. Read More

FGI Team Spotlight

Amaris Trujillo (she/her/hers)
Cowell College | Psychology & Legal Studies Double Major

Amaris is a third year
Alumni Spotlight

Adilah Barnes (Cowell '72, Individual Major in Black Theater, Theater Arts Department)

An award-winning actor with over 50 years of film, television, and stage credits, Adilah Barnes is probably best known to television audiences for her role as Anne Marie on ABC's Roseanne for six seasons.

Read More

2021 Remote Learning Resources

Quick tips for Remote Success

1. Attend virtual office hours with your Professors and Teaching Assistants: Building relationships with staff will help your success in the long-run.
2. Get Involved in Student Groups: Look into student...
Check out these resources to help you answer any concerns you may have regarding Canvas, Zoom, Internet Access, Tutoring, or even staying motivated! We even have a student-led network where you can receive help from a fellow slug!

Remote Learning Resources

Upcoming Events

RACIAL JUSTICE BOOK CLUBS

Sign up to participate in a student and staff co-facilitated affinity based Racial Justice Book Club. The goal is to build knowledge and skills for activism and community. There will also be project planning for a campus wide Racial Justice event for Spring Quarter. Get involved by applying today!

Applications are due by February 8th

Attend the STEM UG
Research Opportunities Workshop

The event will cover how to find programs (both on and off campus) related to STEM research. Diana Lizzarraga will cover how to apply to research positions. Mrs. Lizzarraga will also share some important take aways from the four STEM UG research experiences. (Pathology, Animal Genetics, Geographic Information Systems, Primatology, and STEM Education).

Lastly, there will be a discussion about two CAL NERDS programs that will be recruiting students this semester: UC LEADS & NSF CAMP.

RSVP and Attended the live Zoom event on Monday, February 1st at Noon!

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Sign up for the Self and Emotions Daily Study

Want to make $10 and enter for a chance to win a $50 Amazon gift card? Sign up to take these short daily surveys about your emotional experiences through the Psychology department.

Please fill out the short 1 minute form linked below to sign up and get started!

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Attend the STARS (Services for Transfer and Re-Entry Students) Winter Drop-ins

STARS is a great resources for Transfer and Re-entry students. STARS encourages transfer and re-
entry students to chat with their Transition Mentors about time management, self-advocacy, important dates and deadlines, and more.

Winter Drop-In Hours: Monday-Thursday from 3-6 pm

Email: starpeer@ucsc.edu

Apply to the STARS Transition Mentorship Program

Are you a...
~ Transparent person open to communication while maintaining strict confidentiality abiding by FERPA regulations.
~ Time management oriented person with organization skills.
~ Active listener with compassion and without judgement.
~ Person Interested in Issues particular to the transfer and re-entry student population

Apply to be a STARS Transition Mentor, starting at $16 an hour!
Application can be found on UCSC Career Center Portal

Help us choose our 2020-2021 First Gen Sticker!

We are in the process of designing some awesome new stickers for laptops and water bottles this year. Please take a minute to fill out the survey below and help us choose the sticker UCSC students want and need to up our First Gen swag!

We Want to Hear Your Story!
Calling all First Generation Students and First Generation Supporters

If you are a first generation student or not we want to hear from you! If you would like to be featured on our Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter send in a picture of yourself and a paragraph talking about either what it means to be a first generation student to you or why you support first generation students. DM us your picture and paragraph @ucscfirstgen to be featured. We are also looking for first gen students that we can feature on our website to tell their stories about being first generation students and what it means to them. If you would like to be featured on the website fill out the google form attached.

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