Hey Slugs! We're officially over halfway through Spring Quarter. Check out our events section to find student-based events coming up to keep you engaged through these next few weeks. As always, we invite you to visit our social media sites in the LinkTree below. Happy Spring!

Alumni Spotlight

Ada Recinos (College Ten '15)

Ada Recinos's Salvadoran mother and grandmother were on her mind when the 26-year-old was sworn in as the city of Richmond’s youngest council member in 2017. Her grandmother raised nine children on her own, working to give them a life of freedom and education. Her mother fled her war-torn country for the U.S. at 17, looking for the same things....Read More

Student News Spotlight

UCSC achieves fair-trade status through the work of students

Ericka Elphick was a sophomore at UC Santa Cruz when friends she’d shared a hall with during her freshman year in the Porter College dorms asked if she’d join a fair-trade movement. Over the next two years, they built a team, attended conferences, hosted outreach events, and launched a grassroots campaign to highlight sustainability and social justice
UPCOMING EVENTS

Attend the Radical Resilience Training Workshops!

Join Workshop Facilitator Nikita Gupta, M.P.H., who specializes in designing and implementing Trauma Healing and Resiliency programs and initiatives. Gupta will lead three workshops and researched and designed a new online self-paced Canvas course promoting self-care, connection, mental health, and wellbeing for our campus community.

This Program includes two more, 90-minute facilitated workshops with Nikita:

Supporting Others: Thursday, May 13 (12:00 PM to 1:30 PM)
Community Care: Saturday, May 22 (10:00 AM to 11:30 AM)

You must register to participate in this workshop series. Click each link to register.
Date options for the Talking Circles range from 5/5-5/11, register for a date that works for you and automatically get a $25 Amazon Gift Card!

Register Here

Talking Circle-- Get an Amazon Gift card!

Led by a student team of first-generation researchers using our lived experiences and yours to explore topics of performative activism, educational equity, and student success on campus through student-led talking circles.

SSERC is facilitating 90 minute student-led talking circles for students who are

- UCSC enrolled undergraduates beyond their 2nd year & transfer students in their 2nd/3rd year
- People of Color
- First-generation and/or low income

This student-led space will be centered around topics of:

- student success
- performative activism
- campus messaging
- as well as your experiences accessing resources on campus

All participants will be compensated for their time with a $25 Amazon E-Gift Card!

ATTEND ALUMNI ACE LEHNER'S BOOK LAUNCH AND PANEL DISCUSSION

Ace is a First-Gen Alumni specializing in modern and contemporary art, queer and trans art history and theory, critical race studies, and the history and theory of photography. Ace's Book, Self-Representation in an Expanded Field: From Self-Portraiture to selfie, Contemporary Art in Social Media Age, explores how the selfie has facilitated self-imaging, becoming a ubiquitous part of globally networked
contemporary life. The contributing authors take interdisciplinary global perspectives to investigate how various forms of self-imaging intervene and enrich the discourse on self-representation in the expanded field today.

Attend the Book Launch and Panel Discussion with the authors on **Friday, May 15th at 4:00 pm!**

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