



# First Generation Initiative

## News, Events & Updates

**Hey Slugs! Finals are just around the corner... We got this! Be sure to help us celebrate our First-Gen Graduates as they are being featured on our website and on our social media account. See some of our grads highlighted below.**

**What are you listening to? The FGI team is putting together a Playlist for Slugs, so help us out! And, as always, we invite you to visit our social media sites in (see Linktr.ee below) to check out more information about the First-Gen graduating class of 2021 and our work.**

[Linktree](#)



[Submit Song Suggestions Here!](#)

### HELP US MAKE A SPOTIFY PLAYLIST FOR OUR SLUGS!

Hey Slugs! The First-Gen Team is compiling a Spotify playlist for slugs to discover new music, and we need your input! Whether it's tunes to study to, driving with the windows down classics, or bangers for a Post-Pandemic Party, we want to hear from you! We will be releasing a public Spotify playlist with top picks from our team and your suggestions before finals!

## Celebrating our Class of 2021 First-Gen Slugs!

**With graduation approaching, we will be featuring our very own 2020-21 first-generation graduates in the upcoming newsletters as a celebration of all their accomplishments. Check out their quotes...what it means to be a First-Gen Slugs graduating from college...**

*"Being a first-generation college student means making my family proud. Making*



*my younger cousins, nieces, and nephews realize --regardless of where we come from-- higher education is attainable. And making myself proud, because despite everything I endured I still made it. I still earned that diploma and it is mine to show off."*

**- Elizabeth Hernandez (Rachel Carson College)**



*"This has not been an easy path, but I'm super excited to graduate and be able to serve as a resource for my family and community in the future. It's important that we use our knowledge to uplift those around us and serve as mentors for those that need guidance."*

**- Angel Garcia (Stevenson College)**



*"It has been a long and hard road to get to where I am today. I owe all my accomplishments to my hard-working parents who have taught me the importance of education. Having the unlimited support from my parents made this milestone possible."*

**- Jesica Garcia Garcia (Oakes Colleges)**

Read more about our graduating First-Gen Slugs [HERE!](#)

Join us in celebrating our grads on social media by liking and commenting on our first-gen graduate posts!

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## **California Public Health Corps (CA-PHC) Training & Pathways Program**

The California Public Health Corps (CA-PHC) Training and Pathways Program, a new initiative funded by the California Department of Public Health and developed in partnership with UCSF and UCLA to build capacity to respond to public health emergencies, such as COVID-19, by training and providing a

workforce pathway for early-career public health professionals from all areas and communities across the state.

Eligible applicants for CA-PHC include individuals with: 1) At least six months of full-time communicable disease control experience; 2) At least one-year of full-time health and human services experience; OR 3) A bachelor's degree.

We are currently requesting interested applicants complete this [FORM](#) to be notified when the application is open and receive other program updates. Please note: this will be soon!



### **Exhibition explores the art of creating comfort in a year of unexpected hardship and isolation**

Twelve of UCSC's most promising artists will have their work on display in the 35th annual Irwin Scholarship exhibition, beginning June 3, at The Mary Porter Sesnon Gallery.

Titled *IRWIN 2021: Fabricating Solace*, the show explores the art of creating comfort in response to unprecedented hardships and isolation generated by the pandemic over the past year.

It includes a variety of approaches to the practice of contemporary art, including painting, printmaking, photography, sculpture, video installation, stop-motion animation, artist's books, and performance.

[Learn More](#)



### **CAPS Drop-In Group**

CAPS is offering a new drop-in program designed to provide immediate relief and practical skills!

The skills are based in the latest scientific research and will help students manage the stressors and traumatic events that we are all experiencing. (Although targeted for students, anyone can drop in).

They will be held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 12pm-12:30pm.

[Click here](#) for CAPS calendar & links.



MONDAYS  
WEDNESDAYS  
THURSDAYS

12-12:30PM

## 30-Minute Guided Relaxation

Are you  
feeling stressed  
about...

- > New changes
- > Online learning
- > Upcoming elections
- > Ongoing racialized violence
- > Wildfires
- > Covid

-Come Join Us-

- > Pause to relax the mind and body
- > Learn how we respond to stress
- > Improve focus and concentration

[CLICK HERE](#)  
For the CAPS Calendar & Links



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