



First Generation Initiative

News, Events & Updates

Welcome back Slugs! We hope you had a relaxing holiday break filled with food, family, friends, and fun. The FGI team is looking forward to a successful winter quarter. Below you can find some recent updates about the FGI and awesome virtual events to kick off your quarter. The FGI team wishes you good luck this winter and we are happy to be back!

Visit Our Website!

FGI Team Spotlight



**Jarvis Phelps (he/him/his)
College Ten/ Politics and History
Double Major**

Jarvis is a first year undergraduate student double majoring in Politics and History with plans of becoming a lawyer. He is an intern with the First Generation Initiative and Student Success Equity Research Center. [Read More](#)

FGI Team Spotlight

Laura Stroud



Kresge College | Legal Studies and Politics Double Major

Laura is a third-year student pursuing a double major in Legal Studies and Politics. She is an undergraduate intern for the Student Success Equity Research Center and the First Generation Student Initiative. [Read More](#)

Visit Our Website!



Don't Forget to Check Out the FGI Website! On our website you can learn more about our team and what we do, have access to numerous resources for first generation students and parents, and learn about news and events happening around campus.

[Visit our website!](#)

2021 Remote Learning Resources

[Quick tips for Remote Success](#)



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](#)

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 groups that are meeting virtually this semester.
3. Check out the Employee Request (ER) System: Stay up to date on internships and jobs available to students.

[UCSC Career Center \(ER System\)](#)

Upcoming Events



Visualizing Abolition Online Event: Prisons, History, and Erasure

Joanne Barker, Maria Gaspar, and Kelly Lytle Hernández join us to discuss the histories and present struggles that disappear within the labyrinthian network of prisons, jails, and detention centers in the United States.

January 19th at 4:00 pm
Registration open to all students

[Registration Link](#)

Winter Racial Justice Book Clubs Now Forming!

Interested in studying social justice in a racial affinity group?

WINTER RACIAL JUSTICE BOOK CLUBS NOW FORMING!

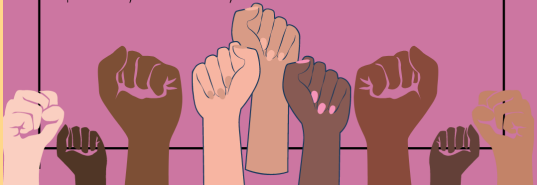
Participate in a student and staff co-facilitated affinity based Racial Justice Book Clubs during winter quarter. The goal is to build knowledge and skills for activism and accompliceship, as well as to prepare for a multi affinity group retreat and culminate the project by planning a campus wide Racial Justice event for Spring quarter!

Deadline to apply: 1/22 FRIDAY, 3PM

APPLY

<http://bit.ly/rj-bookclubs>

Questions: NormaAlicia Pina, npina@ucsc.edu or Russell Nelson, ruanelso@ucsc.edu
Sponsored by Radical Resiliency Initiative, Dean of Students, ODEI and CHES



Do you want to be a part of Racial Justice Book Club or even co-lead a book club with professional staff? The deadline to apply for the clubs and to co-lead is January 12th by 3pm. The goal is to build knowledge and skills for activism and accompliceship, as well as to prepare for a multi affinity group retreat and culminate the project by planning a campus wide racial justice event for spring quarter. Co-lead applicants also have a chance of earning a \$1000 stipend for winter quarter if selected.

[Registration Link](http://bit.ly/rj-bookclubs)

FUNDED UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT LEADER OPPORTUNITY!

Co-facilitate a Racial Justice Book Club and earn \$1000 stipend for winter quarter!!!

Apply to co-lead with professional staff, affinity-based Racial Justice Book Clubs during winter quarter. Training and ongoing support will be provided. The goal is to build student knowledge and skills for activism and accompliceship, as well as to prepare for a multi affinity group retreat and culminate the project by planning a campus-wide Racial Justice event for Spring quarter!

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CARE AMBASSADOR TRAINING

Create an environment free from violence and empower survivors at UCSC!

Students, staff, and faculty are invited to participate!



REGISTER BY THURSDAY JAN 21

tinyurl.com/winter-ambassador

Ambassador Training includes 7 hours of Zoom workshops and 3 self-guided modules on Canvas.

SATURDAY, JAN 23
11 AM - 1:00 PM

SATURDAY, JAN 30
11 AM - 1:30 PM

SUNDAY, JAN 31
11 AM - 1:30 PM

Contact care@ucsc.edu for any questions or accessibility needs.



CARE Winter Ambassador Training

We invite all students, staff, and faculty to attend.

Participants will have the opportunity to learn about affirmative consent, dynamics of interpersonal violence, bystander intervention, supporting survivors, and more. Our goal is to empower folks to have brave conversations within their communities and ultimately prevent violence from happening in the first place. The Ambassador Training will entail 3 sessions over Zoom and 3 self-guided modules in Canvas. The live training dates are:

Saturday, January 23rd, 11 AM-1:00 PM
Saturday, January 30th, 11 AM- 1:30 PM
Sunday, January 31st, 11 AM- 1:30 PM

Register by Thursday, January 21st.

[Registration Link](http://bit.ly/rj-bookclubs)

Participants who complete the whole training will receive an Ambassador certificate and the opportunity to volunteer with us.

Want to be Featured on our Social Media?



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.

Want to be Featured on the FGI Website?

What we do...



Raise Awareness



Provide Resources



Make Connections



Conduct Research

[Read more >>](#)

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.

[Google Form](#)

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