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e-Newsletter for UC Davis Parents and Families

Please note: The February parent weekend has been canceled. In place of that event, please watch for an email announcing our upcoming coffee talks which will occur in more than 40 locations on March 14th.

Parent Council Applications Being Accepted Now

Applications are now being accepted for the Aggie Parent and Family Association's Parent Council.

Council members support parent programs at UC Davis through volunteerism such as providing feedback and suggestions on all aspects of the APFA program, assisting with welcome receptions for new students at various locations throughout the state, and assisting with move-in weekend, Parent and Family weekend, and regional coffee talks, etc.

Read more or apply today.

Volunteer as a Host: Parent Coffee Talks Scheduled for Saturday, March 14

We are currently seeking a few more parent hosts for our second annual UC Davis Coffee Talks! This event occurs simultaneously at numerous locations around the state. Last year hosts and attendees enjoyed meeting their Aggie community members and sharing parent insights. We are looking for hosts in Salinas, Fresno and Bakersfield, as well as out of state locations in major cities.

Please contact UC Davis Parent and Family Programs by sending an email to parentprograms@ucdavis.edu if you have an interest in hosting.

Learn more

New Parent Programs Blog

UC Davis Parent Programs has launched a new blog to provide timely news and information for our Aggie families!

The Parents Program Blog will serve as an online catalog of articles, resources and information for families that can be searched by keyword. The blog will be regularly updated, so please bookmark our page and check back often!

Information from the blog will be summarized monthly in our In
UC Davis Launches First Graduate/Doctoral Program for Former Foster Youth

UC Davis student Hen Werner was in the financial aid office filling out paperwork when she got to a field that stopped her short: “Parent Information.”

“I had to leave this part blank,” Werner said to the financial aid officer as she handed in the paperwork. “I don’t have anyone.”

Learn more about Hen Werner or the Guardian Scholars Program.

Nearly 80,000 Apply to for Undergraduate Study

A record high of 79,930 prospective students have applied to study at the University of California, Davis, for fall 2015. For freshman admission, applications grew by 6.8 percent to 64,582; transfer applications are up 6.5 percent to 15,348.

Since 2000, UC Davis has experienced a 157 percent increase in new undergraduate applications.

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UC Davis on ESPN again!

On January 10, ESPN U aired the UC Davis Men’s basketball team as they secured an exciting overtime victory over Long Beach State. The network was so impressed with the performance of the team and UC Davis’ Aggie Pride that they will be airing the team’s game against Cal Poly on Jan. 31. This is the first time in UC Davis’ history that ESPN has aired two games from a single season of a UC Davis team.

The national broadcast will begin at 7 p.m. on ESPNU. UC Davis is asking all Aggie fans to wear gold to support the team for this “Gold Out” game.

We are asking fans to use #AggiESPN and #GoAGS in social media to build the excitement.

Purchase tickets or learn more.

As an Aggie parent, there are many ways to support the university. Join the Aggie Parent and Family Association for discounts, family resources, and great events.

You can also give to the Parents Fund because giving back is not just an Aggie tradition, it is transformative. If every parent gave just $100 each year, we would have an additional $300,000 to launch new programs, fund research, and invest in your student’s experience.

Additional Resources
- Aggie Parent and Family Association
- Aggie Pride Parents
- Housing
- Parents Fund
- Registrar
- Financial Aid
- Student Affairs
- Student Disability Center
- UC Davis Parent Resources
- UC Davis Home

In The News
- Memorial Union showcases student artwork
- UC Davis enrolls one of its strongest entering classes
- 10-year-old prodigy attends UC Davis
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New Student, Campus Police Forums

Student groups and the campus Police Department are collaborating on a series of community forums, starting this week with a discussion of “Police Conduct and Police Misconduct.” The first workshop was on Jan. 7. The dates of future community forums will be posted on the event Facebook page.

Read more.

File Your FAFSA

The Office of Financial Aid is reminding parents and students to apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Dream Act Application. Both applications are free, and the priority application deadline is March 2.

Read more.

Campus Community Book Project

Thinking in Pictures: My Life with Autism was chosen for the 2014-2015 Campus Community Book Project (CCBP).

Throughout the academic year, students and the public are invited to attend lectures, workshops, art installations and films that stimulate thought and discussion around the issues raised in the book by Temple Grandin, acclaimed researcher of animal behavior, professor, inventor and best-selling author.

Read more.

Healthy Eating

Students who enjoyed pampering over the winter break and indulged in their favorite holiday treats may want to know about the free "Eat Well, Live Healthy" nutrition series offered by Student Health and Counseling Services, Jan. 13-Feb. 10. The classes cover meal planning, shopping and quick and easy cooking tips.

Register online for this free class for enrolled students.

Residence Hall Room Transfers

Students living in residence hall who are interested in transferring rooms for winter quarter are encouraged to contact a Student Housing Area Coordinator from Jan. 20 to March 6, 2015 to request a transfer. Room transfers are on a first-come, first-served basis. If a request cannot be accommodated during winter quarter, it will roll over until Student Housing can accommodate the request.

For more information, contact Student Housing at 530-752-2033 or studenthousing@ucdavis.edu.

Second-Year Housing Workshops

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- UC Davis Parents Facebook Page
- UC Davis Parent Programs Blog
Students currently living in the dorms are encouraged to attend upcoming information sessions about off-campus living and housing options for second-year students on Jan. 26-27 and 29 at various dorm locations. Student Housing also offers housing options for second-year students available through Arlington Farm Apartments.

Aggie Reader

Learn more about what is happening in the residence halls and Student Housing Apartments through Aggie Reader—a Student Housing e-newsletter comprised of articles and announcements about Student Housing programs, resources, and events. The Aggie Reader also features useful articles about other UC Davis departments and registered student organizations.

The newsletter is delivered most Fridays throughout the academic year, and every other week during the summer, specifically for new incoming residence hall and Student Housing Apartments (SHA) students.

Unofficial Ambassadors: Sharon and Dan Davis

Although Sharon and Dan Davis had visited UC Davis before, it wasn’t until they toured with their daughter Ellen ’16 that they really fell in love with the university. Ellen felt a sense of community and belonging almost immediately, and since then, the Davis family has been discovering more about UC Davis every year. Now, they look for excuses to visit the area so they can spend more time on campus.

“In a way, we’re ambassadors for the school,” said Sharon. “We interact with young people a lot, and we’re always quick to recommend UC Davis.”

Read more or watch Ellen Davis' recent interview on Channel 10 News!

Parent to Parent

by Carol Ware, UC Davis parent and member of the Parent and Family Council

Besides writing Parent to Parent column every month, I feel honored to serve as a member of the inaugural UC Davis Parent and Family Council. We meet officially twice a year, during Parent and Family Weekend and Picnic Day, and attend Aggie Welcomes, where I have enjoyed meeting many of you and your students, and other events. The Council members are a wonderful, diverse group of people from
all over California and this year we are hoping to recruit parents
to serve from other states as well.

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