

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Student organizations are encouraged, and over 100 of them representing various fields of social, academic, vocational, and professional interests have been granted recognition. Nine national social fraternities and six national social sororities exist on the campus and operate group-living units. Religious interests are served by the college religious centers adjacent to the campus. These many and varied types of organization not only offer an opportunity for social life but also make a fine contribution to the development of student leadership. Further information may be obtained from the Student Activities Office.

Honor Societies

In addition to high standards of scholarship expected of all students, special recognition is given to superior scholarship. The honor society of Phi Kappa Phi, a national scholarship organization, was established at Fresno State College in 1953. Most departments of the college sponsor honor societies, many of them national in scope, in which membership is based upon superior college work. The Blue Key National Honor Fraternity for men and the Tokalon Honor Society for women offer membership to students who have good scholarship, are prominent in college activities, and who have demonstrated leadership in student affairs.

FOOD SERVICE

The Fresno State College Association, Inc., operates the college cafeteria, residence hall dining room, staff dining room, and the College Union coffee shop. The residence hall dining room and College Union coffee shop are open seven days per week. The Roundup, on Barstow near Maple Avenue, provides snack bar service and sells products of the college farm.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association has a program designed to advance the welfare of the university, to promote common interests of its students and alumni, and to serve as a liaison between the college, alumni, and the community. The self-directed group sponsors numerous activities during the year, provides scholarship assistance to students, and supports the development of the university. Membership is open to graduates and to any student who has attended one or more semesters at Fresno State. Annual dues are \$10; life memberships are \$100.

The Fresno State College Alumni Trust Council is a charitable organization which receives contributions from alumni and friends of the college. Funds received by the Trust Council are used to support scholarships and programs of the Association, and to promote the welfare of the university.

THE COLLEGE UNION

The College Union building was designed to serve the entire campus community. This new structure was planned by students and is financed by student funds through the Fresno State College Association. The College Union is the campus community center for students, faculty, staff, and guests. In addition it provides convenient and inexpensive social and recreational opportunities. The building includes conference and meeting rooms, lounge areas, a coffee shop, a barber shop, art display areas, student government and committee offices, auxiliary organization offices, bowling and recreation areas, and numerous service facilities.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Membership and active participation in a reasonable number of student organizations are strongly recommended by the college. Student groups of this type are an excellent means of obtaining experience in leadership, group action and social competence. Participation in student government is also encouraged. Many opportunities exist for participation in student affairs through election to student body and class offices, appointment to student committees, and attendance at meetings of the Student Senate. Students are also offered an opportunity to serve on many faculty committees and on the boards of the Fresno State College Association, Inc. These groups play an active part in recommending college policies and in conducting the affairs of the Association.