

Orientation and Transition Services

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Orientation Programs

Orientation at California State University, Fresno offers you the keys to success. The excitement that comes with starting university life can be tempered by the fears that come with starting a new experience.

Becoming familiar with the ins and outs of the university can be a major advantage to new students — freshmen and transfers alike.

Fresno State's orientation programs offer you the opportunity to learn all you can about your new environment before you begin your life as a member of the university community. Orientation experiences are designed to provide new students with transition to the university from high school or another college. Special parent orientation programs are also offered.

Make an investment in your educational success at the university by attending a *Discovery* or *Advising Day*. This may provide you with earlier access to STAR registration, if you are eligible.

Orientation and Transition Services sponsors orientation programs for new undergraduates: *Discovery* for students entering in the fall semester and *Advising Days* for students entering in the spring semester.

Sessions include one-day programs scheduled prior to registration deadlines. There is a fee for participation. All sessions are led by trained orientation student staff, faculty, professional staff, and administrators who assist new students in a comprehensive introduction to the academic and social life of the campus.

Discovery and Advising Day

The orientation program offers experiences in the following:

- academic advising with faculty/staff
- registration assistance
- sessions on degree requirements including General Education
- tours of the campus, library, and Health and Counseling Center
- information on financial aid and admission status, transfer courses, and special academic programs
- small group sessions on academic and social campus resources/services
- presentations/discussions with administrators, faculty, staff, and student leaders
- resources/services fair
- a visit to residence halls

- lunch with staff and students
- EPT/ELM questions answered
- social "get acquainted" activities

Participating in orientation will help you feel more at home at Fresno State.

For eligible new students, special orientation sessions are offered by EOP Summer Bridge.

Welcome Week

New and returning students, faculty, and staff have the opportunity to get to know and enjoy their university community. Participation and involvement in the life of the university are encouraged through featured programs: health, safety, and academic success; open houses, tours, and receptions; and special events like the Community Services Opportunities Fair, Clubs and Organizations Day, and Student Services Expo.

New Student Convocation opens the academic year with an official welcome by the university president, provost, and others. This formal ceremony introduces academic traditions and expectations important to an enriched and successful university experience.

For more information, contact the Office of Orientation and Transition Services at (209) 278-7533. 

