

# Success Center Connection

Success Center Connection – Vol. 6, September, 2020



## Welcome

The Success Center Connection shares announcements, deadlines, and new initiatives related to the Center for Science and Math Success (CSMS), as well as important news related to teaching, learning and student success. This issue provides a brief summary of the CSMS programs that will be operational in a virtual environment in Fall 2020. You can find them all at www.csus.edu/csms



#### **Peer-Assisted Learning (PAL)**

PAL will be running 64 virtual sessions supporting 4 Bio, 5 Chem, 6 Math and 1 Phys course(s). PAL encourages students to develop their own understanding of STEM content under the guidance of a trained Facilitator. Students can improve course performance by an average of 20%. All students in PAL-supported courses, whether enrolled in PAL or not, can receive help during virtual PAL office hours. Learn more at csus.edu/PAL



You can access enrollment and office hours using the PAL Google Site at

https://sites.google.com/view/pal-atsacstate/home

#### **Commit To Study (C2S)**

C2S serves students of all levels, from any NSM course, striving to enhance life-long learning skills. In Fall 2020, trained Peer Mentors will be working with students in a virtual setting to identify strengths and areas of growth related to study skills. They will then provide a tailored program to help students reach their full potential. Learn more at csus.edu/C2S

#### **Pre-STEM Teaching Program**

The Pre-STEM Teaching Program is for students interested in becoming middle and high school STEM teachers. The program provides students with internship opportunities in local schools that meet the field requirements for the CSUS teacher credential program; opportunities to network with other pre-teaching students and with educational leaders; and general advising related to a future career in STEM teaching. To receive more information students should complete the following survey at

https://tinyurl.com/prestem2020 and/or email Prof. Margoniner at vemargon@csus.edu

## Science Educational Equity (SEE)

The SEE program is a comprehensive academic support program currently supporting approximately 300 students that face social, economic and educational barriers to careers in the health professions, research and/or teaching in the math and sciences. Join SEE by applying online at csus.edu/SEE

#### **Hornet Science Scholars (HSS)**

The HSS Program provides career and academic advising, social support and undergraduate research experiences for high-achieving, low-income transfer students majoring in an NSM discipline. See the HHS program website for application requirements and deadlines. https://csus.academicworks.com/ opportunities/2846

#### **CSU-LSAMP Program**

The CSU-LSAMP Program prepares a diverse population of students across the CSU system for graduate work and careers in STEM. CSU-LSAMP students receive one-on-one advising, undergraduate research opportunities, preparation for graduate school and other professional development opportunities, and support to attend conferences to present their research. For more information go the Student Undergraduate Research at www.csus.edu/csms

#### The Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement Program (RISE)

RISE aims to increase the number of underrepresented undergraduate students from Sacramento State who pursue PhD degrees in biomedical research. The RISE Research Scholars Program is a comprehensive researchtraining program that offers research opportunities under the guidance of Sacramento State or UC Davis faculty. For more information go to Student Undergraduate Research at www.csus.edu/csms

#### Focus on Diversity and Inclusion:

Our Faculty Resource Guide on Equity, Inclusion, Justice and Anti-racism, compiled by the SEE Program, is a living document for exploring equitybased resources and activities related to teaching, professional and personal development, campus climate, mentorship and more. https://bit.ly/ NSMFacultyResourceGuideEDI

Join this free 7-part webinar and discussion series hosted by the Society for the Advancement of Biology Education Research (SABER) on "Striving for Racial Justice in Academic Biology" (this is great for all STEM faculty!). Next event: Actionable steps toward equity in STEM. Discussion.

#### Thursday, Sep. 21, 9 am PST

For full series and Zoom links, visit: https://saberbio.wildapricot.org/ Diversity\_Inclusion

### Fall 2020 Upcoming CSMS Events and Activities:

#### Virtual SEE Welcome Back Meet and Greet

Tuesday, September 15, 2020 from 5pm-6pm Please use the link to register: https://bit.ly/2CZLlgk

#### Virtual STEM Teaching Credentials Info Session

This event, led by Dr. Jenna Porter (College of Education) is for any student considering a teaching credential for science or math (middle and high school)

#### **STEM Scholars Lecture Webinar**

Who Started the Fire? 2000 Years of Climate, Fire, and Native Californians

Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 6 pm

To register please visit: www.csus.edu/csms

Thursday, Sept. 24, 5pm-6pm https://csus.zoom.us/j/93906696175

#### MSTI Pre-Teaching Scholarship Application Now Open

The MSTI scholarship application, for students planning to apply for the Sac State Teaching Credential Program, is now open. **Deadline is Thursday, September 17, 2020** 

To apply please use the link: https://www.csus.edu/college/education/ engagement/math-science-teacher-initiative.html

Sacramento State Center for Science and Math Success • (916) 278-2790 • scienceandmathsuccess@csus.edu • www.csus.edu/csms Copyright 2020 The Trustees of the California State University. All rights reserved.