



Welcome to the University of South Carolina family!

We are proud and privileged to be a part of this exciting time in your students' development, and we take seriously the responsibility to provide them every opportunity for success and growth and to offer you the resources to support them.

As your students are preparing for the transition to college life, so too are you. Please use this calendar as a guide to that transition, to your students' first year of college and throughout the college experience. Inside are important university dates and timely information on ways to encourage your students' success at Carolina. I hope the Family Calendar will answer many of your questions and help you know what to expect during the coming year.

If you have additional questions, or if we can assist you in any way, please don't hesitate to contact our Office of Parent & Family Programs by calling the Parents Assistance Line at 1-800-868-6752 or sending an email to scparents@sc.edu.

Best wishes for a wonderful year,

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Dr. Dennis A. Pruitt

Vice President for Student Affairs and Vice Provost











GET READY GAMECOCKS!

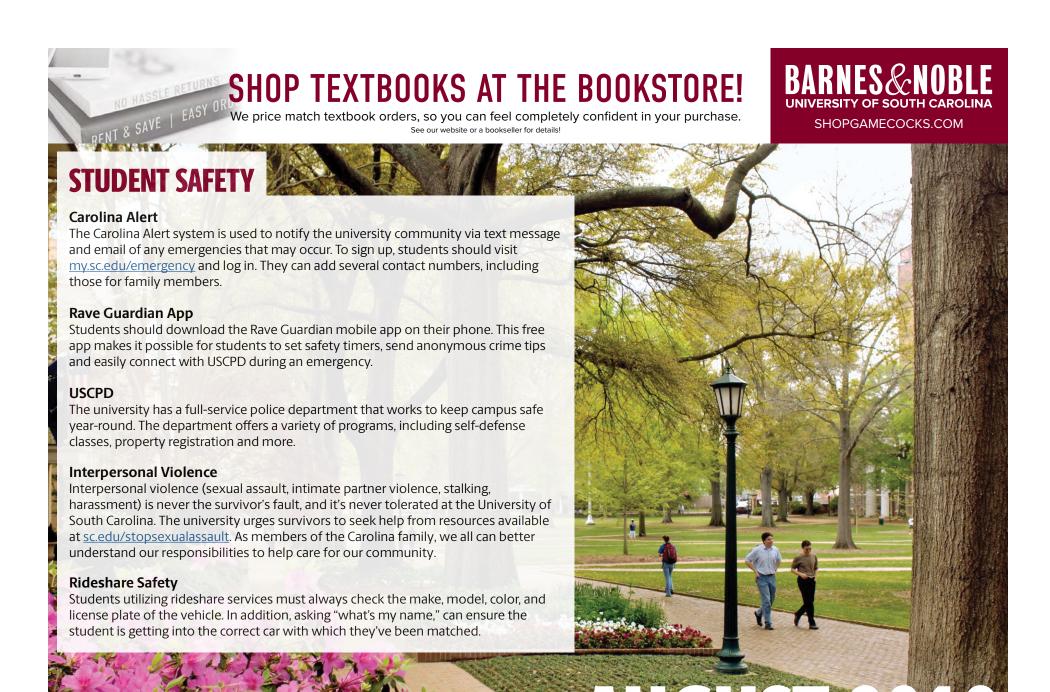
- Purchase student parking permit from Parking & Transportation Services at <u>sc.edu/parking</u>.
- Order fall semester textbooks
 through the University of South Carolina
 Official Bookstore at <u>sc.bncollege.com</u>.
- Review and pay fall semester bill or establish a payment plan with the Bursar's Office at sc.edu/bursar.
- Learn about safety resources

 provided on campus, including crime

 bulletins and tips to help students stay

 safe at sc.edu/safety.
- Develop a plan to get involved by reviewing the list of student organizations at garnetgate.sa.sc.edu.

* Dates and information provided in the 2019-2020 Family Calendar & Handbook are subject to change. View sc.edu/housing for updated residence hall closing times.



S T W TH F S Talk with your student about communication expectations while they're at South Carolina. 3 1 How often will you talk? Will you speak on the phone or text? Who will initiate the conversations? Setting these expectations now will help prevent communication breakdowns during the semester. Is your student moving on campus Aug. 19-20? Stop by the Gamecock Family Roost for information about campus and Columbia! 10 7 8 9 4 Sorority houses open at noon 11 12 13 14 15 16 **17** Fee payment deadline for fall semester Sorority Recruitment Move-In and Orientation 18 19 20 22 23 24 21 Fall semester classes begin Move-In Fall AlcoholEdu & Fraternity houses open SAPU Part 1 due at noon Carolina Welcome begins Move-In First Night Carolina Discover Columbia Fair Service Saturday 25 26 **27** 28 29 **30 31** Last day to change/drop a course without a grade

of "W" being recorded

NPHC & MGC Intake

Orientation

NPHC Meet the Greeks

Student Organization Fair

South Carolina @ North

Carolina Welcome ends

Carolina

Freshman Council

applications due by 4 p.m.

Sorority Recruitment

Fraternity Recruitment

ends (Bid Day)

Orientation

Get the Whole Family In Gear! Family Weekend: September 27 - 29

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LIVE YOUR STUDENT LIFE

Student Ticketing

Fall at South Carolina means it's time for Gamecock football! By supporting all teams, your student can accumulate reward points to help them gain tickets to football, basketball and baseball games. Remind your student to have fun and be safe while tailgating and to look for activities sponsored by Student Life throughout the year. The full schedule of Gamecock athletic events is available at gamecocksonline.com. For more information about student athletic tickets for all sports, visit sc.edu/studenttickets.

Campus Recreation

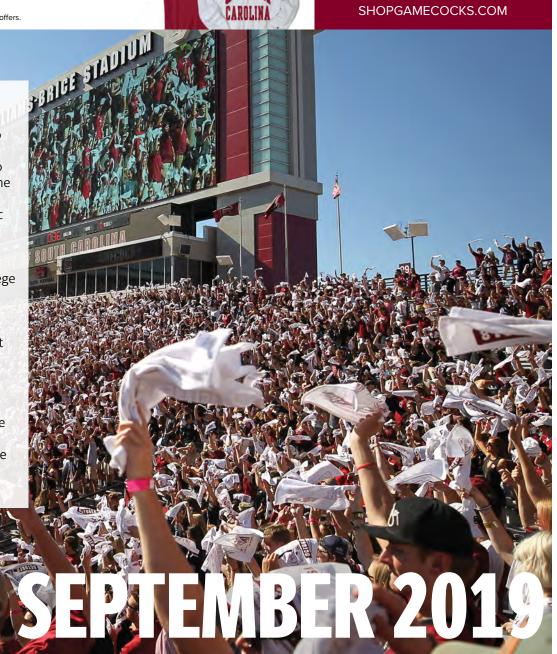
Encourage your student to stay active throughout their time in college by taking advantage of all that Campus Recreation has to offer. Students can take part in group exercise classes, intramural sports, sport clubs and outdoor recreation trips to the mountains and the beach. The Strom Thurmond Wellness & Fitness Center and the Blatt P.E. Center offer a variety of programs to keep your student active.

Student Organizations

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Involvement in campus life helps students make friends, feel connected to the university and strengthen their résumé. With more than 500 clubs and organizations, your student can find their niche in Student Life. Coaches are also available in the Leadership & Service Center to meet with students about their interests and find organizations that align with specific values and goals.

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| | Fraternity Recruitment begins Labor Day - no classes | MGC Showcase | Hip Hop Wednesday | | | South Carolina vs. Charleston Southern |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Fraternity Recruitment ends (Bid Day) Grandparents Day | Last Day to register for Family Weekend (4 p.m. EST) | | | | | South Carolina vs. Alabama |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| | Fall 2019 graduation application due | Constitution Day | | | | South Carolina @ Missouri Service Saturday |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| | | Career Fair: all majors | Career Fair: STEM majors | | Family Weekend Off-Campus Housing Expo | Family Weekend South Carolina vs. Kentucky |

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Family Weekend

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Rosh Hashanah begins

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Family Weekend is Sept. 27-29.

Don't forget to register by the deadline, Sept. 9 at 4 p.m., to join in this unforgettable Gamecock weekend!

Visit <u>sc.edu/familyweekend</u> to register today and view the tentative schedule of events on the Parent & Family Programs mobile app.



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| free activities for stu like Thursday After E Mondays and the st | nment offers safe, fun and udents through programs Dark, watch parties, Monet cudent organization s. Visit sc.edu/russellhouse | Rosh Hashanah ends University Housing sign ups and interest forms open | 2 Hip Hop Wednesday | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| | | | Yom Kippur Greek Village closes for fall break at 6 p.m. | Fall break begins - no classes | | South Carolina @ Georgia |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| Fall break ends Greek Village opens after fall break at noon | Columbus Day Midpoint in semester | | | | | South Carolina vs. Florida |
| 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |
| | | Fall AlcoholEdu & SAPU Part 2 due | | | | South Carolina @ Tennessee Service Saturday |
| 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | ur student to get a flu sho for Health and Well-Being |

Hip Hop Wednesday

Cockstock

Homecoming Week

begins

Halloween

close

University Housing sign

ups and interest forms

The best time to receive the vaccine is

October/November for protection during

the winter months. It is free to students

who bring their CarolinaCard.



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CYBER WEEK IS COMING!

Sign up for email to get the latest sale updates and save BIG on Gamecocks Gear for the Holidays!

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA SHOPGAMECOCKS.COM

STUDENT HEALTH & WELL-BEING

As the semester becomes busier, remind your student to take care of their mind, body and spirit to support a successful end to the semester.

Within the Center for Health and Well-Being, students have access to healthy resources, including general medicine, women's care, sports medicine, physical therapy, an allergy and immunization clinic, a pharmacy and more. Students can also take advantage of campus wellness programs offered throughout the year that focus on stress management, nutrition, sexual health and other health-related topics.

Counseling and Psychiatry support is available to students to help manage their emotional and mental health. Individual appointments, group counseling and community support meetings are available for students to speak with trained counselors. Counseling is available 24/7 via telephone at 803-777-5223.

Making healthy lifestyle choices is encouraged by Substance Abuse Prevention and Education. Students in recovery and allies can take part in support meetings, sober tailgates, recovery meditations and more. Students and families can learn more about SAPE and Gamecock Recovery by visiting sc.edu/sape.



OVEMBER

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F S T TH S

Encourage your student to take part in Carolina-Clemson Rivalry Week events.

Tiger Burn, the annual pep rally prior to the Clemson game, and the Carolina-Clemson Blood Drive are favorite traditions at South Carolina.

Did you know? Student Government offers a free shuttle service to students flying out of

South Carolina vs. Vanderbilt Columbia for Thanksgiving break. Students can reserve their spot at sc.edu/sg.

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Homecoming Week ends

Last day to drop a course or withdraw without a grade of "WF" being recorded

Daylight saving time South Carolina vs. Off-Campus Housing Expo Appalachian State

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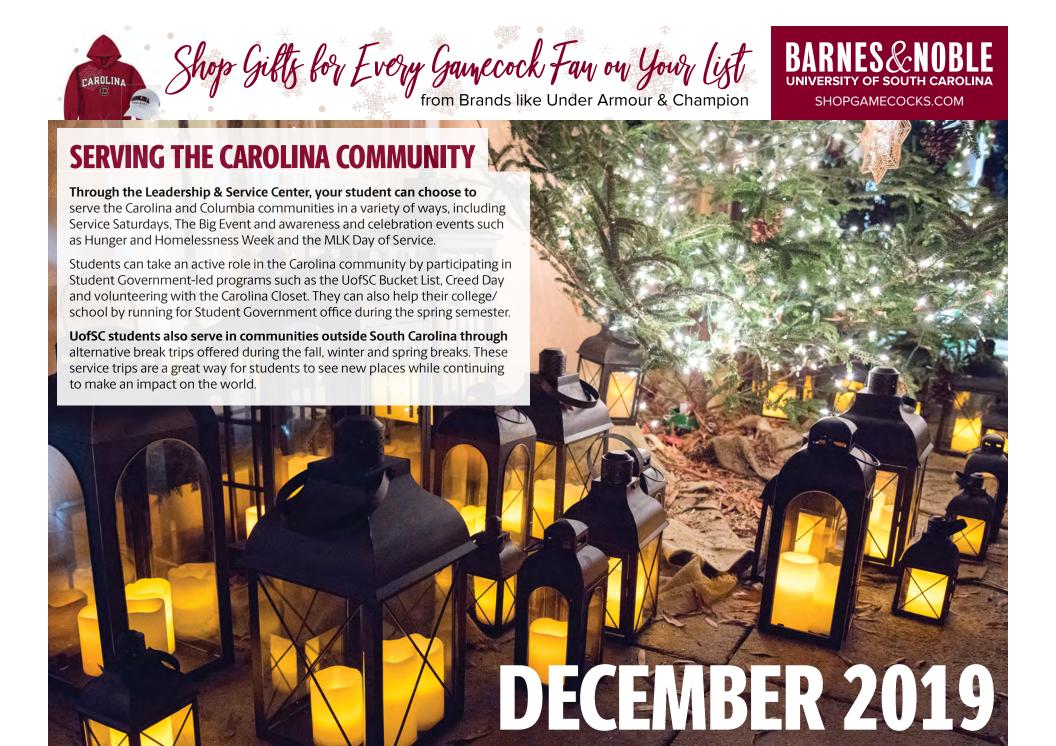
South Carolina @ Veterans Day Texas A&M International Education International Education

Hip Hop Wednesday Week ends Service Saturday Week begins

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> Clemson Greek Village closes for Thanksgiving break Greek Village opens at Tiger Burn Thanksgiving break at 6 p.m. begins - no classes Thanksgiving 8 a.m.



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| Thanksgiving break 6 | ends | | Hip Hop Wednesday | | Last day of classes | Reading Day - no classes |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| | Final exams begin (includes Saturday) | | | | | |
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| | Final exams end Commencement | Residence halls close for winter break at 10 a.m. Greek Village closes for winter break at noon | | | | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| | Hanukkah begins | Christmas Eve | Christmas Day | | | |
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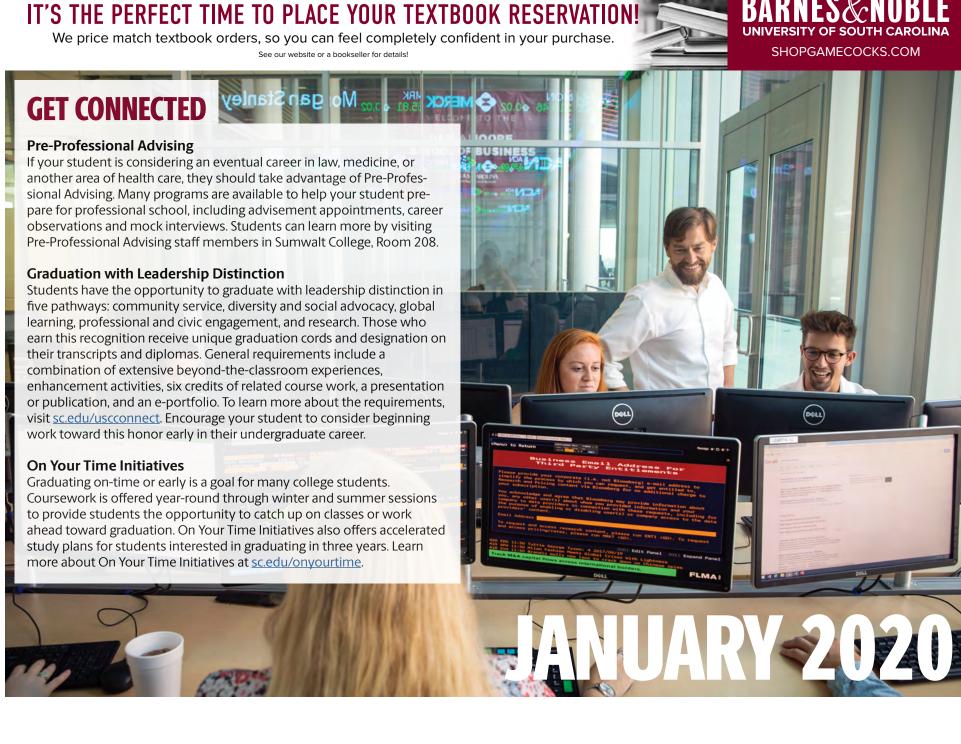
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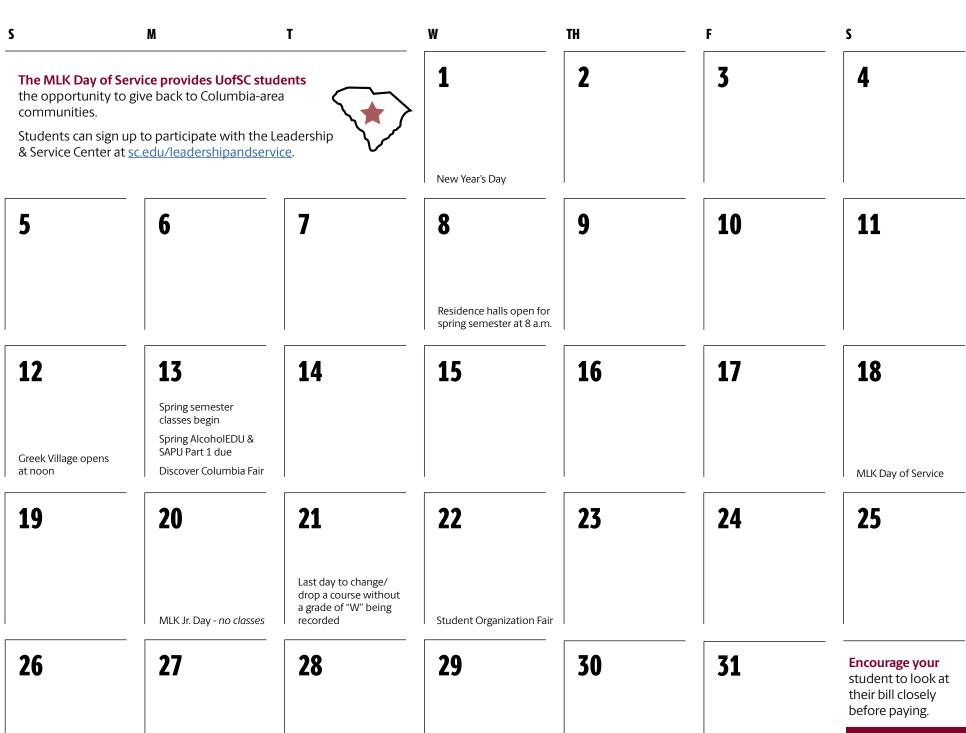
New Year's Eve

this handbook to plan for a strong spring semester.

with Student Legal Services to have their agreements reviewed.

Before your student signs a lease for off-campus housing, encourage them to meet





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CELEBRATING DIVERSIT

The Office of Multicultural Student Affairs offers many programs that promote diversity education, social justice, cultural awareness and student success to develop the next generation of global citizens here at Carolina.

Encourage your student to learn about various identities and cultures by participating in campus-wide initiatives like Diversity Dialogues, the Safe Zone program and Diversity Retreat. Students can learn more about OMSA and the events they host throughout the year at sc.edu/multicultural.

Defining Carolina's values, the Carolinian Creed promotes integrity and emphasizes openness and civility amongst community members. Programming takes place throughout the year to celebrate the values of the Carolinian Creed and spark new conversations, like CreedX, an annual event that brings together students, staff and faculty to share their ideas and experiences with the Carolinian Creed.

CAROLINIAN CREED

The community of scholars at the University of South Carolina is dedicated to personal and academic excellence. Choosing to join the community obligates each member to a code of civilized behavior.

As a Carolinian...

I will practice personal and academic integrity;

I will respect the dignity of all persons;

I will respect the rights and property of others;

I will discourage bigotry, while striving to learn from differences in people, ideas and opinions;

I will demonstrate concern for others, their feelings and their need for conditions which support their work and development.

Allegiance to these ideas requires each Carolinian to refrain from and discourage behaviors which threaten the freedom and respect each individual deserves.



S T TH F S

As the semester becomes busier, encourage your student to take advantage of Healthy Carolina's monthly workshops and events about mindfulness, yoga and healthy eating to reduce stress and stay well.

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Diversity Conference

Service Saturday

If your student finds themselves struggling with a class, remind them of the resources available in the Student Success Center like tutoring and success consultations.

Valentine's Day

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Groundhog Day

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Student Leadership and

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Spring 2020 graduation

application due Presidents Day Career Fair: all majors Career Fair: STEM majors

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> Student Government Student Government Dance Marathon elections



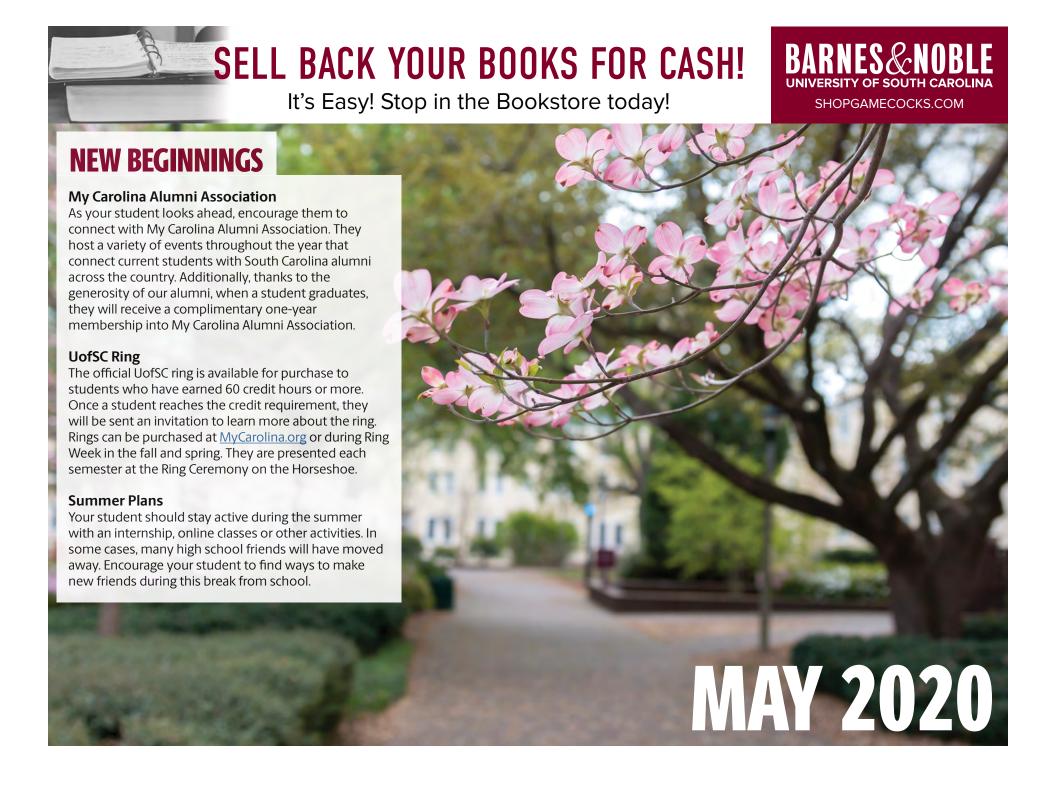
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| | Midpoint in semester | | | | Greek Village closes for spring break at 6 p.m. | Residence halls close for spring break at 10 a.m. |
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| Spring break begins - no classes Daylight saving time begins | | | | | | |
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| Spring break ends Greek Village opens at noon Residence halls open after spring break @ TBD | | | | | Spring AlcoholEdu and SAPU Part 2 due | Service Saturday |
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| | | | | | | Last day to drop a course or withdraw without a grade of "WF" being recorded |
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or break their grades.

Your student may be tempted to skip class to enjoy being outside in the warm weather. Encourage them to continue going to class as there is still time to make







F T TH S Use the end of the semester as an opportunity to talk with your student about important plans, vacations and other expectations for their time this summer. In preparation for moving out, students should speak with their resident mentor or facility manager to learn about proper checkout procedures. Greek Village closes at Residence halls close at Commencement Commencement Final exams end Mother's Day Ramadan ends

Memorial Day - no classes

WELCOME NEW FAMILIES

Do you have friends who are joining the Gamecock family this fall? Encourage any new UofSC parents to get connected with the resources offered through the Office of Parent & Family Programs.

Share the Parents & Families Gateway at

<u>sc.edu/parents</u> so they can sign up for the Parents Association to receive monthly e-newsletters and other university updates.

New Gamecock families likely have a lot of questions. Families are encouraged to ask questions through the scparents@sc.edu email account and the Parents Assistance Line at 1-800-868-6752.

New families can learn valuable information by following the Parent & Family Programs Facebook and Instagram pages (@UofSCParents) and by downloading the mobile application at

guidebook.com/app/uofscparents

Encourage new parents and family members to register early and plan their stay for Family Weekend.

You have learned a lot during your time as a parent of a UofSC student, so share your positive experiences and advice with your friends!



JUNE 2020

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PREPARING FOR THE FALL

Talk with your student about their financial needs for the upcoming academic year. Evaluate changes that may be needed for money management and work together to establish a tentative budget. The Student Success Center offers financial workshops to assist students with determining a financial budget for the semester.

Discuss how new living arrangements will affect the next school year. Encourage your student to have conversations with their roommate about who is responsible for bringing certain items.

Helpful Reminders:

Suggest that your student begin organizing items they need to take back to school now, so that packing in August is not overwhelming.

Review safety tips with your student prior to the new school year to make sure they are prepared to make good decisions when it comes to navigating campus and the city of Columbia.

JULY 2020

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| Talk to your student about the past school year. What was successful? What will they change for the fall? Help your student reflect on their experience. | | | | 2 | Independence Day holiday - no classes | Independence Day |
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| 19 | Summer 2 graduation application | 1 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 |
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IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Colleges and Schools

| Arts and Sciences | 803-777-2993 |
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| | 803-777-7161 |
| Business | 803-777-3176 |
| Education | 803-777-3828 |
| Engineering and Computing | 803-777-4177 |
| Graduate School | 803-777-4243 |
| Hospitality, Retail and Sport Management | 803-777-3374 |
| Information and Communications | |
| Journalism and Mass Communications | 803-777-8528 |
| Library and Information Science | 803-777-4028 |
| Law | 803-777-6605 |
| Medicine (Columbia) | 803-216-3625 |
| Medicine (Greenville) | 864-455-7992 |
| Music | 803-777-4280 |
| Nursing | 803-777-7412 |
| Pharmacy | 803-777-6635 |
| Public Health | 803-777-1263 |
| Social Work | 803-777-5291 |
| South Carolina Honors College | 803-777-8102 |
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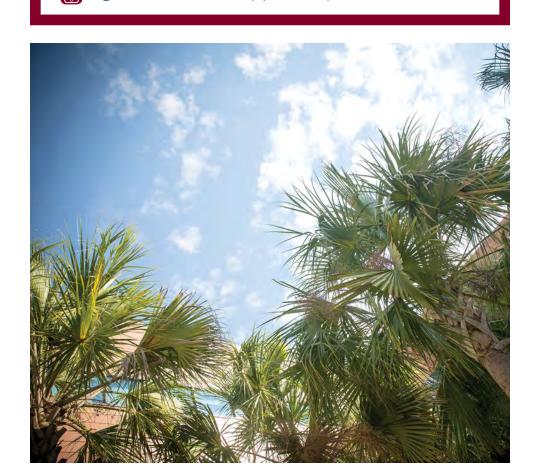
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| 803-777-4233 |
| 803-576-9375 |
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| 803-777-3506 |
| 803-777-4283 |
| 803-777-3499 |
| 803-777-7461 |
| 803-777-5112 |
| 803-777-8400 |
| 803-777-7130 |
| 803-777-7716 |
| 803-777-1000 |
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| New Student Orientation | 803-777-2780 |
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| Off-Campus Living & Neighborhood Relations | 803-777-3366 |
| On Your Time Initiatives | 803-777-9850 |
| Parents Assistance Line | 800-868-6752 |
| Police Department | 803-777-4215 |
| | Emergency 911 |
| Student Mail Center | 803-777-4109 |
| Registrar | 803-777-5555 |
| Russell House University Union | 803-777-8182 |
| Sexual Assault and Violence | |
| Intervention and Prevention | 803-777-8248 |
| Student Affairs and Academic Support | 803-777-4172 |
| Student Athletic Tickets | 803-777-6102 |
| Student Conduct | 803-777-4333 |
| Student Government | 803-777-2654 |
| Student Health Services | 803-777-3175 |
| Student Life | 803-777-5782 |
| Student Media | 803-777-3888 |
| Student Success Center | 803-777-1000 |
| Student Wellness | 803-777-8283 |
| Study Abroad | 803-777-7557 |
| Substance Abuse Prevention and Education | 803-777-3933 |
| Technology Services Help Desk | 803-777-1800 |
| University 101 | 803-777-6029 |
| University Advising Center | 803-777-1222 |
| Vehicle Management and Parking Services | 803-777-5160 |
| Visitor Center | 803-777-0169 |
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