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The Great California ShakeOut: October 18, 10:18 a.m.
On Thursday, October 18, at 10:18 AM, our campus and residential facilities will participate in the Great California ShakeOut. At precisely 10:18 am, take a few minutes to locate a safe place to “duck and cover” as you would in the event of a real earthquake. Afterwards, the fire alarms will sound and we’ll evacuate. Remember to comply with the evacuation alarm and the directions of Housing and Residence Life staff. For more information on evacuation sites, see the next announcement.

Earthquake Preparedness Procedure
In the event of an earthquake, please remain in your apartment and find a secure and sheltered space away from windows and glass. The proper procedure is to drop, cover and hold until the major event has subsided. Based on the type of emergency, it may be necessary to evacuate buildings.

Students must comply with the evacuation alarm and the directions of Housing and Residence Life staff. The Evacuation Site for Phase I and Phase II is in the far northeast corner of Lot 7. The evacuation location for GEA is on the grassy median on Mariondale, just south of GEA. A Cal State LA or Housing and Residence Life staff member will give you instructions after your arrival to the evacuation sites. Remain in these designated areas until you are accounted for and given permission to leave the area and re-enter your apartment.


Winter Session 2019
Have you considered taking classes during the winter break through the College of Professional and Global Education (PaGE)? Courses are only three weeks long and can help you graduate faster. Registration begins October 16. Visit the Winter Session 2019 webpage for more information.

Eagle Patrol: Public Safety Escort Service
Do you stay late on campus for classes or events? Call the Public Safety Office to get an escort back to housing. The service is offered by Public Safety and is free, 24/7. Get additional Public Safety Escort Service information here.

Eagle Alert Emergency Notifications
In case of a campus emergency, Cal State LA automatically notifies currently enrolled students by sending a message to your Cal State LA email and your cell phone. Make sure your number has been updated on file so you can receive Eagle Alerts.

Money Matters

Start Planning And Saving For Housing Winter Break
When: December 15, 2018 – January 18, 2019; total of five weeks.

Who’s Eligible: Students who have housing agreements through spring semester 2019 are eligible to live on campus during winter break and intersession.

Who’s Not Eligible: Students finishing their coursework in fall 2018, studying abroad in the spring, withdrawing from the University or approved for an early termination of their housing agreement, and new spring 2019 applicants are not eligible for winter break.

How to Apply: Winter break housing is not part of the Academic Year 2018–2019 License Agreement. If you wish to contract for housing during the winter break, then you will be required to complete a Winter Agreement Addendum. The Agreement Addendum will be available late October and must be completed by November 15, 2018.

How to Pay: Winter break financial aid is not available due to a short agreement so fees for winter-break housing will have to be paid out-of-pocket and in-full by the requested deadline. Options for payment plans are not available. If you plan to stay during winter break, start saving money now or put aside a portion of your fall financial aid disbursement.

Events & Opportunities

Run/Walk with Res Ed: Every Mon. and Thurs. at 7:30 p.m.
Join us for a weekly walk or run around campus on Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Meet at the Housing Basketball Courts for a quick stretch before we begin.

Cooking Is Golden Starts Tonight, 5:30–6:30 p.m.
Learn to cook healthy food on a budget. This first of six classes is tonight from 5:30–6:30 p.m. in the Dining Commons’ Private Dining Room. Win prizes every week. There is a grand prize for those who attend all six weeks, but you can just drop in for one class. If you want to cook, wear closed-toe shoes and pull your hair back.
**Study Abroad Information Sessions (Date & Times Vary)**
Do you have your heart set in studying abroad? Get additional information and find out how to receive financial support to make your dream come true. Check out the different information sessions online. (Locations vary)

**U-SU Calendar of Events**
The University-Student Union has a lot of cultural, social, musical and entertaining events throughout the year. Check out their [calendar](#) for upcoming events.

**Now Hiring Mentors: Priority Deadline October 8**
College Spring is looking to hire mentors to work with high school students during the spring semester. Get more information and apply online: [CollegeSpring Mentors](#).

**Reminders**

**Facilities Announcements**
- **Reporting Pests**
  If you see pests in your apartment, please report it right away by filling out a [Work Order](#).
- **Wireless Laundry Facilities**
  Did you know that you can check on the status of your laundry from the comfort of your own home computer or cell phone by logging into this [laundry website](#)? Check how many minutes you have left on your machine or have an email or text sent to you when your laundry is complete. For advice on how to use our laundry machines, watch this [video](#).
- **Tips On Keeping Your Air Conditioning (AC) Running**
  - **Avoid Tampering With Your AC**
    Tampering with your AC unit can damage or even break it. If you have concerns that your AC is not working properly, please submit a [Work Order](#).
  - **Keep It Set Between 75–78 Degrees**
    On hot days, it can be tempting to turn your thermostat to a very cool temperature, but we recommend setting it in the range of 75–78 degrees. Keeping the settings in this range will maximize the efficiency and life span of the AC unit. In addition, setting it too low will cause it to run not stop and could cause it to break down.
- Turn Off Your AC When You Leave
  Help us save energy by turning it off when you leave your apartment.

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