USC First Generation College Student Resource Guide 2018-2019

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CAREER CENTER

Whether you are deciding on a major, exploring career options, seeking a job or internship, or looking for professional networks, the USC Career Center is committed to helping you achieve your professional goals.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

- The USC Dream Dollars Program is a unique scholarship for USC undergraduate students who secure unpaid summer internships with a non-profit or government organization. This program supports students hoping to gain work experience from an unpaid internship. All internships must be a minimum of six weeks. The program awards a \$1,500 scholarship to selected students.
- The First Generation Scholarship Program is a monetary award for first generation students who secure unpaid summer internships. This program supports first generation students looking to gain hands-on experience in order to complement their academic coursework. All internships must be a minimum of six weeks during the summer. The program awards a \$2,000 scholarship to selected students.
- The USC Global Fellows Internship Program provides funding for USC undergraduates to live and intern in Asia for at least eight weeks during the summer. This program seeks to promote understanding and develop quality relationships between the United States and Asia. Students will be selected through an application and interview process. Internships are likely to be available in commercial, political and cultural centers such Hong Kong and Taipei.

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OFFICE LOCATION

The Writing Center

The Writing Center offers free services to all USC students in the form of one-to-one consultations and small-group workshops. Our goal is to contribute to the development of better writers, not just better products, and to assist with the skills and processes of critical thinking, drafting, and revising that lead to clearly expressed positions, coherent arguments, and persuasive reasoning.

The Writing Center also offers workshops on a variety of topics. These fifty-minute sessions present an excellent opportunity for students to improve their composition skills as they dynamically interact with each other and a Writing Center consultant in a small-group setting.

- We encourage writers to explore, engage with, and expand on their existing beliefs and knowledge.
- We challenge writers to articulate their ideas in ways that are appropriate for the purpose and audience.
- We show writers effective problem-solving strategies for arriving at answers to their questions.
- We do not proofread, but instead help writers understand correct grammar so that they can edit their own work.

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OFFICE LOCATION

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Dornsife Career Pathways

Student Special Services works to align students' academic interests with individual career and professional pathways through self-assessment, exploration, and engagement in curricular and co-curricular opportunities.

Services:

- Curricular and co-curricular advisement and planning
- Career exploration
- Learning tools
- Resume review
- Events
- Referrals
- Newsletter
- Appointments

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Institute for Diversity and Empowerment at Annenberg

In the pursuit of excellence, Annenberg Undergraduate Advisement and Academic Services encourages personal, professional and academic growth by facilitating partnerships with students, promoting community involvement, and integrating the various aspects of Trojan life.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Please contact the Annenberg Admissions Office for scholarships and fellowships for prospective students and current applicants interested in pursuing an Annenberg undergraduate major or graduate degree program. Our professional admissions officers will answer all questions directly related to USC Annenberg's academic programs, faculty, centers and student life.

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OFFICE LOCATION

Annenberg School of Communication 140

Dornsife Office for Diversity and Strategic Initiatives

The Office for Diversity and Strategic Initiatives supports a variety of programs that are geared to engage and support a diverse USC undergraduate student population in community involvement, undergraduate research, internships and study abroad opportunities.

Undergraduate programs include:

- Trojan Guardian Scholars
- Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship
- Sophomore Seminar Course: Pathways to Career Success for First Generation College Students — SSEM 200 (offered Fall 2018)
- First Generation College Student Task Force
- First Generation College Student Parent Programs
- First Generation College Student Summit
- Imagining America Civic Engagement Initiative
- Contemporary Latino and Latin American Studies Student Engagement
- USC First Generation College Student Resource Website

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Trojan Guardian Scholars Summer Fellowship Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Sophomore Seminar- Students who enroll and complete the course are eligible for summer fellowship funding towards internships, research, etc.

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Society for the Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Science

SACNAS is a society of scientists dedicated to fostering the success of Chicano/Hispanic and Native American scientists—from college students to professionals—to attain advanced degrees, careers, and positions of leadership in science.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Travel scholarship awards to our national conference.

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Rossier School of Education, Admissions

The mission of the USC Rossier School of Education is to improve learning in urban education locally, nationally and globally.

Higher education degrees – Masters and Doctorate

- Master of Arts in Teaching
- Master of Arts in Teaching Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- Master of Education in Postsecondary Administration and Student Affairs (PASA)
- Master of Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT)
- Master of Education in Educational Counseling
- Master of Education in Learning Design and Technology
- Doctorate of Education (EdD) in Educational Leadership
- Doctorate of Education in Organizational Change Leadership
- Global Executive Doctorate of Education
- PhD in Urban Education Policy

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

A wide variety of scholarships. More details can be found here: rossier.usc.edu/admissions/financing/

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Kortschak Center for Learning and Creativity

The mission of the USC Kortschak Center for Learning and Creativity (USC KCLC) is to provide enhanced academic support services at the University of Southern California. USC KCLC does this by providing individual learning strategy sessions, and assistive technology for students with an identified learning disorder (LD), dyslexia, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) and other learning differences.

One of the main programs is the Academic Coaching Program. Working 1-on-1 with an Academic Coach will help students identify and utilize new learning tools and strategies in order to help students meet their academic and personal goals.

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OFFICE LOCATION







Trojan Guardian Scholars

Trojan Guardian Scholars, operated by the Dornsife Office for Diversity and Strategic Initiatives, seeks to equip former foster youth and homeless students with the educational, professional, and interpersonal skills and supportive network necessary to succeed academically, personally, and professionally.

On-Campus Support and Services include:

- Bi-weekly TGS Meetings
- Monthly newsletter
- Summer Fellowship
- Senior Transition Program
- Resource referrals
- Dorm extensions
- Crisis Counseling
- And more!

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

USC's Financial Aid Office provides generous financial aid packages to admitted students with demonstrated need. For most TGS students, the combination of university aid, federal grants, and outside funding for foster youth covers the total costs of their entire higher education. For more information, please visit the USC Financial Aid website: http://www.usc.edu/admission/fa/.

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OFFICE LOCATION

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Office for Overseas Studies

USC Dornsife offers exciting and diverse opportunities to spend a semester or year studying abroad with over 50 programs in 28 countries. Some programs include opportunities for research, experiential learning or an internship. All students are encouraged to integrate study abroad into their overall USC experience.

We are dedicated to making sure that study abroad is accessible for all students. Here are some helpful resources.

- Academic advising & earning credit
- Costs & scholarships
- Financial aid
- Eligibility information
- Resources for diversity & inclusion
- How to apply
- Health & safety abroad
- Information for families & helping your student study abroad
- If you have more questions visit our <u>FAQ</u> page
- Watch our Study Abroad 101 presentation

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OFFICE LOCATION

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Campus Activities

Campus Activities believes the unique Trojan experience is enhanced by activities and programs outside of the classroom. Our role is to provide a link between students' classroom experiences to activities beyond the classroom. Our department sponsors services, programs, and events to educate, advocate, entertain and challenge students. Campus Activities provides students the necessary tools and resources for their individual and student organization success as well as supports student advocacy efforts. This office exists to create a student life experience exclusive to USC.

Campus Activities is comprised of several program areas, including:

- Center for Student Involvement
 - LeaderShape
 - Peer Leadership Team
 - Recognized Student Organizations (RSO's)
- Center for Student Governance and Programming
 - Graduate Student Government (GSG)
 - Undergraduate Student Government (USG)
- Veterans Resource Center
- Volunteer Center
 - Alternative Break Trips
 - Friends and Neighbors Day

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USC LIBRARIES

The USC Libraries provide services, facilities, and technological resources in support of the university's educational, research, clinical, artistic, professional, and community-service goals. Whether you need a place to study, work on a group project or are writing a research paper, the USC Libraries has resources to help you.

SERVICES

- Interlibrary loan system
- Printers, scanners, copiers
- Subject Librarians
- Databases & Journals
- Research Guides
- Reservable study rooms
- Laptop Checkouts
- Student Jobs

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For research related questions, visit https://libraries.usc.edu/ask-a-librarian or call (213) 740-4039

*library hours vary (https://libraries.usc.edu/libraries-hours)

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USC Libraries

FISHER FELLOWS PROGRAM

The Fisher Fellowship is the first program at USC Dornsife that enables students with financial needs to fully participate in enrichment opportunities that are the heart of the college. Students selected for this program will receive between \$6,000 and \$10,000, which may be used over the course over a three-year period to participate in programs that involve international travel, field research, and service to various communities.

In particular, the Fisher Undergraduate Fellows will be encouraged to participate in Problems without Passports and Maymester programs, as well as student-faculty research programs. Additionally, Fisher Fellows will choose a service project each year that gives back to a selected community, which may include partnerships with Habitat for Humanity, Oxfam, Sierra Club, or Heal the Bay.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

\$6,000-\$10,000 scholarship to be used for academic activities

Eligible applicants are first-generation freshmen with demonstrated financial need and a major in USC Dornsife. Please visit our website for further information.

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Academic Honors and Fellowships

USC Academic Honors and Fellowships is committed to educating the USC community about university awards and nationally competitive fellowships, and mentoring motivated students and recent alumni in their pursuit of these opportunities. We advise Trustee, Presidential, Mork and Stamps Scholars on scholarship benefits and policies, and guide the Trojan Scholar Society (TSS) student organization in the promotion of a vibrant Scholar community.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Several Internal and External Awards and Fellowships (Visit website for complete details)

- Academic Achievement Award
- Africa Student Fund
- Warren Bennis Scholars Program
- Queen's College Cambridge- USC Exchange Program
- Schaeffer Government Service Fellows Program
- Fulbright Fellowship
- Beineke Scholarship
- Gilman Scholarship
- Marshall Scholarship
- And more!

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OFFICE LOCATION



Latino Alumni Association

USC Latino Alumni Association provides a competitive scholarship program to both undergraduate and graduate students who demonstrate financial need and/or show a commitment to the Latino community. We also offer student services such as life-skill workshops and leadership training programs, Alumni Life classes taught by USC LAA alumni with a focus on a career track, LAA mentorship and signature events for networking opportunities.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Scholarship Program, Student Services and Programs, Alumni Fundraising Activities and Networking

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Norman Topping Student Aid Fund

NTSAF strives to encourage and support scholars in their academic achievements as well as their involvement in community service. The ultimate goal of the Fund is to help develop a sense of community within the university for all scholars. To achieve this goal, the NTSAF provides a variety of services and events to the Topping scholars.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

The NTSAF offers supplemental scholarships to entering freshmen, spring admit, transfer and graduate students based on the individual USC Financial Aid package of each Scholar.

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Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship

The Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (MMUF) Program is the centerpiece of the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation's initiative to increase the commitment to diversity in the faculty ranks of colleges and universities. The University of Southern California's MMUF program is a partnership between the Dornsife College of Letters Arts and Sciences and the Office of the Provost.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Research Stipends

Fellows receive a stipend of \$1600 for the fall and spring semesters to support their research efforts. Additionally, during the summer months, each fellow receives a \$3,600 stipend.

Loan Repayment

The Mellon Mays Fellowship offers a loan forgiveness program to help students overcome disincentives to pursue an academic career caused by undergraduate loan indebtedness. Fellows who enroll in a Mellon approved Ph.D. program within 39 months of receiving their undergraduate degrees are eligible for up to \$10,000 in undergraduate loan payments. The program repays guaranteed student loans in installments. The first \$5,000 is disbursed in yearly increments of up to \$1,250 for four years. The second \$5,000 is paid upon receipt of the Ph.D., provided the degree is completed within six years.

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OFFICE LOCATION

Bovard Administration Building ADM 304



USC Provost's Undergrad Research Fellowships

The Office of the Provost will provide a limited number of fellowships for undergraduate research each academic year in the fall, spring and summer terms. Each undergraduate student funded by the program will receive a stipend in the amount of \$3000 to support research in any academic field for a period of not less than eight weeks at 20 hours per week during the awarded term. All full-time USC faculty engaged in research are eligible to serve as faculty supervisors.

Application Instructions

Eligible students will submit a Student Online Application and Faculty Supervisor Recommendation Form to be considered for funding. Please see the Application Instructions for additional details.

Student Eligibility Requirements

Enrollment at USC during Fall 2018 in a program leading to an undergraduate degree. USC cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better. Preference will be given to students whose USC cumulative GPA is 3.5 or better.

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Research Gateway

The Research Gateway Scholars Program provides the following services:

- opportunities for research or other scholarly activities
- summer internships
- workshops and seminars designed to prepare students for graduate-level study
- academic tutoring and academic counseling
- advising designed to assist students with securing graduate-level admission
- financial assistance

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

While in the program, every Scholar is awarded a \$2,800 stipend to support a full-time research agenda throughout the summer while working in collaboration with a USC faculty mentor. Additionally, Scholars are eligible for programsponsored summer housing through their scholarship, with a value up to \$2000.

The core components of the USC Gateway Scholars Program include a Spring Research Methods Course, Summer Research Institute (SRI), Cohort Residential Life & Cultural Program, Annual Research Symposium & Poster Session, GRE Test Preparation, Travel Grant Awards for Conference Attendance & University Visitations, Publication Opportunities in an Undergraduate Journal, and Yearround Seminar Series and Academic & Career Advising.

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OFFICE LOCATION

Student Union STU 301J

First Generation Scholarship Program

The First Generation Scholarship Program is a monetary award for first generation students who secure unpaid summer internships.

This program supports first generation students looking to gain experience to complement their academic coursework. Students will be selected through an application and interview process. All internships must be a minimum of six weeks during the summer. The program awards a \$2,000 scholarship to selected students.

Eligibility

- Currently enrolled first generation college student in an undergraduate degree program at USC with a minimum 2.8 GPA
- Graduation date between December 2019 May 2022
- Secured internship by 12:00 pm on Friday, April 5, 2019
- Must work at least six weeks at an organization, in any field or industry
- Must have written proof of internship, including intern supervisor name/contact information

Selection Process

Students will be selected based on their application, faculty or staff recommendation letter, and interview. Students are expected to demonstrate strong written and verbal communication skills.

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OFFICE LOCATION

USC Career Center STU 110

El Centro Chicano

El Centro Chicano fosters a community of critically thinking, socially conscious Chicana/o and Latina/o leaders: providing personal, social and academic support through graduation and beyond. El Centro Chicano strives to educate the campus about Latina/o issues and the ethnic diversity represented within the community (i.e. Central & South America, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Mexico and Puerto Rico). El Centro also offers student advocacy, personal support, assistance for Latina/o student groups, and transitional/beyond USC programming. El Centro programs and services also consider gender, class, religion/spirituality, bi/monolingual, continuing generations, sexual orientation, disabilities, and multi-racial/ethnic identities, among other factors.

Programs include:

- Latino Honor Society
- Chicano/Latino Graduate Celebration
- La Posada
- Project Remix
- Black and Latino New Student Symposium

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OFFICE LOCATION



Asian Pacific American Student Services

Asian Pacific American Student Services (APASS) is a department within the Division of Student Affairs that offers an array of programming designed to educate, engage and empower students. APASS has a two-fold mission: to facilitate Asian Pacific American participation, dialogue, community-building, and empowerment, while at the same time, to serve as a source of cross-cultural educational programming for the entire campus. We strive to create unique learning opportunities that include mentorship, leadership development, advocacy, and community involvement. We understand the distinctive needs among the different ethnicities within our Asian Pacific American community, and we succeed in deriving strength from our diversity. We believe in a pan-Asian Pacific American identity that is rooted in the Civil Rights Movement, and continues to grow in the transnational sphere.

Programs include:

- APA Student Welcome
- CIRCLE: Social Justice & Leadership Development
- PEER First-year Student mentoring
- Alternative Spring Breaks to Hawaii & Manzanar
- TIE: Community Internship Matching
- South Asian & Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Initiatives
- Project Remix: Multicultural programs (in collaboration with the other cultural centers)
- AP Graduate Celebration

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OFFICE LOCATION



Center for Black Cultural and Student Affairs

The mission of the Center for Black Cultural and Student Affairs (CBCSA) is to create an Afrocentric, holistic learning environment, for academic, social and professional development, and civic engagement for all members of the USC community. CBCSA strives to develop an environment that encourages the intellectual, professional, as well as social and cultural growth of Black students entering and completing degree programs. The five major areas of focus include: Cultural and Community Awareness, Leadership Professional Development, Social Enrichment, and Retention.

CBCSA provides various workshops around the five major focus areas and also serves as a resource for the USC community by facilitating workshops focused on diversity and creating an inclusive community. The center offers a lounge space, informal advising, complimentary printing and information about upcoming USC and community events as well as internships and scholarships.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

We disseminate scholarship, fellowship, internship and job information from various companies and organizations through our weekly e-newsletter.

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OFFICE LOCATION

The LGBT Resource Center

The LGBT Resource Center (LGBTRC) (est. 2005) provides support, education, and advocacy for LGBTQ+ and Ally undergraduate and graduate students at the University of Southern California. We also provide resources and referrals, such as information about neighboring LGBTQ+ support services, to all campus members.

Retreats

Lavender Celebration

Lavender Celebration (commonly known as Lav Grad) is a free LGBTQ+ & ally annual graduation ceremony for LGBT & ally undergraduate and graduate/professional students.

LGBT Peer Mentoring Program

DISCOVER WHO YOU ARE. MOVE FORWARD ON YOUR GOALS. FIND CONNECTION AND COMMUNITY.

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OFFICE LOCATION

Student Union Building STU 202B



Office of Religious Life

USC's Office of Religious Life sponsors a variety of opportunities for exploring the spiritual dimensions of your life and learning. We can help you find a religious home base or form a new group, handle an ethical dilemma or research a paper topic. The Office sponsors campus programs with a moral, religious or spiritual focus. It cosponsors events with other university units and partnerships of student religious groups.

We are here for the entire USC community in times of celebration and loss, to offer benedictions at university convocations and to help organize memorial services as needed.

Find a Religious Home on Campus

The Trojan Family is as diverse in faith, belief and philosophy of life as it is in other regards. There are over 80 different student religious organizations on campus, representing almost every major world faith; you're invited to attend meetings of any and all of them.

If you're a student, we encourage you to find a group that suits you, and also to take advantage of the rich religious environment of the campus by learning about other traditions – whether for educational or spiritual enrichment. If you'd like to explore which group might be for you, if you want to start a new group that you don't find represented here, if you just have questions about issues related to religion or spirituality, come and talk with Dean Varun Soni, Associate Dean, Rev. Jim Burklo or with one of our many religious directors and advisors.

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University Park Campus University Religious Center, Rm 106



Office of Religious Life

Veterans Resource Center

Established in 2014, the Veterans Resource Center is a collaborative effort between the Division of Student Affairs and the Office of Academic Records and Registrar, and is located in the Tutor Campus Center (TCC) Suite 330.

The center serves as a one-stop campus resource for Trojan veterans, reservists, and their dependents. At USC, we support our student veterans and affiliates through providing referrals to other campus partners as well as serving as advocates for these students. The center offers opportunities to excel academically through services like a study space and computer stations.

Within the center, students can meet with a veterans certifying officer, connect with other current student veterans, learn about services available on campus, participate in a variety of programs, and enjoy a welcoming space with opportunities to lounge and/or study.

Careers and Scholarships

- Student Veterans of America Scholarship Program
- Pat Tillman Foundation
- Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship
- Horatio Algers Military Scholarship
- Military Veteran Career assistance via vault.com

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OFFICE LOCATION

Tutor Campus Center (TCC) Suite 330

Relationship and Sexual Violence Prevention and Services

We provide confidential counseling and advocacy for survivors of sexual assault, dating violence, stalking abuse and other forms of gender-based harm. Services are free and available to all students of all genders. We also offer workshops and events to educate the community.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Belle Vivian Scholarship: \$5,000 awarded annually to a female-identified freshman to implement a RSVP-related community service project during sophomore year.

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OFFICE LOCATION

Engemman Student Health Center 356

Counseling Services

Student Counseling Services is here to help you meet your academic and personal goals. We offer many resources including our Group Program for support and skill building as well as our Stress Relief Clinic which offers sleep consults, mindfulness training, yoga, and neurofeedback. For students in distress, we provide support in the form of individual therapy, crisis support, psychiatric services as well as consultation to those who are interested in reaching out to a student in distress. When indicated, we also provide connection to other USC resources or community providers.

Student Counseling Services offers

- Individual Counseling
- Stress Relief Clinic
- Group Counseling
- Crisis Services
- Psychiatric Services
- Consultation Services
- Outreach Programs

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OFFICE LOCATION

Engemman Student Health Center

Disability Services and Programs

Disability Services and Programs provides support services necessary to enable students with disabilities to develop their maximum academic potential while having the dignity to work independently.

As part of the Division of Student Affairs, DSP is dedicated to fostering the independence of students with disabilities. This primary focus on mainstreaming and self-advocacy encourages students with disabilities to achieve and maintain a high level of autonomy in the campus community

While we provide personal and administrative support, our philosophy encourages students to take responsibility for their academic and co-curricular activities.

DSP Services Include

- Assistance in providing tutors, learning assistants, readers, scribes, notetakers and/or interpreters.
- Advocacy with faculty.
- Special accommodations for test taking needs.
- Assistance with architectural barriers.
- Assistance in obtaining books and supplies from the University Bookstore.
- Information regarding accessible seating at USC sporting events.
- Auxiliary aid equipment loans.
- Assistive Technology
- Support for individual needs that are unique to a student's disability

CONTACT INFORMATION

(213) 740-0776 (213) 814-4618 (Video Phone) ability@usc.edu

OFFICE LOCATION

3601 Watt Way Grace Ford Salvatori Hall, Room 120

Trojans Care for Trojans (TC4T)

USC Trojans Care for Trojans (TC4T) is an initiative within the Division of Student Affairs that empowers students to take action when they are concerned about a fellow Trojan challenged with personal difficulties.

This private and anonymous request form provides an opportunity for Trojans to help a member of our Trojan Family.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Lynette Merriman, Ed.D. Associate Vice Provost for Campus Crisis Support and Intervention. merriman@usc.edu

For more information, contact <u>studentssupport@usc.edu</u>, University/Student Support and Advocacy at (213) 821 – 4710 or visit STU 201.

FIND US ONLINE

https://studentaffairs.usc.edu/trojans-care-for-trojans-tc4t/

OFFICE LOCATION

Student Union Building STU 201



Department of Public Safety

DPS takes a service-oriented, defensive approach to safety. Our chief goal isn't to investigate or solve crimes; it's to stop them from happening. We offer preventative programs and opportunities to our community so you can learn prudent practices. By educating ourselves, we can cut down on crime and theft around the University. Register your bike or take a women's self-defense course. Download the new Mobile Safety App. Leaving a party or study group late at night? Skip walking alone and call a Campus Cruiser. Taking advantage of our services will improve your experiences at the university. By working together and staying aware, we ensure that our campus and community remain a safe place for us to work, learn, and live.

Services

- Adopt-a-Hall Officers (Housing Liaisons)
- After Hours Visitor Registration
- Airport Shuttles during Breaks
- Alarms
- Bike Registration
- CCTV Video Request
- Emergency Blue Light Phones
- Lost and Found
- Mobile Safety App powered by LiveSafe
- Party Notification Form
- Patrol and Response Areas
- Property Identification Engraving
- Self-defense Classes
- Secure Parking During Break
- TrojansAlert

CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency 213-740-4321 Non-Emergency 213-740-6000

FIND US ONLINE

Facebook: @USCDPS

Website: https://dps.usc.edu

OFFICE LOCATION

3667 McClintock Ave Los Angeles, CA 90089-1912



Food Pantry

The Food Pantry is an emergency resource for USC students. Dornsife's Leo S. Bing Chair in English and American Literature, Dr. Leo Braudy, and his wife Dorothy Braudy, generously donated the funds to initiate the virtual food pantry program in Fall 2016 and now, thanks to various on and off-campus collaborations, the program has expanded into a physical space to serve a larger capacity of student experiencing food insecurity.

How the Pantry Works

Please visit the link below for current information.

https://dornsife.usc.edu/food-pantry/

Asian Pacific American Student Assembly

USC APASA supports its 21 member organizations and sponsors cultural events to foster unity and growth within and beyond the APA Trojan community. We strive to create a more united community, where students support each other culturally, socially and academically by educating each other with their heritage, history and traditions.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Asian Pacific Alumni Association Scholarships (over 50)

CONTACT INFORMATION

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FIND US ONLINE

Facebook: USC APASA Instagram: USCapasa Twitter: @USCapasa

OFFICE LOCATION



Black Student Assembly

The USC Black Student Assembly develops and strengthens leaders, services our community, and provides infrastructure that fosters camaraderie amongst students of the Black culture, including but not limited to those of African, Caribbean, European African, Afro-Hispanic and African American backgrounds.

SCHOLARSHIPS & FELLOWSHIPS

Being in BSA allows you the opportunity to receive a stipend, depending on your position in BSA.

CONTACT INFORMATION

bsausc@usc.edu

FIND US ONLINE

Facebook: Black Student Assembly at USC

Instagram: uscbsa Twitter: uscbsa

OFFICE LOCATION



Latina/o Student Assembly

The Latina/o Student Assembly is one of nine assemblies under USC's Undergraduate Student Government - Program Board. It serves as a funding and advocacy umbrella organization that oversees 22 Latino-oriented member organizations that range from pre- professional to Greek. LSA's purpose is to encourage, facilitate, and promote the academic, pre-professional, cultural, social, and political self-realization of USC's Latina/o students as individuals and as community.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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FIND US ONLINE

Facebook: USCLSA Instagram: usclsa Twitter: @LSA_USC

OFFICE LOCATION



Student Assembly for Gender Empowerment

SAGE is one of nine assemblies within Program Board—a branch of the Undergraduate Student Government at USC. Inspired by feminists and powered by students, SAGE works on and off campus to address feminist issues, to engage the community, and to empower those oppressed by the patriarchy. With a network of diverse organizations and a proactive stance in sponsoring political, educational, social, and community events, SAGE seeks to raise the awareness, impact, and voices of those oppressed by the patriarchy. SAGE is a queer and trans inclusive organization working towards intersectional, collective liberation. We welcome people of all gender identities who experience some form of sexism.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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FIND US ONLINE

Facebook: USC Student Assembly for Gender Empowerment

Instagram: @sageusc Twitter: @WSAusc

OFFICE LOCATION



Queer and Ally Student Assembly

QuASA or the Queer and Ally Student Assembly is one of nine assemblies within Program Board – a branch of the Undergraduate Student Government at USC. As a cultural assembly, QuASA serves as the umbrella organization for Queer student groups. As a part of the programming branch of Undergraduate Student Government, we create events and programs designed to highlight the culture and community of Queer students at USC. Some of our signature programs include an annual Drag Show, Generation Queer, and Second Chance Prom.

Students who are a part of the Queer and/or LGBTQ+ community are welcome to join in on any and all of our programs! Folks can also be involved in the development stages of events and programs by joining the QuASA Executive Board. Students on E-Board hold either program-specific positions or are representing Member Organizations.

CONTACT INFORMATION

quasa@usc.edu

FIND US ONLINE

Facebook: Queer and Ally Student Assembly

Instagram: @uscquasa Twitter: @uscquasa

OFFICE LOCATION

Ronald Tutor Campus Center

TCC 224



Undergraduate Student Government

WHAT IS USG?

The USC Undergraduate Student Government is the official governing body of the nearly 19,000 undergraduates at the University of Southern California. Through extensive advocacy, programming, and funding work, we seek to make a meaningful impact on the undergraduate experience.

The President, the Vice President, and the Senators are popularly elected by the student body in an annual election held in mid-February. The remaining Executive Officers, and members of the Advocacy, Communications, Funding, Judicial, Legislative, and Programming branches, are appointed by a selection committee.

WHAT WE DO

USG seeks to make the undergraduate experience the best it can possibly be. From advocating for policy change on campus, programing educational and entertainment events, passing resolutions to pass on to administration, and funding our students in their various pursuits, each administration does its best to make a positive impact on student life at USC.

HOW WE DO IT

The student government is made up of six branches that work together to define the USC undergraduate experience: Advocacy, Communications, Funding, Judicial, Legislative, and Programming.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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OFFICE LOCATION

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