



Parent & Family Programs

December update

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Family Association Scholarship

The LSU Family Association will be selecting the 2021-2022 scholarship recipients in the spring semester. All students of Family Association members are eligible to apply for this \$1,000 scholarship. Visit lsu.edu/family for more information about the scholarship, including instructions on how students can apply. The deadline to apply is Friday, January 29, 2021.

If you would like to join the Family Association, please visit lsu.edu/join to learn more. The deadline to join the Family Association for your student to be considered for the 2021-2022 Family Association Scholarship is January 1, 2021.

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear LSU
Families,

Words cannot
fully express how
deeply troubling it
is to face the

Upcoming Dates & Events

**Click on underlined events
for more info**

December 4: Final date
for dropping courses,
4:30 p.m.

December 4: Final date
to resign from the

prospect that our university is not living up to our high ideals, especially when it comes to protecting our students when they need us most.



Recent media reports alleging that we have mishandled reports of sexual assault and violence are a stark reminder that the gains we have made in our reporting, investigating, and processing of Title IX claims in recent years are not enough. One victim of sexual assault on our campus is one too many, and the same holds true for anyone whose report is not properly handled. We must do better going forward - and we will.

As always, our actions will speak louder than our words. We've commissioned Husch Blackwell to conduct an independent, comprehensive review of our Title IX policies and procedures. We chose this firm for its expertise in higher education law as well as its objectivity — we don't have any ongoing business relationship with Husch Blackwell at any of our LSU campuses, health sciences centers, or foundations. Their investigation is already underway and it should wrap up in February, with a public report issued at that time. We will deal swiftly and appropriately if the findings show indifference or mishandling of cases on the part of anyone at LSU. In the meantime, we will continue to investigate every report of violence or sexual abuse, and we will hold those responsible accountable.

Executive Vice President & Provost Stacy Haynie and I are meeting with LSU's student leaders to hear more about their experiences and perspectives, and we are seeking input from faculty and staff on their ideas about improving our processes. We are also consulting with the Baton Rouge Sexual Trauma Awareness and Response (STAR) Center as we work to do better in the future. I have issued a memo to all university leaders to reinforce the obligation all LSU employees have to report knowledge of a sexual or domestic assault to the Title IX Office (with extremely limited exceptions for those in designated, confidential roles). We will further address the topic at our Faculty & Staff Forum on Dec. 2, and mandatory campus-wide Title IX training is required of all employees by Dec. 31.

I am very grateful to the victims who stepped forward in recent

University, 4:30 p.m.

December 5: Classes end, 10:00 p.m.

December 6: Deadline to register for Winter Break Holiday Shuttle 11:59 p.m.

December 7: Housing applications open for incoming first-year students

December 7-12: Final examinations

December 12: Residence halls close for winter break

December 15: Final grades due (degree candidate), 9 a.m.

December 15: Wintersession classes begin, 7:30 a.m.

December 16: Final grades due (non-degree candidate), 9 a.m.

December 16: Spring 2021 Fee Bill payment due

December 18: Commencement Day

December 19: Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker (virtual)

December 24: Winter Holiday begins, 7:30 a.m. (Wintersession)

December 24-January 1: LSU Offices Closed

January 2: Classes resume, 7:30 a.m. (Wintersession)

January 3: Deadline to register for the January

weeks to share incidents of abuse or sexual assault they have not previously reported or believed have not been handled properly at LSU. I can only imagine how difficult that has been for them and I appreciate their courage, which is inspirational and provides us with even greater determination to do better in the future.

Parents and students are rightly demanding changes at LSU, and we promise to deliver. We are committed to preventing all acts of violence and creating a safe learning and working environment for all members of our community. We will admit those instances in which we have not lived up to our high ideals and hold ourselves accountable. Perfection may not be attainable, but in pursuing it we will become a safer, more informed, and more compassionate community. Together, as a community, we can make the necessary changes to protect our LSU family by addressing the underlying causes of sexual and domestic violence and changing that culture for good.

Sincerely,

Thomas C. Galligan, Jr.
LSU Interim President and Professor of Law

[Return to Campus Shuttle, 11:59 p.m.](#)

January 4: LSU Offices Reopen

January 5: Classes end, 10:00 p.m.
(Wintersession)

January 6: Final exams
(Wintersession)

January 9: [Residence Halls Reopen, 10 a.m.](#)

January 11: Spring semester classes begin, 7:30 a.m.

January 18: Martin Luther King Day Holiday

To see the 2020-2021 Academic Calendar, please [click here](#).

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

'W' Grades for Fall

On the recommendation of faculty, 'W' grades students earn in courses for the fall 2020 semester will not count toward the usual limited allotment afforded to students. The last day to drop a class with a grade of 'W' was previously moved to Friday, Dec. 4, at 4:30 p.m., and this deadline still applies. Read the full announcement at lsu.edu/roadmap/messages/2020-11-25-update.php.

ASK YOUR TIGER

- Are you prepared for your finals?
- Can we do anything to help you recenter over the winter break and prepare for the spring semester?
- Have you looked into a potential internship or work study opportunity for next semester or next summer?
- Have you thought about taking any summer classes?



LSU Class of 2020: Then & Now Photo

To commemorate all the hard work our students have done since first starting their education, we are making a personalized "Then and Now" photo album of our graduating LSU Tigers to feature on the [LSU Parent & Family Programs Facebook page](#). This appreciation post will be composed of two photos, one from childhood/any K-12 graduating ceremony and the other of any LSU senior pictures. [Submit your pictures here](#). The deadline for submissions is Sunday, December 13.

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Tiger Family Favorites

What are you most looking forward to as the holidays approach? Do you have a favorite dish or family tradition? [Share with us at this link](#). We'll feature responses on our social media.

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

Bursar Operations: Spring 2021 Fee Bills are now available on myLSU > Registration Services. The payment due date is December 16, 2020. Parents can request access to a student's online Fee Bill as well as other records through myProxy located [here](#).

Join the tRAdition! Resident Assistant (RA) applications for the spring semester opened on October 31. View the position description [...[read more](#)].

LSU Dining News: For updates on dining hours of operation after Thanksgiving, please continue to visit [lsudining.com](#). Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#)! Contests, giveaways, cooking demonstrations, event notifications, and all things food... all year long!

LSU Foundation: The LSU Foundation's philanthropy-focused magazine, Cornerstone, is out now! Visit [lsufoundation.org/cornerstone](#) to read stories, watch videos, and listen to audio clips that highlight LSU donors and Tigers who have been impacted by their generosity.

LSU Gumbo Yearbook: LSU Gumbo Yearbook is offering full, half, and quarter-page ad spaces to families who want to congratulate their special graduate. For more information and pricing, visit [lsureveille.com/gumbo](#).

LSU Libraries: Did you know that your Tiger can check out free laptops, mics, webcams, and more from LSU Libraries? Click [here](#) to learn more about the electronic equipment available for checkout, as well as their loan period information and replacement costs if not returned.

LSU Olinde Career Center: With the semester break drawing near, now is the time to reconnect, refresh, and revitalize (or reboot) [...[read more](#)].

LSU Residential Life: Housing applications for incoming first-year students open on December 7. Review application details [\[...read more\]](#).

Reminder: Residential Halls close for winter break on December 12. Review check-out policies on our website [\[...read more\]](#).

MyStudentBody Requirement! All incoming fall 2020 students must complete the MSB Essentials Course, an online comprehensive health education program. Instructions for completing the requirement: <https://lsu.edu/shc/wellness/my-student-body.php>.

Save the Date! The Involvement Fair for the spring semester is January 27. Does your Tiger want to get involved but not sure where to start? Joining an organization yields resume-worthy experiences, establishes networking skills, and provides students the chance to find their place on campus! LSU has over 400 student organizations, and we're here to get students connected outside of the classroom. Come meet our incredible student leaders as we continue to build a great campus community together. Visit lsu.edu/campuslife to see the times and sign up!

The show will go on! See Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker this Christmas like never before! Grab your family and get to the couch on December 19 for an intimate, behind the scenes and straight-from-the-designers look at this cherished holiday tradition! Visit <https://lsuuniontheater.universitytickets.com/w/> for ticket streaming information.

University College - Center for Freshman Year: Check out our December Newsletter [here!](#)

2020 Holiday Shuttles

Thanksgiving Break

November 23-25

Winter Break

December 12

January Return

January 9-10

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For more info and to sign up, go to lsu.edu/holidayshuttle

Holiday Shuttles

Shuttles are available for the Winter Break and January Return to Campus to transport students to and from the New Orleans Airport. The deadline to register for the Winter Break Shuttle closes this Sunday, December 6 at 11:59 p.m. CT.

Visit lsu.edu/holidayshuttle for more information about shuttle dates, times, costs, and to register.



Happy Holidays

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LSU Parent & Family Programs hopes you have enjoyed reading the December Email Update and that you found the information helpful. Please contact us if we can be of assistance to you and your family.

Happy Holidays, and Geaux Tigers!

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