



## Parent & Family Programs

# January update

KEEPING YOU IN TOUCH



### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear LSU  
Families,

The new year brings new opportunities for everyone in our LSU Family, and we are excited to welcome our



students back to campus for the spring semester and begin building upon the great progress we made in the fall semester despite unprecedented circumstances.

While there are many things about 2020 that we are happy to have in our rearview mirror, I hope we never lose sight of all that we accomplished last year and that we always retain the great lessons we learned along the way. Our past informs our future, and just as we have always done during difficult periods in history, we will emerge stronger this year for all that we endured — and overcame — throughout 2020.

We are entering the spring semester with great optimism. It was with immense pride and joy that we capped the fall semester with our 303rd commencement celebration on Dec. 18, at which we conferred nearly 2,000 degrees inside Tiger Stadium. It served as a fitting bookend to a year that began with our LSU Tigers bringing home a National Championship last January.

### Upcoming Dates & Events

**Click on underlined events for more info**

**January 9:** Residence Halls Reopen, 10 a.m.

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

**January 11:** UREC GroupX Classes Begin

**January 11:** Intramural Softball League Registration Opens

**January 11:** Private Swim Lesson, Session 1

**January 13:** Resident Assistant (RA) Applications due

**January 18:** Martin Luther King Day Holiday

**January 20:** Final date for dropping courses without a 'W', 4:30 p.m. deadline

In between those memorable events, LSU proudly served as one of the state's most impactful leaders in our pandemic fight, with our research and community service being felt across every parish in Louisiana and far beyond. Our outstanding students and faculty rose to the challenge created by remote learning and continued to raise the bar for academics, scholarship, and research. We celebrated record enrollment, retention, and graduation rates, and we made great gains in our efforts to make LSU a more inclusive, equitable, and safe place for everyone in our diverse campus community.

We celebrate our accomplishments with the understanding that so much more important work remains to be done in the year ahead. And that's why, at the start of this new year, we rededicate ourselves to building upon the progress we've made in the past and we recommit ourselves to doing even better in the future.

Thank you for your continued support of LSU, and Geaux Tigers!

Sincerely,

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



### Family Association Scholarship

Applications for the 2021-2022 LSU Family Association Scholarship are now open! All students of Family Association members are eligible to apply for this \$1,000 scholarship. Visit [lsu.edu/family](https://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.

**January 21:** Final date for adding courses for credit and making section changes, 4:30 p.m. deadline

**January 22:** [Drive-In Movie Series](#)

**January 27:** [Virtual Involvement Fair](#)

**January 28:** [Free Canoe Clinic on the Lakes](#)

**January 29:** [Last day to add or change a meal plan](#)

**February 16:** Mardi Gras Holiday

**March 5-7:** [Family Weekend](#)

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

## ASK YOUR TIGER

- What can we do to help you stay focused and motivated this semester?
- What do you think you may need to do differently this semester to help you succeed in school and life?
- Are you planning on getting involved in any new organizations this semester? If so, which one(s)?



- Have you looked into a potential internship or student employment opportunity for this semester or summer?

### Virtual Involvement Fair - January 27

Joining an organization yields resume-worthy experiences, establishes networking skills, and provides students the chance to find their place on campus! Students can browse and learn about the over 400 student organizations in a virtual platform or meet online with representatives during "Go Live" times during the fair. Meet our incredible student leaders as we continue to build a great campus community together. Visit [lsu.edu/campuslife](https://lsu.edu/campuslife) for all the details.



## CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

**Applications are open for the Spring Leadership Cohort:** Tigers Advancing in Leadership (T.A.I.L.) is a 5-week leadership exploration program for students wishing to discuss and exercise their leadership potential. As a cohort, students will examine who they are, how their identities play into power structures, and how to affect the community in a positive way. T.A.I.L. participants will examine case studies to connect with each other and explore various leadership styles to tackle complex problems. T.A.I.L. is open to students that have at least 24 credit hours. Apply online at [lsu.edu/campuslife](https://lsu.edu/campuslife).

**Bursar Operations:** For students who need to complete registration, please note the first purge is scheduled for 4:00 p.m. CST on January 8. It may be helpful to know that through myProxy, parents (and other interested parties) can request access to a student's online Fee Bill as well as other records located [here](#).

**Center for Academic Success:** Is your student ready to conquer the semester? Free services from the [LSU Center for Academic Success](#) can help students have a great start. An [academic coach](#) can help with effective personalized learning strategies. The [Shell Tutorial Center](#) offers tutoring and study groups for assistance with homework, test preparation, and study strategies in many subjects. [Supplemental Instruction](#) is a series of weekly study sessions offered for students in historically difficult courses. For more help with academic strategies, students can use our [Tips and Tools page](#) anytime. The CAS is here to help LSU Tigers have a winning semester!

**Don't let a hold affect your student's class scheduling!** If your student didn't complete MyStudentBody (MSB) as an incoming student, they have a hold on their schedule. Ask them if they took the 3 modules MSB Essentials Course requirement found [here](#).

**Drive-In Movie Series is Back!** We are excited to announce the series' return for the spring semester with more dates and your favorite movies. The first date is Friday, January 22. Visit [lsu.edu/campuslife/drivein](https://lsu.edu/campuslife/drivein) for sign up details and future movie announcements.

**Is your Tiger Looking for a way to get Connected?** TigerLink is a great resource for your Tiger to find out everything that is happening on campus. With over 400 student organizations at LSU, there are tons of choices! TigerLink makes it easy for students by serving as a one-stop-shop for finding all student organizations and their events. Have your student log into [lsu.edu/tigerlink](https://lsu.edu/tigerlink) or reach out to the Campus Life involvement staff at [involvement@lsu.edu](mailto:involvement@lsu.edu) if they need personalized help.

**LSU Dining News:** It's not too late to pick up your Spring 2021 Meal Plan! Remember, meal plans are for residents AND commuters! Visit [lsudining.com](https://lsudining.com) for meal plan information. Students have until the 14th day of class to purchase or change their meal plan.

Health Tip from LSU Dining: JANUARY SUPERFOOD - Citrus. Citrus fruits are in season in many parts of the southern US. Many citrus fruits are high in Vitamin C, which helps to support a healthy immune system.

Follow LSU Dining on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), or [Twitter](#) for events, cooking demonstrations, health tips, and all things food!

**LSU Foundation:** Save the date, tenacious Tigers! On Wednesday, March 10, the entire LSU community will join together for Giving Day 2021. Mark your calendars by clicking [here](#).

**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](https://lsureveille.com/gumbo).

**LSU Olinde Career Center:** New year, fresh start! The new year and semester offer fresh opportunities to move toward a successful and fulfilling career [...[read more](#)].

**LSU Residential Life:** Resident Assistant (RA) applications are due by January 13. View the position description [...[read more](#)].

Residential Life has transitioned to using [housing@lsu.edu](mailto:housing@lsu.edu) as our main email account. All email correspondence should be directed to this address.

**Student Support Services:** Is your first-generation student receiving the support they need? Encourage them to apply to [Student Support Services](#)! We are a federal grant that serves first-generation students, income-eligible, and students with disabilities. Applications will open in March for the Fall 2021 cohort. Students can express interest by filling out [our interest form](#) and will be contacted when the applications open. Questions? Email [sss@lsu.edu](mailto:sss@lsu.edu).

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

**University Recreation:** University Recreation normal operating hours begin January 9, 2021, and all full-time students are members at UREC. Their UREC membership allows them to visit and participate in the variety of programs to stay active during the semester. Please click [here](#) for a virtual tour of UREC.

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

Geaux Tigers!

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