Thursday Connections

9:00am-9:50am

Connection: Pre-Law First-Year Aggie Connection

Description: Last year approximately 54,500 students applied to attend one or more ABA-accredited law schools, seeking a career that can be intellectually stimulating, financially lucrative, and personally fulfilling as attorneys help create a more just world for all people. This Aggie Connection will help incoming first-year and transfer students explore academic and career pathways related to practicing law in the United States and help them make the most of their time as UC Davis undergraduate students.

Location: Segundo Services Center- Recreation Room
Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29731

10:00am-10:50am

Connection: Navigating Aggie Pathways

**This Connections is for transfer students only**

Description: Join a group of peers to build community and find support as you embark on your journey through this large research university. Learn how to engage in the campus social and cultural community and identify key resources to utilize on your path to graduation. This small cohort will provide you connections with peers and staff to help you navigate your first year at UC Davis.

Location: Regan Main Lounge
Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29876

11:00am-11:50am

Connection: Electrical & Computer Engineering First-Years

**This Connection is for freshmen only**

Description: The first year of the Electrical & Computer Engineering (ECE) curriculum takes place in large lecture style courses where you wouldn’t know who’s who among engineering students at UC Davis. This connection will give first-year ECE students the opportunity to interact with fellow majors in a small community setting from the beginning of their time at UCD. We will focus on the transition from High School to college and students will gain a greater understanding for the University environment and all the opportunities available to them at UCD.

Location: Kemper Hall 1127
Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29770
1:10pm-2:00pm

Connection: How to Adult

**This Connection is for freshmen only**

Description: The inspiration for the theme "How to Adult" came from conversations the facilitator had with her friends after she graduated college. This "quarter life crisis" is a time when students are developing identities as adults and are learning important skills. In this Connection, the facilitator hopes to cover material that she wishes she had been taught, such as introductions to handling money, looking for housing in Davis, as well as skills for living away from home for the first time, health & wellness, job searching, and more.

Location: Young 166

Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29548

2:10pm-3:00pm

Connection: Belonging to the Herd: Finding Your Place at UC Davis as a Student Veteran

**This Connection meets until 4:00pm**

**This is a for-credit Connection and is open to transfer students only**

Description: Success is not just about academics. It's also about developing a sense of belonging, which encourages students to feel like part of the university and leads to a more meaningful college experience. This Aggie Connection provides an opportunity to learn about how to become an Aggie in your own way through fostering community. Together, we will tour various campus centers (like the Transfer Reentry Veterans Center, Women's Resource Center, Cross Cultural Center, Health and Wellness Center) to learn about communities we may not be familiar with and those that might echo our identities and values. We will reflect on each visit independently, in group discussions and writing. Throughout the quarter we will foster a collaborative, supportive environment for student veterans to explore campus communities.

Location: Wellman 111

To join this Connection, register with the CRN 53059

Connection: KULA: LGBTQIA

Description: KULA/KOO’LA/NounIs a group coming together of its own free will, an intentional community, a family to celebrate and share our lived experiences as college students who identify within the LBGTVQA community.

Location: 155 Wall Hall

Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29721
Connection: What's Love Got to Do with It?

Description: What's Love Got to Do with It? Self-love and social justice are interdependent. Self-love and social justice enables individuals to critically think about and address ubiquitous issues of oppression, discrimination and marginalization in almost every area of their lives. The focus of this seminar will explore how to navigate a large research university and be a successful student academically and personally, with a focus on self-love, self-acceptance and social justice via the use of social media, articles, self-reflection, small and large group discussions.

Location: Regan Main Lounge

Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29728

3:10pm-4:00pm

Connection: Making the most of your Davis Experience

**This Connection is for transfer students only**

Description: Discover the recreational and cultural offerings at UC Davis by going on “field trips” to the Mondavi Center, Outdoor Adventures, The Craft Center, Equestrian Center and other on campus locations to tour the facility and learn about the unique and exciting programs available on our beautiful campus.

Location: Regan Main

Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29624

Connection: Aggie Adventures

Description: Aggie Adventures: Connect with the great outdoors, on campus! Learn more about how outdoor spaces and educational opportunities can benefit you as a student. Connect with other students who share your passion for the outdoors as you start your UC Davis adventure.

Location: Segundo Services Center- Recreation Room

Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29732

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Link to Register: https://myrecreation.ucdavis.edu/index.aspx?view=item&item=29872
4:10pm-5:00pm

**Connection: Be a UC Davis superhero**

Description: This connection will focus on helping you create your own UC Davis narrative, where YOU are the superhero. Using well-known super hero stories as a basis for discussion, you will explore how to create the college experience you want to have. Learn about how to adjust to and thrive in this new environment. Learn about common difficulties and antagonists you may face. Learn about the importance of support and connection--remember, no superhero goes it alone. Learn about your strengths and opportunities for growth and learning. Learn about yourself, about UC Davis, and have some fun along the way.

Location: 155 Wall Hall

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Location: 155 Wall Hall

5:10pm-6:00pm

**Connection: Student Engagement Opportunities**

**“This Connection is for freshmen only”**

Description: Research shows that students who are engaged in co-curricular activities earn higher GPAs and complete more class credit hours than their peers. Student engagement can take the form of student clubs, research experience, Greek life, athletics, cultural activities, or many other options. This Connection will focus on student leadership, research, and engagement opportunities as a freshman and beyond, and how to protect your academic success as an active student.

Location: Wall Main Lounge

6:00pm-7:00pm

**Connection: Folk Dance & Folk Music of Great Britain**

Description: We will focus on the historical dance and music styles of the British Isles, especially English country dance, Irish ceili dance, and Morris stick dance, meeting Thursday evenings (and optionally some Saturdays) to learn dances. Other dance groups in the region will be discussed, and visited if there is interest. All levels of dancers and musicians are welcome, from beginner to expert.

Location: 114 South Hall