



WEEKLY UPDATE – Sept. 13

Academic Tips and Support

This week's newsletter includes information to help you navigate all of the academic support available to you as a student at USF. As always, if you have any questions, you can contact our office by **chat**, **phone**, or **email**. If you have specific immigration questions, you can also **make an appointment with your ISSS adviser** online.

Gleeson Library

Gleeson Library's supportive staff are committed to providing online access to information and research services to students. Students can **chat with a librarian** in real-time 24/7 and locate books and journals of interest. The library also **offers home delivery**, including free shipment of physical materials to your home, electronic document delivery, or digitized copies of library materials. Be sure to also check out their **blog**! Gleeson Library is your "one stop shop" for research and studying needs. **Learn more about library resources on their website »**

Learning, Writing, and Speaking Centers

The **Learning, Writing, and Speaking Centers (LWSCs)** offers free subject-specific tutoring, writing assistance, and communication-related support. The Learning Center also provides opportunities for academic skill development, through 1:1 coaching, group workshops, and online resources. LWSC staff can be reached Monday through Friday between 8 a.m.–5 p.m. via **email** or through the chatbox their **website**.

Center for Academic and Student Achievement

The **Center for Academic and Student Achievement (CASA)** is your home for compassionate academic and personal support. At CASA, students can find their success coach, get guidance on completing forms, and get connected to campus resources. The CASA team is working remotely through the spring term on Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. and can be reached via **phone** or by **email**. Students can make an online or phone appointment with their CASA coach through the **Student Hub** or live chat with the CASA front desk via the chatbox on their **website**. Students are encouraged to also take advantage the **student drop-in hours**.



Buddy Program Beach Bonfire

Nothing compares to the smell of the burning wood, the salty sea air, the relaxing sound of the rolling tides, and quality time with your friends. USF's **Buddy Program** is hosting a beach bonfire on **Sept. 17 from 5–6:30 p.m.** at Ocean Beach. Enjoy free snacks and fresh drinks and connect with students from all over the world. It can be chilly so remember to bring a jacket or blanket. **Learn more and register »**



AEM Conversation Partner Program

The **AEM Conversation Partner Program (CPP)** matches international students at USF for whom English is not their primary language with members of the USF community who are highly proficient English speakers and have deep knowledge of American culture. Conversation partners meet regularly throughout the semester to practice their language skills and also build community. Be sure to register before sign ups close on **Sept. 17**. **Learn more and register »**

ISSS OFFICE RESOURCES

Requesting a Document from ISSS?

If you are requesting an immigration document or letter from our office, remember that we request **ten business days** to process requests. Make sure you plan accordingly so you have enough time to receive your document before you need it. **You can also make some document requests through online submission.**

Adviser Appointments and Workshops

Appointments can be made online. Please visit the **ISSS website** to schedule an appointment. Appointments are still booked in 30-minute increments.

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