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Belonging means something different to everyone. Although academics are the most important aspect of your collegiate life, many of your most rewarding experiences will also occur in a variety of student activities outside the classroom. Students who become involved in campus organizations are more likely to continue their education through graduation because they develop ties and friendships which help them “anchor” to the university. Membership in student groups leads to satisfying college experiences and has been found to have a positive impact on grade point averages. In addition, many of these activities play a major role in helping you to develop leadership, communication, interpersonal, and managerial skills. These tools will prove invaluable to your success after graduation. Due to the unique residential nature of the university, there are also numerous opportunities for your participation in the life of both the academic and larger Chico communities.



Student organizations at CSU, Chico are student-operated. Each group selects a faculty or staff adviser to work with, but students plan and execute their own programs, take all financial responsibility, and determine the goals and direction of their group. Activities of some organizations may include academic credit; others provide a close association between students and faculty who share similar academic interests in a pre-professional, departmentally related, or service setting; and some are designed to recognize those with high academic and professional goals by providing valuable exposure to career opportunities. Many groups include non-student members, and several emphasize community-oriented issues and services. All organizations share a primary purpose of socializing and working with peers toward common goals, and all depend on voluntary commitment.

Information about all student organizations and how to start new ones is available in the Student Activities Office and on the Student Activities Web page: www.csuchico.edu/sac/



STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE

The Student Activities Office (SAO) assists in the development of the university's out-of-class learning experiences by direct contact with student organizations and programs, and by advising the Associated Students government, programming boards, and committees. Staff members work with students individually and in groups to produce programs which benefit the entire university community. This work includes developing individual leadership and management skills through a “hands on” approach to learning.

In addition to monitoring the student organizations' use of university facilities, staff members also sit on university committees to develop policies affecting student activities. One program coordinator works closely with multicultural groups, some of which have offices on campus in the Multicultural Center. Other staff specialize in leadership education and development, Greek letter groups, and alcohol/drug education.

Internships and Course Credit for University and Community Service

Student Activities offers, through the Departments of Education, Health and Gerontology, and Political Science, specialized internships which allow you to obtain university credit for extended participation in certain activities and programs (including A.S. Government, yearbook production, KCSC, CAVE, CLIC, etc.). Check with the SAO staff about current course offerings, community service, and internship opportunities.

CADEC

The Campus Alcohol and Drug Education Center (CADEC) promotes responsible decision-making with respect to alcohol and drug use. The staff is available to provide information to students who are concerned about alcohol and other drugs. CADEC is located in Reynolds Warehouse, and is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information, please call 530-898-6450.

FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES

Fraternities and sororities have existed nationally for more than 200 years and at CSU, Chico for more than 60 years. Members and friends share their traditions of service to community, activities within the campus environment, and active social lives. Greek organizations stress the value of friendship, a sense of belonging, and worthwhile human experiences.

There are 23 social fraternities and 20 social sororities at CSU, Chico. (Professional fraternities and sororities are listed under "Student Organizations" in this section of the *Catalog*.) Each group offers a particular kind of organizational affiliation for its members and extends lifetime membership to its alumnae and alumni. Belonging to a sorority or fraternity sometimes includes sharing a chapter house. Housing is available on a rotating basis each semester to active members so that all who wish to live in the house may do so sometime during their college years.

Social Fraternities

Alpha Gamma Rho
Beta Theta Pi
Delta Chi
Delta Psi Delta
Epsilon Sigma Rho
Gamma Zeta Alpha
Kappa Alpha Psi
Lambda Chi Alpha
Lambda Pi
Mu Alpha Xi
Nu Alpha Kappa
Omega Chi Lambda
Omega Psi Phi
Phi Beta Sigma
Phi Delta Theta
Phi Kappa Tau
Phi Nu Chi
Sigma Chi
Sigma Nu
Tau Gamma Theta
Tau Kappa Epsilon
Theta Chi
Zeta Beta Tau

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Most student organizations advertise their meetings and events. Some make presentations to classes, while others publish notices in the *Orion* and the *Chico News & Review* calendar sections. The Student Activities Web page contains information about officers and contact people for those who want to get involved. Your involvement can be from "may be interested" to becoming a leader or officer.

Cultural

African Students Club
Asian Culture Night Committee
Chico India Club
Filipino-American Student Organization
General Union of Palestine Students
Hmong Students Association
Indian Student Association
Indigenous Nations Alliance
International Cultural Exchange
Japan-Chico Club
Korean Student Association
Pakistan Students Association
Pan African Union



Fraternities and sororities have established coordinating groups (the Interfraternity, Panhellenic, and Ethnic Greek Councils) which meet regularly to share common interests, coordinate service and social projects, and encourage interfraternity/sorority programs.

Fraternities and sororities add new members through a process called "Rush." This is a way for members to meet new students and to get to know them. It also provides prospective members the opportunity to meet the different groups and discover which programs best fit their needs. Rush occurs early each semester and features a series of informal and formal programs designed to acquaint you with all the groups. Information about Rush is distributed during the first week of classes each semester.

Social Sororities

Alpha Chi
Alpha Delta Pi
Alpha Gamma Delta
Alpha Phi
Delta Xi Phi
Gamma Phi Beta
Kappa Sigma Delta
Ladies of Distinction
Lambda Sigma Gamma
Lambda Theta Nu
Phi Gamma Theta
Pi Beta Phi
Quetzal Sorority
Sigma Gamma Rho
Sigma Kappa
Sigma Omega Phi
Upsilon Kappa Delta
Zeta Phi Beta
Zeta Tau Alpha

Pan Arab Student Union
Russian Club
Sinorama Society-Chinese Student Association
Sociedad Estudiantal de Literatura, Arte, y Cultura
Southeast Asian Student Association
Turkish Student Club
Vietnamese Student Association

Honorary

Alpha Psi Omega - *Theatre*
Beta Alpha Psi - *Accounting*
English Honors Society - *English*
Eta Kappa Nu - *Elect. & Computer Engineering*
Eta Sigma Delta - *Int'l Hospitality Management*
Golden Key National - *Academic*
Kappa Delta Pi - *Education*
Lambda Pi Eta - *Communication*
Omicron Theta Epsilon - *Biology*
Order of Omega - *Greek*
Phi Alpha Theta - *History*
Phi Eta Sigma - *Freshman Academic*
Phi Kappa Phi - *Academic*
Phi Sigma Iota - *Foreign Languages*
Phi Sigma Tau - *Philosophy*

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Pi Sigma Alpha - *Political Science*
Psi Chi - *Psychology*
Sigma Lambda Chi - *Construction Management*
Tau Beta Pi - *Engineering*
Upsilon Pi Epsilon - *Computer Science*

Political

College Republicans
Green Party Activist Club
Movimiento Estudiantal Chicano de Aztlan
Progressive Student Union
Student Democrats
Student Political Action Committee

Professional

Accounting Society
American Choral Directors Association
American College of Healthcare Executives
American Indian Science and Engineering Society
American Institute of Mechatronic Engineers
American Society of Civil Engineers
American Society of Mechanical Engineers
American Society of Microbiology
Anthropological Society



Association for Computer Engineering
Audio Engineering Society
California Nursing Students Association
Chico Geoscience Students
Child Development Student Association
Collegiate Future Farmers of America
Delta Sigma Pi - *Business*
Designers in Progress
E-Commerce Society
Economics Club
English Graduate Student Council
Finance Club
Graduate Business Association
Graduate Organization of Nursing Students
Graphic Arts Technical Organization
Health Professionals Association
Human Resource Management Association
Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers
Instructional Technology Society
International Association of Business Communicators
Java Developers Consortium
Latinos in Technical Careers
Management Information Systems Society
Marketing Association

Math Club
Model United Nations
Music and Entertainment Industry Student Association
Music Educators National Conference
National Society of Black Engineers and Scientists
National Student Speech, Language, and Hearing Association
Network for Women in Technology and Engineering
Nutrition and Food Science Association
Phi Chi Theta - *Business*
Physical Education Exercise Science Club
Pre-Law Society
Pre-Medical Association
Production Operations Management Society
Professional Animal Science Society
Psychology Association of Chico State
Recreation Management Society
Shoobox Ensemble
Sigma Alpha
Society for Technical Communication
Society of Agricultural Managers
Society of Physics Students
Society of Plastics Engineers
Society of Professional Journalists
Society of Women Engineers
Structural Engineering Association of Central California
Student Affiliates of the American Chemical Society
Student Association of Grass/Wildland Ecology
Student Association of Social Workers
Student California Teachers Association
Student Health Awareness Association
Student Social Work Community Project
Students in Free Enterprise
Students of Communication Studies
United States Institute for Theatre Technology

Recreational

Badminton Club
Ballroom Dance Club
Chess Club
Climbing Club
CSU, Chico Color Guard
Disc Golf Club
Exodus Dance Company
Expressions Dance Troupe
New Level
Scuba Club
Shooting Club
Snowboard Club
Sole Power Footbag Club
Students for Outdoor Leadership
Wet and Reckless

Religious

Asian Christian Fellowship
Baptist Student Union/FOCUS
Campus Crusade for Christ
Chi Alpha
Christian Science Organization
Hillel/Jewish Student Union
International Neighbors
Latter-Day Saints Students Association
Muslim Student Association
Newman Catholic Campus Ministry
The Edge
Worship.generation

Service

Alpha Phi Omega
BACCHUS
Chico Safe Rides
Gamma Sigma Sigma
Habitat for Humanity
Women's Center for Financial Information

Special Interest

Aikido Club
Arabic Club
Arboretum Management Club
Ballet Folklorico Mexico Lindo
BSD Users Group
Cannabis Coalition
Capoeira
CERES - Plant Science Club
Computer Graphics Consortium
Council for Exceptional Children
Council of Graduate Students
Digital Filmmakers Guild
Educational Talent Search Alumni
Ethnic Greek Council Exchange
Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance
Geography and Planning Collective
German Studies Club
Greek Week Committee
Guitar Society
History Club
Honors Council
Humans for Animal Rights
Hybrid Electric Vehicle Club
Interdisciplinary Society for Museum Appreciation
Interfraternity Council
Just Like Goddesses
LINUX Users Group
Live Cipher
Mac User's Group
Odyssey of the Mind
Organic Gardening Club
Panhellenic Council
PRIDE/Safe Zone
Prime Timers
Religious Studies Society
Renaissance Universal Yoga Society
Residence Hall Association
Rights & Options for Everyone (ROE)
Society of Automotive Engineers
Stock Dog Association
Student Alumni Association
Students Against Sweatshops
Students for Environmental Studies
Students for Peace
Students for Responsible Agriculture
Students Helping Students Intern Club
Taylor Made
The Art Club
Tough Bot Club
Up 'til Dawn
Upward Bound Alumni Association
Young Cattlemen's Association

Sports Clubs

Bowling
Cycling
In-Line Hockey
Lacrosse-Men's
Lacrosse-Women's
Rugby-Men's
Rugby-Women's
Ultimate Frisbee-Men's
Ultimate Frisbee-Women's
Water Polo-Men's
Water Polo-Women's
Volleyball
Waterski Team

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

As a CSU, Chico student, you are a member of the Associated Students (A.S.)—one of the largest not-for-profit organizations in Northern California. The Associated Students is responsible for operating campus businesses, including the A.S. Bookstore and Food Services. It provides many campus programs and services. The A.S. also plays a significant role in the economic, social, service, and cultural life of the Chico community.

While the A.S. is an independent student organization, it serves as an auxiliary to the university, complementing the educational mission by offering out-of-classroom learning experiences which create well-rounded students. Academic credit is available for your participation in some A.S. programs.

Information Center—Use the University Information Center in the BMU or call 530-898-INFO for campus information and referrals. This center is your first stop for help with any question pertaining to student life on campus.



Students Make the Difference

The Associated Students' relationship with its members is unparalleled in the California State University system. The A.S. does not receive state funding. Students directly allocate the income from two separate fees paid during registration—the Student Union Fee and the Activity Fee. This income, combined with business revenue, creates the multi-million dollar budget of the Associated Students.

Students govern the Associated Students corporation through the A.S. Board of Directors (BOD), whose members include elected students and university administrators. Together, they set the goals and policies and are responsible for a budget exceeding \$23 million, a full-time professional staff of 100, and 600-900 student employees.

Student Government

Becoming a member of an A.S. board, council, or committee offers you practical experience in organizational decision-making and the personal satisfaction of knowing that you really can make a difference. Talk to a student director in the A.S. Government Office, Bell Memorial Union, or call 530-898-5701. Described below are the various components which make the A.S. government so vital to you.

Activity Fee Council annually allocates more than \$50,000 of student fee income to the numerous organizations, programs, and events sponsored by the A.S.

Bell Memorial Union Committee (BMUC) controls and plans the activities and services of the Bell Memorial Union (BMU). The BMU is the "living room" of the CSU, Chico campus and the home of the Associated Students.

Government Affairs Committee (GAC) is an eight-member elected student committee which is the nucleus of student advocacy on the university level.



The Associated Students Business Committee (ASBC) plans and performs services offered through the A.S. Bookstore and Food Services and establishes yearly operating budgets.

Other A.S. Councils and Committees are actively involved in the overall decision-making process and each provides you an opportunity for meaningful participation, thereby gaining relevant out-of-classroom experiences, and making a significant contribution to the university. Your particular interest in student government or an academic degree program might be in any of these areas:
 Community Affairs Council
 Election Council
 Environmental Affairs Council
 Re-entry Affairs Council
 Student Academic Affairs Council
 Multicultural Council
 . . . and more

Recreation and Entertainment

Another service of the Associated Students, as well as other university programs, is providing entertainment and recreation to the campus community. Some of these activities are described below.

A.S. Presents sponsors a variety of rock concerts, jazz ensembles, dance performances, feature films, and guest lecturers throughout the school year. By calling 530-898-HEAR or the Programming Hotline at 898-6007, you will receive up-to-the-minute, 24-hour recordings of all current campus events.

Adventure Outings is an outdoor recreation program sponsored by the student union and partially funded by the Student Union Fee and user fees. Exciting outings are planned each season and include snow trips, white water rafting, hiking, rock climbing, bike tours, and more. Some equipment is available to rent for your own adventures. For information about any of the Adventure Outing programs, call 530-898-4011, or stop by their office in the BMU.



Fairs and Festivals sponsored by multicultural student groups afford an opportunity throughout the year to explore the cuisines, lifestyles, and histories of the diverse ethnic cultures represented here at CSU, Chico. Various festivals offer colorful days of dancing, entertainment, costumes, crafts, and food.

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LEARN WHILE DOING

The A.S. supports the services described below. Your involvement in these can enrich you personally, academically, and professionally.

The A.S. Children's Center has, since 1969, operated low-cost day care for the increasing number of parents returning to college. As a volunteer or paid staff, you are offered the chance for experience in day-to-day operations. The center has an academic affiliation with the Child Development Program and provides various opportunities to earn academic credit.

The A.S. Recycling Program has, since 1966, offered recycling services to the university. The program maintains a demonstration compost pile. Student staff collect office paper, newspaper, magazines, aluminum, glass, and plastic from over 145 locations throughout campus. On average the Recycling Program processes over 17,000 pounds of recyclables each month. An average of 21 program interns gain valuable hands-on educational and professional experience by creating short- and long-term projects that promote awareness and education for

CAVE's goal is to provide students with meaningful, experiential learning programs while servicing a broad base of real community needs. CAVE's motto, "Life is for Learning," supports the philosophy that the community is a valid classroom for hands-on learning. Each year more than 2,000 CAVE volunteers provide more than 190,000 hours of community service. CAVE offers you the opportunity to build valuable skills while exploring special areas of personal or professional interest.

CAVE has academic affiliation with the Departments of Health and Community Services, Education, Sociology, and Social Work, and thus provides student volunteers with the opportunity to earn university credit. Enrollment in CAVE courses occurs the first three weeks of school and is only conducted at the CAVE office, not through TRACS. Stop by CAVE for more information about all of the programs. CAVE is located at the third floor of the BMU in room 309 and is open between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 530-898-5817.

INSTRUCTIONALLY RELATED ACTIVITIES (IRA)

The programs and activities of IRA provide you opportunity to perform in public and translate classroom learning into practical experience. IRA programs are funded partially from a special fee paid by each student at registration. Administered by a joint student/faculty board, the funds support activities such as the business management team, computer programming team, equestrian team, human-powered vehicle team, intercollegiate athletics, livestock judging team, micro mouse team, Model U.N., National Agri-Marketing Association (NAMA), *The Orion*, plant identification team, quadrathlon, student art exhibits, student music concerts, student research competition, student theatre productions, and *Watershed*.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The Alumni Association (established 1892) provides all former students with a lifelong connection to their alma mater. The association assists the university with funding special projects, scholarships, student loan funds,



students, faculty, staff, and the community about recycling options and composting.

The A.S. Re-entry Center offers services and support for students who have had a significant break in their formal education and have returned to pursue a college degree. The program is open throughout the academic year and offers re-entry students a place to study, network, or exchange information about mutual needs (e.g., ride sharing, housing, tutoring, and financial assistance), or just a place to relax between classes. The center also sponsors a variety of workshops and social mixers throughout the year. For more information, call 530-898-6583.

Community Action Volunteers in Education (CAVE) is an Associated Students Activity Fee Program located on campus. CAVE is a nationally recognized volunteer organization which has been serving the community since 1966. The 55 to 60 volunteer student staff administer more than 18 programs which provide volunteer services to children, elderly, special populations, adult non-readers, and other community agencies and state facilities.

Community Legal Information Center (CLIC)

is a student-run legal center which offers free legal information about issues ranging from landlord/tenant agreements to Small Claims Court. Its diverse programs include a consumer protection agency, Disabled and the Law, Environmental Advocates, Women's Law, Worker's Rights Project, and Military Information Service. Working experience is available with any one of the programs in CLIC.

KCSC Livewire Internet is the student-owned-and-operated radio station on campus. KCSC provides a learning opportunity for all aspects of technical broadcasting and music programming.

The Women's Center offers information and support groups for women at CSU, Chico and in the community. Located in the BMU, the Women's Center houses a women's art gallery, library, and a comfortable gathering place to share ideas and offer support to women.

legislative relations, student recruitment, campus improvements, and many other programs and activities. Alumni volunteers act as the liaison between their communities and the campus, and serve as resources for student recruitment. The purpose of the association is twofold. It ministers to the programming needs of its members, and conducts programs and events meant to enhance the quality of life and education for all students. There are approximately 110,000 CSU, Chico alumni throughout the world. More information about the Chico State Alumni Association can be found at www.csuchico.edu/alm or by calling 530-898-6472.