Welcome to the Chico State Diversity Resource Guide!

The information within these pages provides you with an introduction to the people who, places that, and things which may be of interest and assistance to you. Not in any way intended to be exhaustive or definitive, the directory offers but a small sample of the plethora of campus and community resources available to you.

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California State University, Chico establishes this policy in recognition of its educational mission, its social concerns, its responsibility for the personal development of individuals, and its concern for the rights of individuals.

CSU, Chico will comply with federal and state regulations relating to affirmative action and nondiscrimination obligations. The University will provide equal opportunity in education and employment for all qualified persons; prohibit illegal discrimination based on age, race, religion, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or gender expression, marital or veteran status, and physical or mental impairment; and promote the full realization of equal education and employment opportunities through a positive and continuing program of affirmative action for the University as a whole and for each constituent unit.

This policy governs all university educational and employment practices and procedures including, but not limited to, recruitment, employment, enrollment, rate of pay or other compensation, advancement, reclassification, promotion, financial aid, demotion, renewal, non-renewal, termination, dismissal, transfer, layoff, leave, training, employee benefits, grading, and program access.

It will be a violation of this policy to dismiss, discharge, expel, penalize, discipline, harass, adversely alter academic grades, or otherwise discriminate against any student, faculty, or staff member because he or she has opposed any discriminatory practice, filed an internal or external complaint of discrimination, or testified or assisted in any proceeding in accordance with this policy.

Responsibility and authority for the dissemination and implementation of this policy lies ultimately with the president of the University with the support of university administrators, faculty, and staff and with assistance from the director of employment practices (or designee). Practically, the responsibility and authority to act affirmatively to provide equality of opportunity in education and employment lies with all who are in decision-making positions within the University. Support for the University’s affirmative action policy will be considered in the annual evaluation of administrators and supervisors. The University will commit appropriate resources and create a supportive atmosphere for the implementation of this policy.
**Clubs and Organizations**

**Chabad Jewish Student Group**
For Jewish students of all backgrounds and affiliations to gather together to celebrate Shabbat and holidays, learn more about Judaism, and socialize in a non-judgmental, friendly atmosphere.

Advisor: Jed Wyrick  
Email: jwyrick@csuchico.edu  
Phone: 530-809-1662  
Website: www.jewishchico.com

**Delta Xi Phi Sorority**
A multicultural sorority that strives for women in higher education and is based on community service, sisterhood, and friendship.

Advisor: Nandi Crosby  
Email: ncrosby@csuchico.edu  
Phone: 530.898.4646  
Website: [www.facebook.com/dxpbeta](http://www.facebook.com/dxpbeta)

**Education for Middle East Transformation (EMET)**
EMET seeks to create an atmosphere of openness, discussion, dialogue, and education. EMET will seek to promote a fair and honest framework to understand Israel, the Arab-Israeli conflict, and the Middle East.

Advisor: Michael Leitner  
Email: mleitner@csuchico.edu  
Phone: 530-898-6774  
Website: [https://www.facebook.com/educationformiddleeasttransformation](http://https://www.facebook.com/educationformiddleeasttransformation)

**Hillel/Jewish Student Union**
A social club connecting diverse students through events and activities shaped by Judaism, Israel and the Peace Process.

Advisor: Michael Leitner  
Email: mleitner@csuchico.edu  
Phone: 530-898-6774  
Website: [http://chicostate.orgsync.com/organization/hilleljewishstudentunion73060](http://chicostate.orgsync.com/organization/hilleljewishstudentunion73060)
Jewish Resources

Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority
Multicultural sorority who stresses sisterhood and the importance of academics. We are involved with community service throughout Chico, and have fundraisers and socials as well.
Advisors: Tracy Butts
E-Mail: tbuts@csuchico.edu
Phone: 530-898-5151
Website: http://www.lambdasigmagamma.org/

Sigma Omega Phi Sorority
Sigma Omega Phi Multicultural Sorority, Inc. is an organization that unites women regardless of their origin. As of today, Sigma Omega Phi has and continues to have fundraisers and socials as well.
Advisors: Cecilia Santillan-Robles
E-Mail: crobles@csuchico.edu
Phone: 530-898-6831
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/sigmaomegaphi/index.html

The Career Center
The Career Center provides assistance in career development, choosing majors, preparing resumes and other application materials, graduate school search, and career search.
Contact: Jamie Sturman
Phone: 530.898.5253
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/plc/welcome2.html

Chico Student Success Center
The Chico Student Success Center (CSSC) is a collaborative, student development program with a decade of successful diversity recruitment and retention experiences. The CSSC serves Low Income students in an effort to create and support a successful college experience while attending CSU, Chico.
Contact: Bertha Alecia Curiel
Phone: 530.898.6783
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/ccsc

Counseling and Wellness Center
The campus Wellness Center, CWC, was founded in 1992. Its purpose is to promote holistic, healthy lifestyles and well-being among CSU, Chico students. Its mission is to maximize individual choices and responsibility for one's own well-being and lifestyle. By raising awareness, the CWC enhances the opportunity for change and the potential to eliminate unhealthy, self-defeating behaviors.
Phone: 530.898.6345
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/wellness

ESL Support Services
The Center for English as a Second Language (ESL) provides tutoring for non-native English speakers, grammar assistance, reading tutoring, assistance with research papers and homework, and help preparing for language exams including the TOEFL.
Contact: Saundra Wright
Phone: 530.898.6744
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/esl

Safe Place
The mission of Safe Place is to offer a visible support system for victims of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and stalking through outreach, crisis intervention, advocacy, and educational programming at California State University, Chico and Butte College Campuses.
Contact: Dawn Frank
Phone: 530.898.3030
E-mail: safeplace@csuchico.edu

Student Health Center
Student Health Services assists each student in their diverse healthcare needs in order to facilitate maximum academic and personal growth.
Contact: Cathy Feliz
Phone: 530.898.5241
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/shs/

Student Learning Center
The Student Learning Center offers a variety of programs and resources to meet the needs of every student. Tutoring and study skills workshops are offered.
Contact: Christine Connerly
Phone: 530.898.6839
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/slcl

Jewish Resources

The Cross-Cultural Leadership Center
The Center exists to create an environment in which all students, regardless of their ethnicity, culture, or differences, feel safe and respected. Through leadership development, cultural awareness, community education, and the creation of a constructive social change, the Cross-Cultural Leadership Center will contribute a positive, enriching, and memorable life experience to every student of CSU, Chico and its surrounding community.
Contact: CC Carter
Phone: 530.898.4101
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/cclc

Education Support Programs
The mission of the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) is to provide access and support services to first-generation students who are economically, educationally, and/or environmentally disadvantaged, but display the potential to succeed in post-secondary education and to assist the University in the matriculation, retention, and graduation of EOP students.
Contact: Chris Malone
Phone: 530.898.6831
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/eop

English as a Second Language Support Center
The ESL Resource Center located in Siskiyou 104 provides tutoring for non-native English speakers, grammar assistance, reading tutoring, assistance with research papers and homework, and help preparing for language exams including the TOEFL.
Contact: Saundra Wright
Phone: 530.898.6744
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/international/initiatives/esl

Student Judicial Affairs
Student Judicial Affairs ensures that students have a supportive environment and a fair process for resolving grievances with faculty, staff, and administration. For student behavior, SJA also promotes student success by upholding university standards on one hand and holding students accountable for their actions on the other.
Contact: Lisa Root
Phone: 530.898.6897
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/sjd/
Jewish Resources

Student Life and Leadership
The Student Life and Leadership Office is dedicated to supporting student activities, student organizations, and fraternities and sororities.
Contact: CC Carter
Phone: 530.898.5396
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/sac/

Study Abroad
The Study Abroad Program exposes students to experience and perspective that they will not get in the U.S. and can strengthen a resume.
Contact: Tash Dev
Phone: 530.898.5415
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/studyabroad

University Housing and Food Service
Provides safe, secure, clean, and reasonably priced residential environments conducive to the academic and personal development of the student.
Contact: Kristen McPeak
Phone: 530.898.6325
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/housing/

Upward Bound
Upward Bound provides fundamental support to participants in their preparation for college entrance. The goal of Upward Bound is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education.
Contact: Maria Moreno
Phone: 530.898.5181
Website: http://csucub.csuchico.edu/

Faith Organizations
Chabad Jewish Center
Chabad Jewish Center is a unique and vibrant center, providing a home away from home for Jewish students at Chico State as well as any man, woman or youngster who walks through its doors. Our aim is to give meaning, share joy and add spirituality to the every day. Our dream is to teach these values in a warm and nurturing environment where people can grow together, enjoying life and Judaism simultaneously.
440 W 4th Street, Chico, CA 95928
Phone: 530.809.1662
Website: http://www.jewishchico.com

Chico Havurah
We are a small reconstructionist congregation creating a community grounded in spirituality, care, and learning. We seek to honor Jewish history and culture by focusing on the kavannah (spirit) of the traditions, rather than rigid religious observation. Our congregation is spiritually, liturgically, and socially progressive.
1600 Mangrove Avenue, Chico, CA
Phone: 530.520.3946
Website: http://www.chicohavurah.org/
Email: lynnereyman@sunrise.net

Talent Search
Designed to assist low-income and first-generation students in grades 6-12 to prepare for their future.
Contact: Diana Patra-Villaseñor
Phone: 530.898.4429
Website: http://www.csuchico.edu/tsed

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Jewish Courses

RELS 205 / MJIS 205
Jews, Muslims, and the West
This course traces the history of Jewish and Muslim engagement with the West, explores the diversity of Jewish and Muslim groups in contemporary Europe and the United States, and investigates how Western interactions with Jews and Muslims have defined and challenged European and American identities. 3 hours discussion. This is an approved General Education course. This is an approved US Diversity course.

RELS 303 / MJIS 303
Hebrew Bible
An introduction to the Hebrew Bible (also known as the Old Testament of Christianity and the Tanakh of Judaism) in English translation. Readings from the Pentateuch, the prophetic books, and the Hagiographa. The course emphasizes the analysis of the biblical books in their ancient Near Eastern contexts, the documentary hypotheses, Israelite history and religion, the formation of the biblical canon, and early Jewish and Christian scriptural interpretation. 3 hours lecture.

RELS 204I / MJIS 204I
Judaism and the Minority Experience
This course surveys the texts, practices, and beliefs of Judaism, examines the development of the Jewish tradition in response to interactions with a variety of host cultures, and investigates how the Jewish experience complicates our understanding of what it means to be a minority. 3 hours discussion. This is an approved Writing Intensive course. This is an approved General Education course. This is an approved US Diversity course.

RELS 100
Judaism, Christianity, Islam
An analysis of the religions of the West: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. 3 hours lecture. This is an approved General Education course.

RELS 204I / MJIS 204I
Judaism and the Minority Experience
This course surveys the texts, practices, and beliefs of Judaism, examines the development of the Jewish tradition in response to interactions with a variety of host cultures, and investigates how the Jewish experience complicates our understanding of what it means to be a minority. 3 hours discussion. This is an approved Writing Intensive course. This is an approved General Education course. This is an approved US Diversity course.
RELS 305 / MJIS 305
Classical Judaism
An introduction to the thought, texts, and culture of Rabbinic Judaism in the first through sixth centuries. Students become familiar with the historical and cultural background of classical Rabbinic society, from its origins in the Pharisaic movement in Palestine (Eretz Israel) to its pinnacle in the academies of Sassanid Babylonia. This course explores the oral-literary tradition that produced the Talmud and Midrash while allowing students to experience the dialectical style of study associated with Rabbinic culture. 3 hours lecture.

MJIS 356H / SOCI 356H
Genocide – Honors
The social impact of acts of genocide around the globe is explored, from the beginning of the 20th century to the present. This class examines issues of ethnic and national identity, ethnocentrism, the role of technology, and issues of power. Also considered are the moral implications of genocide, as well as individual, social, and corporate responsibility. 3 hours lecture. This is an approved Global Cultures course.

MJIS 418 / POLS 418
Government and Politics of Israel
This course will examine the Israeli political system from its early development to the present. The class will focus on the Zionist ideology of the founders and the transformation of that ideology during the state-building period. Israeli political institutions will be examined along with historical and contemporary political conflicts, the vagaries of the peace process, and Israeli-American relations. 3 hours lecture.
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