Welcome and welcome back, Wildcats!

The Child Development Department staff and faculty are happy to have you back on campus and/or virtually! Here is some important information that will help you navigate your semester:

• Dr. Diana Shepherd, department chair, is currently on sabbatical this semester and will not be available for advising for juniors and seniors.
  o Juniors (currently taking CHLD 353/282 and upper division classes) and seniors are to email the child development office, child@csuchico.edu for updates on their smart planners, and degree progress reports.
  o Another resource for juniors and seniors is Graduation Advising: https://www.csuchico.edu/gradadvising/
    ▪ If you are scheduled to graduate fall 2022, you have until December 15, 2021, to apply for graduation: https://www.csuchico.edu/gradadvising/graduation-application.shtml
  o Sophomores and freshman can reach out to Cheryl Lugo for advising: https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/ChildDevelopment@csuchico.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/s/M5TLP1p00G8teoXp5MuuQ2
  o Child Development minors will be advised by Cheryl Lugo as well: https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/ChildDevelopment@csuchico.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/s/9YjCRJm9tUCtGh_geTpdZw2

• Additional questions can be answered on our department website: www.csuchico.edu/chld

• University policies: Vaccination requirements and self-certify information is as followed:

  “Dear Students,

  CSU systemwide policy requires you either be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 or secure a valid medical or religious exemption by September 30 if you plan to attend in-person classes or access campus facilities.

  Students who fail to self-certify will be withdrawn from their in-person classes and will not be able to physically access campus facilities as of October 1, 2021. You also will be unable to register for in-person spring 2022 semester courses.

  For student employees who work on campus and fail to self-certify in the Student Center, your employment may end as of October 1.

  Failure to follow through with this process may affect students who receive financial aid. How you are affected depends on your specific situation. If you have questions, please contact the Financial Aid and Scholarship office.

  To aid students in complying with this policy, Chico State has set-up a self-certification portal, and thousands of students have completed the process of certifying to 1) being fully vaccinated, 2) qualifying for a religious exemption, 3) qualifying for a medical exemption or 4) not planning to access campus facilities at all. Dishonesty during this process is a violation of CSU policy and will result in student conduct measures.

  It is important that if you have not already begun your vaccination process, you do so as quickly as possible. All students must be fully vaccinated (meaning you are two weeks past your second shot of Pfizer or Moderna, or two weeks past your only shot of Johnson & Johnson vaccine) by no later than September 30.

  All students need to log in to the student center and choose one of the four options prior to October 1.”

  • You are encouraged to self-certify ASAP to avoid being dropped from your classes
The COVID-19 Hotline 530-898-2222, please call this number if you’ve been exposed or are experiencing COVID symptoms. Do not come to campus, or to any in-person classes. Reach out to the hotline and your professor for more information.

The College of Behavioral and Social Sciences (BSS) will have student tutors available in the Student Success Center in Butte 518, here is their website to find out more information: https://www.csuchico.edu/bss/current-students/bss-success-center.shtml
  o You can always email bsstutor@csuchico.edu for more information as well, we encourage you to take advantage of this resource, especially for those in writing intensive courses (CHLD 353, 333, 495)

BSS has teamed up with Mentor Collective to develop a peer mentoring program. Please email bssadvising@csuchico.edu for more information.

University resources available to you:
  o Looking for a job on campus or in the community? Or looking for help with your resume and cover letter? The Career Center on campus is here to help: https://www.csuchico.edu/careers/
  o The WellCat Health Center is here to support you in all your health needs, https://www.csuchico.edu/healthcenter/ check out all their services!
  o The Student Learning Center has tutoring for multiple subjects on campus: https://www.csuchico.edu/slc/index.shtml
  o Here is a quick link for student resources and services such as, food and housing, general advising, student rights, and technology: https://www.csuchico.edu/resources/index.shtml

The Department of Child Development wants to remind you that we are here to answer your questions, you can call us 530-898-5250 or email us chld@csuchico.edu we will answer your questions to the best of our ability.