We hope you had a nice three-day weekend! In this issue, you’ll find out about holiday closures, keeping your mail safe and more. Scroll down for details.

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Closing For Thanksgiving
The University will be open during Fall Recess, November 19–21 but there will be no classes. The following will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday:

- Dining Commons: 11/22 – 25
- Office of Housing and Residence Life: 11/22 – 23
- Mail Room: 11/22 – 24

If you have an emergency, please call the RA on Duty at (323) 343-4807.

Keep Your Mail Safe
We need your cooperation with the following to ensure the security of your mail:

- Check your mailbox at least once a week. By federal law, packages must be claimed within 10 days or we have to send them back to sender.
- Make sure to lock your mailbox door by closing it and turning the combination lock.
- If your mailbox is open, we won’t deliver your mail, we’ll return it to sender.
- If your mailbox needs repair, report it to the Mail Room immediately.
- If you need help opening your box, come to the Mail Room between 9 a.m.–10 a.m. or 4 p.m.–5 p.m. Monday through Friday for personalized training.

Perishable Deliveries
The Mail Room is not equipped with proper refrigeration to accept perishable deliveries, such as food and flowers. Please make special arrangements to have your perishables delivered directly to your apartment.

No Outdoor Decoration Displays
With the holiday season coming up, please keep in mind that, it’s against housing policy to display any outdoor decorations on your balcony, patio and windows.

Spring Enrollment Date Is Approaching
Remember you must be a full-time student (12 units undergrad and 8 units grad) to live on campus and get your full financial aid disbursement. Log in to GET to find your enrollment date and time for spring 2019, which will be located in the Student Center on the left sidebar.

Reaching The RA On Duty After Hours And Weekends
In the event of an emergency or you get locked out of your apartment after business hours or on weekends, call the RA on Duty at (323) 343-4807.
**Meal Plan Changes**
Residents interested in increasing or decreasing their Meal Plan for the spring semester may stop by the Housing Office to submit the [Meal Plan Change Form](#). The priority deadline for this form is November 16. To request to cancel your Meal Plan, please submit the [Petition to Cancel Form](#) with supporting documentation to justify the reason for your request.

**Not Returning For Spring?**
If you need to request to break your License Agreement for spring 2019 because you’re studying abroad in spring, graduating at the end of fall or withdrawing from the University, you must submit a [Petition to Cancel Form](#) with supporting documentation to justify the reason for your request.

**Money Matters**

**Spring Housing Charges Are Due Dec. 1—Check Your GET Account**
Spring 2019 housing fees are posted to your GET account. The full payment was due Thursday, November 1, for students paying per semester. If you are paying per installment, your first payment was due Thursday, November 1, and your second payment is due December 1. Fees not paid by the due date will incur a monthly $20 late fee.

**Watch Our “How To Pay For Housing” Video**
Charges have been posted for the spring semester, so it’s time to make your payment(s). Do you know how much is due, where to pay and how to get this information? Check out this informational [video on how to make your housing payment](#).

**Don’t Jeopardize Your Financial Aid**
You may lose your financial aid if you’re not enrolled in at least 12 units for the upcoming spring semester, or if your grades are below the GPA requirement. Please read the current Satisfactory Academic Policy (SAP) in order to maintain continued funding during your attendance at Cal State LA. Review the [SAP Policy here](#).

**2019–2020 Free Application For Student Financial Aid (FAFSA) Information**
The 2019–2020 FAFSA launched on October 1. [The Center for Student Financial Aid](#) will have [information sessions](#) on campus to help answer your FAFSA questions. Visit their webpage for details. Remember that the 2019–2020 priority funding consideration deadline is March 2, 2019. Apply early!
Start Planning And Saving For Housing Winter Break
When: December 15, 2018 – January 18, 2019; total of five weeks.

Who’s Eligible: Students who have housing agreements through spring semester 2019 are eligible to live on campus during winter break and intersession.

Who’s Not Eligible: Students finishing their coursework in fall 2018, studying abroad in the spring, withdrawing from the University or approved for an early termination of their housing agreement, and new spring 2019 applicants are not eligible for winter break.

How to Apply: Winter break housing is not part of the Academic Year 2018–2019 License Agreement. If you wish to contract for housing during the winter break, then you will be required to complete a Winter Agreement Addendum. The Agreement Addendum will be available mid-November and must be completed by December 3, 2018.

How to Pay: Winter break financial aid is not available due to a short agreement so fees for winter-break housing will have to be paid out-of-pocket and in-full by the requested deadline. Options for payment plans are not available. If you plan to stay during winter break, start saving money now or put aside a portion of your fall financial aid disbursement.

Events & Opportunities

Apply To Be A Summer Community Assistant
Looking for a summer job? Applications are now available to become a Summer Community Assistant (SCA). Apply through Handshake but visit our website for details about the job.

Cooking Is Golden Tonight, 6–7 p.m.
Learn to cook healthy food on a budget. The final class is tonight from 6–7 p.m. in the Dining Commons’ Private Dining Room. Win prizes every week. Those who attend every session will be entered in a raffle to win a grand prize, but you can just drop in for one. If you want to cook, wear closed-toe shoes and pull your hair back.

Run/Walk with Res Ed: Every Mon. and Thurs. at 7:30 p.m.
Join us for a weekly walk or run around campus on Mondays and Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. Meet at the Housing Basketball Courts for a quick stretch before we begin.

Election 2018 It’s On – Annual Conference: November 15, 8:30 a.m.–2:15 p.m.
This conference will help you understand what happened in the midterm election, why it happened, and what it means going forward. It will address the outcome of local and state elections, issues and the impact on our lives from immigration, to healthcare, to the environment, and beyond? Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Free for students. Register now! (Golden Eagle Ballroom)

**International Education Week: This Week Through November 16**
Do you want to study abroad, teach English in Japan, get information on the International Festival or learn about living, visiting and studying in different countries? Check out the different educational opportunities available to you. (Different Locations, On-Campus)

**LAN LA Video Game Tournaments: November 19, 11 a.m. –4 p.m.**
Participate in tournaments for LoL, Overwatch and Smash. PC and Laptops will be provided but you are encouraged to bring your own as well. There will be raffles for prizes and free food. Remember to take your friends and roommates. (U-SU, Los Angeles Rooms ABC)

**Residence Hall Association (RHA) Meeting, November 29, 6:30 p.m.**
Want to make a difference in your community? We are looking for creative and enthusiastic people to help us plan events. Join us on Thursday, November 29, to get involved with RHA. This will be the last meeting of the semester. Find out more about RHA online. (Phase II Lounge)

**Donate To EPIC’s Toy & Food Drive**
Support families in our community by donating toys and non-perishable/canned food to EPIC’s 47th Annual Toy and Food Drive. The donation box is located in front of the Phase II Lounge.

Questions? Contact us at askhousing@calstatela.edu.

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