Welcome Back, FSL!

It was wonderful to see many energized faces across Zoom screens in our community’s virtual spaces in week 1, so let’s hit another week out of the park with these experiences too!

**Meet The Greeks – VIRTUALLY – September 9, 11:00am-3:00pm**
- In FSL, we will all meet interested students in a VIRTUAL platform (known as CampusGroups), on Wednesday, **September 9, 11:00am-3:00pm**. While not at physical tables on the Quad, chapters and councils can manage a fun virtual booth, featuring photos, videos, live chat, documents, social media, and more. And yes, you can feature video performances of a previous Step, Stroll, or Salute! **This will be the same platform used by CSI during the Involvement Fair this week (September 1-4), so we will have some practice using it.**

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**The only way to be a part is to submit an APPLICATION for your MEET THE GREEKS Virtual Booth, before it closes, this Wednesday, September 2 at 5pm:**
https://uic.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/form/start/434685

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**Meet the Greeks virtual booths are **not** automatically created/pre-set for your chapter or council. Please do submit an application!**
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**All questions about FSL’s Meet The Greeks should be directed to uicgreek@uic.edu.**

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**Reminder “Nudge”: Set-up your CSI Involvement Fair booth Tonight, August 31**
- Our great campus partners in the Center for Student Involvement (CSI), who created and will manage the CSI Involvement Fair just now asked us to pass along this helpful reminder today:
  **All organization virtual booths must be set-up Monday evening, August 31 – if not set-up, they will unfortunately **not** be activated for September 1.**
  **Kindly follow the set-up instructions seen in this attached PDF, with helpful screenshots, and reach out directly to CSI via their included contact information with questions.**

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**Student Safety in all (Social) Gatherings**
- Your health and safety remain our priority as the university has begun its fall semester, and students, faculty, and staff now traverse the campus and interface in very limited settings.

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- While in Phase 4 in Illinois, **UIC FSL will not permit any socials/mixers for organizations or between and among any co-hosting organizations.**
- It is critical that we limit the size of gatherings at any time and do not congregate in groups.
- Any socials/mixers do the complete opposite, and are breeding grounds for tightly packed spaces, unwashed and/or shared surfaces, common food & beverage, and lack of ventilation.
- Organizations found in violation of this prohibition of FSL socials/mixers will be brought in for review with FSL advisors and may be referred to the Office of the Dean of Students for continued adjudication.

Please help one another and use your positive spheres of influence to eliminate any gatherings like this, instead focusing on limited, safe, well-planned gatherings, if any.

- FSL organizations may put in a space request to host appropriately distanced business meetings and other chapter events, whereby all requests will be reviewed by a team of UIC staff for event management and environmental health and safety, prior to any approval, to ensure a safety plan is in place for the attendees and their purposes of gathering: [http://go.uic.edu/SpaceRequest](http://go.uic.edu/SpaceRequest)

- Remember, the largest gathering of any type on campus is 50, and many spaces have a capacity much lower than this, to allow for 6-feet of distancing in meeting rooms.

- We have adopted the #ShowYouCare mantra at UIC, and we remind everyone to follow these key measures at all times, even with those you love and trust in your FSL siblinghood:
  * Wear a Mask
  * Keep Your Distance
  * Take Your Temperature
  * Wash Your Hands

- The university’s *Circle Back to Campus* plans have robust steps in all aspects of Academic and Student Life, found in this table of contents at the base: [https://today.uic.edu/circle-back-to-campus](https://today.uic.edu/circle-back-to-campus)

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**Elections OPEN in Greek Programming Board (GPB) – Closing September 1**

- Check out the OPEN elections for Greek Programming Board, which are viewable on UIC FSL social media channels (@uicgreek on Instagram/Twitter/Facebook), coupled with the live/open voting link in UIC Connection: [https://uic.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/election/start/437779](https://uic.campuslabs.com/engage/submitter/election/start/437779)

*Elections extended through the weekend and close this Tuesday, September 1, at 11:45pm.*

--Any questions? Contact Lori Marshall, loram2@uic.edu

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**UIC Student Safety Kit Distribution – Extended thru Friday, September 4**

- Student Safety Kit Distribution has been extended through this week, Friday, September 4.
- Bring your student i-Card and pick-up your Safety Kit containing two cloth masks, a digital thermometer, and a personal size bottle of hand sanitizer.
- Hours for pick-up are 10:00am-6:00pm, Monday through Friday.
- The new locations for this distribution are the Student Recreation Facility (737 S. Halsted) and the Sport & Fitness Center (828 S. Wolcott).
Elections Judges – Voting November 3 – Make Your Voice Count
- We offered chapters a unique chapter-based link via Turbo Vote, which provides amazing voting resources and records all “clicks” by your members & friends -- we have secured the full set of chapter links for all, and we’ll send them all out individually to you with GPB’s support!
- And in emails earlier this summer, we also highlighted future opportunities to connect with election day operations, including the ability to serve as Election Judges.
- In the City of Chicago, Election Judges are paid $230 if they complete the training and serve successfully on Election Day!
- This is a great fundraising opportunity for student organizations, or for individuals.
- There are also no UIC classes on election day this year, November 3.

Consider serving as an Election Judge!
- For more information, and to apply, visit your local board of elections website:
  Chicago Board of Elections (www.chicagoelections.gov)
  Suburban Cook County (https://www.cookcountyclerk.com/agency/elections)
  DuPage County (https://www.dupageco.org/election/)
  Lake County (http://www.lakecountyil.gov/163/Elections)
  Kane County (http://kanecountyclerk.org/)
  Will County (https://www.thewillcountyclerk.com/#?menuItemId=17)
  State of Illinois Board of Elections (https://www.elections.il.gov/#News)

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