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CHARLESTON



FAMILY WEEKEND

NOMINATE YOUR FAMILY

— for the —

2016 Cougar Family of the Year Award

Brought to you by the College of Charleston Parents' Fund

The Parents' Fund supports the student experience through scholarships, faculty enhancement and student-centered programs. It has been identified by our Parent Advisory Council as the fund for all parents to support in order to make an impact on our school.

The College of Charleston Parents' Fund wants to honor all CofC families by recognizing a Cougar Family of the Year. This award celebrates the supportive role families play in the lives of students and the College community.

Learn how to enter at familyweekend.cofc.edu/family-of-the-year. All entries must be posted by September 9, 2016, at noon.

Cougar Family of the Year award winners will receive:

1. Complimentary registration for your family (up to three members; your current CofC student is free). If you've already registered, you will be reimbursed.
2. Accommodation for up to four people (two rooms) for two nights in historic downtown Charleston.
3. Private carriage tour of Charleston for up to four people.



Family Weekend is a Zero Waste event, meaning that volunteers - and you - will work to keep more than 90 percent of potential waste from going into the landfill.

Help us achieve this goal!

TIME WITH YOUR STUDENT? A VACATION IN CHARLESTON?

————— PACK YOUR BAGS. —————

Charleston (and your student) are calling your name. Why not plan a quick trip to experience all that the College and the city have to offer? Join us for Family Weekend, October 7–9, 2016. We've arranged a host of activities for you and your family with bonding time and fun in mind. Registration opens in August.



A young man with dark hair, wearing a pink t-shirt and white shorts, sits on a green lawn. He is smiling and looking towards an older man. The older man has grey hair and glasses, wearing a blue button-down shirt and khaki shorts. He is sitting cross-legged, leaning forward and talking to the younger man. A red and white football lies on the grass between them. In the background, there are lush green trees and a brick building with a porch.

STUDENT EXPERIENCES

.WITH YOU IN MIND.

FAMILY WEEKEND 2016 SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

HOSPITALITY AND CHECK-IN

10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Stern Student Center

Pick up your welcome packet, grab some snacks, and meet one of our student Family Weekend Ambassadors.

EXHIBIT: FAHAMU PECOU

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Halsey Institute of Contemporary Art

DO or DIE: Affect, Ritual, Resistance, a solo exhibition featuring the work of Fahamu Pecou, an artist profoundly involved in exploring the state of black existence – life and death – today. Pecou asks, “Under looming threat of death, how might we inspire life?”

TOUR: MACE BROWN MUSEUM OF

NATURAL HISTORY

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

School of Sciences and Mathematics Building, 2nd Floor

More than 10,000 fossils and 3.8-billion years of evolution are on display, including a giant armadillo, T. rex and a sabre-toothed cat, to name but a few!

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

Enjoy a meal on campus in one of our outstanding dining facilities or treat your student to lunch in downtown Charleston.

VISIT

Free Things to Do in Downtown Charleston

Visit the historic City Market on Market Street.

Run the Battery and enjoy the beauty of Rainbow Row. (self-guided maps available)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

CONNECTING 2 HOPE: HELPING STUDENTS AND FAMILIES AT RISK

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**Robert Scott Small Building,
Counseling and Substance Abuse
Services, Suite 300**

Learn how to recognize a mental health emergency and how to find help for someone at risk.

TOUR: AVERY RESEARCH CENTER

2:30 p.m. & 3:30 p.m.

125 Bull Street

Explore this archive and museum of African American culture in the Lowcountry.

TURNING A DEGREE INTO DOLLARS

3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Stern Student Center, Room 205

Hear how your student can take advantage of the Career Center's varied resources, including assessments, help deciding on majors, a jobs database, and tools for the job and graduate-school market.

EYE ON ACADEMICS: HISPANIC STUDIES

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Stern Student Center, Room 206

Mark Del Mastro, chair of the Department of Hispanic Studies, will provide a brief overview of the Hispanic studies programs and their benefits for all majors. Followed by Q&A.

HAVING ACADEMIC CONVERSATIONS

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Stern Center Ballroom

Join the assistant director of the Center for Student Learning for an interactive session on how to help your student achieve academic excellence.

WELCOME RECEPTION

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Alumni Hall in Randolph Hall

Meet other families, tour the College's historic first classroom, and enjoy light hors d'oeuvres as faculty and staff welcome you to campus.

A man and a woman are sitting on a brick ledge in front of a large, ornate fountain. The man, on the left, is wearing a white short-sleeved shirt and white shorts, and is holding a brochure. The woman, on the right, is wearing a green cardigan and a grey patterned skirt, and is also holding a brochure. They are both smiling and looking at each other. In the background, there is a large tree and a building with green shutters. A white banner with a chevron shape on the left side is overlaid on the right side of the image, containing the text "EXPLORE THE CAMPUS".

EXPLORE
THE CAMPUS

TAKE A RIDE



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7

JSU / HILLEL SHABBAT CELEBRATION

5:45 p.m. service; 6:30 p.m. dinner
Yaschik Jewish Studies Center
Join us for a student-led, pluralistic Shabbat service, followed by a free vegetarian, Kosher-style dinner prepared in our dairy kitchen. All are welcome.

HISTO-MUSICAL WITH QUEEN QUET

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Stern Center Ballroom
Get *edutained* by the Chieftess of the Gullah/Geechee Nation through craft demonstrations, history, language and other traditions.

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

Let your student pick a favorite spot!

JAZZ AT 7:30

7:30 p.m.
Recital Hall, Simons Center for the Arts
Enjoy the sizzling sounds of the College of Charleston Jazz Ensemble. Proceeds benefit the Jazz Scholarship Fund.
\$10/person (pay at door); free for CofC students with Cougar Card

TOUR: HAUNTED JAIL

8:00 p.m., 9:00 p.m., & 10:00 p.m.
The Old City Jail, 21 Magazine St.
Join us for a 45-minute tour of The Old City Jail, which housed some of Charleston's most infamous criminals.

FAMILY FEUD GAME SHOW

8:30 p.m. (doors at 8:00 p.m.)
Stern Center Ballroom
The Cougar Activities Board invites you and your family to compete in a variation of the popular game show *Family Feud*. Participating families will have their names pulled for several rounds of fun and prizes!

VISIT

Free Things to Do

- Head to King Street for window shopping and people watching.
- Take a trolley ride to Harbor Walk.
- Take your picture in front of Sottile House.
- Stroll through the Charleston Farmers Market in Marion Square (Saturdays).
- Play a game of pool in the Stern Student Center Game Room.

FAMILY WEEKEND 2016 SCHEDULE

———— SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8 ————

BRIDGE WALK WITH SNL

8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

Stern Center Lobby

Meet Stern Nite Life (SNL) members for a morning walk to the top of the Ravenel Bridge.

HOSPITALITY AND CHECK-IN

9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Stern Student Center

See Friday listing for description.

PARENTS' LISTSERV MEET AND GREET

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Stern Student Center, Room 205

Meet staff, parents and family members who participate in the CofC Parents' Listserv.

FAMILY PORTRAITS ON THE CISTERN YARD

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Cistern Yard

Make your Family Weekend memories last a little longer with a family portrait.

CONVERSATION WITH STUDENT AFFAIRS

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Stern Center Ballroom

Our executive vice president, dean of students and Student Government Association president will welcome you to campus and provide an update on the College, followed by Q&A.

TOUR: CAMPUS

10:30 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. (1 hour)

Meet on the Cistern Yard

Experience the beauty and history of the College as our student tour guides lead you on a walking tour of campus.





A VACATION

OF HISTORIC PROPORTIONS.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

PRESENTATION: CAREERS IN HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Tate Center, Room 202

Get information on various types of professions in hospitality and tourism management and how to successfully prepare for a career.

PANEL DISCUSSION: THE COLLEGE READS!

11:00 a.m. – noon

Beatty Center, Wells Fargo Auditorium

Get a deeper look into The College Reads! 2016 selection, *The True American: Murder and Mercy in Texas*, and its impact on our students' and College community's views of religion, tolerance, mercy and forgiveness.

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LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

WALKING TOUR OF DOWNTOWN

1:00 p.m. (45–60 minutes)

Meet in front of Randolph Hall

Join a local guide for a tour of the historic College neighborhood.

RESHAPING AMERICAN POLITICS: MILLENNIALS AND THE 2016 ELECTION

1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Stern Center Ballroom

Political science professor Gibbs Knotts will discuss the political activities of millennials, comparing their generation to previous ones and addressing recent electoral trends.



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8

STUDENT ORGANIZATION SHOWCASE AND FUNDRAISING FAIR

Hosted by SGA

2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Cistern Yard

Talented students showcase their gifts and abilities, and help their clubs and organizations raise money for conferences, research and special events.

SCAVENGER HUNT

Co-sponsored by the Center for International Education and Multicultural Student Programs and Services

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (1 – 1.5 hours)

Meet in the Stern Center Lobby

Learn more about the College by participating in a scavenger hunt. The winning family will receive a voucher for a carriage tour!

DINNER ON YOUR OWN

MEN'S SOCCER VS. DREXEL

7:00 p.m.

**Patriots Point Athletics Complex
40 Patriots Point Rd, Mt. Pleasant**

TOUR: CHARLESTON GHOST AND GRAVEYARD

7:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m., & 9:30 p.m.

Bulldog Tours, 18 Anson St.

Learn about the history of Charleston's graveyards, and hear the stories of the famous individuals who found their final resting place in the Holy City.

BINGO

8:00 p.m. (doors at 7:30 p.m.)

Stern Center Ballroom

Stern Night Life invites you and your family to enjoy a night of relaxed fun!

VISIT

Campus Dining

Fresh Food Company

Chick-fil-A

Marty's Place (kosher kitchen)

Shopping

College of Charleston Bookstore

The College Corner

FAMILY WEEKEND 2016 SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9

YOGA

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Rivers Green,

behind Addlestone Library

Enjoy a relaxing morning with your family, and develop a better body and better state of being through yoga. *Rain location: Robert Scott Small Building*

ZUMBA IN THE GARDEN

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Stern Center Garden

Get energized for the day with this upbeat, Latin-inspired mixture of aerobic movements and dance moves! *Rain location: Stern Center Ballroom*

FAMILY PORTRAITS ON THE MALL

10:00 a.m. – noon

Meet on Cougar Mall, by fountain

Get a family portrait next to our beautiful fountain behind Randolph Hall.

LOWCOUNTRY BRUNCH

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

TD Arena

Connect with other families, faculty members, departments and students while enjoying a savory combination of brunch and student entertainment.

RING CEREMONY

1:00 p.m.

TD Arena

Joined by family and friends, students will receive their official College of Charleston rings at this revered ceremony. The event will include remarks from College dignitaries about the history and significance of the College ring.

REGISTER

Register at familyweekend.cofc.edu by September 17, 2016. Registration is \$55 per person and is non-refundable. There is no registration fee for College of Charleston students with a current Cougar Card or for children 12 and under.

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Please find detailed ticket information and updates to the schedule at familyweekend.cofc.edu.

