HOW CAN I SIGN UP FOR ORIENTATION?
Students can register for orientation through their Student Center portal (gateway.sfsu.edu).

WHERE DOES ORIENTATION TAKE PLACE? WHAT BUILDING/ROOM DO WE MEET IN?
Orientation check-in is located inside the Cesar Chavez Student Center, there is signage throughout campus to help students find it. Once you've checked-in, our amazing Orientation Leaders will be directing students and families to the different workshops and activities happening.

IS ORIENTATION A ONE-ON-ONE EXPERIENCE OR A GROUP?
At orientation, students will be categorized into smaller groups were they will be able to have one-on-one interaction with Orientation Leaders and Advisors.

HOW DO I PAY MY ORIENTATION FEE? WHEN IS THE DEADLINE TO PAY FOR ORIENTATION?
The orientation fee is due at the time of registration. When registering, students can find a link at the bottom of the page that states "pay orientation fee."

WHAT DO WE NEED TO HAVE COMPLETED BEFORE ORIENTATION?
Freshmen students should make sure to complete their Write-to-Register assignment and bring their results to orientation. All students (freshmen and transfers) should bring a copy of official or unofficial transcripts to orientation. They can also check their Student Center portal to see if there are any other "Holds & Alerts" or "Things to do" that may prevent a student from registering for classes.

WHAT IS THE ESSAY THAT I HAVE TO COMPLETE FOR ENGLISH PRIOR TO ORIENTATION? DO I HAVE TO PRINT IT OUT AND TAKE IT TO ORIENTATION OR FAX/EMAIL IT BEFORE?
The Write-to-Register essay is a tool to help freshmen students determine which English course they should take for their first semester/year here at San Francisco State to ensure students are prepared for their respective English courses. Students can bring their Write-to-Register results to orientation either as a print out or picture.

TRANSFER STUDENTS REGISTRATION DATES?
Your registration date is the date of your orientation. This is for both freshmen and transfers. If you have not registered for orientation and/or cannot attend for any reason you will have to wait for open registration which is July 30th, 2018-August 10th, 2018.

DO WE GET OUR STUDENT ID CARD DURING ORIENTATION?
Yes, students can take their student ID picture and pick it up the day of orientation. If you do not take your picture ID at orientation you can also visit the One Card window in Student Services Building during the first few weeks of school.

DO I HAVE TO SUBMIT MY TRANSCRIPT BEFORE I GO TO ORIENTATION? WHAT HAPPENS IF I DON'T?
Final transcripts are due by July 16, 2018. Bringing a copy of your transcript to orientation is suggested to help assist with registering for classes.
DO WE NEED TO KNOW ALL OUR GENERAL EDUCATION CLASSES FOR OUR MAJOR BEFORE ORIENTATION?
No, during orientation you will be advised for your general education classes and will be able to register for them.

WILL WE MEET WITH OUR MAJOR ADVISOR DURING ORIENTATION?
Yes, advisors will be available to meet with during orientation.

CAN WE CHANGE OUR MAJOR AT ORIENTATION?
Students can change their major before orientation by sending an email to ugadmit@sfsu.edu. In the subject include “Change of Major” and provide their full name, student ID number, major they got admitted to, major they would like to enter and their contact information. Students will not be able to change their major to an impacted major.

WILL WE GET A HOUSING TOUR DURING ORIENTATION? IF SO, WHICH BUILDINGS?
Only students that attend a full day orientation sessions will have an opportunity to see the residential community during the Housing Workshop.

HOW DO I MAKE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A COUNSELOR?
Once officially enrolled during the first semester, Appointments with advisors can be made by contacting the Undergraduate Advising Center by phone at (415)338-2101 or by visiting their website at advising.sfsu.edu.

IF I MET MY A-G BUT GOT A D, WILL I STILL BE ACCEPTED?
All A-G courses must be passed with a C- or better. Receiving a D or F in an A-G course will not satisfy that course requirement. If you have already completed your A-G courses and this course was an extra course then you will be fine, however keep in mind that it will lower your final GPA.

HOW DO YOU PREVENT GETTING THE CONDITIONAL ACCEPTANCE REVOKED?
Conditional acceptance would be revoked if students fail to take and pass with a C- or better their required courses (A-G courses for freshmen or the “golden four” for transfer students) and/or do not meet the 2.0 minimum GPA requirement for local students or 2.45 minimum GPA requirement for out-of-state students.

AS AN ALREADY ACCEPTED TRANSFER STUDENT CAN YOU TAKE A CLASS IN THE SUMMER AT A COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND WILL IT COUNT FOR CREDITS AT SF STATE?
All coursework required for admissions must be completed the end of Spring for Fall admissions or the end of Fall for Spring admissions. Some majors may have specific requirements. Refer to the major website for full details. If you have already met all admission requirements but still would like to take a course over the summer, you can. Once you receive the final grade make sure to send in the transcript so that you get the credit for the course. Students can use assist.com to determine if the course they are taking is transferable.

HOW CAN I GET A SYLLABUS EARLY?
It depends on the professor, some post it on iLearn which is a student academic portal that you will be using for most classes. Others will wait until your first day of instruction to distribute.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO ATTEND COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND SF STATE AT THE SAME TIME?
Yes, you can take courses at both institutions. Taking classes at City College of San Francisco is done through the Consortium. Taking courses at other California community colleges would be considered cross enrollment.

HOW DO YOU START ON THE PATH TO DOUBLE MAJOR?
You would need to visit the department advisors for both majors you are interested in and discuss the possibility of double majoring. If second major you would like to major in is impacted, you will be unable to double major.

DOES SFSU DO DROP-INS FOR CLASSES THAT ARE FULL?
This depends on the class and how many seats are available. Some professors will drop students that do not show up the first day and add students that are on the waiting list and “crashing” the class.

IF I MISS THE FIRST DAY OF SUMMER SCHOOL WILL I BE DROPPED AUTOMATICALLY FROM MY CLASSES?
This is depends on the situation. You should contact your professor before classes start to discuss your options.
IS THERE A ROOMMATE APPLICATION THAT THE SCHOOL PROVIDES OR DO WE HAVE TO FIND OUR OWN ROOMMATES? HOW DO I REQUEST A ROOMMATE?
Yes, there is a roommate questionnaire in the housing portal that you can fill out based on preferences and select a roommate. On the SFSU housing portal you can send a roommate request to other students in your selected housing. It’s important to remember that both you and the other person mutually request one another by sending in both your names.

WHEN DO WE FIND OUT WHO OUR ROOMMATES ARE?
On-campus residents will receive an email from the Housing office starting mid-June with information based on their roommate pairings.

IS THERE ANY FACEBOOK GROUP TO BE ABLE TO MEET PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING ON CAMPUS AND POTENTIALLY PICK ROOMMATES THAT WAY?
There are various Facebook groups created by students that you can find if you search “SFSU groups”, but they are not directly maintained by the university. If you’re living on campus, you can view your potential roommates through your Housing Portal online.

IS THERE ONLY ONE DINING HALL? AND IS IT VEGAN/VEGETARIAN FRIENDLY?
There are three places on campus that you can utilize your meal plan. This includes City Eats, Café in the Park, and Bricks. Our traditional dining hall, City Eats, accommodates for all dietary restrictions including vegan and vegetarian options.

HOW DO I KNOW SF STATE RECEIVED MY TRANSCRIPTS?
After the July 16th deadline students will have a Hold & Alert message stating fully admitted, which means that we have received transcripts and the student has met all admission requirements. If you are truly eager to know you can contact our Admissions office. Email: ugradmit@sfsu.edu or phone: 415.338.9486 Monday through Friday 10am – 12pm or 1pm - 3pm

HOW DO WE REGISTER FOR CLASSES IF WE CAN’T GO TO ORIENTATION?
For all students, if you are not able to attend orientation, you will have to register during open registration July 30th, 2018 - August 10th, 2018. This can be done through your Student Center.

WHERE DO I SUBMIT MY PROOF OF IMMUNIZATION?
Students will need to submit their proof of immunization our Registrar’s Office.

ARE THE TOWERS AT CENTENNIAL SQUARE KITCHENS FULLY STOCKED?
The Towers at Centennial Square have a kitchenette. This means that it comes with a full-sized fridge, two stove top burners, and a sink no oven :(

IS THERE STILL HOUSING AVAILABLE?
The housing application period was March 1, 2018 - May 15, 2018. Housing is based on a first-come, first-serve basis and is impacted due to limited space. The later you wait to apply the more you run the risk of being placed on the wait list. If you are concerned about not securing housing, we have off-campus housing resources available. Follow this link: http://housing.sfsu.edu/content/campus-resources

HOW LONG IS THE WAITLIST FOR HOUSING?
The waitlist for housing varies every year. This year the waitlist is over 500 students. We encourage students who are under 21 and whose waitlist number is under 200 to stay on the waitlist. These students have an 70% chance that they will receive housing before the semester starts. For students who are either over 21 or transfers, we encourage those whose waitlist number is under 100 to stay on the waitlist. These students have a 70% chance that they will receive housing before the semester begins.

HOW DO I GET HOUSING AS A JUNIOR/ RETURNING STUDENT?
The application for returning students opened February 15, 2018. Students must go through the housing portal to submit an application. Follow this link: http://housing.sfsu.edu/content/returning-resident-process

HOW DO I Processes, Accommodations, and Other Information?
IS THERE A DEADLINE FOR FINANCIAL AID?
The FAFSA application opens up October 1st and the priority deadline is March 2nd. These deadlines are recurring every academic year. You can still apply after the March 2nd deadline but you will miss out on State funded aid and only be evaluated for federal aid.

HOW DO I GET MORE GRANTS?
Each university grant has different requirements in order to award; generally, grants are based off the students’ Expected Family Contribution (EFC), therefore it may be different for each student. For grant requirements follow this link: https://financialaid.sfsu.edu/newtyeastad

HOW DO WE KNOW IF WE'RE ELIGIBLE FOR THE UNIVERSITY GRANT?
Students who submit their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 2nd and are Pell Grant eligible are eligible for the university grant. Students can see their financial aid package through their student center, under the Finances section. Besides grants, students can also apply for one of the over 800 scholarships available to San Francisco State Students at sfsu.academicworks.com.

WHAT IS METRO?
Metro College Success Program is a support program that provides assistance to first generation, incoming freshmen transitioning into college. It is a two year support program where students are grouped into related majors. It provides a space for community, extra advising, tutoring, and other resources. More information about the Metro program can be found at metro.sfsu.edu.

WHEN DEADLINES SAY DUE BY, DOES THAT MEAN IT MUST BE THERE BY THAT SPECIFIC DATE OR CAN IT BE POSTMARKED?
Deadlines are due into the respective offices by the end of the business day. Some deadlines do say postmarked, so make sure to be diligent and make sure to read the due dates thoroughly.

IS YOUR SCHOOL VETERAN FRIENDLY?
Yes! San Francisco State has Veterans Services for veterans and students who are dependents of veterans. You can find more information about our Veteran Services office at https://veterans.sfsu.edu/content/welcome-veterans.

IS HEALTH INSURANCE REQUIRED/IS IT INCLUDED IN STUDENT FEES? IF SO, CAN YOU OPT OUT OF IT?
Health insurance is required, it is mandated by the federal government. There is a Student Health Fee (included in student fees and cannot be waived) which allows students to receive services at the campus health center for free or at a low cost. This is not health insurance. Although students can receive services from our health center, health insurance is important for when students need to access services off-campus. More information about domestic health insurance can be found at https://health.sfsu.edu/content/domestic-health-insurance.

UC'S HAVE THE BLUE AND GOLD SCHOLARSHIP, DOES THE CSU SYSTEM HAVE ANYTHING SIMILAR?
The CSU has a grant that can be granted to students with a GPA higher than 3.0 it is the State Grant. SFSU has over 800 scholarships available that students can apply to. Follow this link: https://sfsu.academicworks.com
ARE THERE SHUTTLES TO AND FROM BART?
Yes! SFSU has FREE shuttles to and from Daly City BART station during the academic year. You can also use your SFSU One Card/Gator Pass and take MUNI (SF’s public transit system) bus for FREE. The bus lines 28 and 57 run to and from Daly City BART station.

WHAT IS A GATOR PASS?
The Gator Pass is your student ID card here at San Francisco State. You will take your ID picture and receive your card during your orientation date. The Gator Pass is also your public transportation pass. San Francisco State students receive free MUNI rides and 25% off Bart rides to and from the Daly City BART station during the Fall and Spring semesters.

ARE THERE MANY STUDENTS COMMUTING FROM MARIN?
Not too sure how many students commute but our campus is a commuter campus. There’s probably a hand full of students that commute from Marin county.

WHERE CAN I GET GOOD TEXTBOOKS?
Textbooks can be bought or rented on campus at the bookstore. Project Connect, a program located in the Cesar Chavez Student Center, also has a book loan program. Other options can be renting/purchasing books through Amazon, Chegg, etc.

HOW IS THE CLIMATE THERE?
San Francisco is quite famously known for our fog. So famous, he’s actually been given a name, Karl. SF stays relatively cool due to the currents of the Pacific Ocean and the breeze from the bay, however our traditional summer months occur during October. One thing to learn quickly in SF is to always layer and bring a jacket, as we’re a city of microclimates.

HOW GOOD IS THE FOOD?
We have numerous cafes and other dining options on our campus. Cesar Chavez Student Center has some pretty solid bites that are inexpensive as well. (Personally, from Tony an Outreach Specialist and alum, I like Taqueria Girasol. They have some FIRE WINGS!!)

IS THE GYM OPEN FOR SUMMER EVEN FOR STUDENTS WHO DON’T TAKE CLASSES?
The Mashouf Wellness Center is open during the summer hours, however it is not free for students who are not enrolled in summer school session. If you are not taking summer classes but would still like to use the gym there is a fee.

IS THE GYM ON CAMPUS FREE?
Our Mashouf Wellness Center (MWC) membership is included in the tuition and fees for SFSU students during Fall and Spring Semesters only. For summer, students must be enrolled in summer classes to use the MWC. If you are not enrolled in classes, there is a student fee.