Welcome Parents!

We are very pleased that you are joining us for Parents' Weekend 2015. This packet is your guide to the weekend's schedule of classes, tours, activities, and other special events. We hope you benefit from the many opportunities to learn and to experience student life at Stanford. Enjoy your time at the Farm!

Friday Schedule
8:30 AM-4:00 PM
Check-In
- Frances C. Armitage Alumni Center
9:50-10:30 AM
Welcome to Stanford
Proost John Eltenemy
- Memorial Auditorium
10:45 AM-12:00 PM
Conversations with Parents
For Parents of Freshman
- Coburay Auditorium
For Parents of Sophomore
- Coburay Auditorium
For Parents of Junior
- President Menlo Union, Oak Lounge (2nd floor)
For Parents of Senior
- Coburay Auditorium
11:00 AM-12:00 PM
Tour Period A (details on back)
- Anderson Collection Tour
- Campus Planning & Architecture Tour: East Campus
- Campus
- Center Arts Center Tour
- Jasper Ridge Biological Preserve Tour (ends 1:00 PM)
- Knight Management Center Tour
- Natural Wonders Tour
- Science & Engineering Quad Tour
- Engineering Center for Biological & Chemical Engineering Tour
- Stanford Libraries Tour
- Stanford Stadium Tour
12:00-1:15 PM
Lunch in Residence Dining Halls
Join your son or daughter for lunch at one of the student residences listed. Meals may be purchased at the door of each residence dining hall for $12. Deposit or credit cards only.
- Armitage Family Dining Commons 4th-Aqueduct Way
- Armitage Family Dining via Mayfield Ave.
- Branner Dining 6th Excedeso Rd.
- Paloma Moore Dining via Mayfield Ave.
- Lakeside Dining (at Laguna Court), 636 Santa Teresa St.
- Mantanaria Dining 6th Excedeso Rd.
- Michael Dining 7th Excedeso Rd.
- Stein Dining 10th Excedeso Rd.
- Willow Dining 10th Excedeso Rd.
1:30-2:30 PM
Q&A with President John Hennessy
- Memorial Auditorium
3:00-5:00 PM
Open House Tours
- Frances C. Armitage Alumni Center (Tour meeting point—university indicated) These guided tours will give parents an inside look at some of the unique research and recreational facilities on campus. See details on back for a list of participating campus locations and shuttle information.
3:00-9:00 PM
A Celebration of Writing and Performance: Readings by Stanford Students and Their Parents
- Hoover Center for Writing and Thinking, 230, Layman Mall
Join Stanford students, instructors, and visiting parents for delicious desserts and a special reading at Stanford's Hoover Center for Writing and Speaking. Come listen and, if you wish, share a piece of your own writing (a poem, short story, brief essay, even a song to the reading). Brothers and sisters are welcome to participate, too. If you don't choose to read, munch on our desserts and enjoy an evening of lively, thoughtful poetry and prose.
Saturday Schedule
9:30 AM-10:00 AM
Back to School Classes for Parents: Session I (details on back)
10 Plays to Empowerability After Stanford
- Hoover Center, Room 300
Powering the Future with Sustainable Energy: How Do We Get There?
- Coburay Auditorium
The Price of the Ticket: Theater, Art and Social Justice
- 450 Lucas St. (650) 310
Obstacles to Effective Courtroomarian
- Arrillaga Auditorium
The Secret Language of Food
- Center Auditorium
2:30-3:30 PM
Back to School Classes for Parents: Session III (details on back)
Building Smart Machines: Artificial Intelligence, Robotics and the Human Brain
- Center Auditorium
Coral Reefs and Climate Change: Future Trends and How the Coral Are Fighting Back
- Arrillaga Auditorium
The Strain in Pain Less Mainly in the Brain
- Coburay Auditorium
Uncorked, Understood, and Unused: Helping Students Design Their Career Paths
- Hoover Center, Room 300
3:00-4:00 PM
Community Center Receptions
Black Community Services Center
- 1st Santa Teresa St.
Real Talk: Want to know, why your child won’t “Hear” you on Facebook? What are the really doing on the weekends? Tell all me this money worth.
Come and hear an enlightening conversation between current Stanford parents and students about life on the Farm. (Program ends at 3:30 PM)
- Haas Center for Public Service
Donald Kennedy Conference Room, 2020 van Ness
Since 1985, the Haas Center for Public Service has inspired and prepared students to create a more just and sustainable world through service, leadership, and learning.
- LGBT Community Resources Center (LGBT-CRC)
- 4th Floor, 433 Santa Teresa St.
Tour Period B (details on back)
- Anderson Collection Tour
- Campus Planning & Architecture Tour: West Campus
- Campus Tour
- Hike the Dish (ends 12:30 PM)
- Jasper Ridge Biological Preserve Tour (ends 12:30 PM)
- Natural Wonders Tour
- Outdoor Sculpture Walk
- Secrets of a Cardinal Chef: Behind the Scenes of Stanford Dining
- Stanford Libraries Tour
- Stanford Stadium Tour
10:30 AM-10:45 AM
Back to School Classes for Parents: Session I (details on back)
Careers for Humanties and Arts Majors
- Coburay Auditorium
Emotional Health and Well-being of Stanford Students
- Hoover Center, Room 300
Feeding Nina Bilton
- 440 Science Center (ends 12:00 PM)
- The Museum as Muse: Why the Arts Matter Now More Than Ever
- Coburay Auditorium
Race, Crime, and Inequality
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Residence Hall Receptions
Meet Resident Fellows and Residence Assistants for refreshments at student residence. See insert for a list of residence halls hosting receptions.
- Residence Life Office (under construction)
1:00-2:00 PM
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The ambisonic listening room, prototyping lab, recording studio, and NeuroMusic Lab. pronounced “Karma” is a multi-disciplinary facility where composers, engineers, and neuroscientists collaborate to advance the quality of life through music and technology.

Visit Bing Concert Hall, Stanford's premier performing arts venue! Opened in October 2011, the Bing Concert Hall is a $150 million, 2,058-seat space featuring state-of-the-art acoustics and an innovative stage design.

Back to School Classes

All Back to School Classes are available on a first-come, first-served basis on the day of the tour. Be sure to arrive early!

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Building Smart Machines: Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, and Computer Vision

The tour will explore the intersection between artificial intelligence, robotics, and computer vision, and the latest advancements in these fields.

Coral Reefs and Climate Change: Future Trends and How We Are Fighting Back

This tour will explore the effects of climate change on coral reefs and the efforts being made to protect them.

The Price of the Ticket: Theater, Art, and Social Justice

The tour will explore the social and economic impact of the arts, and the role of theater in addressing social justice issues.

Obstacles to Effective Counterterrorism

The tour will examine the challenges and obstacles to effective counterterrorism efforts.

The Secret Language of Food

The tour will explore the hidden language of food and its impact on our lives.

Undecided, Undecorated, and Ugly - Help Design Their Career Paths

This tour will provide insights into the world of career development and how to help students create successful career paths.

SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory Tour

The tour will provide a behind-the-scenes look at SLAC, one of the world's most advanced particle physics facilities.

Virtual Human Interaction Lab Tour

The tour will provide a behind-the-scenes look at the Virtual Human Interaction Lab, where researchers are exploring the human-robot interface.

Hasso Plattner Institute of Design (the d.school)

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Friday Tours

Back to School Classes

Science & Engineering Quad Tour

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