



Congratulations and welcome to the Fresno State family! You are about to embark on an exciting, educational journey! How does that feel? We're pretty stoked to have you here and cannot wait to get to know you! We thought it would be a good idea to provide you with an guide to being a Fresno State Bulldog that will help you be successful during your orientation!

Step One: One week before your scheduled Dog Day, we will be emailing you a link to our Online Pre-Orientation to your Fresno State email. It must be completed before your Dog Day! Keep an eye out for that and make sure it gets completed! This will take about an hour to complete in its entirety. To be successful in completing the online pre-orientation, we suggest:

- Setting aside uninterrupted time. We recommend planning to complete the online pre-orientation in one sitting.
- Turn OFF your pop-up blockers. We don't want you to miss any pop-ups that contain pertinent information.
- Remember to complete your Online Pre-Orientation all the way through the final quiz and the Congratulations video! It won't be complete otherwise.

Step Two: Attend your mandatory Virtual Dog Day. Your Virtual Dog Day will begin at 9am on the date you registered for and will take place online through Zoom. You will receive academic advising, connect with an orientation leader, learn how to get involved, and register for your classes! To be successful on your virtual Dog Day, we suggest:

- Making sure your device(s) are charged. Phone, laptop, tablet, or other devices you plan to use.
- Headphones may help you hear our presenters better. Closed captioning is also available.
- Grab a pen and paper to take notes! Once you complete both steps you will be cleared to register for classes.

Once again, congratulations on your admittance! You are one step closer to becoming a Bulldog for life!

Boldly, Fresno State Dog Days

Your time. Your orientation. Your Fresno State.



Dog Days: New Student Orientation is housed within the office of New Student and Family Programs. This program was created with the intent to help incoming students not only transition into Fresno State, but transition well. We are here to show you the Bulldog way of life and help you get familiarized with campus! Normally, we'd be meeting in-person, but this year, we're doing things a little bit different. Due to COVID-19, we are now conducting virtual orientation. Though we wish we could experience this exciting chapter of your life, with you, in-person, we are still very excited to join alongside you, virtually, as you begin your BOLD, Bulldog journey.



1. What is a Dog Days hold and why do I have one?

All incoming students will have a Dog Days hold until they complete their orientation. The hold will be lifted at the end of your Virtual Dog Day. Students must be present during their entire Virtual Dog Day to be cleared to register for classes.

2. What if I already paid my Dog Days fees?

All fees that were paid will be credited to your Fresno State student account before the fall semester. There is no paperwork that you need to submit to get your money back. The credited funds will be applied to any charges that you incur such as tuition

3. How do I change my major?

If you would like to change your major, please e-mail dogdays@mail.fresnostate.edu so we can discuss the process. If you do not do so prior to your Dog Day, you will receive advising for the major you were admitted under. Any requests to change your major for Dog Days are unofficial. If approved, you will need to submit a major change request through the Registrar's Office in September.

4. How can my guest participate in Dog Days?

The same link you receive for the online pre-orientation can also be used to create an account for your guest. The link will be located in the email you receive one week before your scheduled Virtual Dog Day.

5. What time is the Virtual Dog Day occurring?

Dog Days for freshman is two days. The first day begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m. The second day begins at 9:00 a.m and ends around 1:00 p.m.

For transfer students, Dog Days is a one-day virtual workshop that runs from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Advising time.



A large portion of your Virtual Dog Days is focused on academic advising. Dog Days is your first opportunity to meet with an Academic Counselor. These counselors will help you with general education, testing requirements, support services, class registration, and graduation requirements among many other things.

Most students will also meet with a Major Advisor. This is usually a faculty member, a professor, who will help you with all things related to your major. They can help you pick out major classes and learn more about your major and all the resources available to you.

They say there's no such thing as a free lunch... but what about a free hotspot or tablet to help you complete your online orientation?

Hotspot.

If you need a hotspot or tablet to complete your online orientation, we've got you! Check out the above link to sign up for your free hotspot or tablet! Your hotspot and tablet can be checked out until the end of the Fall 2020 semester!

Come Zoom With Us.

Dog Days will be holding Zoom sessions throughout the summer on a variety of topics to help you learn about the campus community. The Dog Days Orientation Leaders will host informal peer-to-peer discussions on everything from Athletics to Greek Life, the Library to Tutoring. Follow us on social media for the workshop schedule.



"Success is where preparation and opportunity meet." - Bobby Unser

To have a successful Dog Days orientation experience, you will need to prepare!

- Complete your Online Pre-Orientation one week before your Virtual Dog Day
- Download Zoom. This will be the program used during your Virtual Dog Day.
- Download the Google Chat app to communicate with your Orientation Leader prior to your Virtual Dog Day. You will need to log in using your Fresno State email.
- Know your Fresno State email, username and password
- Get familiar with my.fresnostate.edu
- 6 Attend your Virtual Dog Day

Connect.

Connect with us on our social media platforms and stay up-todate with all the happenings of Dog Days!





