INTRODUCING YOU TO LIFE AS A LUMBERJACK!
(WITH ADVICE FROM CURRENT STUDENTS AND 15 JACK FACTS)

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY
2020-21 Jack Camp Orientation Guide
YOU WILL MAKE A GREAT LUMBERJACK!

Welcome to the land of academics and axe handles. This guide contains the details you need to know about SFA (like where to get help deciding on a major) and includes the stuff you want to know (for instance, on-campus dining choices). It’s also chock-full of helpful information on how to make the adjustment to college life and get acquainted with your soon-to-be alma mater.

Enjoy the journey.

Successful Lumberjacks are always aware of important dates and events. Be sure to reference the University Calendar in the Undergraduate Bulletin, which can be found online at catalog.sfasu.edu.

Look for the Jack Facts icon for interesting tidbits about SFA.
Congratulations on starting your Lumberjack experience! Jack Camp Orientation staff members welcome you and your family to Stephen F. Austin State University. Jack Camp Orientation is one of the first steps in your transition to campus. Whether you are a first-generation college student or a Lumberjack legacy, our goal is to make your transition to SFA life as smooth as possible.

As we continue to navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic, our main priority is the health and safety of our campus community. Face masks are required to be worn inside all buildings and other areas where a 6-foot distance cannot be safely maintained. Additionally, hand sanitizer stations are located throughout the campus for your use. We all play a part in keeping ourselves and our fellow Lumberjacks safe, and we appreciate your diligence in taking precautions to prevent the spread of the virus. We’re all in this together!

As a new SFA student, you have accepted a new set of responsibilities and will be faced with many important decisions throughout your time at SFA – all of which will make for a transformative experience as you strive for success. Embarking on this exciting journey will provide you with new opportunities for growth, both academically and socially. You will discover there are many faculty and staff eager to assist and mentor you along the way.

Jack Camp Orientation will introduce you to campus resources and services, provide you with tools for success during your first year at SFA, and provide insight into the various cocurricular opportunities available to help develop your marketable skills. From being a part of renowned academic programs to finding your voice in a student organization, the opportunities to write your story are endless. We hope this booklet serves as a quick resource during and after the program.

Studies have shown students who get involved feel more connected to the university. Involved students also are more likely to remain at SFA and persist to graduation. Our hope is SFA becomes your home away from home and you begin to cultivate lasting relationships during Jack Camp Orientation. Use this time at SFA to lay the foundation for the rest of your life, focus on your goals, develop your strengths, and utilize the resources and people on campus who are here to help you succeed.

Great opportunities are about to start opening up for you. We are here to make certain you are prepared for these opportunities and to help answer any questions you may have along the way. Congratulations on your decision to be a Lumberjack. We are excited to have you here!

Axe ‘em, Jacks!

Jack Camp Orientation Staff
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Q: WHAT DOES SFA STAND FOR?
A: Stephen Fuller Austin, the university’s namesake and Father of Texas. He’s most remembered for his colonization efforts in Texas in the early 1800s. Texas’ capital also is named in his honor.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN FACTS
• Born Nov. 3, 1793, in Virginia; died Dec. 27, 1836
• Graduated from Transylvania University in Kentucky
• Created informal armed groups, which later became known as the Texas Rangers
• Appointed as the Republic of Texas’ first secretary of state in October 1836
• A 67-foot statue of Austin stands in Angleton, Texas.
• The National Statuary Hall Collection permits each state to select just two statues for display at the Capitol in Washington, D.C. Stephen F. Austin was selected as one of Texas’ statues.
• In 1959, Stephen F. Austin was posthumously inducted into the Hall of Great Westerners.

The live oak trees surrounding the Stone Fort Museum are offspring from trees at Stephen F. Austin’s original burial site.

Stephen F. Austin statue inside the Texas Capitol
OUR UNIVERSITY’S HISTORY

The first Lumberjack Day was Nov. 8, 1947. The Sylvans, a student forestry club, began participating in Lumberjack Day in 1969 and still host the annual event.

A campus ghost named Chester is said to occupy the Griffith Fine Arts Building. He first appeared in a photograph with the cast of “Tiny Alice” in 1967.

OUR UNIVERSITY’S HISTORY

Q: WHY IS THE SFA MASCOT A LUMBERJACK?
A: Because the name Pine Cones was rejected. That’s right. In 1932, SFA students and faculty met to decide on a mascot. Several names were considered, including Pine Cones. By vote, the assembly chose Lumberjacks (thank goodness)!

NACOGDOCHES IS DIFFICULT TO SPELL.
It’s a Caddo Indian word. Legend has it that a Caddo chief ordered his two grown sons to report to him precisely at sunrise. He told one son to walk east and the other west until sunset. The sons were to establish villages at the places they reached. The westward-bound son stopped in a grove of persimmon trees and named his village Nacogdoches, meaning persimmon. The eastbound son reached a grove of papaw trees and named his village Natchitoches, meaning papaw.

BRIGHT-EYED AND BUSHY-TAILED
SFA is famous for the squirrels on its campus. They love and depend on trees — just like Lumberjacks. And, yes, one of our squirrels has his own Instagram and Twitter account. Follow him at @SFA_Twiggy.

“Stay focused, don’t sweat the small stuff, and buy lots and lots of PURPLE!”

“Check the weather every day. Keep an umbrella in your purse, backpack and car, just in case.”

SFA’s main campus comprises 422 acres.
During Lumberjack Orientation, you will have the opportunity to reserve your copy of SFA’s award-winning Stone Fort yearbook, which features stories and pictures of the people, places, events and traditions that highlight your years as a Lumberjack.

When you order your yearbook during Orientation, you will receive a free purple SFA T-shirt and be entered to win a basket of SFA swag!

The cost of the yearbook will be added to your fall eBill (no need for payment during Orientation). Like a subscription, your yearbook order will be renewed each year you are enrolled at SFA unless you call to cancel.

Stop by our information table outside your “Meet the Dean” session Sunday or at the Baker Pattillo Student Center throughout Orientation week. We will be happy to answer any questions, including how you can get involved as a student in SFA’s student publications.

Welcome to SFA! We look forward to meeting you.

Don’t rely on “The Cloud’’ to preserve your college memories!

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Come join the Student Government Association (SGA) to be a prominent voice for the Student Body

We hope you consider joining Stephen F. Austin’s Student Government Association. SGA is focused on representing the Student Body of SFA with our three branches.

@SFA_SGA  @SFA_SGA  @SFA.SGA

“Student Government Association had done so much for me as a student and as a leader. I would recommend it for any student interested in finding creative and productive ways to impact your campus community. It’s a wonderful place to learn about the school and get real opportunities and hands-on experiences in dealing with your peers and colleagues in a professional and respectful way.”

- Gabi Harris, chief justice of the Supreme Court at SFA
"Find all your classes before the first day. Don't be the student who is late the first day (or ever)."

WEEKS OF WELCOME: Do you need help finding classes? During your first few days of in-person classes, you can stop by Surfin' Steve between 8:30 and 11 a.m. and receive directions to help you get to class on time.
The James I. Perkins College of Education’s Early Childhood Research Center is the only one of its kind in Texas.

There are two charging stations for electronic devices located in the Baker Pattillo Student Center. Each station can hold up to 10 devices. All you need is your electronic device and student ID card.
MAJORS, MINORS, AREAS OF STUDY AND CONCENTRATIONS

Visit sfasu.edu/academics for more information about SFA’s six colleges and academic offerings, which are subject to change. Lumberjacks can choose from about 80 undergraduate majors and more than 120 areas of study.

Nelson Rusche College of Business

Accounting
  Professional Accountancy
Banking
Business Communication and
  Corporate Education
  Business Communication
Corporate Communication
Business Economics
Economics
Entrepreneurship
Finance
  Financial Planning
  Investment Management
General Business
  Business Teaching
Legal Studies
  Technology Applications
Human Resource Management
International Business
Electronic Business
Management
Marketing
Sales
Sports Business
  Athletic Administration
  Hospitality Administration
Mass Communication
Outdoor Recreation
Sales and Management

James I. Perkins College of Education

Athletic Coaching
Communication Sciences and Disorders
Construction Management
Dance
  Performance and Choreography
Dietetics and Nutritional Sciences
  Registered Dietitian
Family and Consumer Sciences
Food and Nutrition
  Nutrition and Healthcare
Health Science
  Community Health
Hospitality Administration
  Culinary Arts
  Lodging
  Meeting and Planning
  Restaurant
  Travel and Tourism
Human Sciences
Human Services
Interior Design
Kinesiology
  Exercise Science
  Merchandising
Pre-Audiology
Rehabilitation Services
  Addiction Studies
  Deaf Services
  Orientation and Mobility
Special Education
Teacher Education
  Dance Education
  Deaf and Hard of Hearing
  Educational Interpreting
Interdisciplinary Studies
  Elementary
  Early Childhood
  Special Education
  Early Intervention
Middle Grades
Physical Education – All Level
Secondary Education

College of Fine Arts

Art
  Studio Art
  Ceramics
  Digital Media
  Drawing
  Filmmaking/Cinematography
  Graphic Design
  Jewelry
  Painting
  Photography
  Printmaking
  Sculpture
Art Education
Art History
Music
  Accompanying
  Composition
  Sound Recording Technology
Music Education
Music Performance and Pedagogy
  Choral
  Keyboard
  Opera
  Orchestral Instrument
Piano
  Voice
Theatre
  Design and Technology
  Performance
Stage Management
Theatre Education

“In college, there's no such thing as late work.”
Arthur Temple
College of Forestry
and Agriculture

Agribusiness
Agriculture Development Production
Agriculture Engineering Technology
Animal Science
Equine Science
Pre-Veterinarian
Environmental Science
Land, Air and Water Resources
Forestry
Agroforestry
Fire Management
Forest Management
Forest Wildlife Management
Human Dimensions in Natural Resources
Urban Forestry
Horticulture
Poultry Science
Spatial Science
Cultural Resources
Natural Resources
Surveying

“When people ask, ‘what’s your major?’ it’s just a starting point for conversation.

Don't freak out if you’re undecided.”

College of Liberal and Applied Arts

Anthropology
Applied Arts and Sciences
Agricultural Technology
Energy Technologies
Industrial Engineering Technology
Classical Literary Studies
Communication Studies
Secondary Teaching
Criminal Justice
Corrections
Law Enforcement
Legal Assistant
English
Secondary Teaching
Film Studies
Geography
Gerontology
History
Secondary Teaching
Social Studies Secondary Teaching
International and Intercultural Communication
Latin American Studies
Leadership
Liberal Studies
Linguistics
Literature
Children’s Literature
Mass Communication
Advertising and Public Relations
Journalism
Radio/TV
Military Science
Modern Languages
French
German
Portuguese
Secondary Teaching
Spanish
Multidisciplinary Studies
Philosophy
Political Science
Pre-Law
Private Security/Asset Protection
Psychology
Public Administration
Religious Studies
Social Media
Social Welfare
Social Work
Sociology
Sustainable Community Development
Writing
Creative
Technical and Professional
Women’s and Gender Studies

College of Sciences and Mathematics

Applied Statistics
Astronomy
Biochemistry
Biochemistry/Pre-Medical Studies
Biology
Botany
Cellular and Molecular Ecology and Evolutionary Chemistry
Combined Sciences
Computer Information Systems
Computer Science
Data Analytics
Engineering
Electrical Mechanical
Engineering Physics
Geology
Geosciences
Human Health Perspectives
Information Technology
Mathematics
Actuarial Sciences
Data Sciences
Nursing
Physics
Pre-Dentistry
Pre-Engineering
Pre-Medicine
Pre-Occupational Therapy
Pre-Optometry
Pre-Pharmacy
Pre-Physical Therapy
Pre-Physician Assistant
Pre-Veterinary
Secondary Teaching

There are 50 countries represented by international SFA students.
Below are a few words, titles, descriptions and phrases commonly used in academia that you need to know to be a successful student.

**Academic Advisor:** A professional staff or faculty member who helps students select courses and plan for the future.

**Academic Year:** Starts on the first day of fall classes and ends in mid-August after summer final exams.

**Brightspace by D2L:** This classroom management platform is SFA’s supported online course delivery software. It is an integrated set of web course tools used for delivery of online courses as well as enhanced online instruction and communication tools for traditional classroom-based courses.

**Class Hour:** One hour of time spent in class per week. Most classes are three class hours, meaning they meet for approximately three hours per week.

**Core Curriculum:** The general educational requirements needed to obtain a degree. These are in addition to the courses required in the student’s major.

**Co-requisite:** A class that must be taken with another class.

**Dean:** A person with significant authority over a specific academic unit, area of concern or both.

**Dean’s List:** Students who earn a 3.5 GPA in a semester with at least 12 quality hours. Courses excluded from grade-point computation also are excluded from quality hours and may not be used to determine honor roll status.

**Degree Plan:** The document provided by academic departments and colleges that specifies the courses required to earn a certain degree.

**Development Course:** A foundation course designed to allow students to develop mastery of the necessary skills required for college success.

**Dropping Courses:** The process of removing one specific course from a semester schedule while remaining enrolled in other courses.

**Continued Probation, Academic:** Probation undergraduate students whose semester GPA is 2.0 or higher but their cumulative GPA fails to meet the minimum standard 2.0.

**Full-time Students:** Students enrolled in 12 or more class hours for a fall or spring semester. Also, students enrolled in six or more class hours during Maymester, summer I and summer II terms (undergraduate students). For Title IV purposes, any student registered for 12 semester hours or more during the fall, spring or summer terms is considered a full-time student.

**Grade-point Average:** Calculated as the total number of grade points received over a given period divided by the total number of credits awarded. GPA for short.

**Hold:** A block put on a student’s account that may prevent the student from registering or receiving a transcript. A hold is placed on an account before the student has been to academic advising prior to class registration and if a student fails to pay parking tickets or library fines.
**Independent Study:** Individual work on a special topic that is supervised by a faculty member. The student’s academic department must approve the project in advance, and a faculty member must agree to oversee the work.

**Internship:** On-the-job field experience for which a student may receive academic credit. Some internships are paid, though most are not. The Center for Career and Professional Development can help students find internships in their chosen career field.

**Lab:** Laboratory work provides students with the opportunity to apply principles learned in lecture classes.

**Lecture:** A class where the primary method of instruction is lecturing. There may be relatively little interaction between the professor and students during class, which is why it is important for students to utilize the professor’s office hours.

**Major:** Upper-division study in an academic department. Approximately 30 to 36 class hours in a specific field of study.

**Minor:** Course concentration in a field outside a major; requires approximately 18 hours of specified coursework. Not all majors require a minor.

**mySFA:** Part of the SFA website where students can access their email, update their personal information, register for and drop classes, check their grades, view holds on accounts, and pay their tuition and fees.

**Prerequisite:** A course that must be satisfactorily completed in order to enroll in a subsequent course.

**President’s Honor Roll:** Students who earn a 4.0 GPA in a semester with at least 12 quality hours. Courses excluded from grade-point computation also are excluded from quality hours and may not be used to determine honor roll status.

**Probation, Academic:** A student is placed on academic probation following the first regular semester in which the cumulative GPA fails to meet the minimum academic standard 2.0.

**Registrar:** The office where students’ records are maintained. The registrar’s office maintains student academic transcripts and coordinates course registration.

**Repeating Courses:** Students who make an F in a course can get credit only by repeating the course. Undergraduate students who want to repeat courses to improve their GPA at SFA must repeat those courses at SFA. For any course repeated at SFA, the grade earned during the most recent enrollment will be used to calculate the GPA. Credit hours for courses taken at other institutions to replace credit hours earned at SFA may be used to meet graduation credit-hour requirements but may not be used for GPA calculation.

**Suspension, Academic:** A student is placed on academic suspension after a regular semester that immediately follows a semester of probation if the student’s cumulative GPA falls below 2.0.

**Syllabus:** Course outline, usually distributed the first day of class, with a brief description of the course. The syllabus generally includes assignments, exam dates, grading system, attendance policy and the faculty member’s contact information.

**Transcript:** Official record of a student’s academic work. It is maintained and updated each semester.

**Withdrawal from the University:** Students who choose to withdraw from the university will have a W recorded on their transcript if the withdrawal is prior to five days after midsemester or midsession, as applicable. Students must initiate the withdrawal process in the Office of the Registrar.

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*SFA is one of only four Texas public independent institutions, meaning it’s not affiliated with one of the six university systems.*
Amount of Credits Taken by SFA Students

Although a majority of SFA bachelor’s-degree-seeking students attempt between 12 and 14 credit hours in the fall, students need to earn at least 15 or more credits each long semester in order to graduate “on time” (within four years). Note: A bachelor’s degree requires 120 credit hours minimum.

STUDENTS ENROLLED IN:
- less than 12 credit hours
- 12 to 14 credit hours
- 15 or more credit hours

FACT: SFA students achieve higher GPAs when enrolled in at least 15 credit hours.

Students enrolled in more credit hours tend to achieve higher grades. Studies at other institutions document similar findings when also controlling evaluations for socioeconomic and academic preparedness factors. More information available at completecollege.org

FACT: SFA students are more likely to complete courses when enrolled in 15 or more credit hours.

When SFA graduates complete credit hours sooner, they each save approximately $23,000 a year in education costs and are able to start earning money in their careers earlier.
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FINANCIAL RESOURCES
FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Located on the first floor of the Austin Building, staff members in the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships can help you find the best way to pay for your SFA education. All students who apply for financial assistance must fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid at studentaid.gov.

SFA offers hundreds of scholarships each year to both new and returning students. To be considered, you must fill out the general scholarship application through mySFA, the university’s intranet web portal. The application is available starting Sept. 1 each year, and the deadline for submission is Feb. 1. Scholarships are offered on such criteria as academic major, cocurricular activities and talent. For more information on scholarships, visit sfasu.edu/scholarships.

The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships can provide you with the necessary information to apply for financial assistance — whether that be scholarships, grants and/or federal loans.

In order to be considered for financial assistance, you’ll be required to complete the FAFSA. Here’s what to do:

- You can apply starting Oct. 1 for the next academic year by logging on to studentaid.gov.
- You and/or your parent or legal guardian must electronically sign the FAFSA. Missing signatures will delay processing.
- Verify all responses for accuracy.
- Print yourself a copy.
- If selected for the verification process, be prepared to contact the IRS for a copy of your tax transcripts.

Remember — if you received a scholarship from your high school or other organization, SFA must be notified to help determine an accurate financial aid award for you. You can complete the electronic resources request to notify us of pending scholarship amounts and the entity the scholarship is from.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

SFA offers a number of services through its financial aid office, including short-term loans, summer aid and study abroad assistance. A net price calculator also is available and is intended to provide students with useful consumer information regarding college costs after financial aid is taken into consideration. For more information regarding financial aid and the services SFA provides, visit sfasu.edu/faid.

PAYING YOUR BILL

Your mySFA account is where you’ll pay for your bill online.

1. Log in to mySFA.
2. Click the “Billing” tab.
3. Click “Pay Online with eBill.”

The Business Office, located on the second floor of the Austin Building, handles your bills and student ID validation. The office also cashes checks up to $50 and initiates financial aid refunds and cash advances through BankMobile®. If you have questions about an eBill or other payment-related inquiries, call (936) 468-6960.

FINANCIAL LITERACY

SFA has partnered with the National Endowment for Financial Education to provide students with the necessary knowledge and skills to make important decisions relating to personal finance matters. The Office of Student Affairs Programs has partnered with NEFE’s Cash Course to offer many useful tools for students. Visit sfasu.edu/studentaffairs/660.asp for more information.

Another resource is the Student Financial Advisors group created and managed by the Rusche College of Business. Located in the McGee Business Building, Room 169, advisors are a free resource dedicated to the promotion of financial literacy and smart money management.
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE AND RESOURCE CENTER

Free peer tutoring at the AARC makes it easy for you to receive the help you need through walk-in tables, supplemental instruction, individual appointments and online tutoring, including an online writing lab. Visit sfasu.edu/aarc to learn more.

“Keep calm! It’s all very new and possibly scary, but if you keep calm, you’ll do great in all your classes. And don’t forget to use the AARC!”

STEEN LIBRARY

All the information you need to make the grade can be found within SFA’s library. The four-story facility houses books, periodicals, maps, databases, computer labs and more. In addition, each of SFA’s six colleges has its own librarian who is especially knowledgeable in the college’s subject areas and is at your service.

COUNSELING SERVICES

Counseling Services is staffed with licensed professional counselors and offers individual and group mental health counseling to SFA students. Counseling helps students overcome personal and academic obstacles and make healthy, productive decisions. This service is confidential and offered at no charge.

The SFA student food pantry, The Pantry, is the most accessible food pantry in Nacogdoches County. It’s open at least two hours each weekday.
“College is not like high school. There is more freedom. Going to class and working hard will get you an A, but it also is very easy to fail if you don't put in the effort.”

EVERY INCOMING FRESHMAN SHOULD ENROLL IN SFAS 1101.

SFAS 1101, Freshman Success Seminar, is a specially designed course that is proven to raise your GPA and increase your chances of making it to graduation.

“SFA savvy” instructors teach you the ropes and discuss important topics, such as academic integrity, learning strategies, SFA history and other essential information.

Specialized sections are offered that concentrate on leadership and areas of study. This class gives you a head start and explores the many resources SFA provides to help you inside and outside the classroom.

SFA Dance Marathon, a student-led event, has raised $90,598.10 for Children’s Miracle Network during the past five years.

CAMPUSS TECHNOLOGY

More than 20 computer labs and approximately 800 workstations are available for student use. One of the technology tools you’ll use throughout your SFA career is mySFA. Through this online portal, you’ll manage your SFA email account, register for courses, view your grades and transcripts, and more. Students can access fast and easy printing using the new Wēpa wireless printing stations located throughout campus, as well as free charging stations for smart devices in the Baker Pattillo Student Center.
**DISABILITY SERVICES**

SFA is committed to providing equal opportunities in higher education to students with disabilities. Disability Services works collaboratively with the student to facilitate specialized support services and accommodations that meet individual disability-related needs. Students who experience temporary limiting conditions as a result of injuries, surgeries or short-term disabilities also may visit this office for access to resources during the duration of the condition. For more information, visit sfasu.edu/disabilityservices.

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**VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER**

The VRC, located in the student center, is open to all veterans, their dependents and cadets. It serves as a place to gather, socialize and form supportive relationships. In addition, this facility is a hub for veterans’ programming efforts, including helping connect veterans and their dependents with university resources and outside agencies.

To learn more about utilizing the GI Bill or other Veterans Affairs educational benefits, email vaservices@sfasu.edu.

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**MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS**

The Office of Multicultural Affairs strives to create a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students. The office creates networks of support and develops programs for students to provide meaningful interactions and learning experiences. In addition, the office assists many student organizations in promoting social justice and cultural and racial diversity through lectures, special events and observances.

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**CENTER FOR CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Center for Career and Professional Development encourages students to be proactive in developing their professional brand to enhance employability.

Students achieve this through assistance with résumé writing, interview skills, a career closet, internships, job-search strategies, career coaching, workshops and presentations, and career fairs.

The CCPD’s services can be accessed either in person or virtually, depending on availability and student needs. More information is available at sfasu.edu/ccpd, or you may visit the center on the third floor of the Rusk Building.

“Don’t wait until your final semester to begin your job hunt. Start early by participating in mock interviews, and begin to prepare your résumé.”

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CCPD offers students the opportunity to borrow professional clothing (ranging from business casual to suits) for free to wear to presentations, interviews or career expos.
EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION

The Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion is primarily responsible for creating a network of caring responses to our diverse student body. The office will enact this by ensuring critical services and programs are accessible to all students, as well as increasing their knowledge of the resources available to them. The areas for which we are individually responsible are Disability Services, Veterans Resource Center, Lumberjacks Care, Office of Multicultural Affairs, Office of Violence Against Women, and Title IX office.

These areas on the SFA campus are important because they demonstrate personal caring to individuals in extraordinary circumstances — students who are in crisis, students dealing with mental health concerns, students injured on or off-campus, or students who are a part of our underrepresented populations.

The Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion wants to make sure all aspects of the student’s experience at SFA is positive and holistic. The intent and actions of this office are to foster an open and welcoming environment where our students, faculty and staff of all backgrounds can learn, work and serve while embracing all human differences and building on commonalities.

CARE AND CONCERN ALERTS

The Care and Concern Alert program is a unique, integrative approach to academic and behavior intervention on campus. The program, administered through the Office of Student Rights and Responsibilities, is a collaborative response between academics and student affairs to target resources to help improve students’ ability to succeed.

The three early intervention tracks comprise behavioral/medical, attendance issues and academic performance. Faculty members can submit early alerts through the advising system that is linked to their classes.
Starting your journey at SFA will be an exciting time, and you will find several policies have been adopted to help you succeed and remain in good standing with the university. The following policies include the university’s illicit drug and alcohol policy, the student conduct code, and the university’s policy on hazing. An online manual can be accessed for a complete list of current policies by visiting sfasu.edu/policies.

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FOR PARENTS

FRESHMAN YEAR
- Begin the transition by shifting your role as a parent to that of a supporter. Encourage your student to make good grades and meet with professors at least once a semester.
- Talk with your student about getting involved through a student organization, part-time job or volunteering.
- Encourage your student to use the four-year career development plan.

SOPHOMORE YEAR
- Talk with your student about career exploration or a desired major/minor and encourage research in different areas of interest.
- Listen to what your student is talking about concerning a career and major choice.
- Strongly encourage your student to utilize CCPD for career coaching, résumé critiques and career fairs.
- Remind your student about looking into internship/externship opportunities, as well as part-time jobs related to their field.

JUNIOR YEAR
- Urge your student to foster meaningful and supportive relationships with faculty members and key administrators on campus.
- Encourage your student to get involved in activities that will enhance their academic experience and make them more marketable, such as a leadership role in an organization or service-learning projects.
- Strongly recommend that your student utilizes CCPD for career fairs, job-search skills, résumé critiques and mock interviews.
- Highly recommend attending career fairs and other career-related events in order to establish a professional brand, narrow prospective employers, and increase your student’s network and job opportunities. Remind your student about looking into internship opportunities, as well as part-time jobs related to their field.
- Advise your student to be aware of their online presence, and clean up social media accounts for viewing by prospective employers.

SENIOR YEAR
- Encourage/assist your student in purchasing professional attire.
- If on a graduate school track, remind your student to take appropriate entrance exams, request letters of recommendation, apply for scholarships and complete applications before deadline.

FOR STUDENTS

FRESHMAN YEAR: EXPLORE
- Meet with a career coach to discuss major/minor, career goals and exploring/researching career opportunities.
- Get involved! Join a student organization, obtain a part-time job and/or volunteer for a service project.
- Transition your high school résumé to a college one. Visit our website for résumé writing tips and tools.
- Attend career fairs for internship and volunteer opportunities.

SOPHOMORE YEAR: EXPERIMENT
- “Reality test” your career options with internships, externships, job shadowing, volunteering and part-time employment.
- Build on your “living” résumé and develop relationships with faculty and staff.
- Attend career fairs to build your network, learn about occupations and employers in your field of interest, and find out what skill set employers are seeking.
- Meet with your career coach to solidify a major, and meet with your academic advisor to make it official.

JUNIOR YEAR: EXPERIENCE
- Reassess your career goals, consider alternative career plans and monitor your academic progress.
- Take a leadership role in organizations to develop teamwork, leadership and interpersonal skills.
- Utilize CCPD’s résumé critiques, mock interviews, information sessions, on-campus interviews and networking.
- Continue to update your résumé and fine tune your job-search skills by visiting our website for tips and tools.

SENIOR YEAR: EXCEL
- Shift job search into high gear with Jobs4Jacks, networking, faculty/advisor mentors and job search websites.
- Attend career fairs to establish your brand, identify and target employment opportunities, and refine your job-search skills.
- Polish your professional image by updating your résumé and applying for jobs, purchasing professional attire and cleaning up your social media accounts.

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WHAT HAPPENS TO LUMBERJACKS AFTER COLLEGE?

WE GET HIRED!

The Center for Career and Professional Development exists to empower students and alumni to achieve life-long career success. Take advantage of the different services available to assist you in making informed decisions about your future!

FREE SERVICES FOR STUDENTS AND ALUMNI:

- Professional Document/Profile Critiques
- Major/Minor Exploration
- Career Coaching
- Mock Interviews
- Career Events with TONS of Employers
- The Career Closet
- So much more!

NEED A HAND WITH YOUR RÉSUMÉ?

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Face coverings are required and must be worn by all individuals on the SFA campus in all indoor public areas.

Please give priority to those who are physically unable to use the stairs.

If an elevator is crowded, take the next one to maintain physical distancing.

Only going a few flights? **Take the stairs** if you are able.

**Speak up!** If you’re in an elevator that has reached physical distancing capacity, politely ask additional riders to wait for the next one.

**BEST PRACTICES**

- Avoid leaning against walls.
- Avoid touching the handrails.
- Avoid touching buttons directly. Cover fingers with a cloth or glove, or push buttons with an object or your elbow.
- Avoid touching your face.
- Wash or sanitize your hands as soon as possible.
UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT
The University Police Department patrols the campus 24/7 by automobile, foot and bicycle to protect and serve. Jack Alert, SFA’s emergency notification system, sends text message, voice, email, Facebook, Twitter and website alerts concerning emergencies that may affect the SFA community. Sign up for Jack Alert through mySFA. Additionally, emergency call stations are located throughout the campus — just look for the blue lights. Make sure to download the Rave Guardian app to your smartphone to enhance your campus safety. View download instructions.

THE DOC IS IN.
Health Services, at the corner of East College and Raguet streets, is an outpatient medical facility offering preventative care and many of the same services provided by a family practitioner to currently enrolled students.

HOURS OF OPERATION:
8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday
For emergencies after hours, dial 911.

ALL ABOARD!
If you don’t have your own automobile, no worries. You’ll still be able to easily move around campus. SFA operates the Jack Track shuttle service. It’s free for all currently enrolled SFA students. When classes are in session during the fall and spring semesters, shuttle buses travel around the campus and stop at high-traffic areas. Look for the bus stops!

JACK TRACK SCHEDULE:
Daytime: 7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. Monday through Friday
Evening: 5 p.m. to 1 a.m. Sunday through Thursday
For more information about Jack Track, visit sfasu.edu/jacktrack.

According to student leaders, 90% say cocurricular experiences have helped them understand what they are learning in the classroom.

READ ALL ABOUT IT.
Publishing online during the fall and spring semesters, The Pine Log is SFA’s independent student newspaper and is accessible at thepinelog.com. Occasionally, The Pine Log also prints special editions, including the annual summer Welcome Edition, which are available on newsstands throughout campus. Additionally, the Stone Fort is SFA’s award-winning yearbook. Yearbook subscriptions may be purchased during Jack Camp Orientation. To get involved with SFA Student Publications, email pinelog@sfasu.edu.

“Those parking signs are not a joke.”
HONOR
THE
CODE!

Lumberjacks believe in doing things “The SFA Way,” and we strive for personal excellence in everything we undertake.

The five root principles (Respect, Caring, Responsibility, Unity and Integrity) serve as the Lumberjack standard.

**RESPECT**

Lumberjacks command respect and treat others with respect • They are considerate of others and tolerant of differences • They demonstrate respect for those around them by avoiding the use of offensive or profane language • They do not threaten or harm anyone and deal peacefully and civilly with conflict.

**CARING**

Lumberjacks think of the needs of others and seek to improve the quality of life of those around them • They are compassionate, empathic and kind • They respond with humility to those they have helped and freely express gratitude to those who help them • Lumberjacks prepare themselves to become leaders in their communities and workplaces • They dedicate themselves to excellence in their chosen field of study and to using what they learn in the service of others.

**RESPONSIBILITY**

Lumberjacks do what is right • They persevere in times of adversity • Through self-control and self-discipline, they strive to do their best • Lumberjacks challenge each other to exceed expectations • They are active learners both inside and outside of the classroom • They are reliable; they do what they say they will do • Lumberjacks hold themselves accountable for their decisions.

**UNITY**

Lumberjacks are loyal to their friends, family, university, state and country • Lumberjacks stand together against any adversary • They recognize that though we are very different from one another, we are united by the Lumberjack Spirit. Lumberjacks seek to understand the people and world around them • When one Lumberjack fails, all fail • When one Lumberjack succeeds, all succeed.

**INTEGRITY**

Lumberjacks have the courage to do what is right, even when it is hard or unpopular • They respond to each situation with steadfast values that are not subject to change based on the actions of others • They seek opportunities to practice effective and ethical leadership • Lumberjacks are honest; they do not deceive, cheat or steal • Lumberjacks stand up for those who cannot stand up for themselves • As lifelong learners, Lumberjacks are committed to continuously improving themselves.
I'M HUNGRY.

SFA’s Dining Services offers meals to please everyone’s taste buds. From all-you-care-to-eat dining locations in the Baker Pattillo Student Center and East College Dining Hall to the fantastic tastes of Chick-fil-A, Which Wich, Panda Express and other retail outlets, you’ll have tons of choices to calm your stomach’s growl. SFA Dining also has a registered dietitian on staff to help you plan meals and maintain a healthy lifestyle.
**DID YOU KNOW SFA HAS ITS OWN POST OFFICE?**

Located in the basement of the Baker Pattillo Student Center, the post office provides full U.S. postal services to all members of the Lumberjack community. With more than 10,000 boxes, box rental is required for students who live on campus and is available for students residing off campus.

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**PURCHASE BOOKS AND SFA GEAR.**

The Barnes & Noble Bookstore, located in the Baker Pattillo Student Center, sells new and used textbooks and supplies you’ll need for class. In addition, you can shop for licensed SFA clothing and other items.

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**“Don’t blow all your Dining Dollars early because you’re going to need coffee money during finals!”**

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**A FEW LUMBERJACK-SPECIFIC HOLIDAYS TO MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR!**

**September**
18: SFA’s 97th Anniversary
26: National Lumberjack Appreciation Day

**October**
3: Battle of the Piney Woods

**January**
21: National Squirrel Day

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**A FEW BENEFITS OF RESIDING ON CAMPUS:**

1. Caring staff members provide an instant support system
2. Within walking distance to almost everything on campus
3. Recreational opportunities everywhere
4. Fantastic food
5. Safety and security
6. Time management, note-taking, study skills and other programs to support your success
The Office of Multicultural Affairs creates a campus environment where all SFA students feel welcome, participate in meaningful cross-cultural interactions and engage in learning experiences that promote respect for diversity.

A FEW OF OUR EVENTS
- Noche De Gala
- Tunnel of Oppression
- MLK Day of Service
- Women’s Empowerment Summit
- Kente Cloth Ceremony
- Homecoming Step Show
- Diversity Week
- Diversity Conference

RESOURCES
- Axcel Mentoring Program
- Diversity and Inclusion Certificate Program
- Impact U Volunteer Organization
- Meeting and Study Room
- Multicultural Resource Library
  and more!

Visit sfasu.edu/oma to learn more.
It may be possible to get COVID-19 by touching a surface or object with the virus on it and then touching your mouth, nose or eyes. Cleaning and disinfecting surfaces are best practices for reducing the spread of any viral respiratory illness.

**Cleaning** refers to the removal of germs, dirt and impurities from surfaces. Cleaning does not kill germs, but removing them lowers their numbers and the risk of spreading infection.

**Disinfecting** refers to the use of chemicals to kill germs on surfaces. This process does not necessarily clean dirty surfaces or remove germs. However, disinfecting a surface after cleaning can further lower the risk of spreading infection. It is often necessary to clean a surface with soap and water before you can effectively disinfect the surface.

**Clean commonly touched surfaces** such as remote controls, printers, computer keyboards, phones and coffee pots to help reduce the possibility of disease transmission. If using shared computers or keyboards, disinfect before and after each use.

**Always wash your hands** after you have been in a public place or touched items or surfaces that may be frequently touched by other people, such as light switches, door handles, elevator controls, gas pumps, shopping carts, toilets or electronic cash registers/screens.
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LIVING ON CAMPUS.

SFA’s on-campus living requirement, which stipulates that students who are younger than 21 and have earned fewer than 60 credit hours must reside and dine on campus, is designed to provide a supportive environment and aid in student success.

However, understanding students may be more comfortable living off campus in the wake of COVID-19, the requirement was lifted for the 2020-21 academic year.

Thousands of Lumberjacks have still opted to live in one of our 11 residence halls this fall, and we are so excited to welcome them!

Follow Residence Life on Instagram!

First-year students reside in the First-Year Commons, which include:

**HALL 14:**
Female / Shared Room / Community Bathroom

**KERR HALL:**
Female / Shared Room / Community Bathroom

**LUMBERJACK LANDING:**
Coed / Shared Room / Suite Bathroom

**LUMBERJACK VILLAGE QUADS:**
Coed / Private Room / Suite Bathroom

**STEEN HALL:**
Coed / Shared Room / Suite Bathroom

**WISELY HALL (HONORS):**
Coed / Shared Room / Community Bathroom
GET TO KNOW YOUR RESIDENCE HALL ASSOCIATION.

Dedicated to providing all students living on campus with a positive experience, the RHA encourages residents to make positive contributions and become leaders within each of the residence hall communities.

Through its hall council and executive board, residents have a voice in suggesting programs and improvements. Residents are encouraged to join committees and provide input on food service, community service, sustainability, sports and recreation, policies and procedures, and fundraising.

RHA also hosts many campuswide programs, like Casino Night, Fall Fest and Holiday Extravaganza. These programs bring students together for fun and networking.

“You’re paying for your meal plan, so use it. Also, breakfast in the East College Dining Hall is easily the best you’ll have short of cooking it yourself.”

“Don’t go home for at least the first month. When I moved to Nac, I was very homesick and went home the second week. Then, I didn’t go home for more than three months, and I loved being at SFA.”

“You won’t make any memories that you’ll cherish sitting in your room all day watching TV.”

RESIDENCE LIFE CONTACT INFORMATION

Location: Austin Building, Room 131
Website: sfasu.edu/reslife
Email: reslife@sfasu.edu

Phone: (936) 468-2601
Fax: (936) 468-2074

RESIDENCE HALL FRONT DESK PHONE NUMBERS:

First-year halls
Hall 14..................................................(936) 468-4609
Kerr Hall...............................................(936) 468-5301
Lumberjack Landing...........................(936) 468-5404
Lumberjack Village Quads...............(936) 468-4300
Steen Hall..........................................(936) 468-5201
Wisely Hall (honors).........................(936) 468-2600

Non-first-year halls
Griffith Hall.................................(936) 468-4909
Hall 10..............................................(936) 468-3200
Hall 16..............................................(936) 468-5109
Hall 20..............................................(936) 468-2595
Kerr Hall.........................................(936) 468-5301
Lumberjack Lodge............................(936) 468-2400
Lumberjack Village..........................(936) 468-4300
Wisely Hall (honors).........................(936) 468-2600

The DeWitt School of Nursing boasts an outstanding 96.83% first-time pass rate for students completing their nursing license exam.
The following items are mostly suggestions. You are not required to bring everything on this list. Discuss with your roommate what each of you will bring to campus.

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**ITEMS ALREADY IN YOUR ROOM**
- Bed frame*
- Closet*
- Desk*
- Dresser*
- Mattress*
- Mirror

**COVID-19 ITEMS**
- Cleaning supplies (recommended list at epa.gov)
- Extra month supply of prescriptions (if applicable)
- Face coverings (reusable, washable)
- Hand sanitizer (alcohol based, 60% or more)
- Resources to help complete classes remotely (if needed)
- Thermometer

**FOR YOUR BED**
- Bedspread, comforter or blankets
- Mattress pad
- Pillows and pillowcases
- Sheets

**FOR YOUR BATH**
- Bathrobe
- Brushes, combs and hair accessories
- First-aid kit
- Hair dryer, curling or flat iron
- Prescribed medications, prescriptions for renewal
- Shower caddy or tote
- Shower shoes or flip-flops
- Soap, body wash, shampoo and conditioner
- Toothpaste, toothbrush and dental floss
- Towels and washcloths

**FOR YOUR ROOM**
- Blender
- Broom and dust pan, small vacuum
- Carpet or rug, curtains
- Clock
- Coffee pot (one per room)
- Dishes and cups
- Dish soap
- Flashlight and batteries
- Reusable water bottle
- Storage caddy or under-the-bed bins
- Toolkit (small)
- Trash can and bags
- Travel mug

**FOR LAUNDRY**
- Clothes hangers
- Dryer, fabric softener sheets
- Drying rack/hanger
- Iron
- Laundry basket
- Lint roller
- Liquid detergent/pods
- Sewing kit

**ELECTRONICS**
- Cellphone and charger
- Computer or laptop with charger
- Desk or floor lamp (no halogen lamps allowed)
- DVD/Blu-ray player
- Gaming system/console
- Headphones and/or earbuds
- Surge protector (NRTL-approved only)
- TV (only one TV cable port per room)
SCHOOL SUPPLIES
- Backpack or tote
- Calculator
- Desk supplies (stapler, tape, sticky notes, etc.)
- Notebooks, folders, pens, pencils, highlighters

FOR OUTDOORS
- Anti-itch cream
- Bicycle, lock and helmet
- Bug spray
- Rain gear (coat and boots)
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses
- Swimming suit, goggles, nose plug
- Umbrella

CARRY WITH YOU OR KEEP IN LOCKING AREA
- Debit card, credit card(s)
- Driver’s license, car registration, proof of insurance
- Health insurance card
- Passport or other state ID
- Student ID (New students will need to submit their photo through mySFA. This will guarantee your ID is waiting for you upon arrival.)

DECORATING YOUR ROOM
Use only approved products to hang posters and other decorations in your room.

APPROVED products:
- Adhesive strips
- Painters tape, clear tape, double-sided tape
- Poster tacky

BANNED products:
- Anything that will leave a hole in the wall
- Nails
- Push pins
- Tacks

PROHIBITED ITEMS
- Alcohol beverages and alcohol-labeled containers
- Barbecue grills and sandwich makers
- Candles, oil lamps and other open-flame sources
- Controlled substances, drugs and drug paraphernalia
- Crock-Pot or hot plate (does not include coffee pot)
- Fireworks and explosives
- Incense and oil/wax scent diffusers, plug-ins, etc.
- Lighter fluid
- Multiplug adapters
- Pets: Exceptions include fish in a 10-gallon tank (or less) and small birds. Support and service animals must be approved prior to arrival via special accommodations.
- Portable heater or air conditioner
- Road, street and traffic signs
- Twinkle lights or string lights (battery operated also not allowed)
- Weapons of any kind, including toy weapons
- Wi-Fi router

TIP: Bring a dolly or cart for move-in day!
# Dimensions for First-Year Halls

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Student Affairs for Support Services would like to welcome our new Lumberjacks!

We know you will love SFA as much as we do.

Part of our commitment to enhancing knowledge and providing you a memorable experience includes the following online training resources to help make you aware of issues relevant to college students. Through these trainings, you will learn about campus resources, as well as ways to respond to and reduce the risk of suicide and sexual violence.

Voices for Change

Online training that includes information about
- healthy relationships
- sexual violence
- alcohol abuse prevention
- sexual health
- bystander intervention
- and campus and community resources.

Suicide Awareness and Prevention

Online training that includes information about
- symptoms of depression
- signs of suicidal thoughts
- when and how to help a friend who is depressed or considering suicide
- and campus and community resources.

TO ACCESS THE TRAINING:
1. Log in to your mySFA account.
2. Look for the “Student Training” section on the right, and click on the red link.

Required training should be completed by Aug. 26.

For more information, visit sfasu.edu/lcc or email titleIX@sfasu.edu.
NCAA DIVISION I ATHLETICS

SFA is a NCAA Division I program competing in the Southland Conference. SFA sponsors 18 intercollegiate sports. Men’s sports include football, basketball, baseball, cross-country, indoor-outdoor track and field, and golf.

Women’s sports include soccer, volleyball, beach volleyball, cross-country, basketball, indoor-outdoor track and field, softball, golf, tennis and bowling.

Bring your student ID to enter all games for free. For schedules, rosters and the latest sports news, visit sfajacks.com.
BAKER PATTILLO STUDENT CENTER
There’s so much to do here! Take in a movie at the 383-seat multilevel theater, grab a cup of coffee at Starbucks, sit down forpizza, sushi, ice cream and more at the food court, or just visit with friends in one of the many lounges.

MUSIC, THEATRE AND ART EVENTS
SFA’s College of Fine Arts showcases the talents of SFA students and faculty members in various productions, exhibits, performances, concerts and shows year-round. Find out about upcoming performances at finearts.sfasu.edu.

STUDENT RECREATION CENTER = AMAZING!
This facility is HUGE! It offers SFA students a place to get physically fit and enjoy downtime. There’s a climbing wall, giant pool with a lazy river, sand volleyball, basketball and racquetball courts, an indoor jogging track, and thousands of square feet devoted to cardio and exercise equipment. Additionally, students can select from a variety of group fitness classes, outdoor pursuits, intramurals and sport clubs.

“Stress can be a killer, especially if you don’t take time for yourself and maintain some level of fitness.”

EXPLORE THE MILES AND MILES OF BEAUTIFUL TRAILS.
Nacogdoches is the Garden Capital of Texas. On the university’s campus, there are several world-class landscapes that provide breathtaking opportunities to enjoy the seasons. SFA’s recreational trails include 68 acres of hiking and bicycle trails that wind through Texas’ oldest town.
LUMBERJACKS’ CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

One of the best ways to make friends and connect with SFA is to join a club or organization. SFA offers more than 200! Whether you desire to unite in the brotherhood or sisterhood of a fraternity or sorority or become part of a club designed to help community members, there’s a group just for you.

Getting involved also is proven to help raise your GPA and increase your chances of graduating on time.

SFA’S CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
FOCUS ON THE FOLLOWING AREAS:
• Academic/professional
• Cultural
• Greek
• Religious
• Service
• Special interests/hobbies

For a complete listing of SFA’s student organizations and information about each one, visit sfasu.edu/studentaffairs.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS RESOURCE CENTER

Jack SORC serves as a resource center for clubs and organizations by providing lockers and supplies to help promote events. It also offers free computer use and printing to active student organizations. It’s located on the third floor of the Baker Pattillo Student Center.

“Join something. Volunteer for something. Find your niche.”

“You must study to make good grades, but you will never accomplish this if you don't relax and have fun, too!”

Fraternity and sorority members perform during Weeks of Welcome in fall 2019. ➜
STUDENT AFFAIRS PROGRAMS

SFA's Office of Student Affairs Programs is dedicated to providing programs that enrich student involvement, leadership, engagement and fun. From leadership and volunteerism to the annual Homecoming bonfire and concert, there's an avenue for every Lumberjack to enjoy. Some of the areas housed within student affairs programs include:

• Orientation and Transition Programs
• Spirit Teams
• Student Engagement Programs
• Student Government Association
• Purple Haze Association

For more information about student affairs and the programs offered, visit sfasu.edu/studentaffairs.

WEEKS OF WELCOME

Starting the first two weeks of the fall and spring semesters, Weeks of Welcome is your opportunity to involve yourself on campus and meet other Lumberjacks. From the massive group class photo to barbecues and pool parties, Weeks of Welcome is nothing but fun!

PURPLE HAZE ASSOCIATION

The official student section of SFA, students are dedicated to carrying out The SFA Way and Lumberjack spirit while supporting fellow members of the university on the field, court, diamond or any other way possible. PHA members pride themselves on being the loudest and the proudest student fans. Members attend home sporting events and sit in the reserved student section wearing as much purple as possible. Jackhammers, known as the PHA student leaders, are the “heartbeat” of the student section. They wear overalls and cheer as loud as they can for the Lumberjacks.

SPIRIT TEAMS - A WINNING TRADITION

The SFA cheerleading and dance teams work to increase the overall spirit of the campus community by performing and cheering at SFA sporting and other events and serving as ambassadors and role models. Together, the teams have won an amazing 30 national championships since 1993.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The SGA is the voice of the students and is administered entirely by SFA students. Its purpose is threefold: to be the voice of the student body, to serve as a model government (with its executive, legislative and judicial branches) and to foster leadership development.

The association introduces legislation on behalf of students, and while it does not pass legislation that is binding to university policy, it does have a significant influence.
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS also are housed within the Office of Student Affairs Programs. Some of these offerings include:

- Lumberjack Leadership Academy
- Involvement Center
- Service Programs
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Student Activities Association
- Traditions Council (see Page 59)

STUDENT ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATION

SAA is your source for free or low-cost entertainment. It provides a wide variety of weekly activities for students throughout the year. SAA hosts events like comedy shows, concerts, speakers, game shows and DIY events. The association also coordinates SFA’s on-campus cinema program, which showcases weekly movies throughout the fall, spring and summer semesters. Students involved in SAA have the opportunity to learn about event planning, develop their leadership skills and learn how to be part of a team.

LUMBERJACK LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

A special section of the SFAS 1101 freshman seminar course, the Lumberjack Leadership Academy helps prepare participants for success at SFA and to become future student leaders of the university. Four specialized sections are offered with service-learning opportunities.

IN INVOLVEMENT CENTER

Get a complete overview of all the clubs and organizations SFA offers by visiting the Involvement Center, located in the Baker Pattillo Student Center. Peer advisors are available to help you select the organizations that best fit your interests.

SERVICE PROGRAMS

The Jacks Give Back Initiative offers students many opportunities to enhance leadership skills and give back to the local community and beyond. Opportunities include alternative spring break, large service day events, a children’s health movement, the student food pantry and monthly service projects.

FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE

With more than 30 different chapters at SFA, fraternities and sororities provide students with opportunities to build friendships, serve the community and challenge themselves in a supportive environment. Through their involvement, students can learn new skills and prepare for their future. Every fraternity and sorority member strives to live The SFA Way.

“Enjoy the time you spend at SFA. It goes by so fast!”
Axe ’em, Jacks!

Recognizing a lag in school spirit, the 1979-80 SFA cheerleaders set out to establish a hand symbol like other universities in hopes of unifying the students and creating enthusiasm on campus. And so, “the axe” was born. The collaborative brainchild of several cheerleaders, the symbol initially started with two fingers forming an axe. The thumb was added to not only make the symbol more unique, but also to form an “L” and a “J” when held side by side. The symbol also has been interpreted as the shape of Texas with two fingers pointing to Nacogdoches, but most of the originators of the hand symbol say it’s simply an axe. The “Axe ’em, Jacks” symbol was introduced at the first pep rally in the fall of 1979 and was instantly embraced by students. Since then, it has become the definitive symbol of SFA pride to generations of Lumberjacks.
WoW is designed to welcome new students to campus and introduce them to campus life. For returning students, it offers a way to become involved and interact with new students and campus organizations. WoW programming takes place the first two weeks of every fall and spring semester.

GREETINGS FROM...

Aug. 21 – Sept. 3

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Room 3.300
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FACE COVERINGS REQUIRED

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- classrooms
- labs
- hallways
- lobbies
- restrooms
- conference and meeting rooms
- break rooms
- non-private office settings
- outdoor spaces when physical distancing of 6 feet or more cannot be reliably maintained

Floor markers are located in many areas of campus to help with physical distancing.
SFA’s mascot, the Lumberjack, was named one of the top 10 mascots in college basketball in 2014 by ESPN.

CHIEF CADDDO
This 7-foot 6-inch, 320-pound statue is the largest trophy passed between NCAA universities. Chief Caddo is awarded annually to the winner of the SFA vs. Northwestern State University football game.

WHY IS MY HAND PURPLE?
You’ve just participated in the Big Dip ring ceremony. The tradition is one of the final steps to becoming an SFA graduate. Students get their hands dipped in purple dye before receiving their official SFA Ring.
THE AXE HANDLE
All new students receive an axe handle at Holler @ Homer to personalize with their own representation of Lumberjack spirit. Students can be seen (and heard) banging axe handles on the bleachers at SFA football games.

HOMECOMING IS COMING!
Usually held in October, Homecoming unites the Lumberjack community. From near and far, alumni come “home” to SFA to take part in the traditional bonfire, pep rally, downtown parade, tailgating, football game and much more. The night of the bonfire, attendees are treated to a free live concert. Past entertainment has included Frankie Ballard, Jesse McCartney and 3OH!3.

“Get involved. It’s the best way to meet new people! Attend games and support YOUR Jacks!”

“Almost every person you see is happy and proud to be here and to be a Lumberjack. Seeing so many upbeat people made me love SFA even more.”

SCHOOL SONG:
“ALL HAIL TO SFA”
Oh future bright ’neath the Purple and White
All hail to SFA.
‘Mid Texas pines we have Found peaceful shrines
Where ev’ry month is May.
Long live our Alma Mater,
Honor to thee for aye.
As years unfold, happy Mem’ries we’ll hold,
All hail to SFA.

DO NOT WEAR ORANGE!
Well, you can wear orange, if you don’t mind being scoffed at. Orange is the main school color of one of SFA’s biggest rivals, Sam Houston State University. That color is a big no-no at SFA.
Well, the stars are actually lights, but they are purple. To help notify the SFA community of an athletic victory, purple lights have been installed on top of the Steen Hall towers and in the Baker Pattillo Student Center clock. If you’re unable to attend a game, just look to the sky, and when the lights are shining, you can rejoice! Axe ‘em!
TRADITIONS COUNCIL
This spirited group of student leaders hosts activities throughout the year that educate Lumberjacks about the rich traditions and history of our university. The hard work and efforts of Traditions Council members help connect students to important aspects of campus life and assist students in achieving the full Lumberjack experience.

BOOM!
When you attend SFA home football games, you had better bring earplugs. Each time the Lumberjacks score, Ol’ Cotton, a World War II-era cannon named after Ret. Lt. Gen. Orren R. “Cotton” Whiddon, the most senior military officer ever to graduate from SFA, is fired by the Lumberjack Battalion’s cannon crew.

JACKS CHARGE
Bring your axe handle and lead the Lumberjack football team onto the field before home games. Wear your purple and white and meet at the SFA Spirit Rock (near Hall 20) 23 minutes (in honor of SFA opening its doors in 1923) before the game. Freshman students are highlighted in the first Jacks Charge of the season, while all enrolled SFA students may join in the tradition for the remainder of the season.
WHAT'S BETTER THAN WATERMELON?
Nothing! As the temperatures rise, the Student Government Association hosts the annual Watermelon Bash during Weeks of Welcome. The event is free and is SGA's oldest-standing tradition.

STONE FORT MUSEUM
In the spring of 1779, Antonio Gil Y’Barbo led some displaced settlers back to East Texas to establish the community of Nacogdoches. They had formerly lived in western Louisiana and eastern Texas near Spanish missions. Soon after leading his wanderers to the valley of LaNana and Banita Bayous, Y’Barbo built a stone house on the northeast corner of the town square. There he conducted private and government business, so it became the civic center of the community. In 1936, a replica of the Stone Fort was rebuilt on SFA’s campus.

BATTLE OF THE PINEY WOODS
A major highlight of football season, the Battle of the Piney Woods is a face-off between SFA (yay!) and our biggest rival, the Sam Houston State University Bearkats (boo!). It’s a battle so epic that it’s held at NRG Stadium, home to the NFL’s Houston Texans. Students, faculty, staff and alumni from both schools come from all across the state to attend.

Do you want to attend the Battle of the Piney Woods? You can catch one of the student fan buses on campus and ride to Houston with your fellow Lumberjacks.

SPRINGFEST
Closing out the year is the last campus party of the spring semester. Springfest is sponsored by the Student Activities Association and features music, games, free food, prizes and free “stuff.” Springfest is usually held at the end of April.

“My favorite tradition at SFA was painting the axe handles students receive during their first semester as a Lumberjack.”
WHAT IS ‘SURFIN’ STEVE? ’

“Surfin’ Steve” is how Lumberjacks refer to the statue/fountain of our namesake, Stephen F. Austin. It is located in the center of the campus and depicts Austin standing on a star. It’s one of the campus’ most popular landmarks and meeting locations.
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SAVE A LUMBERJACK.
USE PUNCTUATION.

Axe ‘em Jacks!
No comma = axing our own Lumberjacks (no!)

Axe ‘em, Jacks!
AXING OUR OPPONENT (YES!)
Face coverings that cover your nose and mouth are required and must be worn by all individuals on the SFA campus in all indoor public areas, including the following:

- elevators
- classrooms
- labs
- hallways
- lobbies
- restrooms
- conference and meeting rooms
- break rooms
- non-private office settings
- outdoor spaces when physical distancing of 6 feet or more cannot be reliably maintained
Face coverings that cover your nose and mouth are required and must be worn by all individuals on the SFA campus in all indoor public areas.

- Wash your hands before wearing a mask.
- Ensure the proper side of the mask faces outward.
- Locate the wire strip, and place it on the bridge of your nose.
- Secure the strings behind your head or over your ears.
- Cover your mouth and nose fully, making sure there are no gaps.
- Press the wire strip to fit the shape of your nose.
- Remove the mask from behind by holding the strings with clean hands.
- Dispose of your mask in a trash can, or immediately wash with soap and water.
- Correct placement of mask
- Do not touch the mask while wearing it.
- Do not reuse a disposable mask, and replace your mask if it gets damp.

Don’t be fooled into a false sense of security or think the mask is protecting you more than it actually is. You may feel safer wearing a mask, but remember, it primarily protects others around you.
Handwashing is one of the best ways to protect yourself and others from getting sick.

If soap and water are not readily available, you can use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. To use hand sanitizer, read the label and apply the correct amount of product to the palm of one hand. Rub the gel over all the surfaces of your hands and fingers until your hands are dry. This should take around 20 seconds.
With good hand hygiene and proper respiratory etiquette, you can reduce the risk of contracting COVID-19 and other infectious diseases.

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Dispose of the tissue in the nearest waste receptacle.

If you don’t have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper arm or elbow, instead of your hands, to reduce the spread of the virus through respiratory droplets, which is the most common way the virus is transmitted.

If you are frequently coughing or sneezing, wearing a mask helps prevent the spread of germs to people nearby, to surfaces around you and to the things you may touch.

Wash your hands with soap and water, or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, after you cough or sneeze or have contact with respiratory secretions or contaminated objects or materials.

And even though it doesn’t seem friendly, it’s best not to share your phone, pen, computer keyboard or other personal items with others.
SYMPTOMS

All students and employees are asked to self-screen daily for COVID-19 symptoms before coming to campus.

MOST COMMON SYMPTOMS

Cough
Fever
Chills
Muscle pain
Shortness of breath
Sore throat
Taste/smell loss

Symptoms can range from mild to severe and appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the COVID-19 virus.

There are “Axe COVID-19” voluntary temperature check stations in the Baker Pattillo Student Center and the Student Recreation Center. Other pop-up stations may be available in other areas of campus.

Seek medical care immediately* if you have:

- trouble breathing
- persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- new confusion
- inability to wake or stay awake
- bluish lips or face

* This list does not include all possible symptoms. Call your medical provider if you are concerned about additional severe symptoms.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I HAVE SYMPTOMS?

STEP 1
Stay home and away from others!

STEP 2
Contact SFA Health Services for guidance. Call (936) 468-4008 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.
Contact your medical provider.

STEP 3
Report your absence.

Students: Notify your professors or call (936) 468-2703 to request an absence notification.

Employees: Notify your supervisor.

Students, faculty and staff should stay home if experiencing even one of these symptoms.
AXE 'EM, 'JACKS!

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