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The el Don crew is here for you.

School is hard. Navigating college and all the moving parts to get what you want out of your degree can feel overhwhelming. But you are not alone. We are *el Don*, a team of journalism students who's goal is to keep you informed and let you know what's happening on campus, whether it's sharing helpful news, celebrating our hardworking student athletes, or holding our public officials accountable. In your hands is our first zine (mini magazine) of the fall semester. Keep in touch for more from us!

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elDon survival guide

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What you need to know about: Cash for Credit, the Johnson Center, the library, counseling and more.

LIBRARY

APPOINTMENTS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED TO ENTER.

WALK IN!

Study up or print your work. Appointments only needed for study/meeting rooms and one-on-one sessions with a librarian.

Scan to learn more about the Nealley Library:



THRIVE CENTER

THREE WAYS TO GET FOOD USING YOUR STUDENT ID:

FROZEN FOOD

Up to five prepared meals per day. Microwave them in the campus store.

GROCERIES

Stock up on essentials once a week. Bring your own bag for items.

SNACKS

Grab some study fuel once a day. Choices vary from bars to seasonal fruit.

Scan for more basic needs resources:



\$ GET PAID TO TAKE CLASSES. RECEIVE \$50 PER UNIT. REGISTER BY OCTOBER 26 TO QUALIFY.

No application is needed. Students actively enrolled in the fall term through the drop deadline will automatically receive funds. Must take a minimum of six units and payments cap at 12 units. Scan the QR code for more information on distribution.



JOHNSON CENTER

THE SPOT

Spend your free time at the student lounge with couches, charging ports, TVs, filtered water fountains. Enjoy activities below:

- Free pingpong table
- \$1-per-game pool
- Free video games
- Projector for events

FINANCIAL AID/ DSIGW

Ask for financial advice and programs available to assist in paying for school. The California Dream Act Service Incentive Grant Program is available for qualifying students that may receive \$1,500 per semester.

STUDENT BUSINESS OFFICE

Find assistance with purchasing parking permits (currently not required), paying fees, photo IDs, and discounted tickets.

DSPS OFFICE

Accomodations for students with disabilities. Career counseling, filling petitions or waivers, as well as sign language interpreters.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER

Services available:

- Free Covid self-test kits
- Sexual health services
- Mental health help
- First aid

COUNSELING

AVAILABLE IN-PERSON, ONLINE AND VIA EMAIL

DROP-INS

If you need to talk with a counselor about something quick — like a class waiver, course repetition or short term educational plan drop-ins are available in-person and via Zoom. Drop-in sessions are for a 15-minute chat with an academic counselor.

FULL MEETING

Schedule a 45 or 60-minute appointment for help with a full educational plan, financial aid appeal, review multiple transcripts or general counseling questions. Contact the counseling front desk support on their website Monday through Wednesday 4 - 6:30 p.m. and on Thursday from 2-4:30 p.m.

Scan to schedule an online drop-in, or an offline email.

