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Congratulations to the families of Osprey graduates! We hope the information below is helpful in getting you and your student ready for May 10th!

As Commencement approaches how can family members best prepare for the ceremony?

The Commencement webpage contains useful information related to ceremony details, parking and accessibility as well as discounts on nearby lodging and dining. We recommend reviewing the site in its entirety to best prepare for the day.

How can we commemorate the day?

Click here to see more information about ordering class rings, ceremony photography, commemorative DVDs, and diploma frames. Flowers and other novelty gifts can be purchased from vendors located on the Concourse Level of Boardwalk Hall the day of the ceremony.

Will students be available to spend time with family the week before Commencement?

Grad Send-Off Events take place May 4th-9th. These events are for students only, however, family members are invited to attend the Commencement Eve Bash at the Playground in Atlantic City on Thursday, May 9th.

After reading the FAQ section of the Commencement website, if we still have additional questions who should we contact?

Please feel free to contact commencement@stockton.edu and we would be happy to help with any additional questions.

**Campus Center, Suite 241; (609) 652-4878
Fall & Spring Office Hours: 8:30am-5:00pm**

DID YOU KNOW?

Summer classes can help your student get ahead. Stockton offers a tuition discount on undergraduate summer courses! To view summer course information, CLICK HERE!

Meet the Staff

Dr. Walter Tarver, III Assistant Vice President for Transitions and Retention

Dr. Tarver has been at Stockton since 1997 and he now serves as Assistant Vice President for Transitions and Retention, where he oversees the Career Center, the EOF Program, Military and Veteran Services, and New Student and Family Programs. Dr. Tarver has also served as an adjunct instructor, where he has taught Majoring in Success, Introduction to Management, and his current course, The Power of Sports.

“Part of my role is to ensure that not only are our students successfully transitioning into Stockton, but that they persist through graduation and position themselves for success beyond Stockton. An integral component of that success equation is parents and families. We want to welcome you to our community, just as we have done for your students, and for you to take comfort in knowing that you have selected a university where your students will grow and flourish.”



Did you attend our "Zooper" Day at Stockton Sibs Sunday event on April 14, 2019?

Tell us how you would rate your SIBS Sunday experience by clicking the stars below!



Our Students say...

"When your residential student returns home for the summer, **be patient** with them as they will have developed a new sense of independence. **Be ready to listen** to all their stories and learn about their new passions and perspectives - without judgment. Most importantly, **continue to love them and remind them how proud you are** - because you're their family and they will always need your support."

- Olivia, Class of '19

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Residential Student Move-out

All students not graduating or signed up for summer housing must move out of their Stockton housing no later than 10:00pm Saturday May 4th. Students will be emailed a move-out newsletter with instructions from Residential Life.

Master's and Doctoral Commencement

Tuesday May 7, 2019, 11:00am
Galloway Sports Center

Baccalaureate Commencement

Friday May 10, 2019 12:00pm
Graduate Line-up @ 10:00am
Jim Whelan Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City



Join parents across the country by participating in a national survey from the Association for Higher Education Parent/Family Program Professionals (AHEPPP).

CLICK HERE to take a brief survey by May 10th that will help universities across the country learn about the parent experience.

JOIN THE PFA TEAM!

PFA Advisory Board Position Available!

GET INVOLVED! LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS PFA ADVISORY BOARD
POSITION BY CLICKING HERE!

FOR QUESTIONS ABOUT THE POSITION PLEASE EMAIL THE DIRECTOR OF
NEW STUDENT AND FAMILY PROGRAM AT
JENNIFER.RADWANSKI@STOCKTON.EDU

A note from Financial Aid:



Graduating students who have at any point received Federal Direct student loans are required by the U.S. Department of Education to complete EXIT Counseling on studentloans.gov. This requirement should be completed before the Grad Finale on April 22, 2019. Holds preventing students from receiving their diplomas and official transcripts will be placed on the accounts of those who fail to complete the requirement.

Questions? Contact the Office of Financial Aid at 609.652.4203.