

SUPER SATURDAY: African American College and Career Summit

2022



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WELCOME

On behalf of our campus president, Dr. Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval, the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and the Fresno State Outreach and Special Programs Department (OSP), I would like to welcome you to the 2022 Super Saturday African American College and Career Summit. I am delighted that you made the decision to join us for this impactful event.

If this is your first introduction to the Fresno State African American Initiative (AAI), it is my hope that it won't be your last! Today is about **INTENTIONAL EARLY OUTREACH**, so take advantage of all that is in front of you as a student or parent. I would personally like to thank all of the Black alumni, Fresno State student services departments, faith-based partners, the represented school districts, State Center Community College District, community organizations, San Joaquin Valley Alumnae (SJVA) Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., career schools, and volunteers for their support of this year's event.

A special **THANK YOU** goes out to Super Saturday Sponsors:

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During the course of the day, it is my hope that every student and parent takes advantage of all of the resources and connections that are being provided. Don't forget that Super Saturday is all about **ASK ME**.

Thank you for joining the Bulldog family this homecoming weekend.

I'm looking forward to meeting you in person and welcoming you to our campus community!

Wendy Nelson, African American Initiative Coordinator
Fresno State African American Initiative



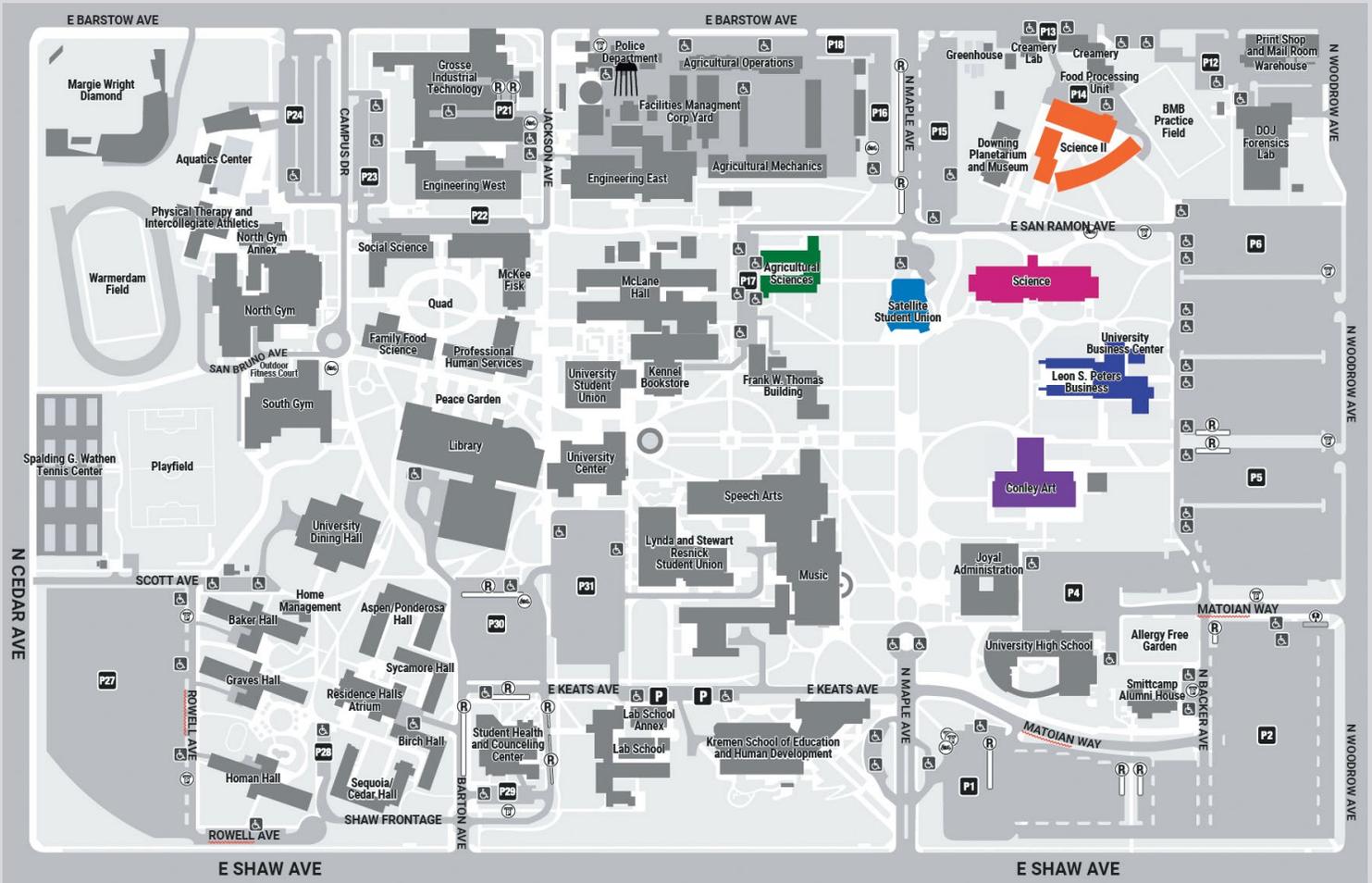
IN MEMORIAM: Maxine McDonald

Fresno State Super Saturday Black Faculty and Staff Salute: McDonald worked on campus for 34 years as a leader in student access, student learning and development, and retention and graduation. She provided exceptional leadership to students, faculty and staff during her years on campus.

Everyone who worked with McDonald can attest to her passion, mentorship, and knowledge. Fresno State Black faculty, staff, and alumni would like to salute "Auntie Maxine" for the legacy she has left here at Fresno State.



UNIVERSITY MAP



AGENDA

7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. | Check-In

Note: If checking in after 8:30 am, individuals and groups will be directed accordingly by Fresno State ambassadors or volunteers.

8:30 to 9:10 a.m. | Welcome and Keynote

 Satellite Student Union

 **Wendy Nelson**, African American Initiative Coordinator

 **President Saúl Jiménez-Sandoval**

 **Edythe Woodruff Stewart, M.D., FACS**, Keynote Speaker

9 a.m. to 12 p.m. | Cal State Apply Application Workshop

 Agricultural Sciences 101

9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. | Fresno State Student Services and Community Partners Fair

 East Lawn of the Satellite Student Union

10:10 to 11 a.m. | SESSION I

 Various locations

11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m. | SESSION II

 Various locations

12 to 12:45 p.m. | Lunch/Raffles/Entertainment

 boxed lunches will be handed out in front of the Satellite Student Union

1:10 to 2:15 p.m. | SPECIALTY SESSIONS

 Various locations



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Edythe Woodruff Stewart, M.D., FACS is a general surgeon who practices in Central California. In addition to practicing medicine, she thoroughly enjoys motivating young people and empowering women to be their best selves.

She enjoys speaking to young people about STEM careers. For many years she has motivated young people to live their best lives through education and service. Young people have been both entertained and fascinated with her ability to challenge and ignite them to believe in themselves and to use their self-confidence to succeed in both top tier careers and life in general.

Dr. Stewart's own journey toward becoming a general surgeon and owning private practices, all while being a wife and mother, has been her own self-study in how to thrive in today's world. The challenges that she has overcome serve as a basis for her speeches, talks and coaching on how to make the best of life's transitions.



Women can take solace in knowing that there is always a way to stage a comeback or transform a part of your life that needs to be changed in a radical way.

Of all the things she has accomplished in life, she is most proud of the family that she has created. She lives in the Central Valley with her husband, Robert, a cardiothoracic surgeon, her son, Thomas, who is a senior in high school, and son, Hagan, who is eight.

For more information, visit workwithdre.com.

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Break Box Thought Collective

Black Infant Health

Central Valley Central College Corps Climate Action Fellows

Clovis Community

Cultivating Culturally Competent Clinicians

Fresno City College

Fresno City College - College Relations & Transfer Center

Fresno City College - EOPS Harambee

Fresno County EOC African American Coalition

Fresno Unified African American Acceleration (A4) Office

Fresno Unified College and Career Readiness Department

Madera Community College

San Joaquin College of Law

San Joaquin Valley of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated

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Outreach and Special Programs

Admissions and Recruitment

Office of Black Student Success (OBSS)

Air Force ROTC Program

Army ROTC Program

Auxiliary CAL-SOAP

College of Science and Mathematics

Cross Cultural and Gender Center

Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences

Doctor of Physical Therapy Program (Class PHTH 565s)

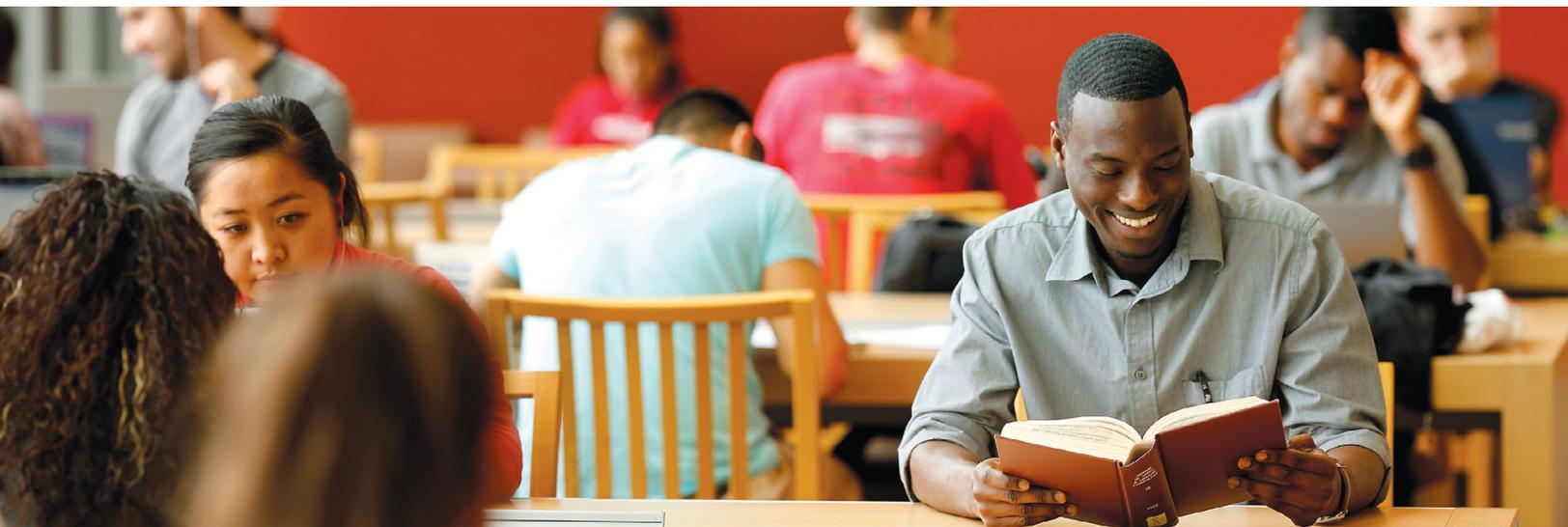
Lyles College of Engineering

Project Rebound

Student Housing

TRiO Student Support Services Veterans

TRiO Upward Bound



SESSIONS

MIDDLE SCHOOL SESSIONS

Morning sessions I and II

1. Title: A-G and Me!

 D'Shara Strange

 10:10 to 11 a.m.

 11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

 Science 147

Session Description: Is your academic game plan on lock? In this session students will begin to understand the WHY behind A-G requirements, especially as they transition from middle school to high school.

2. Title: Introducing the George Washington Carver Black Excellence in STEM Group

 Dr. Comlan de Souza

 Dr. Karen Crozier

 Dr. Alejandro Calderon-Urrea (Will lead the presentation on the brain)

 Dr. Oscar Vega

 Dr. Hubert Cecotti

 10:10 to 11 a.m.

 11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

 Satellite Student Union (SSU)

Session Description: George Washington Carver Black Excellence in STEM (GWC-BEST) is a group of Fresno State faculty in partnership with Jewel of Justice that is working to promote Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) among the African American community in the Central Valley. The group organized several outreach opportunities and developed a summer program to engage students at the middle school level. **NOTE:** *During this presentation, students will get to see specimens of real human brains.*

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE SESSIONS

3. Title: Careers in Agriculture

 Lakeishia Martin, Visalia Unified
high school teacher

 10:10 to 11 a.m.

 11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

 Peters 136

Session Description: Whether you like to eat, shop, or just relax you are a part of the world's leading industry. The agriculture industry is the most lucrative industry in the world and the opportunities are limitless. This workshop focuses on exploring careers and opportunities in the agriculture industry all while learning more about where our everyday items come from. If you are interested in learning more and winning some cool prizes, join us!

4. Session Title: Cal State Apply Application Workshop

 Fresno State Admissions and Recruitment
Office

 8:45 a.m. to 12 p.m.

 Agriculture Sciences 101

Session Description: Registered, CSU-eligible high school students and transfer students will get personalized assistance with the CSU application along with guidance on how to apply to the Educational Opportunity Program for fall 2023.

5. Session Title: Smittcamp Honors College; A Unique Learning Experience

 Saeed Attar, Ph.D. director, Smittcamp Family
Honors College

 9 to 10 a.m.

 Science 242

SESSIONS *(continued)*

Session Description: After over two decades of existence, the Smittcamp Family Honors College is recognized as one of the top programs of its kind in the Western United States. The Smittcamp Family Honors College offers a substantially different learning environment than most honors programs. President's scholars are recognized as the University's leading learners. Our goal is to develop today's honors students into tomorrow's leaders.

6. Session Title: Learn How TRiO Programs Can Support You with Going To College

 Brittany Alicia Watters, M.S., TRiO Student Support Services Program counselor

 10:10 to 11 a.m.

 11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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Session Description: Introduction to TRiO programs at the secondary and post-secondary level. This session will include Watters' personal story of being a first-generation college student attending Fresno State. An upfront and personal account of what it is like to be the first in your family to navigate getting into college and the challenges before, during and after the degree objective.

7. Session Title : Are You Ready to Transfer?

 Raymond "Ray" Luna, interim transfer co-coordinator and counselor

 Clarke-Lauren Richard, interim transfer co-coordinator and counselor

 10:10 to 11 a.m.

 11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

 Science II 307

Session Description: This session will cover the transfer route through the community colleges. Topics include Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT), traditional transfer and programs designed to help transfer students.

8. Session Title: Umoja Communities United

 Rodney E. Murphy, M.S.counselor, SYMBAA/IDILE/Umoja Programs

 10:10 to 11 a.m.

 11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

 Peters 12

Session Description: Come learn about UMOJA community development maintenance, and its impact on high school and community college campuses.

PARENT AND STUDENT EMPOWERMENT

9. Session Title: "The State of the Black Student"

 Chris Pennywell, school psychologist

 10:10 to 11 a.m.

 11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

 Science 143

Session Description: This session will highlight where black students are currently in reading, writing and math. it will also offer practical solutions that will help improve their academic performance and mental health post-COVID as well as available resources needed to bridge the gap.

10. Session Title: HBCU Connect

 Clarke-Lauren Richard, MS, Fresno State Black alumni Lead Transfer Counselor, Transfer Center

SESSIONS *(continued)*

-  10:10 to 11 a.m.
-  11:10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
-  Science 145

Session Description: Are you considering attending a Historically Black College or University (HBCU)? Thanks to an agreement between the California community colleges and select HBCUs, California community college students who complete certain academic requirements are guaranteed transfer to a participating HBCU. Learn more about the HBCU Transfer Agreement and transfer requirements during this presentation.

11. Session Title: Male Only Empowerment *any male of any age

-  Davion Baker, Fresno State Office of Black Student Success
-  Derwoyne Redmond Jr., Fresno Unified School District, eighth grade English teacher
-  1 to 2 p.m.
-  Satellite Student Union

Session Description: This session will include Interactive group play on the different roles that African American males will play in their trajectory from boyhood to manhood. Come prepared to be engaged about where you are in “playing your role” and doing it well.

SPECIALTY CAREER TRACK

Afternoon sessions 1 p.m to 2 p.m.

12. Session Title: A Day in the Life of a General Surgeon and Life Lessons

-  Edythe Woodruff Stewart, MD
-  1 to 2 p.m.
-  Peters 131

Session Description: Come get up close and personal with Dr. Stewart as she gives an account of her journey in life as a young student, her inspiration, her mentors, and most importantly, her blueprint for success.

13. Session Title: Student Athlete Panel

-  **SESSION FACILITATOR:** Michiah Quick, Fresno State alumni – football, professional athlete and experienced community leader
- STUDENT ATHLETE PANELISTS:**
-  Daveion Robinson, track and field - sprints, psychology
-  Trinity Williams, track and field - throws, Fresno, psychology
-  Garret Ostrinski, track and field - multis, Riverside, animal science
-  Ahi Mattson, softball, Alta Loma, ag business
-  Vanessa Hernandez, softball, Fresno, victimology
-  1 to 2 p.m.
-  Conley Art 101

Session Description: Come get up close and personal with current Fresno State student-athletes competing at the Division I level. Come learn about their journey to Fresno State, their real life accounts of balancing academics with being a student ambassador of the University and more!!

14. Session Title: “Where my Black Teachers at?” Black Teachers are the Real Superheroes!

-  Leslie Kelly M.A.Ed., M.S., PPSC, program coordinator: Fresno County Superintendent of Schools (FCSS)
-  1 to 2 p.m.
-  Science 139

SESSIONS *(continued)*

Session Description: Participants attending this session will learn more about: Fresno County Superintendent of Schools (FCSS) Teachers of Color Alliance for Educational Empowerment (TCAEE)! With the use of dual enrollment courses, TCAEE is the first of its kind in California. A pathway supporting African American students in Central Unified School District starting in elementary all the way through high school.

15. Session Title: Journalist of Color

 **Brittany Jacob**, anchor/reporter for the Disney-owned local station in Fresno, California ABC30 Action News.

 1 to 2 p.m.

 Science 141

Session Description: Come get up close and personal with Ms. Jacob's journey into journalism. Come hear about her inspiration, her challenges and the opportunities that students can take advantage of in their quest to hold the mic.

16. Session Title: Leadership through Army ROTC

 **Major Crystal Waller-Scott**, executive officer, Fresno State Army ROTC program

 1 to 2 p.m.

 Peters 33

Session Description: A discussion of leadership and benefit opportunities offered through Fresno State's Army ROTC program.



African American Initiative events and collaborations 2022-2023

Nov. 1

Natural Hair Night Fresno State - Cross Cultural and Gender Center

Jan. 13

Martin Luther King Commemoration

Jan. 19

Pastor's Breakfast

Feb. 2023

Gaston Middle School Black History Month Program

Feb. 2023

African American Student Leadership Conference

Feb. 2023

Clovis Unified African American Middle School Conference

Feb. 2023

Bullard High School Advanced Placement Awareness Day

Feb. 2023

Super Sunday

Feb. 2023

Black History Month

March 2023

Super Saturday Science Day 2023

March 2023

FUSD Send-Off Ceremony

May 2023

Fresno City College UMOJA End of Year Celebration

May 2023

Fresno State African American Recognition Ceremony

June 2023

African American High School Recognition Ceremony