

# Cowell College Handout

The Pursuit of Truth in the Company of Friends

## December 2013

Cowell College Programs, Rm. 133, (831)459-2255  
also online at [cowell.ucsc.edu](http://cowell.ucsc.edu)

### Miss your Pets? Show Your Love!

Submit items now through Mon, Jan. 20, to Programs Office, Room 133  
For more info: Rosalyn, [rbathric@ucsc.edu](mailto:rbathric@ucsc.edu)



If you love and miss your pets, then we'd love your photo (or other visual artwork)! The Dizikes Art Cases will display images of our community members loving their pets...items should include you and your pet(s) (or just your pet if you're shy), and must be accompanied by a short info slip (available from the drop-off location). Watch for January flyer with details, but NOW's the time to select your photo/art piece so it's ready to go in January! Image size must not exceed 8x10 please.

### Ugly Sweater Study Break

Friday, December 6; 7-8:45 pm; Fireside Lounge  
For more info: Julissa, [jespindo@ucsc.edu](mailto:jespindo@ucsc.edu)

Take a break from studying! Come, relax, eat, and make your own ugly sweater! Number of sweaters provided will be limited, please bring your own sweater or other shirts, hats, bags, etc if you can.



## Important Reminders

### Winter Break – Residences Closed

Friday, Dec 13 at Noon ~ Friday, Jan 3 at 10am

Plan your holiday now! The campus residential facilities, including apartments and residence halls, will be CLOSED for the Winter Break. Last meal served will be dinner on Thursday, December 12. You can apply for an exception to stay through the weekend after finals, December 14-15. Request an extension through the Student Housing Online page by December 6. For details, or if you have questions, contact the Residential Life Office (below the Dining Hall) at 459-2173.

### Power Outage Planned During Winter Break

Electric power will be shut off for 2 days during the Winter Break. Before you leave, please do the following: empty your refrigerator and freezer, unplug electronics – turn off your alarm clock, take out your trash and recycling, clean your dishes, turn off heat, lock your windows and door.



### MAIL CALL

For more info: [cowellmr@ucsc.edu](mailto:cowellmr@ucsc.edu)

The mailroom will be closed from December 13th to January 2nd. We will not be accepting ANY packages at this time. We will not store any packages during closure - please pick up all packages BEFORE Friday, December 13th or they will be returned to sender. Please plan accordingly.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> <i>Deadline: Waive Student Health Insurance</i>	<b>2</b> <i>National Hug Your RA Day!</i>  <b>1:30-2:45p:</b> CAO Open Forum, Fireside Lounge  <b>7p:</b> Core Course Lecture: Partners in Health, Classroom Unit 2	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>  <b>1:30-2:45p:</b> CAO Open Forum, Fireside Lounge	<b>5</b>  <b>7:30p:</b> Cowell Senate, Conference Room 132  <i>...24-hour Silent Hours...</i>	<b>6</b> <i>Deadline: Housing Extension App.</i> <b>10:30-11:45a:</b> CAO Open Forum, Fireside <b>7-9p:</b> Ugly Sweater Study Break, Fireside Lounge <b>10p:</b> Someone Always Dies, Fireside Lounge  <i>...24-hour Silent Hours...</i>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> <i>Final Exams</i> <b>10:30-11:45a:</b> CAO Open Forum, Fireside Lounge	<b>10</b> <i>Final Exams</i>	<b>11</b> <i>Final Exams</i>	<b>12</b> <i>Final Exams</i> <i>Quarter Ends, No School until Jan. 6, Last Meal Served: Dinner</i>	<b>13</b> <b>Noon: Residences close until January 3</b>	<b>14</b>
<i>...Finals Week: 24-hour Silent Hours...Finals Week: 24-hour Silent Hours...Finals Week: 24-hour Silent Hours...Finals Week: 24-hour Silent Hours...</i>						<i>Next Handout published January 6</i>

## Important Academic & Housing Deadlines

Date	Event/Deadline
Dec. 1	Last day to waive student health insurance
Dec. 6	Instruction ends
Dec. 12	Fall quarter ends, last meal served is dinner Last day for removal of incomplete Last day for petition for leave of absence
Dec. 13	Residences close at 12:00 noon
Dec. 17	Grades due from instructors
Dec. 19	Minimum credit limit enforced
Dec. 19	Undergraduate registration fees due
Dec. 27	Financial aid disbursed to student accounts
Jan. 3	Residences officially reopen at 10:00 a.m., normal dining service resumes - (first meal served is brunch).
Jan. 6	Instruction begins

## UCSC Tobacco Free



On January 1, 2014 UCSC will become smoke and tobacco free. This means smoking and all tobacco products are prohibited on UCSC property. UC implemented this policy system-wide because we are committed to providing a healthy, safe, and productive work and learning environment for the entire UC community. A good resource is the website [tobaccofree.ucsc.edu](http://tobaccofree.ucsc.edu), where there are campus specifics as well as state and national resources. Another good resource is 1-800-NO-BUTTS, California Smokers' Hotline, [nobutts.org](http://nobutts.org).

## Balloon Art Brigade

**Mondays, 9-10pm; Apartment Community Room**  
For more info: [slugballoons@gmail.com](mailto:slugballoons@gmail.com)

Learn a new skill! Meet new people and volunteer at the Balloon Art Brigade! More field trips coming soon in winter quarter.

## The Senate Minute

**Thursdays, 7:30-9p, Conference Room 132**  
For more info: [mfwillia@ucsc.edu](mailto:mfwillia@ucsc.edu)



If you haven't been to Cowell Senate yet, now is your time to learn about student government at Cowell College. With only one meeting left this quarter, your representatives are sure to get down to business. Join us on December 5 to experience the exhilarating funding request process, hear about happenings around campus, and find out how to get one of those classy Senate sweatshirts. Refreshments provided, bring a mug. See you then!

## Hula Hoop Club Start-Up

For more info: [\(530\)574-3177, mmplatt@ucsc.edu](mailto:Melanie)

Attention Cowell students! At the beginning of winter quarter, there will be a Hula Hoop Club! Make hoops and practice with others on Sunday nights. More info in January. If you'd like to receive info about the first meeting, email Melanie.

## Help Pick Cowell's New Lead Staff Person

Open Forums: **Monday 12/2, 1:30-2:45 pm; Wednesday 12/4, 1:30-2:45 pm; Friday, 12/6, 10:30-11:45 pm; Monday 12/9, 10:30-11:45 am**  
All held in the Cowell Fireside Lounge

Did you know that the top administrative staff position at Cowell and Stevenson Colleges (the College Administrative Officer, or CAO) is currently in the process of being filled? This person supervises Res Life, College Office, Programs, Coffee Shop staff and more. The Committee wants your feedback. Attend any or all of the open forums to meet the 4 final candidates and give valuable feedback.

## Core Plenary Lecture: Partners in Health

**Monday, Dec 2; 7pm; Classroom Unit 2**

For more info: [Catherine Carlstroem, mastodon@ucsc.edu](mailto:Catherine Carlstroem, mastodon@ucsc.edu)

Dr. Peter Drobac and Virginia Farmer will join us to discuss the work of Partners in Health, a non-profit organization that works to combat infectious diseases and bring modern medicine to those most in need.

## Want to be an RA in the 2014-15 Academic Year?

Attend an Info Session, Choose from 3 options:  
Friday January 17, 12pm, Fireside Lounge  
Saturday January 18, 7pm, Senior Commons Room 225  
Sunday January 19, 7pm, Senior Commons Room 225  
For more information see flyers around the College or Contact [Maida Cordero mkcorder@ucsc.edu](mailto:Maida Cordero mkcorder@ucsc.edu)

Being an Resident Assistant (RA) is much more than enforcing campus and housing policies. RAs make your residential living experience safe, informative, fun, and entertaining. This is a great leadership opportunity to add to your resume because it provides you with so many transferable skills. If you think you've got what it takes, come to one of the mandatory info sessions listed above. Sessions are the ONLY place where you can pick up the supplemental application, so don't miss out! Be on the look out for workshops on resume building, interview tips and other programs happening in the community. RA candidates are highly encouraged to attend these events!

## Kinetic Poetics Project Poetry Slam

**Wednesday, Dec 4; Sign-ups 7:30 pm, Show 8 pm; Fireside Lounge**  
For more info: [kineticpoeticsemail@gmail.com](mailto:kineticpoeticsemail@gmail.com) or [Facebook.com/KineticPoeticsProject](https://www.facebook.com/KineticPoeticsProject)

Come out for an evening of performance poetry as an audience member or spoken word poet. This event is in collaboration with some Queer Student Orgs on campus so there will be tons of folks to contribute to the night.

## Someone Always Dies: Free Improv Comedy

**Friday, Dec 6; 10-11 pm; Fireside Lounge**  
For more info: [Rosie, rglenlam@ucsc.edu](mailto:Rosie, rglenlam@ucsc.edu)

Someone Always Dies is an improv comedy team at UCSC. Come watch comedy being made up right before your very eyes! Shows are free for everyone, bring your friends!

## Now Showing in the Dizikes Art Cases

**Now through January 5, cases across from Fireside Lounge**  
For more info: [Rosalyn, rbathric@ucsc.edu](mailto:Rosalyn, rbathric@ucsc.edu)

Beyond the Checkbox is a project that explores all social identities that exist within our communities (i.e. race, nationality, ethnicity/culture, sexual orientation, class, gender, spirituality/religion, etc.). Participants are pictured in simple headshot portraits with the answer to the project's question: "Who are you?"

## Open Winter 2014 Classes at Cowell

Check out these Winter Quarter Cowell classes on your Student Portal:

• **Cowell 94F: Introduction to Anarchism** - This class will introduce students to a number of issues in the study of anarchism. Key questions will include: What is the nature of the state? What obligations do we owe the state? Is it possible to have law without the state? (Contact [cwprvsta@ucsc.edu](mailto:cwprvsta@ucsc.edu) for enrollment information)

• **Cowell 199F: Readings in American History** - This is the first in a series of two courses designed to name the Cowell apartments with significant student input. In this preliminary reading seminar, students will read the works of a given historian. By the end of the quarter, students will have created an annotated bibliography for their historian, as well as a recommendation for what should be read in the subsequent course in Spring Quarter. (Contact [cwprvsta@ucsc.edu](mailto:cwprvsta@ucsc.edu) for enrollment information)