

RESOURCES AND SERVICES

Accessibility

Fairfield University is committed to providing qualified students with disabilities an equal opportunity to access the benefits, rights, and privileges of its services, programs and activities in an accessible setting. In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and applicable state law, the University provides reasonable accommodations to reduce the impact of disabilities on academic functioning or upon other major life activities. The Office of Accessibility is responsible for evaluating and coordinating appropriate accommodations for students with disabilities. Students with disabilities or temporary impairments seeking accommodations because of a disability or temporary impairment must contact the Office as early as possible in the semester to complete the registration process for accommodations. Once a student with a disability has registered and has been approved for accommodations, the student is responsible for providing their accommodation letter to each of their professors. Students with accommodations are encouraged to set up a meeting with their professors at the beginning of the semester to discuss how their accommodations will be implemented. If a student with a disability feels discriminated against on the basis of their disability or feels that they have been denied access or accommodations they are legally entitled to, they are encouraged to review the University's disability grievance procedure located in the Students with Disabilities section of the Student Handbook. Students can also contact The Office of Accessibility to learn more about the disability grievance procedure.

Faculty Mentors and Academic Advising

All members of the faculty and staff share personally and actively in the responsibility for providing students with educational, career, and personal guidance. One of the hallmarks of a Jesuit education is the personal interest each professor and staff member takes in students; they try to gauge each student's strengths and weaknesses. Faculty mentors are available to meet regularly with students, monitor progress, advise students at registration time, and discuss courses and programs of study, co-curricular involvement, and high-impact learning opportunities such as study abroad, capstones, and internships. Fairfield Bellarmine's faculty mentors serve as the first point of contact when students are unclear as to where to go, helping to resolve issues and refer students to the resources that best suit their current needs. Along with professional counseling staff, they promote a holistic approach to academic and personal advising that encourages students to be actively engaged and to make thoughtful choices regarding their current and future plans.

Academic Support

The Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and the Assistant Dean for Student Success provide individual and group services aimed at facilitating student transition and increasing student engagement and academic success. Seminars and consultations focus on issues related to time management, study and organizational skills development. The Deans, along with student success coaches, support and monitor students' academic progress through the Early Alert and Midterm Estimate reporting structures, and coordinate with faculty advisors and campus resources to assist students in achieving academic success. Using a holistic advising model, these individuals assist students in

meeting their academic, personal, and professional goals through comprehensive and integrated services and resources.

Math and writing tutoring will be available to all Fairfield Bellarmine students who seek this service. Math tutoring will be for core mathematics courses, including Precalculus, Calculus I and II, and Statistics. Writing tutors will be available to work with students on any writing projects and at any stage of a project.

Arts and Minds Programs

Fairfield University serves as an important hub for students and visitors from the region seeking entertaining and inspiring cultural events and activities.

- The **Regina A. Quick Center for the Arts** houses the Aloysius P. Kelley, S.J. Theatre, the Lawrence A. Wien Experimental Theatre, and Fairfield University Museum's Thomas J. Walsh Art Gallery.
- **Fairfield University Art Museum** is comprised of the **Thomas J. Walsh Art Gallery** in the Quick Center and the **Bellarmino Hall Gallery**, located in Bellarmine Hall. A showcase for significant art objects and rotating exhibits, the Fairfield University Museum displays a rich and varied collection of paintings, sculpture and decorative arts objects and serves as a learning laboratory for students and members of the regional community.
- The **Wien Blackbox Theatre in the Quick Center** is home base for Theatre Fairfield, the University's performing arts club, and provides another venue for theatre and dance in an intimate setting.

In addition, various departments host exhibitions, lectures, and dramatic programs throughout the academic year, including the popular lecture series **Open Visions Forum**. These events are open to all members of the University community and many are free. All Fairfield students receive free or discounted tickets for arts events. For a cultural calendar, visit the website.

Career Center

The Fairfield Bellarmine Career Center provides opportunities for students to participate in a wide variety of career development experiences to prepare them for careers after completion of the Associate Degree. These offerings work in tandem with and augment their academic development. The Office identifies, cultivates and promotes corporate (profit, not-for-profit) part- and full-time employment and internship opportunities, and provides guidance on further educational opportunities post-Fairfield. Services include: career exploration programming; professional workshops; employer immersion experiences; developmental resources, recruitment; employer engagement.

Internship opportunities are regularly published by Fairfield Bellarmine advisors. When pursuing an internship for academic credit, students must be in good academic standing and must meet all prerequisites prescribed by the major (e.g. GPA, prior coursework). To register for an internship for credit, a student must obtain prior approval from the Associate Dean for Student Affairs. Under certain circumstances, a student may be paid for a credit-bearing internship.

A maximum of six academic credits can be earned for internship experience. An internship will not substitute for any other stated course(s) in the student's major field. Further information about specific internship opportunities can be obtained from the Associate Dean for Student Affairs or the career coordinator.

DiMenna-Nyselius Library

The DiMenna-Nyselius Library offers: access to millions of books and ebooks and numerous databases of academic articles and streaming media; one-on-one research consultations with a librarian in-person, by email, or phone and 24/7 help via chat; online research guides, citation guides, and tutorials; a student donated textbook collection and course reserves; reservable spaces to conduct group work; a virtual reality room; designated graduate student study space; private and reservable lactation room; tech equipment such as computers, laptops, chargers, printers, scanners; and Interlibrary Loan. 24/7 study space is available in the Weil Café and CAS Fredrickson Family Innovation Lab, and the entire library building is open 24 hours during final exam periods. Check the library website for updated hours.

Information Technology Services

The Information Technology Services (ITS) department offers networking, wireless and computer technology resources for the entire Fairfield University community.

ITS maximizes the use of technological innovations not only in the learning environment but also in all of Fairfield's business processes. ITS is responsible for managing the Banner platform, which securely houses all information on each individual student academic record, my.Fairfield, a web-based portal from which most university online resources can be accessed, and Workday, which securely houses financial and human resources data. My.fairfield provides single sign-on capability so each student will need to log in only once to access course registration, review filling requirements, accept financial aid awards, participate in the housing processes, view and print academic schedules and grades, complete surveys, access student email accounts and chat/collaboration services, and access Life@fairfield and other student-related functions.

All Fairfield Bellarmine students are provided with a iPad Air device to do their coursework, along with a case that incorporates a keyboard and trackpad as well as a rechargeable stylus. These devices are managed by ITS and in-person support is provided by the Librarian on staff at Fairfield Bellarmine. All five classrooms plus the science lab feature wireless projection capabilities that allow collaboration and screen sharing, while study areas on campus also offer large displays into which students can plug their iPads. A full range of software tools including Microsoft Office and the Adobe Express suite, will also be provided to all students.

For more information on Information Technology Services, please visit the ITS website.

Academic Computing

Through one-on-one and group collaboration, research into general and discipline-specific tech tools, the creation of documentation and training videos, visits to class meetings to assist students with assigned technology, and a wide variety of workshops offered in conjunction with the Center for Academic Excellence, Academic Computing supports instructors and students not just in the incorporation of computer- and mobile-based applications into teaching and learning, but also in promoting sound 21st-century pedagogical practices.

Blackboard

Academic Computing manages and supports the Blackboard Learn Ultra course management system, which offers a wide range of teaching tools.

- Blackboard Login Page

- Blackboard Resource Page (including FAQs, resource guides, etc.)

Faculty/Staff and Student Networks

ITS is responsible for the maintenance and upgrades of both the student and faculty/staff networks on campus.

Help Desk

The Fairfield Bellarmine campus will receive technical support from the ITS Help Desk, which is based at the North Benson Road campus. The Help Desk provides free technology support for issues such as wireless connectivity, application and operating system upgrades, and warranty-covered hardware replacements. Basic onsite technical support for Fairfield Bellarmine students will be provided by the Librarian assigned to the campus, located on the bottom floor of the administrative building.

North Benson Help Desk Location: DiMenna-Nyselius Library, room 230 (main floor). Phone 203-254-4069. email itshelpdesk@fairfield.edu.

Academic hours: Monday-Thursday, 7:45AM-7:30PM, Friday 7:45AM-5:00PM, Sunday 4:00PM-8:00PM.

my.Fairfield

All students use their NetID to access my.Fairfield, a secure web portal used to view course schedules, access library services remotely, register for classes and parking permits, view and pay tuition bills, print unofficial transcripts, and much more.

FairfieldU Mobile App

Download the Fairfield University Mobile app today. Students can access their course schedule, view Stag Bus statuses, use Blackboard for coursework, and stay informed of all social and athletic events. In addition, students have access to the bookstore, DiMenna-Nyselius Library, Life@Fairfield, Student Services, wellness and recreation information, and more. Just search FairfieldU in the Apple or Google stores.

NetID

A Fairfield University NetID is your username/password combination that provides access to a variety of online resources and services, including my.Fairfield and your student email account. Your NetID is obtained through the claim process found here. You will need to claim your NetID in order to access all Fairfield online resources.

Note: All official university communications are sent to students' University Gmail accounts. No personal email accounts should be used. Your email address follows the format netid@student.fairfield.edu. For example, if your name is Lucas F. Stag and your NetID is lucas.stag, your email address is lucas.stag@student.fairfield.edu.

Student Life Student Handbook

For information about Compliance Statements and Notifications, Policies and Procedures, Student Conduct Code, Residential Guidelines, and Clubs and Organizations, please see the Student Handbook.