

The background of the slide is a photograph of the Cal State Fullerton campus. In the center, large, dark, three-dimensional letters spell out 'FULLERTON' across a grassy lawn. Behind the letters is a modern building with large glass windows and a prominent white column. To the right, several flags are flying on tall poles. The scene is bathed in a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunset or sunrise, with tree leaves visible in the foreground and background.

New Graduate Student Orientation

August 7, 2025

Cal State Fullerton

Agenda

- Office of Graduate Studies and Graduate Studies Student Center
- Research and Writing Resources
- Student Success Resources
- Q & A
- Coming soon...
 - Recording of Session, Resource Guide, Cliff Notes

Additional Resources

- Program Advisors, Faculty & Staff
- Program Orientations
- Cal State Fullerton websites
- Social Media





Office of Graduate Studies

Cal State Fullerton

Official Transcripts and Degree Verification

CSUF Graduate Studies

Karen Tseng

Admissions Evaluator

Transcripts

- Submit your **final official** transcripts with degree conferral date
- Is your degree from an international institution?
 - Submit your **final official** degree certificate (not provisional)
- Visit the “To Do list” under ‘Tasks’ on your Student Portal for any outstanding items
- If you are an international student, please refer to our [FAQ](#) for more information.



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Final Exam Schedule



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▼ To Do List

Official College Transcript

More ►

Click 'More'

Item List

To Do Item	Due Date	Status
Official College Transcript	07/15/2022	Initiated

Contact

Institution
Admin Function
Due Date 07/15/2022
Contact Admissions

[CSUF Admissions Contact List](#)

Click on
outstanding item
in To Do list

Description

As a condition of your admission, you must submit [official college transcript\(s\)](#), from all institutions attended, before you can enroll at CSUF.

If your to-do item is in "initiated" status, this means the item is being requested and needs to be sent to the Office of Admissions. Please allow two weeks from the order date for your transcripts to be processed and additional time during peak seasons.

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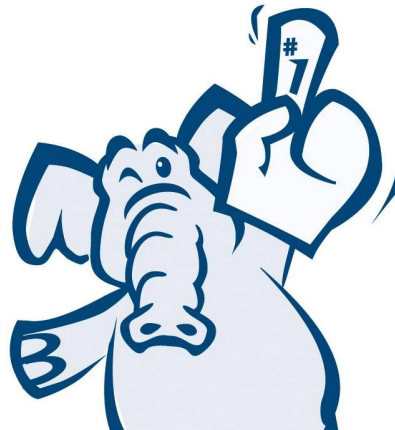


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▼ To Do List

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Grad Student Policies and Graduation

Karolyn Lee

Evaluator

Student Responsibilities

- Become familiar with all graduate policies
- Find graduate policy on the graduate studies website under the Academics tab:

<http://www.fullerton.edu/graduate/>



Grades and GPA

- Minimum passing grade is a “C” except for programs that have a higher minimum grade requirement.
- Grad GPA requirements: 3.00
 - Study Plan courses
 - Includes only courses required for the degree.
 - All Graduate courses
 - Any 500-level coursework. This does not include courses taken as credit/no credit.
 - Any 400-level coursework that is eligible for graduate credit. This does not include courses taken as credit/no credit.
 - Any coursework transferred from Extended Education or from another university.



Continuous Enrollment and Leave of Absence

- Enroll every semester until award of the degree
- Leave of Absence (LOA)
- GRAD 700

Graduation Check

- Apply and pay for Graduation Check
- Deadlines found on Graduate Studies website



Titan Degree Audit

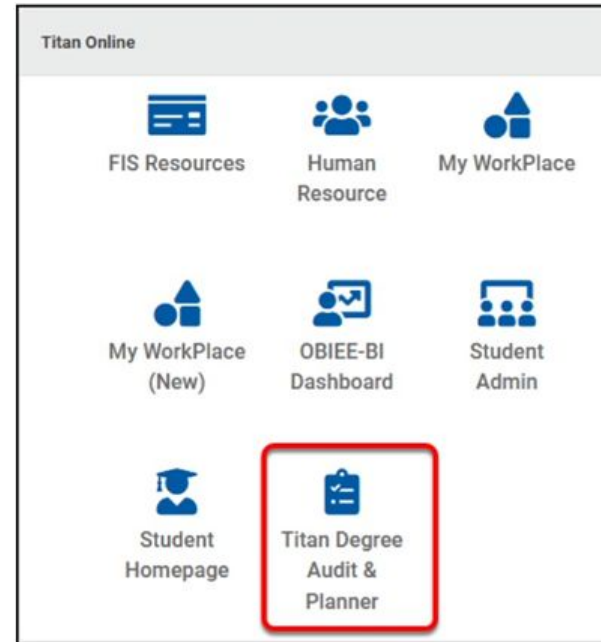
CSUF Graduate Studies

Stephanie Nguyen

Support Services Specialist

Titan Degree Audit (TDA)

- Keeps track of your academic progress toward completion of your program
- Shows completed coursework at CSUF, transfer courses, and courses in-progress
- Your graduate advisor can review your TDA with you



Understanding Your TDA

LEGEND:
 NO(-) = Unfulfilled
 OK(+) = Complete
 IP = In-progress Course
 RE = Duplicate/Retaken Course
 >R = Repeatable Course
 >D = Grade Included
 (R) = Required Course/Requirement

← Course Legend

Study Plan Courses

1) Core Requirements (12 units)

12.0 UNITS EARNED 4 COURSES TAKEN 3.65 GPA

FA20	NURS-502	3.0	B+	Theory/Rsrch Persp Adv Nurs
SP21	NURS-505B	3.0	B+	Seminar in Nurs Research
SP21	NURS-507	3.0	A	Adv Dec Mak: Nurs Iss Sem
SP21	NURS-508	3.0	A	Adv Nurs Vulnerable Pop

2) Concentration Requirements (17 units)

15.0 UNITS EARNED 5 COURSES TAKEN 3.83 GPA

FA17	NURS-530	3.0	A	SN Specialist I from ext.edu
SP18	NURS-524	3.0	A	Adv Ped Health Assessment from ext.edu
FA18	NURS-532	3.0	A	SN Specialist II from ext.edu
FA18	NURS-533L	3.0	CR	SN Specialist Practicum from ext.edu
FA20	NURS-552	3.0	B+	Adv Pharm: Prescriptive Authorit
FA21	NURS-540	0.0	IP	Adv Pathophys for Nurses

NEEDS: 2.0 UNITS 1 COURSE

TAKE==> NURS -540(R)

3) Culminating Experience (3 units)

FA21	NURS-597	0.0	IP	Project
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NEEDS: 3.0 UNITS

TAKE==> NURS -597

- Your TDA tracks your course progression and other graduate student requirements, such as GPA checks, resident unit requirements, etc.
- For questions on your TDA, connect with your graduate advisor.
 - Transfer credits
 - What courses to take next

Graduate Advisor



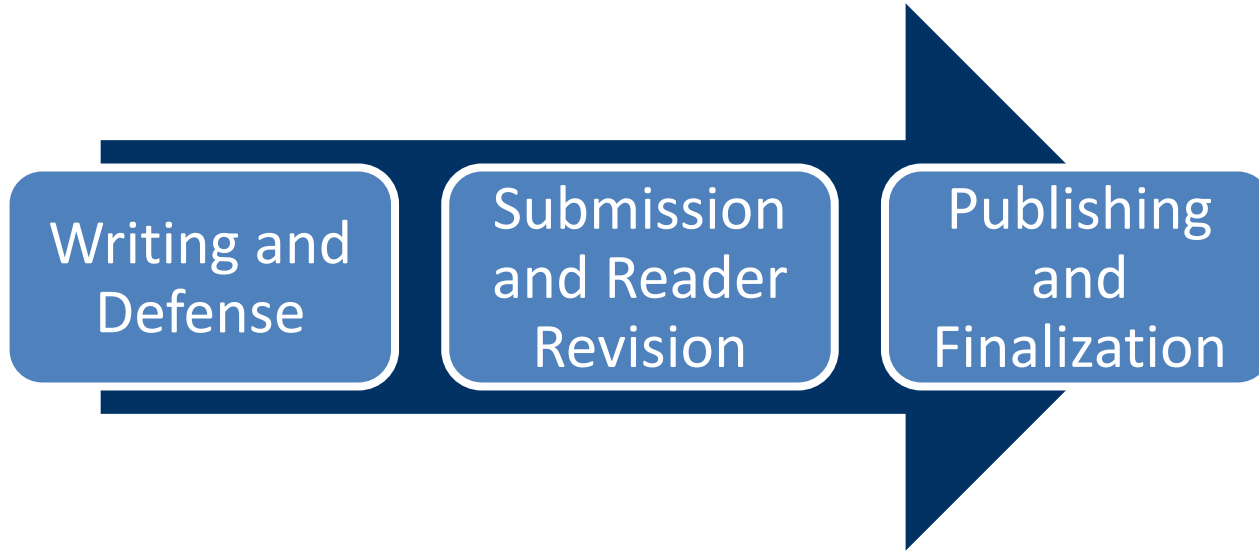
- Connect with your program's designated Graduate Advisor
- Main point of contact for coursework or program questions

Thesis and Dissertation Formatting

Eliot Cossaboom

Thesis/Dissertation Reader

Thesis/Dissertation* Process



* Applies to 598/698 students only

Writing and Defense

1. Student reads Thesis/Dissertation Manual and Template
2. Student writes paper
3. Student defends paper (optional)
4. Student makes all committee-requested edits

**Student pastes paper into Template
and formats all work**

Submission and Reader Revisions

1. Student submits paper in Template via Submission Form
2. Committee members sign digital Verification Form
3. Thesis/Dissertation Reader reviews paper and works with student to finalize formatting, accessibility, and citations/references

Publishing and Finalization

1. Reader and student agree that all Reader revisions are complete and paper is ready to publish
2. Paper is published online first on Zenodo, then ScholarWorks
3. Graduate Studies is alerted to student's completion

Notes

- New Thesis/Dissertation Template for Fall 2025
- Fall 2025 Submission Deadline: November 21, 2025
- Open Reader Hours: Mondays 6-7 PM on Zoom
- Reader email: ecossaboom@fullerton.edu

<https://www.fullerton.edu/graduate/current/thesis.html>



Funding Opportunities, Awards, and Events

Dr. Alexandra Terrones

GSC Senior Program Coordinator

Scholarships or Other Financial Aid

Graduate Equity Fellowship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$500-\$2000 for tuition• Continuation towards PhD/faculty career• Need-based, increasing diversity	Spring
University & CSU Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$-\$\$\$\$• Criteria varies• Deadlines and application requirements vary	Fall/Spring
Giles T. Brown Thesis Support Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thesis research grant• Support for software, equipment, or materials needed in research	Fall
Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For students interested in pursuing doctoral programs• \$5000 + additional funding for summer research	February
Chancellor's Doctoral Incentive Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pursuing doctoral degree, intent to become CSU faculty• Forgivable loan program, access to additional funding	February

Awards and Events

Giles T. Brown Thesis Excellence Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• University acknowledgement for original contribution in field• Completed thesis that academic year	Spring
Grad Slam	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3-minute thesis presentation• Up to \$1,000 in prizes for winners• Opportunity to compete in CSU-wide competition	Spring
CSUF Student Research Competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Experience presenting scholarly work• Cash prizes for winners, opportunity to compete in CSU competition	February

<http://www.fullerton.edu/graduate/>



Graduate Studies Center (GSC)

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Graduate Studies Center (GSC)

Pollak Library North – PLN 121

- Studying spaces with wide variety of seating
- Private study room available for reservation (3 hours/day max)
- Snacks and coffee/tea during events and exam periods
- Kitchen space equipped with microwave, refrigerator, and sink
- 1-hour virtual writing appointments (1 appt./week max)
- Events and workshops to support your personal, academic, and professional development



Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 10:00am – 7:00pm

Friday: 10:00am – 5:00pm

Visit the GSC Webpage



When the academic year begins, go to <https://www.fullerton.edu/graduate/gsc/index.html> to access our reservation systems and view our upcoming programs!



*Follow us on Instagram
to stay up-to-date!*

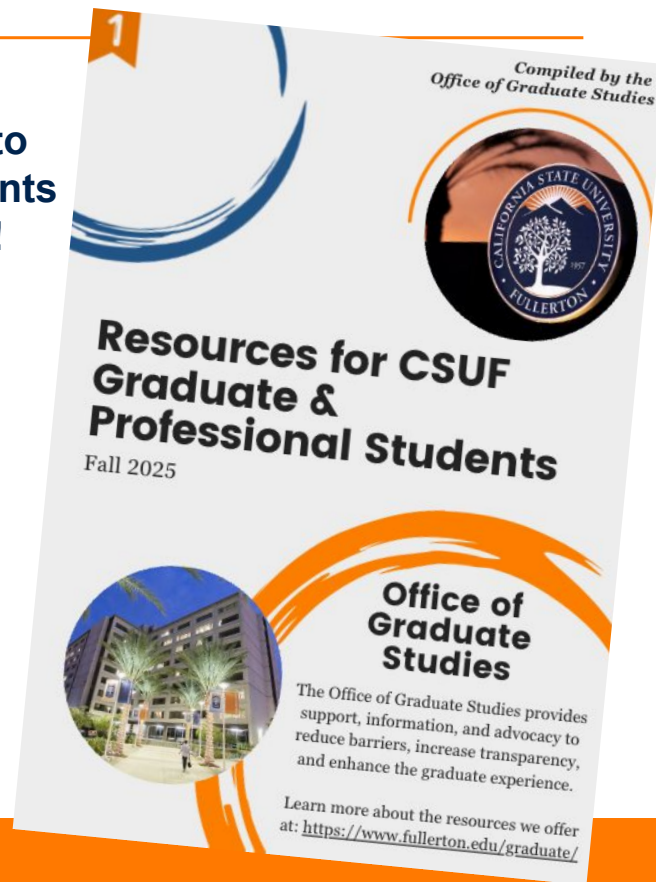


Student Support Services

Cal State Fullerton

Student Support Services Overview

Learn more about services available to CSUF graduate and professional students by checking out our resource guide!



Some Student Support Services to Know

- **Basic Needs Services** – Supports students who experience an unforeseen hardship and demonstrate current need. Forms of assistance include food support, temporary housing, grant funds, hygiene products, and access to gently worn professional attire.
- **TitanHealth** – Encompasses clinical health services (TitanMed), health promotion services (TitanWell), and confidential advocacy services (TitanThrive).
- **Career Center** – Prepares Titans for their future career success by offering resources such as career advising, resume and cover letter reviews, workshops, job and internship fairs, etc.
- **Veterans Resource Center** – Provides services to military-connected students. Resources include a study space, scholarship opportunities, and support utilizing VA benefits.
- **Office of Financial Aid** – Provides students with the financial resources and related services, as well as administers federal, state, and university aid in accordance with applicable policies and regulations.

Office of Financial Aid

Learn more about how to contact the Office of Financial Aid at fullerton.edu/financialaid

Location: Gordon Hall 146

M, T, Th, F: 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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**Last walk-in at 4:50 PM*

Phone: 657-278-3125

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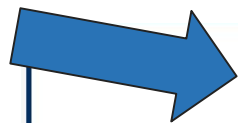
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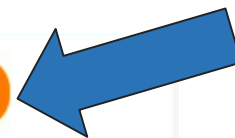
CSUF Students

Current students and recent graduates must sign-in with their CSUF DUO authentication factor account to complete their request. You may check the status of your ticket at anytime by opening up your ticket submission confirmation email and selecting "View My Ticket Request."

Prospective Students/Parents

Prospective Students/Parents will receive an automated email with your responses.

Parents/guardians are limited to general information, unless they have been authorized by the student (**FERPA must be on file**).



Titan Card: Obtaining Your Student ID

Your TitanCard can be used across campus to pay for food, services, fees. Your TitanCard can also be used in the Titan Shops!

Getting the TitanCard In Person

1. Go to fullerton.edu/id
2. Click on “New TitanCard”
3. Once you agree to the TitanCard Terms and Conditions, you are done with the TitanCard application.
4. Visit the TitanCard Office located in Pollak Library South-1st floor to get your TitanCard. Please bring a valid form of photo ID (Passport, Drivers License, other government issued IDs, Community College ID). Please have your CWID ready.

Getting the TitanCard Remotely

1. Go to fullerton.edu/id
2. Click on “Other”
3. You will be prompted to watch a video and verify your personal information.
4. Complete the government ID verification process.
5. Take a photo of a government issued ID .
6. Take a selfie for verification. The selfie must meet the TitanCard photo requirements since this will also be used as the TitanCard photo.
7. Review and sign the TitanCard terms and conditions

For more information on the remote process, visit

<https://www.fullerton.edu/it/services/titancard/about/remote-process.html>



Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)

Mental Health Support for Graduate Students

Annie Petrossian, Ph.D.

Mental Health and Wellness Resources for You

- **Routine:** Therapy, referrals for long-term/intensive therapy/assessment, and support and education on all mental health concerns, workshops, groups
- **Hours:** Mon-Fri 8 am-5 pm
- **Location:** Titan Hall (1111 State College Blvd); check in on 1st floor

- **Crisis:** Available 24/7 by telephone for crisis support: 657-278-3040
- **Appointments** available in person or by Zoom
- **Individual and group therapy, medication management, workshops, consultation, and wellness events**

- **Stress management/preventive:** Wellness Room with massage chairs, nap pods, coloring books, and yoga (Titan Hall, 3rd floor)
- **Follow us on Instagram (@csufcaps) and on our website for most up to date information on our semester programs:** <https://www.fullerton.edu/caps/>

Overview of services:

<https://www.fullerton.edu/caps/services/index.html>

Our Services

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services Crisis Counseling	services Psychiatric Services	services Case Management
services Wellness Coaching	services Eating Concerns Task Force	services Wellness Workshops
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services Mobile Crisis Team	services Mental Health Massage Program	

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Reference & Instruction Librarian

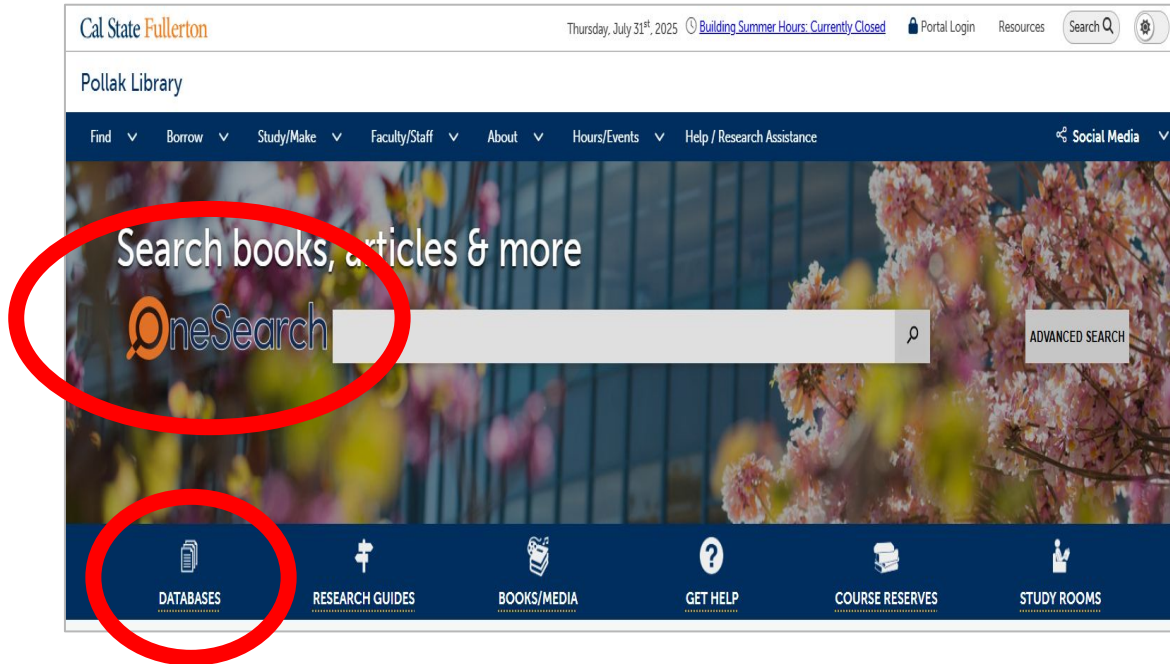


Our CSUF Pollak Library is
awesome!



5 Library things to know...

1. Finding articles: Use OneSearch or databases!



OneSearch finds articles of *all* majors

The screenshot displays the OneSearch web interface. At the top, the OneSearch logo is visible. Below it, the 'SEARCH CRITERIA' section includes a 'Search for:' dropdown menu with radio button options: 'Everything', 'Articles' (selected), 'Books & Media (CSUF)', 'Books & Media (all CSU)', 'Course Reserves (CSUF)', and 'Everything+'. Under 'Search Filters', there are two rows of filters. The first row shows 'Any field' selected, 'contains' as the operator, and 'taxes growth small business' as the search term. The second row shows 'AND' as the connector, 'Any field' selected, 'contains' as the operator, and a placeholder 'Enter a search term'. To the right of these filters are dropdown menus for 'Material Type' (set to 'All items'), 'Language', and 'Any language'. Below these are date range filters for 'Start Date' and 'End Date', each with 'Day', 'Month', and 'Year' dropdowns. A '+ ADD A NEW LINE' button and a 'CLEAR' button are also present. A green 'SEARCH' button is at the bottom right of the criteria section. Below the search bar, a status bar shows '0 selected', 'PAGE 1', '1-10 of 68,143 Results', and a 'Personalize' toggle. The first search result is an article titled 'Small business property tax reductions and job growth' by Gobey, Matthew; Matikonis, Karolis, from 'Small business economics', 2021-01, Vol.56 (1), p.277-292. The article snippet reads: '... government's doubling of reductions in property taxes for small firms. The aim is to stimulate local growth, but we question the economic logic...'. The article is marked as 'PEER REVIEWED' and 'OPEN ACCESS'.

OneSearch

SEARCH CRITERIA

Search for: ☐ Everything ☒ Articles ☐ Books & Media (CSUF) ☐ Books & Media (all CSU) ☐ Course Reserves (CSUF) ☐ Everything+

Search Filters

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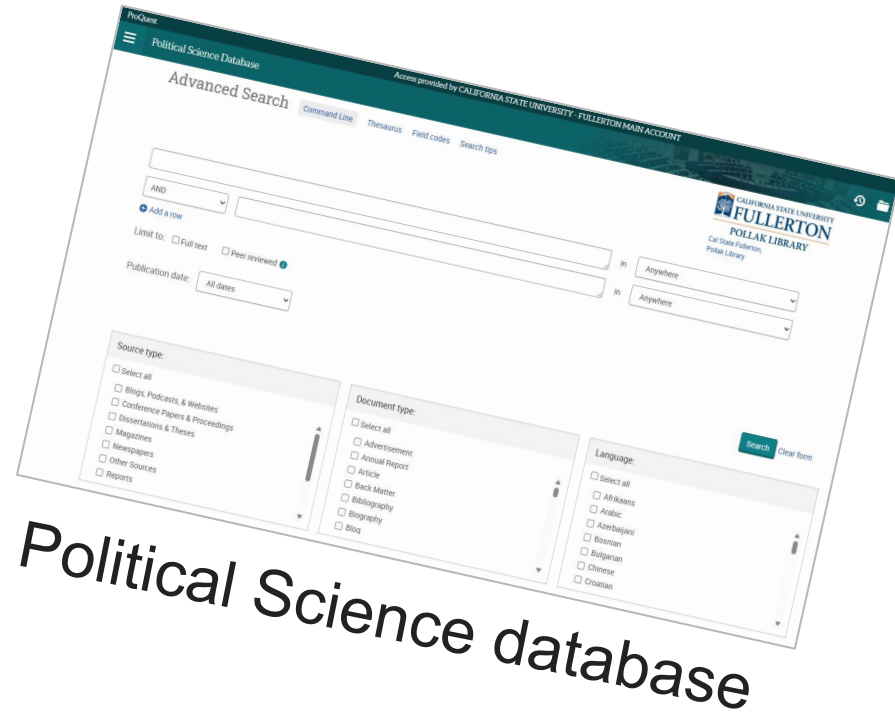
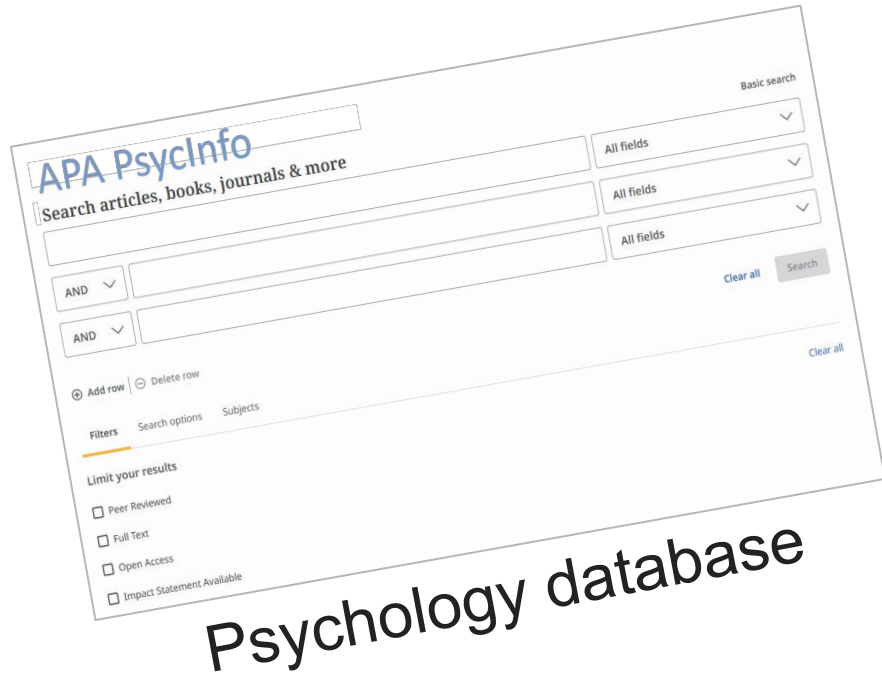
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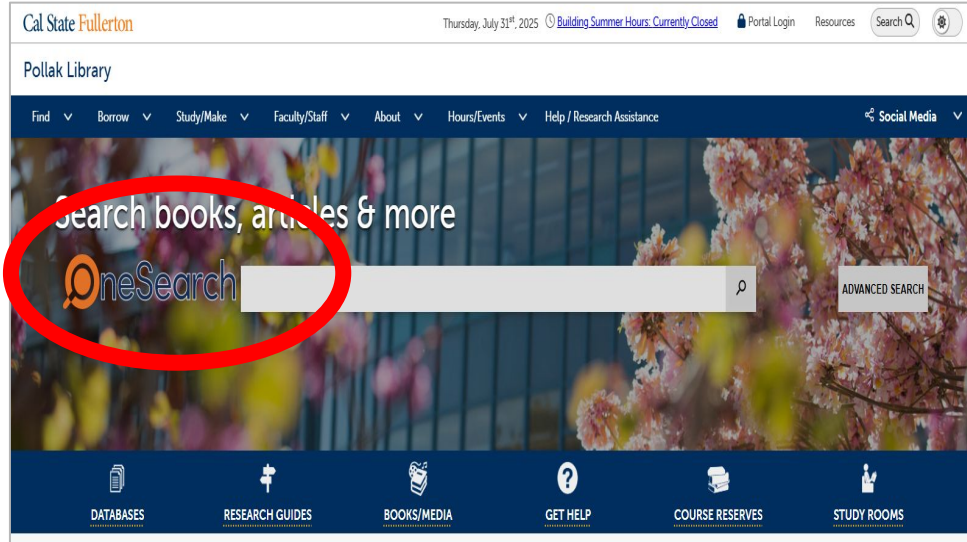
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Never pay for articles at \$ websites!

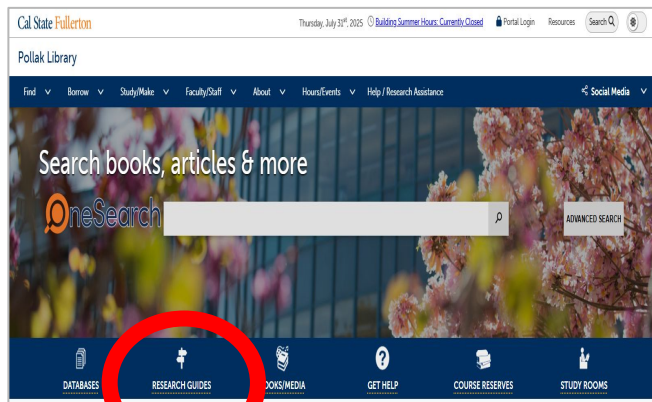
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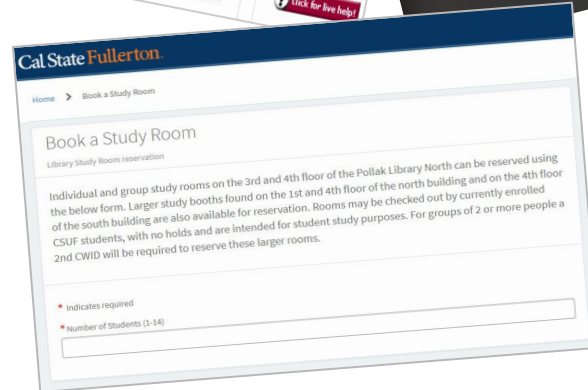
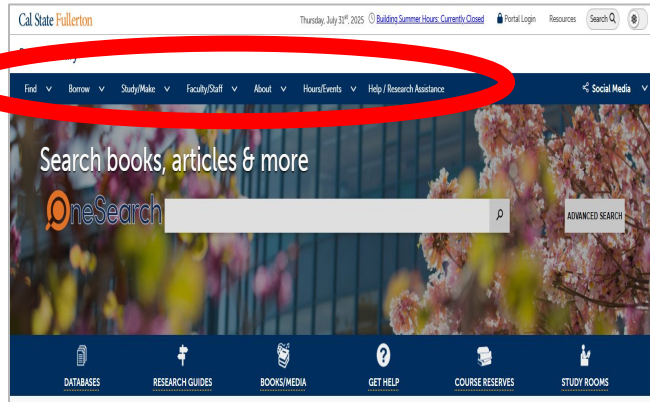
InterLibrary
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3. Major-specific help: use online Library guides!



4. Other library helps: citations, videos, rooms, etc.



5. Librarians are here to help!



- Visit in-person
- Chat online 24/7
- Email
- Phone call
- Research Consultations

<https://www.library.fullerton.edu/help/>

Questions?



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Thank you for attending!



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