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The Fresno State Alumni Association (FSAA) is dedicated to uniting and advancing the interests and traditions of alumni and friends of California State University, Fresno, and to providing scholarship opportunities that attract highly motivated students to the university and support them in their academic endeavors.

More than 200,000 Fresno State graduates have migrated to every state in the nation, as well as going abroad. The university maintains database records of more than 236,000 alumni and friends. Annual dues-paying members number approximately 5,500 and life members number approximately 2,200.

Membership

Membership is open to students, graduates, and friends of the university. The FSAA connects its constituents with more than 200,000 other Bulldogs and serves as the gateway to dozens of benefits and services. Students may join the Student Alumni Association (SAA), a student volunteer organization supported by the FSAA. SAA teaches students about lifetime relationships with Fresno State and provides opportunities to become involved in a number of networking and spirit building events. Each spring, graduating seniors are offered the opportunity to purchase a Grad Pack which includes a discounted one-year membership in the FSAA and coupons for discounts on graduation apparel and accessories.

PAWS

PAWS, Partnering Alumni with Students, is the student-run chapter of the Alumni Association. The goal of this chapter is to connect alumni with students to create greater opportunities for professional and personal development. PAWS is responsible for the TASTE program, a lunch-time mentoring program that connects alumni and students. Any student



who is enrolled in 3 units can join PAWS.

Academic and Regional Chapters

The Fresno State Alumni Association has numerous chapters. These alumni chapters sponsor programs, workshops, reunions, and activities for their constituents. The chapters allow alumni and friends to maintain a close connection to the university. Chapters give back to their respective departments through fundraisers and scholarships dollars.

Events and Programs

The FSAA sponsors various events and programs throughout the year including the Top Dog Alumni Awards Gala, Homecoming, Tailgates, Member Appreciation Events, and Grad Fair.

Scholarships

Ten percent of all membership dues are directly donated to a student scholarship endowment fund. In 2007, the Alumni Association surpassed the \$100,000 mark in annual scholarships awarded. The FSAA leads the 23-campus CSU alumni associations in student scholarship giving. Fresno

State students may apply for the many FSAA scholarships through the university scholarship office. Awards are made to undergraduate and graduate students based on financial need, scholarship, leadership, and involvement.

Smittcamp Alumni House

Standing near the main entrance of Fresno State, the Smittcamp Alumni House welcomes past, present, and future Bulldogs and their friends to campus. The Smittcamp Alumni House serves as the university's Visitor Information Center. Facilities available include conference rooms, reception and social areas, garden courtyards, and an alumni library.

Alma Mater

*Let us in song, our voices raise
In cloistered courts, to sound thy praise.
Each voice and heart that sings is true
To thee, oh, cardinal and blue.
For thee, our hopes and memories;
For thee, our hearts and loyalties.
Thy sons and daughters hail thee great,
Our alma mater, Fresno State!*