



THE COMPASS CHRONICLE

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FOR USF ST. PETERSBURG CAMPUS
FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS



Housing Applications for Summer and the 2021-22 Academic Year are open!

Students apply in their housing portal. Current residents can pick their rooms for next academic year by participating in room selection - call the housing office at 727-873-5101 for an appointment. Learn more by clicking [here](#).

Class Withdrawal Deadline: Saturday, March 27th

Sometimes passing a class can be a struggle despite all the best efforts. Is your student concerned about their final grade (a C- or below can negatively impact the overall GPA)?

If so, they can consider withdrawing. Dropping a class after the drop/add period has ended is considered a Withdrawal. Students can withdraw with no grade penalty; however, they will not be eligible for a tuition and fees refund. Also, there are withdrawal limits: three for students with less than 60 semester credit hours and 2 for students with 60 or more semester credit hours.

Before making a final decision, make sure your student speaks with the following people:

Professor: What are the chances of passing? What do they need to do to improve? What is the best grade they can hope for?

Academic Advisor: Is withdrawing still an option? If not, how might they make up credits? What happens if their final GPA is low?

Financial Aid Office: How will withdrawing from or failing a course affect financial aid?

Don't forget the withdrawal deadline is Saturday, March 27th.

Contact usfsp-studentsuccessadvocacy@usf.edu with any questions and concerns. We help students succeed from A to Z!



Has your student encountered a challenge and do they need help navigating a USF process, policy, or procedure? Is your student struggling and you need to connect them to support they need? Want the most accurate information to empower your student to overcome an obstacle? Fill out our Family Coaching Form so you can receive direct follow-up from your family coach.

Are you concerned that your student is experiencing personal, emotional, or behavioral distress? If so, we encourage you to learn more about **USF Student Outreach and Support and submit a referral form.**

HELPFUL LINKS

NEW STUDENT & FAMILY TOOLKIT

As you and your student transition into the University of South Florida- St. Petersburg, we know there will be a lot of questions and uncertainty. USF has developed this

New Student & Family Toolkit to help guide you and your student through this transition. In this toolkit you can find updated information on USF's response to COVID-19, quick links to resources on campus, and information on how your student can get involved virtually.



Events and Activities for Your Student

March: COMPASS ADVENTURE

CHOOSE YOUR OWN COMPASS

ADVENTURE: MARCH

As the weather warms up, we want to see your favorite outdoor activities - bonus points if they include the water!

Get outside & show us what you're up to!



Venture outside with Compass for March's Adventure!

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Head to the Boathouse to check out a kayak or paddle board – or dive into the pool on campus! More of a beach person? Great! Send us a photo of your favorite sandy spot. And if you're not currently living in the Sunshine State, we want to see what March looks like where you live - is it snowing? Are you surrounded by mountains? Let's see!

Looking for someone to adventure with you? Your Peer Coach is a great resource – they can connect you with another student with similar interests! Reach out to mmechanik@usf.edu if you're not sure who your Peer Coach is.

We want to see how you're adventuring! We'll have a prize for each month – and everyone who participates will be entered into a drawing to win. To participate via social media, post a photo of the Compass Adventure, tag [@compassusfsp](https://www.instagram.com/compassusfsp), and use the hashtag [#compassadventureusf](https://www.instagram.com/compassadventureusf). If you're not big on social media, no problem! **Just email your photo to mmechanik@usf.edu or rwiefel@usf.edu.**

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 22: Spring midterm grading opens

March 27: Spring last day to withdraw; no refund & no academic penalty

