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Ribbon cutting marks opening of Student Life Center



Regional Chancellor Sophia Wisniewska (second from right) joins other university and student leaders in cutting the ribbon at the Student Life Center.

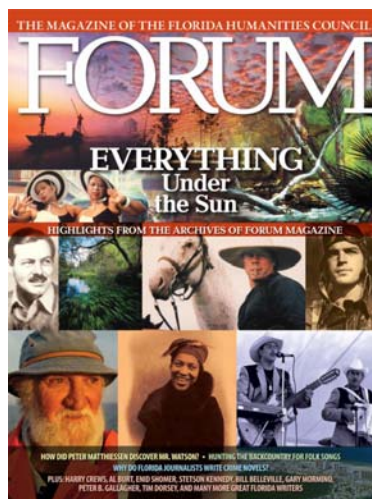
Student leaders and university officials on Wednesday held an open house and ribbon cutting at the Student Life Center, formerly the Campus Activities Center. The SLC houses the [Wellness Center](#) and offices for student organizations and student services, including Student Government, the [Harborside Activities Board](#), the [Crow's Nest](#), the [Fitness Center](#), the [Office of Multicultural Student Services](#), [Student Disabilities Services](#) and the [Bishop Center for Ethical Leadership and Civic Engagement](#). A student organization work room features a free copier for students, provided by Student Government and funded by student fees.

Advisory board to help shape food writing program



USF St. Petersburg is developing the nation's first Graduate Certificate in Food Writing and Photography and has gathered a distinguished advisory board to help guide the program. Janet Keeler (above), the award-winning food editor of the *Tampa Bay Times* and an adjunct journalism professor at USFSP, is coordinating the program, which is overseen by [Journalism and Media Studies](#) Chair Deni Elliott, Ph.D. The program begins next fall and is designed for graduate students, mid-career culinary professionals and professional communicators. "We are excited to be able to offer cutting-edge knowledge and skills to harness the passion so many have for food," said Elliott. [Read more.](#)

Library partners with Florida Humanities Council



Thanks to a partnership with USF St. Petersburg's Nelson Poynter Memorial Library, every issue of the quarterly magazine of the [Florida Humanities Council](#), *Forum*, is now available to researchers around the world. Sixty-two issues have been placed into the library's [digital archive](#), back to the very first one, in 1989. *Forum* offers historical and cultural perspectives of Florida people, events and ideas that shaped the past, affect the present and influence the future. "We're delighted to join in a partnership with the Florida Humanities Council to make this rich resource available to the public," said Carol Hixson, Dean of the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library. "We will continue updating the *Forum* archives so that our students, all Floridians, and Internet users around the world will be able to access this unique archive of information about Florida."

Students take advantage of Voter Registration Day



To mark National Voter Registration Day on Tuesday, the [Bishop Center for Ethical Leadership and Civic Engagement](#) partnered with the League of Women Voters St. Petersburg to register voters at the University Student Center (above). Some students registered for the first time while others updated their existing registration. The last day to register for the Nov. 5 St. Petersburg municipal elections is Oct 7. USFSP will sponsor televised forums at St. Petersburg City Hall on Oct. 14 for Mayoral candidates and Oct. 16 for City Council candidates.

Open House for prospective students is Saturday



If you know someone interested in attending USF St. Petersburg, they can get all their questions answered during Saturday's [undergraduate open house](#). Meet with deans, faculty and current students, tour the campus (photo above) and hear presentations on admissions, financial aid and housing. Check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. and the open house starts at 9 a.m. at the University Student Center, 200 6th Ave. S. Complimentary parking will be available at the USFSP parking garage, 250 5th Ave. S. For more information, call [Undergraduate Admissions](#) at [\(727\) 873-4436](tel:727-873-4436)

Upcoming Events

[Undergraduate Admissions](#)

Open House
Saturday, Sept. 28
9 a.m.

[University Student Center](#)

Second Annual Philanthropy Fair
Thursday, Oct. 3
6 p.m.

[Nelson Poynter Memorial Library](#)

Reflections from Vietnam Summer Study Abroad
Tuesday, Oct. 8
4 p.m.

[Florida Studies Program](#)

Jim Crow Florida: Marjory Kinnan Rawlings and Race
Wednesday, Oct. 14
4:30 p.m.

[USFSP Waterfront](#)

St. Petersburg Science Festival and Marine Quest
Saturday, Oct. 19
10 a.m.

[Times Festival of Reading](#)

Saturday, Oct. 26
10 a.m.