



Schedule of Events

1:15-2:15 p.m. | Welcome
Cherokee Ballroom, Lory Student Center

2:30-3:45 p.m. | Breakout Sessions
Rooms 308-310, 312, 322, 324 | Lory Student Center
Choices include: Research on First Generation Students,
First Generation Initiatives, First Generation Student
Discussion, or a Campus Tour

4-5:30 p.m. | Reception
Lory Student Center Ballroom

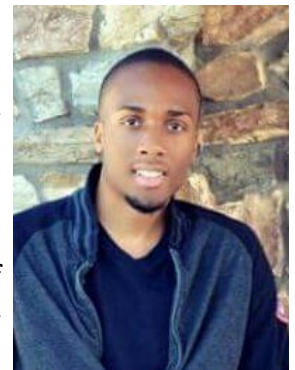
CONNIE JAIME-LUJAN, FIRST GENERATION AWARD (FGA) ALUMNA



Connie is the associate director for University Access and Success with the Colorado State University (CSU) Access Center and Co-coordinator for the Community for Excellence (C4E). Employed since 1993 at CSU she has worked in a variety of capacities with Preview, El Centro, Academic Advancement Center, Student Financial Services, the Access Center-TRIO and Institutional Programs. She is a CSU alumna with a Bachelors of Science (1986) and a Masters of Education (2002). Connie is known locally, regionally and nationally for presenting on financial aid and TRIO programs. Training and mentoring students and professionals is her passion. Connie had several inspirational people assist her in navigating the college process, and believes in empowering others in the same way.

ISIAH WAFFORD, FGA RECIPIENT

Isiah's middle school attendance in a mandatory computer class introduced him to the world of computers. Transitioning to and through high school, he envisioned attending college and earning a computer science degree. Raised in a close-knit family, his parents made choices and decisions to facilitate placing him in the best schools. They encouraged him to broaden his experiences and to strive for a college education. In high school, he participated in the DECA international competition; he ran and won the election for senior president; and finished high school as the commencement speaker. Today at Colorado State University (CSU), he is a member of the College of Natural Sciences Learning Community; participates in Outpost, and has been selected to serve as a 2015-2016 CSU Admissions Ambassador. During his first year, he learned to be independent ; making his own decisions and choices in friends, activities and learning from his own mistakes. One of his greatest challenges, as a first generation student, was making the right connections and finding resources to be successful. The First Generation Award program assisted him in making the right connections with the computer science department and other campus resources.



First Generation Historical Timeline

1977	U.S. Department of Education, TRIO: Upward Bound
1978	U.S. Department of Education, TRIO: Student Support Services/ Academic Advancement Center
1979	ASPIRE members Paul Thayer, Fuji Adachi and others envision the first generation college concept
1980	Federal TRIO Programs leaders' involvement influences federal legislation incorporating first generation college language in the Higher Education ACT
1983	Minority task force comprising of the Office of Admissions, advocacy offices, and TRIO expand discussion on first generation student experience
	State Board of Agriculture establishes the First Generation Scholarship Awards (FGA) at Colorado State University, Fort Lewis College and the University of Southern Colorado
1984-1985	* First Generation Scholarship Award first recipients*
1984-1985	*First Generation Scholarship Award Recognition reception*
1988	U.S. Department of Education, TRIO: Educational Talent Search
1991	U.S. Department of Education, TRIO: Educational Opportunity Center
1997	Undergraduate Student Retention Office
1999	U.S. Department of Education, TRIO: Ronald E. McNair Post Baccalaureate Achievement program
2006	William Sharpless Jackson Jr. endows the Distinguished First Generation Scholarship
	Vice Provost for Undergraduate Affairs , Alan Lamborn, and Vice President for Student Affairs, Linda Kuk, appoints Retention Working Group and formulates "A Plan for Excellence, Enhancing Undergraduate Education and Student Success"
2007	Associate Vice President, Division of Enrollment and Access , Mary Ontiveros, facilitates the creation of the Alliance Partnership Schools and awards
	Provost Anthony Frank invites faculty to identify first generation status
2008	Established First Generation Faculty Initiative work group
2009	Launched first generation faculty events, networking, and student referrals
2010	Hosted first generation faculty luncheons by colleges
	Transitions Coordinating Committee and Community for Excellence concept formulated by the Transition/Retention ad-hoc committee
	Registrar's Office adds "First Generation Student" notation on ARIESweb
	First spring networking reception for first generation faculty
2011	First generation faculty invited to the First Generation Awards, "Meet and Greet, Welcome Dinner"
	"CSU True Faculty Stories" Dinner Series created for second year students by Orientation and Transition programs from Center for Advising and Student Achievement (CASA) and The Institute for Learning and Teaching (TILT)
2012	First generation faculty invited as table networking hosts for the FGA Recognition Celebration
	Braiden Hall networking lunch, coordinate by FGA program for first generation students and faculty from Human Development & Family Studies
	Anthony Maciejewski, department chair, Electrical & Computer Engineering, College of Engineering identifies and contacts first generation students
	Office of Admissions, partners with Center for Student Opportunity, highlighting Colorado State University and home of the video project "I'm first" http://www.imfirst.org/
	"First Generation College Students" session, Academic Advising Training Series, initiated by the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Affairs, Alan Lamborn and Executive Director, Gaye DiGregorio, CASA

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2012	First Generation Faculty Initiative hosted first generation student panel presentation
	First Generation Faculty Initiative created First Generation Faculty Update
2013	Jackson Distinguished First Generation Scholars videos posted on the Colorado State University home page
	Colorado State University recognized in “The Best Colleges” as the best in that Nation for first generation college students
	Department of Psychology , College of Natural Sciences, first generation faculty connected with first generation students
	Mentoring Program, College of Business, hosted first generation faculty and students dinner
	Renewed first generation faculty luncheons by college
	TILT session, “What would a first generation friendly classroom/department look like?”
2014	New “I’m First Videos” created to showcase Colorado State University faculty
	College of Health and Human Sciences posted first generation website for the college
	School of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering, hosts first generation student and faculty dinner
	Microbiology, Immunology and Pathology, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences hosted networking pizza lunches for first generation students
	First Generation Faculty Initiative, spring meeting panel about “International education opportunities for first generation students”
	Registrar’s Office enhances data base system to sort by college and department, for first generation students
	College of Liberal Arts forms a First Generation Committee
2015	College of Liberal Arts hosts a reception for first generation faculty and staff
	<i>First Generation 30th Anniversary Celebration , April 28, 2015</i>

Engaging First Generation Students

1. Post the faculty, First Generation College Graduate sticker on your door or bulletin board—email Linda.Krier@colostate.edu for one!
2. Sign your email signature with First Generation Faculty
3. Identify yourself as a First Generation Faculty on your class syllabus
4. Host a networking event for First Generation students and faculty in your department
5. Introduce yourself as a first generation faculty member to students and/or your class

First Generation Alumni

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Scott McCormack *College of Agriculture*
Senior Accessibility Consultant at SSB BART Group

Vansiny Saukam: *College of Business*
Registered Representative at New England Financial

Bart Valdez: *College of Business*
President, Strategic Resourcing Group at Inventive Health

Michael Glade *College of Engineering*
Global Director – Asset Management and Environmental Resources at Molson Coors Brewing Company

Fermin Chavarria *College of Health and Human Sciences*
Vice President, Communications and Analyst Relations

Ericka Flores *College of Health and Human Sciences*
Senior. Project Manager/Chief Estimator

Abigail Johnston *College of Liberal Arts*
Procurement Specialist III, Government Administration

Anthony Griffith *College of Liberal Arts*
Teacher at Hawaii Department of Education

Raquel Ortiz *Warner College of Natural Resources*
Senior Research Analyst at STR Analytics

Joe Padia *Warner College of Natural Resources*
Wildlife Officer

Tracy Romero *College of Natural Sciences*
Associate Consultant– QA at Eli Lilly

Salvador Huerta *College of Natural Sciences*
Laboratory Scientist at Southern Nevada Water Authority

Twyla “Zoey” Benally *College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomed Sciences*
Veterinarian at Navajo Technical Institute