

Reentry Retreat Proposal

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There are currently
NO - @ - ZERO
leadership retreats
specifically for reentry
students - *except this program!*



Reasons Reentry Students Do Not Attend Other Campus Programs

Feel out of place or “too old”

Content not tailored to their interests

Don't have childcare

Don't feel invited or welcomed

Overwhelmed/stressed



2025 Reentry Retreat Evaluation

“This is the best program I have attended at Davis.”







Attendance

2023

- 80 students registered, 40 students attended
- 15 children attended the camp


2024

- 110 students registered, 63 students attended
- 16 children attended the camp (23 registered)

2025

- 97 students registered, 58 students attended
 - 13 children attended the camp & activities (31 registered)
 - 25 volunteers
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“So great to interact with other reentry students. I felt very celebrated and appreciated which I really needed.”



“Love this and the people that put it together. It’s so informative and inclusive!”

“I’m so happy to have found this program. It answered so many questions for me and has began me on the right path.”


Student Takeaways

- “How to navigate UC Davis, make friends, and enjoy the ride”
- “How to include my skills in my resume, the timeline to apply for grad school as well as resources for it, what the TRC does!”
- “Schedule for grad/ law school application process, helpful tips for finding internship and writing resume, and importance of networking with many people”




2026 Reentry Retreat Proposal

Incorporating feedback from 2025
Retreat



Reflections from 2025 Retreat

- Attendance is tough when the flu is going around!
 - Able to recruit many volunteers to help with children's activities
 - Even children who were old enough to attend the Youth Programs camp preferred to stay for the on-site activities
 - Watercolor painting activity was a hit!
 - Addition of Resource Fair was a great way to expose students to various opportunities
 - Need to rethink spacing and timing of the Fair
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Changes for 2026 Retreat

On-site children's activities instead of Youth Programs Camp

Revised Resource Fair setup

Move second Resource Presentation to after lunch




Retreat Details

Saturday, January 24, 2026, 9am-2:30pm, Student Community Center

100 student attendees; 15 children of student parents; 25 volunteers

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| 9-9:45am | Check in, Breakfast, Introductory Remarks |
| 9:45-10:15am | Speed Friending/Networking |
| 10:15-11:15am | Resource Presentation |
| 11:15-11:30am | Break |
| 11:30am-12pm | Art Activity |
| 12-12:45pm | Lunch and Resource Fair |
| 12:45-1pm | Group Photo |
| 1-2pm | Resource Presentation (potentially a Group Activity) |
| 2-2:30pm | Raffle Drawing and Post-Survey |



Budget

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| SCC Multi-Purpose Room Rental: | \$1,500 |
| Room Reservation Fee: | \$35 (paid for by the TRC) |
| Breakfast, lunch, and snacks for participants: | \$4,400 |
| Tshirts: | \$1,500 |
| UCD Bookstore Gift Cards for Committee: | \$300 |
| Children's Activity Supplies: | \$200 |
| Art Activity Supplies: | \$200 |
| Swag Bags for Participants: | \$200 |
| Raffle Prizes: | \$150 |
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| Total Budget: | \$8,485 |

Learning Outcomes

- Identify services provided by key campus resources
- Share an understanding of the reentry community and identity as a reentry student
- Form connections with other reentry students
- Learn how to navigate campus systems



Questions?

