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**FAMILY
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October 24-26, 2025

WELCOME GUIDE



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Welcome to the USCB Family Weekend!

**Inside are all the details you need to spend an
awesome weekend at USCB.**

Fins Up!

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Detailed Schedule

Faculty Book Talk - Paper Heroines: Women Writers in Conversation and Community Across the Sea

Islands, 1838-1902 by Dr. Mollie Barnes, Associate Professor of English

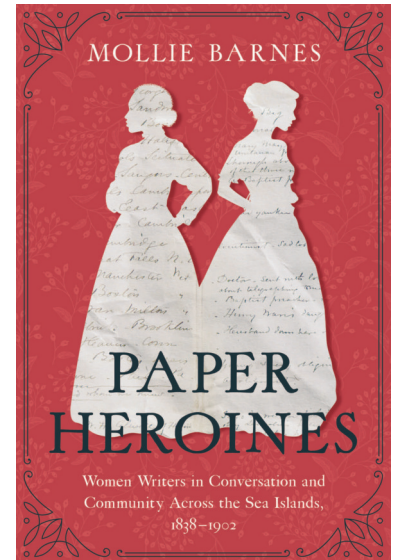
Friday, October 24th | 3:00pm - 4:00pm

Beaufort Campus, 1211 Newcastle - 2nd Floor, Beaufort, SC

FREE Event

One of USCB's favorite English Professor's first book will be available on February 5th 2026. Paper Heroines studies the ways women represented their own and one another's lives in their personal diaries and their biographies of their contemporaries. Dr. Barnes urges us to read the life writing that emerged from among the relief-work networks of the South Carolina Lowcountry as deeply interconnected. By reading these women writers—Black and white, obscure and well-known—in conversation, Barnes presents entirely new portraits of these nineteenth-century freedom fighters.

During this session students and families will have the opportunity to hear the author read from and discuss her work. In addition to being a prolific writer, researcher, and scholar, Dr. Barnes is known for your dynamic teaching style and the care she shows her students.



Lowcountry Scrimmage Series: Men's Basketball Game vs. Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Friday, October 24th | 3:00pm - 5:00pm

Bluffton Campus, The Cove- USCB Campus Rec Center

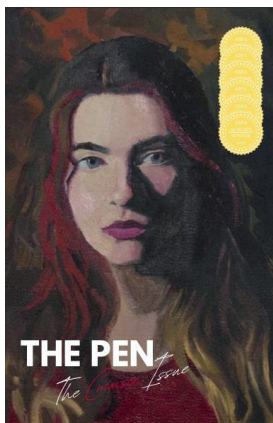
FREE Event- Limited Seating Available

USCB Society of Creative Writers The Pen Reading

Friday, October 24th | 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Beaufort Campus, 1211 Newcastle - 2nd Floor, Beaufort, SC

FREE Event



The Pen is a six-time national award-winning literary journal sponsored by USCB's student-led organization, the Society of Creative Writers. It is produced under the English, Arts, & Interdisciplinary Studies department at the University of South Carolina Beaufort and is advised by Dr. Ellen Malphrus. This publication features creative works from students across all three of USCB's campuses. Accepted submissions include fiction, non-fiction, poetry, drama, music, and visual arts of all types. During this event students who have submitted work to The Pen in the past, or whose work is about to be published, will read some of their poems and stories.



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USCB Annual Oyster Roast

Friday, October 24th | 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Beaufort Campus, 1100 Boundary Street, Beaufort, SC

FREE Event

This isn't your average Oyster Roast. The Offices of Student Life and New Student and Transition Programs are excited to partner to bring this annual event to Family Weekend. In the 1100 Boundary Courtyard, we will have live music by Burnt Church Rival Lite and Sea Eagle Market will be steaming up the best oysters in town. We will provide all the supplies you need to shuck your own oysters; you bring your appetite. Never shucked an oyster before??? No worries, USCB is full of oyster experts to show you how it's done. Campus Rec will host a cornhole tournament from 5:30-6:30 PM. Students can Register their families to play at www.imleagues.com/USCB.

Not a seafood fan? We've got you covered. Inside the 1100 Boundary Gym we will have a variety of non-seafood items along with everyone's favorite, Bingo! Come ready to play with your student. We will have a variety of prizes from USCB swag for our family members and dorm room essentials for your students.

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2nd Annual Student Emergency Fund Pickleball Tournament

Saturday, October 25th | 9:00am - 12:00pm

Beaufort Campus, 1100 Boundary Street, Beaufort, SC

\$10.00 participation fee per team funds will go to the Student Emergency Fund



The Tournament costs \$10.00 a team and each participant will receive a participant's medal. First, Second, and Third Place medals will also be awarded. Tournament rules will be determined based on the number of participants and will be sent to each team in advance. The Pickleball Tournament is capped at 20 teams.

USCB Scholarship Celebration

Saturday, October 25th | 10:00am- 11:30am

Bluffton Campus, Campus Center 105

FREE Event - Invitation Only

Student Success Working Group will be hosting a brunch to celebrate USCB's Hope, Life, and Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Recipients and their families. Students who receive one of these scholarships received an invitation with details of how to RSVP.

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Family Weekend Dolphin & History Boat Cruise

SOLD OUT Saturday, October 25th | 10:00am - 11:30am or 12:30pm - 2:00pm

Downtown Beaufort Marina, 1006 Bay Street, Beaufort SC

\$30.00 per Person

A boat cruise is a Family Weekend favorite and this year we are offering more opportunities for students and families to get out on the water than ever before! Each boat trip is capped at a capacity of 45 people per cruise. Tickets are sold on a first come, first served basis. Every person in your party who wants to go on the cruise must purchase a ticket, including your student. Please make sure you review all family weekend offerings before purchasing your cruise tickets and make sure you take travel times into consideration. Once all tickets to this event are sold out, we will not be able to offer any more.

Families who purchased tickets in advance will find them and a waiver in their welcome packet. Please fill out the waiver prior to arriving at the marina in order to make the boarding process smoother.

Faculty Book Talk- The Complete U: Over 100 Lessons for Success in and out of the College Classroom by Dr. Deb Cohan, Professor of Sociology

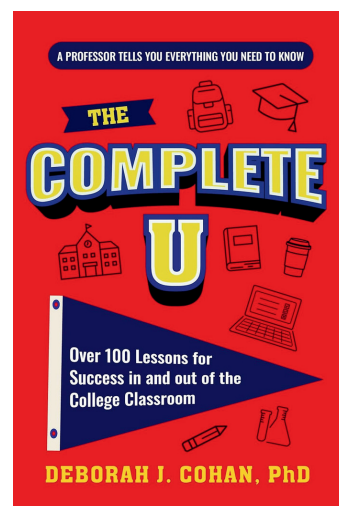
Saturday, October 25th | 11:30am - 12:30pm

Bluffton Campus, Hargray 156

FREE Event

The Complete U is a supportive, real-world guide to thriving in college—academically, socially, and emotionally. With warmth, humor, and deep insight, Dr. Deborah J. Cohan delivers over 100 empowering lessons to help students navigate every aspect of campus life. Dr. Cohan is a public sociologist, speaker, and author of *Welcome to Wherever We Are*, a memoir. She also writes articles for *Psychology Today*, *Inside Higher Ed*, and has been featured in outlets like *The New York Times*, *Newsweek*, and *CNN*.

In this session, Dr. Cohan will read from her book and discuss the challenges college students face while starting college, giving practical advice for both students and their family and supporters. Books will be available for purchase by the Campus Store and Dr. Cohan will be happy to sign them at the end.



Nursing Simulation Lab Experience

Saturday, October 25th | 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Bluffton Campus, SciTech 260

FREE Event - Reservation Required

USCB Nursing Faculty will run three 20-minute simulations that show you what our nursing students are learning in lab to prepare for the clinical setting. A reservation is required. There is a strict 10-person cap per session.



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USCB Women's Soccer vs. USC Aiken

Saturday, October 25th | 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Bluffton Campus, Fin Land Field

FREE Event

Come watch Sand Sharks Soccer in their last home game of the season against their Peach Belt and USC System Rival USC Aiken. In addition to being family weekend and athletic alumni weekend, this game is also Senior Day for Women's Soccer Student Athletes. Golden Bar-B-Que Food Truck will be on site.



USCB Basketball Tailgate and Hoops Hype Night

Signature Family Weekend Event!

Saturday, October 25th | 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Bluffton Campus, The Cove - USCB Campus Rec Center

\$20 per Family Member/USCB Alumni, \$10 Kids 5-12, Kids under 5-FREE, USCB Students Attend FREE



The tailgate will run from 6:00pm - 8:00pm outside the Campus Rec Center and welcome family, students, and alumni with southern hospitality. There will be food, lawn games, and pumpkin painting. At 7:00pm, we will head inside the Campus Rec Center with a Meet the Team style event with player introductions, skills competitions, and giveaways!

USCB Baseball Exhibition Game vs. USC Salkehatchie

Sunday, October 26th | 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Richard Gray Sports Complex, 205 Main Street, Hardeeville, SC

FREE Event

Come watch Sand Sharks Baseball prepare for the 2025-26 season with this USC System match-up. Entrance is free to all USCB guests..

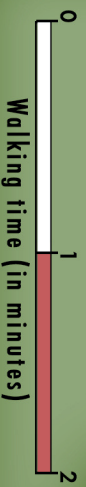


Bluffton Campus

1. Hargray Building
 - 1 University Blvd., Bluffton, SC 29909
2. Science and Technology
3. Library
4. Campus Center
 - 4a. Chick-fil-A
5. Palmetto Village

5a - Port Royal	5g - Colleton
5b - Combahée	5h - Beaufort
5c - Chechessee	5i - May River
5d - Okatee	5j - Broad River
5e - Hampton	
5f - Jasper	
6. USCB Police
7. Maintenance Building
8. Campus Store/Mailroom
9. Indoor Recreation
10. Recreation/Intramural Field
11. Recreation/Soccer Field
12. Outdoor Recreation

- A Faculty/Staff/Visitor Parking
- B Commuter Student Parking
- C Campus Center Staff Parking
- D Palmetto Village Resident Parking



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**Bluffton Campus
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Activities**

Book Talk

Scholarship Reception

Nursing Sim
Lab Experience

Hoops Hype
Event

Women's
Soccer Game



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Beaufort Campus Family Weekend Activities



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Student Emergency Fund Silent Auction

The Student Emergency Fund helps USCB students who unexpectedly find themselves in need of assistance to combat situations such as housing or food insecurity. Throughout Family Weekend we will have a silent auction to raise funds for the fund.

The auction will have items such as USCB Basketball tickets, USCB Campus Store merchandise, a private golf course foursome, and more.

The auction opens at the Family Weekend Welcome Reception and closes at the end of the Chancellor's Cookout.

**DONATE DIRECTLY TO THE STUDENT
EMERGENCY FUND**



Family Programs Survey

Family Programs needs your feedback! Let us know how we are doing! You can either complete the survey at the QR Code below or you can fill out the paper survey and turn it in at any Family Weekend Event!



Campus Store Hours During Family Weekend

USCB's Campus Store will be open the following hours during Family Weekend

Friday: 9:00AM-4:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00-10:30 AM & 1:00-4:00 PM

The Campus Store is located on the Beaufort Campus in the 1st Floor of the Broad River Building.