



UMOJA COMMUNITY STUDENT LEADERSHIP SUMMIT FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQS)

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Event:** Student Leadership Summit
- **Dates:** August 1st through August 3rd, 2024
- **Host Site:** University of California San Diego
- **Lodging:** North Torrey Pines Living and Learning Neighborhood (NTPLLN)/ Sixth College
- **Parking structure:** Scholars Parking Lot, **Address:** 9655 Scholars DR. N, La Jolla, CA 92093
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EVENT OBJECTIVE

The Umoja Student Leadership Summit (SLS) is a space to convene, train, and organize Umoja students to go forward and assume their roles as leaders in their local programs and communities. Students will learn about African-Centered student leadership, discuss strategies for advocacy, address outreach/in-reach efforts from a peer perspective and engage in conversation on how to support students in the new normal of higher education. The following is an agreement to hold up the intentions and outcomes of this and model the Umoja practices.

FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)

Q. What are the lodging arrangements?

A. Students and Umoja Coordinators will be housed in the residence halls on the UCSD campus. Umoja Coordinators will be placed in apartments or suites. Each Umoja Coordinator will have their suite with a private bathroom and shower. Umoja students will be lodged in a similar apartment style of housing, but this will be shared among Umoja students. Students will be lodged based on biological gender; we have alternative accommodations for exceptional circumstances. Students will have either a single or double bathroom in their lodging. Please reference the SLS 2024 Information Session slides and video to view the housing location and floorplan. Note students will be in a 3-4 person suite or 4-6 person apartment; rooms will be arranged by the school as much as possible. Coordinators will have a whole suite to themselves.

Umoja Coordinators accompanying students will be in the same buildings students, so it will be important that you check-in on your students as no UCEF staff will be on the premises. We will have a couple UC Ambassadors lodging in each of the dorm units to serve as Residential Hall Assistance, but it will still be the Umoja Coordinators responsibility to manage their student's whereabouts and behavior.

Bedroom furniture includes a twin bed frame or bunk bed, a dresser for each person, and a shared desk and desk chair. A mini-fridge and microwave are included in apartments, but not all suites. There is a common area lounge and kitchen on each floor; plus, laundry in all buildings. [The beds will have linen, but feel free to bring extra bedding if that is your preference. The bedding includes sheets, a pillow and light blanket. Each quest will also receive a towel set for their entire stay. If you would like an extra towel set, please bring one from home.](#)

Please see the packing list below for items to bring for lodging. We will have housing guidelines and an expectation contract for practitioners and students to sign, prior to or upon arrival. Completing these forms ahead of time will help to speed up the check-in process.



Q. Do I need to bring money?

A. UCSD is a cashless campus, Apple Pay and credit cards are accepted. Students are more than welcome to bring credit cards for their personal purchases, just note that UCSD and UCEF (Umoja Community Education Foundation) are not responsible for individuals' possessions. Meals and snacks on select dates will be provided once the event begins compliments of UCEF and UCSD. There are a ton of local eateries and coffee shops on campus should people want to purchase anything from those establishments. There will be free time on the agenda for students to explore the campus community. There is also a campus bookstore that will be open for people to purchase merchandise and snacks. Merchandise cost can be found on the UCSD website: <https://www.ucsandiegobookstore.com/>

Q. Are meals provided?

A. The SLS meals are covered by UCSD, this includes the following:

- Thursday, Aug. 1st Lunch and Dinner
- Friday, Aug. 2nd Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner
- Saturday, Aug. 3rd Breakfast and Grab and Go Lunches
- Daily water stations and a snack break will be provided as well. But any additional meals desired outside of what is provided is the responsibility of the individual.

Q. Will there be dietary options for meals?

A. Meals will be offered through the on-campus dining services and features a buffet of options to suit plant and meat-based diets.

Q. Are there forms I will need to sign?

A. Yes, students and practitioners will be required to sign a housing policy, photo release, health form and an expectations and behavioral agreement.

Q. Can I arrive early for the Student Leadership Summit?

A. We will not have lodging for early arrivals prior to August 1st when the event begins. If campuses would like to arrive early, they are required to locate and pay for their own accommodations.

Q. What should I pack?

A. We have provided a suggested packing list for all participants:

- **Toiletries**
 - Soap
 - Toothpaste/Toothbrush
 - Facewash
 - Hair products
 - Lotion
 - Sunscreen
 - Deodorant
 - Required medications
- **Clothing/Shoes**
 - Warm clothes for an evenings
 - Layered clothing is recommended as the weather changes often
 - Appropriate workout wear/comfortable clothing
 - Comfortable shoes for walking



- Shower sandals (bathrooms are a shared space)
- Appropriate Casual attire (jeans/shorts/sweatpants/T-shirts/etc.)
- Appropriate sleep attire
- Wear your Umoja Gear
- Light jacket or sweatshirt, evenings get cool in San Diego
- **Personal Items**
 - Identification card/school ID/Driver's license
 - Cell phone/charger
 - Any personal items brought to the summit are the owner's responsibility, we suggest keeping it to necessary items you bring.

Q. Where can I find the agenda?

A. The agenda can be found on our Umoja Community webpage and attached to the event email sent out

Q. Will transportation and parking permits be provided?

A. Campuses must cover transportation costs to and from the SLS. If you are driving into UCSD and need to park a vehicle, we will provide a parking pass code and instructions in your information packet sent via email. If you are flying to San Diego for the event, you will be required to organize and purchase your transportation to and from the campus. The UCEF team will have limited access to transportation for emergencies only. There are Lyft and Uber services that run in the area; plus, public transportation around San Diego.