



Mobilizing right to food and other basic needs for students: A workshop based on the UC Basic Needs Initiative

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1-2:30PM|Online

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Amidst a global pandemic the expectations and experiences for students within their higher education institutions are indicating increased challenges to well-being and student success. International to first generation and non-traditional students face varied economic, environmental, and social-emotional challenges in their higher education experience. The University of California (UC) has undertaken an ambitious set of goals, across all 10 campuses, to address food and housing insecurity, amidst other challenges students face. Through the re-imagining of food recovery and innovative ways to uplift diverse cultural foodways for ensuring sustenance to designing preventative upstream interventions as well as accessible paths for responding to crisis, attendees will learn how the UC is advancing undergraduate, graduate, and professional holistic student support with an integrated equity and sustainability lens.

Tim Galarneau

Tim works as a Specialist for the University of California, at CASFS, focusing on supporting regional, statewide, and national efforts that intersect with food, social equity, and community development. Mr. Galarneau is a co-chair to the UC system-wide Basic Needs Initiative. This innovative project mobilizes students, staff, and faculty in advancing a holistic vision for supporting student success through ensuring basic needs are met. In addition, he is a board advisor to the national movement non-profit, Real Food Generation, advancing a student driven higher education effort to address a food system that truly nourishes all. Tim has worked across farm to institution sectors engaging producers and community partners in policy and designs to advance a more just and sustainable food system.



Suzanna M. Martinez

Dr. Martinez is an Assistant Professor at the University of California, San Francisco in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics. Her area of research focuses on addressing food insecurity among college students, and the interrelationships of nutrition, physical activity, sleep, and obesity among children and adolescents. She is the lead researcher for the UC Systemwide Student Basic Needs Initiative and examines the connections between student basic needs, mental health, and physical wellbeing.

