# FISHING FINE FRESNOSTATE

Discovery. Diversity. Distinction.

Expanding postbaccalaureate opportunities in STEM fields vital to the future of California and the Central Valley.

### **About our Team**

#### **Project Director:**

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#### College Deans

- Dr. Chris Meyer, College of Science and Mathematics
- Dr. Ram Nunna, Lyles College of Engineering
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#### **College Coordinators:**

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# About the Project

- To provide an accelerated route to a graduate degree, simultaneously working on both Bachelor's and Master's degrees
  - In most cases, this allows for the possibility of students' earning graduate credit for several of their upper division electives, effectively creating an accelerated path for their Master's degree
- To provide a seamless process whereby students can progress from undergraduate to graduate status without having to apply through the Admissions Office (thereby eliminating the need to pay the application fee)
- To provide a meaningful capstone experience that in some cases integrates the senior project with the graduate thesis/project
- Students admitted to the program between their 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year and incoming transfer students with 60 units.











# Student Support Highlights

- Wraparound supports to enable students to earn both Bachelor's-Master's degree in five years
- High impact Summer Research Experiences
- Affinity Research Teams
- Cohort activities to build a professional identity
- Graduate Faculty Advising
- Internships
- Assistantships
- Tutoring Positions
- Outreach Activities
- One-on-one work with a faculty member in your area of research interest

# **Blended Programs**

#### College of Science and Mathematics

- Biotechnology
- Computer Science
- Mathematics

# Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences & Technology

Industrial Technology

#### > Lyles College of Engineering

- Civil and Geomatics Engineering
- Construction Management
- Electrical Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering







## **Community College Partnerships**

Fresno State will partner will 4 feeder community colleges to broaden the pathway for transfer students in the program.

- Fresno City College Fresno City College
- Clovis Community College Clovis Community College

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#### **Community Colleges**

- \* Faculty mentors and academic counselors at each campus will coach 8-10 students each year for entry into Finish in Five by providing clear course pathways
- Faculty take students on field trips to industry sites and to Fresno State
- Faculty and co-professional staff participate in professional development with transfer counseling staff
- Outreach and advising will begin early in the student's academic career (freshmen and sophomore years)
  - Summer research bootcamp at both Fresno State and community college campuses
- Start early with outreach designed to be inclusive and target Hispanic, first generation, **FINISH** and/or low-income students



# **Next Steps for Finish in Five**

#### Website Created (finishin5program.com)

Application process to be added to website by December 2024 Summer Programs & applications to be added in January 2025

#### Fall 2025 Start Date:

Application period open: January 1, 2025 Application close period: April 15, 2025 Program Acceptance Date: May 15, 2025

#### **Summer Research Bootcamps – 2025**

Application/Acceptance period: April and May 2025

Start Date: June 2, 2025

8 – week research program, one-on-one student and faculty mentor

Open to Fresno State and Community College Students

#### **Bootcamps at Community Colleges – 2025 - TBD**





# **Contact Information**

Class Presentations and Promotional Materials – contact Feng Teter: fengkt1@mail.fresnostate.edu

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# **Questions?**



