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Chaotic vs. Peaceful Places at SJSU

SJSU is the oldest campus out of the 23 universities in the California State University system. Over time since its opening in 1857, this particular university has seen an unimaginable growth. This growth has been everywhere from the student enrollment, the campus, the faculty and its impact on Silicon Valley. Throughout the campus, there are numerous places where you can see this growth and then there are some places that are a ghost town. For the Digital Video Post Production Project, I thought it would be interesting to focus on chaotic places versus peaceful places on campus.

According to KPIX CBS SF Bay Area, the increased student enrollment for Fall 2019 was a record 36,000. This is an increase of 4,000 students in one semester. This huge number can definitely be seen in three particular areas around the main campus. The first being the Student Union since this is one of the few places that have various food options and study spaces for all the commuters. Another place that is chaotic is the Student Recreation and Aquatic Center, otherwise known as the SRAC because of all the students that want to get a good workout during their breaks or after students are done with classes. Finally, the entrance to Boccardo Business Building is always jammed packed when classes are let out causing congestion within the pathways.

Even though there are 36,000 students packed into one campus there are still some spaces that allow for some breathing room. The first place is Tower Lawn because most of the time there are only a couple of students walking around to get to class, this allows people to have

picnics or whip out there hammocks to study. Another peaceful place is the Art building, outside of the art building it is quiet with minimal people studying while inside it is a ghost town. Lastly, the quiet floors in the library are very peaceful because even though there are a lot of people studying it is always quiet and it is a good study environment.