



Student Support Services Newsletter



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Important Dates

- * November 10— Mentoring Application Deadline
- * November 13— Returning Student Registration begins
- * November 13— Third Fall Semester Advising Appointments begin
- * November 16— Last day to Withdraw
- * November 17— Graduation Applications Due
- * November 22-24— Thanksgiving Holiday, College Closed
- * November 30— November Birthday Celebration



Fall Semester Workshops

We will be offering two more workshops this fall semester in Greeley and three more for the Loveland and Fort Lupton campuses.



Scholarships

Greeley: Wednesday, November 15, 12:00-1:30p.m., College Center #765

Loveland: Thursday, November 9, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Student Lounge Annex

Fort Lupton: Tuesday, November 7, 12:00-1:30p.m.,

Room #109

There are many opportunities for scholarships and in this workshop we hope to give you some ideas on how to find them! This workshop will focus on how to creatively search for outside sources of funding for college and some tips for applying.

Consumer Credit Council

Greeley: Wednesday, November 29, 12:00-1:30p.m., College Center #765

Loveland: Thursday, November 30, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Student Lounge Annex

Fort Lupton: Tuesday, November 28, 12:00-1:30p.m., Room #109

We will have a speaker from the Consumer Credit Council come to talk about healthy credit and how to budget.

Study Skills

Loveland: Tuesday, November 14, 12:00-1:30 p.m., Student Lounge Annex

Fort Lupton: Wednesday, November 15, 12:00-1:30p.m., Room #109

In this workshop we will talk about creating a positive study environment, preparing for tests, and taking effective notes.

If you would like to attend a workshop, please RSVP with Frances Hernandez at (970) 339-6372 at least three days before the workshop. Lunch will be provided at all both of these workshops!

These workshops will count toward the two activities you need in order to be eligible for the Student Support Services Grant.

Graduation Application Deadline

Planning to graduate from Aims in Spring Semester 2007? If so, you will need to fill out a Graduation Application. Applications are available at the Admissions and Records office in the General Services Building. You will need to complete the application, have a degree worksheet completed by an advisor, and turn in all materi-

als by **Friday, November 17th, 2006** to Admissions and Records. You will then be informed on what you need to complete in order to graduate.

The graduation application must be turned in or you will not be able to graduate, so pick one up as soon as possi-

ble. Call your advisor with any questions.



A Look Ahead to January 2007

Mark your calendars early for some important upcoming events at Student Support Services!

We are planning a **Spring Retreat** called **"How does college work?"** set for the week before classes begin in January. This retreat will focus on Financial Aid, Classroom Success, and how to get the most out of tutoring, advising, and classroom time. A lunch will also be provided. All students are encouraged to attend. Watch for more information soon about this exciting event!

We will also have a **Reception for all of the recipients of the Student Support Services Grant**. This will also be during the

week before classes begin in January.

Please look for invitations and more information about these two events. Have any questions? Please call your advisor or Frances Hernandez at (970) 339-6372.



Mentor Applications

Are you interested in having a Mentor for Spring Semester 2007? If so, the deadline to turn in Mentor Applications is **November 10, 2006**. On the application please let us know what kind of mentor you are looking for, what career or academic field you are interested in, and what kinds of things you hope to learn from your mentor. This will help in placing you with the best possible mentor. Turn in applications to Andrea Wieland in the Student Support Services office. Questions? Call Andrea Wieland at (970) 339-6383.

Celebrate November Birthdays!



Please join us on **Thursday, November 30th at 12:00p.m.** in the Student Support Services office to share some treats and celebrate all of our November Birthdays! Treats will be out until 5:00p.m. or until they are gone, so stop by as soon as you can!

We wish a Very Happy Birthday to all Student Support Services students born in November:

Tanya Trujillo-Martinez, Mike Borden, Eric Padilla, Crystal Gallegos, James Melton, Gloria Rodriguez, Dianne Brown-Sforzo, Rigoberto Flores, Nicole Molinar, Kathy Rocha, and Nilka Sandoval.

All students are invited to celebrate November birthdays, so don't be shy and stop by for an energizing afternoon treat!

Spring Semester 2007 Registration

It's already time to start planning your Spring Semester classes!

Spring Semester 2007 schedules are available now online at the Aims website (www.aims.edu). Schedules will also be out in print on November 6th. As a returning student, **you can start registering for classes on November 13th.**

We will be scheduling third Fall Semester advising appointments beginning on November 13. During these appointments,

we will talk about your Spring Semester schedule and get you registered for classes. We can also tell you about the classes Student Support Services will be offering, including Learning Communities.

Please call your advisor if you have not already made a third Fall Semester advising appointment to talk about Spring Semester registration!

Workshop Handouts

Did you miss a workshop that you were interested in going to? If you were unable to attend a workshop that presented information you wanted to hear, you can now pick up workshop handouts in our information rack in the Student Support Services office. There will be notes, PowerPoint handouts, and more. Just let us know which workshop handouts you would like!

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The Student Support Services (SSS) program provides opportunities for academic development, assists students with basic college requirements, and serves to motivate students towards the successful completion of their postsecondary education. The SSS program may also provide grant aid to eligible SSS participants who are receiving Federal Pell Grants. The goal of SSS is to increase the college retention and graduation rates of its participants and facilitate the process of transition from one level of higher education to the next.

Services provided by the program include:

- Instruction in basic study skills
- Tutorial services
- Academic Advising
- Assistance in securing admission and financial aid for enrollment in four-year institutions
- Information about career options
- Mentoring

Direct financial assistance (grant aid) to eligible SSS participants who are receiving Federal Pell Grants.

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