



# Student Support Services Newsletter



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## Important Dates

- \* May 1– Life After Graduation Workshop
- \* May 3– Birthday Celebration
- \* May 11– Last day of classes for Spring Semester
- \* May 29– Summer Semester begins



## Congratulations Graduates!

Congratulations to all 2006-2007 Student Support Services graduates. We are so proud of you!

**Alesia Bohm** will be receiving an Associate of Arts Degree and plans to attend CSU where she will pursue a Master's Degree in Social Work. Alesia balanced family, work, and school in order to earn her degree and credits her family as being her greatest support.

**Monique Conner** will be receiving an Associate of Arts Degree and plans to attend UNC to pursue her Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Business. Even in the face of many obstacles, Monique completed her degree while working full time.

**Di Dart** will be receiving a Certificate in Medical Billing and Coding. She plans work and the field and use her new skills. Di took on the challenge of returning to school and leaves Aims knowing she has succeeded.

**Dion Duran** will be receiving an Associate of Arts Degree and plans to continue his studies until he earns a doctorate degree. For Dion, Aims was unforgettable and he leaves taking many friends and memories with him.

**Rosalinda Garcia** will be receiving an Associate of Arts Degree and plans to attend UNC where she will study

Criminal Justice, eventually earning a Master's Degree. Rosalinda's family encouraged her and her focus led her to this great success.

**Cindy Harding** will be receiving an Associate of Science Degree and plans to attend UNC and then CU Denver to major in Biotechnology. She will pursue a career in cancer research. Cindy returned to school with the support and encouragement of her family.

**Sandra Harmon** will be receiving an Associate of Arts Degree. She will attend UNC to pursue a Master's degree in education and a career as a college professor. Sandra's family will be cheering her on as she finishes this degree and moves on to another step in her education.

**Maria Hernandez** received her Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice and plans to continue her education at CSU and the Police Academy. Maria hopes to be a role model for her daughter and the youth she works with.

**Michelle Pollman** will be re-

ceiving her Associate of Applied Science degree in Early Childhood Education. Michelle has already worked in her field coordinating programs at an elementary school while working hard as a student at Aims.

**JoEllen Robinson** will be receiving a Certificate in Medical Billing and Coding. She plans to work and apply what she has learned while continuing to take classes. JoEllen will remain at Aims where she has



Graduates honored at the 2007 End of the Year Celebration

found so many friends who believe in her.

**Kathy Rocha** will be receiving an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Criminal Justice and plans to continue taking classes at Aims and transfer to UNC. Kathy was inspired by her parent's work ethic and successfully balanced school and raising her two daughters.

## Re-Sign Ups

Would you like to continue to be in the Student Support Services program for the 2007-2008 school year?

You should have received an evaluation and re-sign up card in the mail. If you have not received these items, you can stop by our office and pick up another one.

In order to participate in Student Support Services next year, we need to hear from you by **May 11, 2007** in order to hold a spot for you. Please fill out the re-sign up postcard and let us know if you would like to be in

the program or not for the 2007-2008 school year.



Also, if you have not already filled out an evaluation, please do so. We like to hear how we are doing so that we can continue to provide the things that are helpful and add to the services we already offer. If you have workshop ideas, please let us know those as well! We often add workshops based on student input.

Questions? Please contact Frances Hernandez at (970)339-6372 or [frances.hernandez@aims.edu](mailto:frances.hernandez@aims.edu).

We have enjoyed serving you this year and hope to see all of you next year!

## Academic Honors

We would like to congratulate all of the students in Student Support Services who will be receiving awards at the Academic Honors ceremony this week.

Shannon



Criswell— Distinguished Scholar, Communications, Applied & Natural Sciences Division

Sandra Harmon— Distinguished Scholar, Communications, Applied & Natural Sciences Division

Corinthia Topping— Distinguished Scholar, Communications, Applied & Natural Sciences Division

Tanya Trujillo-Martinez— Distinguished Scholar, Communications, Trades, Public Safety, art & Life Skills Division

Dion Duran— Phi Theta Kappa All-Colorado Academic Team

Debra Goldsworth— President's Medalion Recipient (graduating with a 4.0 GPA)

Congratulations on your accomplishment!

## Happy Summer Birthdays!

Happy Birthday to all birthdays in May, June, July, and August birthdays:

Claudia Salinas, Victoria Jones, Anita Anderson-Bennett, Miranda Encina, Doug Hoag, Melissa Lopez, Josie Ramirez, Ricardo Montalvan, Giovanni Flores, Andrea Guajardo, Stacey Oster, Carmela Rios, Jennifer Meza-Flores, Emily Reyna, Rubicellia Bucio, Tone Castillo, Luis Diaz, Lucio Lara, Danielle Worthington, Chris Saucedo, Corinthia Topping, Juan

Madera, Christopher Dale, Virginia Cardenas, Gena Duran, Adriana Ramirez, Kimberly Wallin, David Blackston, Deborah Andrews, Karen Bills, Jeremiah Hurley, LaNisa Albee, Cathy Taylor, Jessica Griebing, Bernadette Vasquez, Angela Warwick, Briana Ledbetter, Dion Duran, Maria Hernandez, Cory Hill, Lynde Berg, Cayelyn Goff,



Crissy Lucero, Danielle Nunez-Luis, Melanie Llamas, Ryan Scheuerman, Angel Luis, Mia LeCompte, Pei Lin Kunisch, Michelle Pollman, Katrina Haag, Christian Sanchez, Kaci Andrews, Ashley Brunner, Ann Courtney, and Angela Sears.

Celebrate birthdays with us on **Thursday, May 3rd** for birthday treats beginning at noon!

## Tutoring News

### Summer Tutoring

If you would like a tutor for a class that you are taking this summer, please contact your advisor or Kim Wallin, Tutoring and Mentoring Coordinator, as soon as possible. If you already know your summer schedule, you can fill out a tutor request form and Kim will begin scheduling tutoring so that you can start right away in the summer semester. If you have already contacted your advisor about needing a tutor for summer, expect to receive a phone call from Kim asking you to come in and fill out the form.

You can contact Kim Wallin at (970)

339-6383 or  
kim.wallin@aims.edu.

### Please Sign In at the Lab!

We are asking that when you attend your one-on-one tutoring sessions that you sign in at the lab and mark that you are attending tutoring. Many students are signing in, but not noting that they will be in tutoring. Once you choose which class you are there for, you will see another drop-down menu on the right. You can choose from many options including homework



and tutoring. In order to make sure we are keeping track of how many hours of tutoring we need, please make sure you click on “tutoring.” If you have any questions, please ask your advisor or Kim.

### Fall Tutoring

We will be contacting you this summer if you requested fall semester tutoring. Once you have your schedule set and know when you have times available for tutoring, please let us know!

## Summer Hours

**Student Support Services** will be open this summer! However, our hours will change because of the construction on campus. Beginning May 12, we will be open from *7:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday*. We look forward to seeing you!



Like our office, other offices on campus will also only be open Monday through Thursday. The **Academic Resource Center** will be open from *7:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday* and the **Math Lab** will tentatively be open from *9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 5:00-9:00 p.m., Monday-Thursday*.

## Workshop Rescheduled

The “Life After Graduation” workshop has been rescheduled. It will be held on **Tuesday, May 1st** in the College Center room #726. The workshop will be from **1:00-2:30 p.m.** Bring your questions about jobs and careers! This is a brown bag workshop, so feel free to bring your lunch with you!

## Retreat Rescheduled

We have tentatively rescheduled the student retreat planned for January 2007 for Thursday, August 30th, 2007 in the College Center room #727/728. We don't think that snow and cold weather will interfere with this date!

There will be more information to come, but please mark this date on your calendars! We would like all students to attend this event to help kick off Fall Semester!

## Summer and Fall Registration

Have you registered for Summer and Fall Semesters yet? You can now register for both semesters!

If you have not made an advising appointment with your advisor, please call and make one soon! We would be happy to talk about your Summer and Fall class schedule.

Register now and make sure that you get the classes and times that you want!

If you have any questions about your schedule or registration, please call your advisor!



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<http://www.aims.edu/student/>

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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