WELCOME BACK, BOBCATS!
SPRING 2016

THE BOBCAT
ROUND ROCK CAMPUS MAGAZINE
RRC WORKSHOPS
FREE workshops are available to help you enhance your academic performance. Each month a variety of topics are covered during RRC workshops. Workshop categories include: Career Services, Lunch & Learn, Brilliant Bobcats, Writing Center, Financial Planning, and Health & Wellness. Workshops are held at a convenient time for working students. Please visit www.rrc.txstate.edu/resources/osc/workshops to see what workshops are coming up and register for those that interest you! We look forward to seeing you!

If you have suggestions for additional workshops you would like to see contact Alyssa Kroeker, ae1164@txstate.edu.

Student Leadership & Activities Organization (SLAO)
Enhance your resume, gain leadership skills and socialize with other RRC students at the same time! Join SLAO! We welcome students from all majors. If you would like more information about SLAO, please contact Alyssa Kroeker, SLAO Advisor, ae1164@txstate.edu.

WELCOME WEEK
Spring 2016
Welcome Back, Bobcats!
Stop by the Avery Building’s 2nd Floor Atrium on TUESDAY, JANUARY 19 - THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 5:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M. to pick up a FREE Texas State planner/handbook and FREE popcorn. For more information please contact Alyssa Kroeker, ae1164@txstate.edu.

STUDENT ORGANIZATION OPEN HOUSE
Discover ways to GET INVOLVED by attending the Student Organization Open House! WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 5:30 P.M - 6:30 P.M., AVERY BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR ATRIUM
Student organizations offer Texas State - RRC students the opportunity to network, enhance their resumes, develop leadership skills, and contribute within the community. The Student Organization Open House is the perfect way to learn about all RRC student organizations at once! For more information contact Alyssa Kroeker, ae1164@txstate.edu or visit rrc.txstate.edu/current/studentactivities.
RRC Library, It's Bigger Than You Think!

RRC Library patrons occasionally express (with mild dismay), "It's only one room! There aren't any books!"

Au-contraire! The front room with 9 new PCs, 2 large display computers, and long tables for big projects or collaborative work is barely half of what's available. We have nearly 1,500 books in our local collections, close to 100 DVDs, and plenty of computing space.

Where are these treasures? See that hallway inside your library, hiding in plain view so to speak? Down that hallway to your left are 2 rooms. The first room, 255C, a designated Quiet Study Room, houses our General, Juvenile, and Leisure Reading Collections, with desks, study carrels, and comfy chairs. The second room, 255D, our Learning Lab, contains 27 computers, for library instruction when reserved, otherwise open to all Texas State patrons.

So to take advantage of all the resources your RRC Library offers! COME IN AND FIND OUT MORE or visit the RRC Library webpage, http://rrc.library.txstate.edu/.

RRC Writing Center

The TXSTRRC Writing Center re-opens on January 25. The Writing Center is open to all currently enrolled Texas State students with a valid Texas State ID regardless of where you attend classes.

Spring 2016 Hours

Monday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Thursday 11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Friday 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

*Writing Center hours are subject to change*
Please check the RRC Writing Center website for changes.

The Power of Story: A Tribute to Dr. Tomás Rivera’s Legacy

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M., AVERY BUILDING, ROOM 252

Please join us to hear award-winning Mexican American young adult author Diana Lopez and Mexican American slam poet Zachary Caballero. Plus a welcoming performance by the Round Rock Ballet Folklorico. For more information click here.

This event is open and free to the public. Guests please park in events parking lot (southwest lot).

If you require accommodations due to a disability in order to participate, please contact 512.716.4007 at least 72 hours in advance of the event.

A special thanks to everyone that contributed to Project Angel Tree. All Caldwell Heights children were adopted by the generous support of the entire Round Rock Campus. Thank You!
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Teacher Certification Exam Information
Texas law requires every person seeking educator certification to perform satisfactorily on comprehensive exams. The purpose of these exams is to ensure that each educator has the necessary content and professional knowledge to perform effectively in Texas public schools. For information about the policies, test dates/deadlines, practice tests and reviews, study guides, and registration for the exam go to http://education.txstate.edu/oep and click on the “Certification Tests” tab at the top of the page.

Information Sessions for Prospective Post-Baccalaureate Students Seeking Teacher Certification
Information Sessions regarding the teacher preparation program are held throughout each semester. For more information go to: http://www.education.txstate.edu/ci/degrees-programs/graduate/Teacher-Recruitment-Program.html.

Teacher Recruitment Program
The Teacher Recruitment Program (TRP) is designed for mid-career adults who hold a baccalaureate degree and desire an accelerated program to attain teacher certification. The application deadline for Fall 2016 is March 1, 2016. Information and applications are available online at: http://www.education.txstate.edu/ci/degrees-programs/graduate/Teacher-Recruitment-Program.html.

Attention CMED and TRP Students
If you are planning to graduate May 2016, with your Masters degree, you must pass a written comprehensive exam. The exam is free, but you must pre-register. Go to this link for exam registration information: http://www.education.txstate.edu/ci/comps.html. For information on how to apply for graduation, graduation application deadlines, etc. go to: http://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/Current_Students/Graduation.html.

VETERAN AFFAIRS
• ***VA Certification Process*** Texas State VA Office does not accept paper documents. Students must use the VA Certification Request Application. Please be prepared to upload all required documents directly into Texas State’s secure document management system at the end of your application. BE SURE TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH SEMESTER IN WHICH YOU HAVE REGISTERED ALONG WITH YOUR MOST RECENT COE. For more information regarding what to submit, click here or contact Alyssa Kroeker, ae1164@txstate.edu.

• Interested in joining the RRC Veteran Fellowship? Contact Alyssa Kroeker, ae1164@txstate.edu. RRC Veteran Fellowship is a new, student organization that exists to support veterans.

• Disabled Veterans - Parking Permit fees are waived but you must provide documentation to Parking Services (Avery 250).

• Hazelwood Exemption and Legacy: Paperwork is due by the 12th class day if using these benefits for the first time.

Scholarship Opportunities
Each year, Financial Aid and Scholarships help over 25,000 Bobcats finance their education. A variety of assistance including grants, work-study, student and parent loans, scholarships and nonresident tuition and fee waivers are available. Regardless of your financial resources, attending Texas State is possible. Scholarship applications are available at the following website: finaid.txstate.edu/scholarships. Additional college scholarships and contests, are available at: everychanceeverytexas.org/funding/aid.

OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES
If you have documentation of a disability and want to register with the Office of Disability Services (ODS), you will need to complete a Confidential Student Information Form, available here.

RRC Office of Disability Services, 512.716.4007 or abg35@txstate.edu.

VISION: We will STRIVE to become a model program SERVING students with disabilities in higher education.

MISSION: We will ENSURE that students with disabilities have EQUAL ACCESS to all university programs and activities and provide students the opportunity to reach their FULL POTENTIAL.

STUDENT BUSINESS SERVICES (SBS) & FINANCIAL AID

Spring 2016
Late Registration
• January 4 - 14, 2016 $25 fee
• January 16 - 27, 2016, $100 fee
• **January 28 - February 3, $200 fee

** Requires Dean Approval

Payment Plan Deadlines
• 1st installment is due upon enrollment
• 2nd installment - Friday, March 4, 5:00 p.m.
• 3rd installment - Friday, April 1, 5:00 p.m.

University Loan Payment Deadlines
• Emergency Loan - Friday, April 1, 5:00 p.m.
• Short Term Loan - Friday, April 1, 5:00 p.m.

1098 - T Forms Available Online
Texas State University will no longer mail paper 1098-T forms. Two options are available to view or print your 1098-T form and financial addendum online.

For additional assistance, RRC students may contact Autumn Guel at 512.716.4007 or email at abg35@txstate.edu or visit the Student Business Services website: http://www.sbs.txstate.edu.

Join us on Twitter:
http://twitter.com/TexasStateRRHEC
# JANUARY 2016 ROUND ROCK CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

**ALL EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO** [www.rrc.txstate.edu/about/upcomingevents/featuredevents](http://www.rrc.txstate.edu/about/upcomingevents/featuredevents)

**TO VIEW AVERY BUILDING HOURS OF OPERATION, GO TO** [www.rrc.txstate.edu/about/hours/regularhours](http://www.rrc.txstate.edu/about/hours/regularhours)

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**Welcome Week: Popcorn & Planners, January 19 - January 21**, Avery 2nd Floor Atrium, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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Texas State University is an equal opportunity educational institution. This information is available in alternate format upon request from the Office of Disability Services.

The next student newsletter publication date is February 1. In order to promote your student organization, all submissions (information, articles, photos, etc.) must be emailed to ae1164@txstate.edu (Subject: Student Magazine) by 5:00 p.m. on January 25, 2015.