KEY DATES

12/6  Last Class Day
12/6  Book Buyback
12/6  Holiday Assistance Program– Items Due!
12/8  Final Exams
12/14
12/13  Book Buyback
12/14 & 12/15  Commencement in San Marcos
12/17  Begin Winter Intersession Hours
12/19  Grades Available

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Commencement

Congratulations to all students graduating this Fall! Commencement will take place December 14 - 15 at Strahan Coliseum. The schedule consists of:

Friday, December 14th
6 p.m. - McCoy College of Business Administration & College of Science and Engineering

Saturday, December 15th
10 a.m. - College of Education, & College of Health Professions
2 p.m. - College of Liberal Arts, & University College
6 p.m. - College of Fine Arts and Communication, & College of Applied Arts

Can’t attend the ceremony? Listen Live!
Audio of the commencement ceremonies can be streamed via the internet or on the iPhone using the Texas State Mobile iPhone App.

Project Angel Tree

As part of the continued partnership with Caldwell Heights Elementary School, the Round Rock Campus will participate in the holiday assistance program again this year by sponsoring children and families in need. If you are interested in sponsoring a child or donating a gift card ($10 minimum to HEB, Target, or Walmart), please stop by the One Stop Center to sign up. All items are due by Wednesday, December 5 at 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Jill Seidenberger, js213@txstate.edu.

On behalf of the Round Rock Campus and Caldwell Heights, THANK YOU for making a difference in the lives of these children!

Associated Student Government

In the Fall 2011, the Associated Student Government (ASG) added a 15th position on the Executive Cabinet for a student representative from the Round Rock Campus. Molly Foster was the first ASG representative for the Round Rock Campus (RRC).

We are currently seeking a Round Rock student to fill the position. The Associated Student Government acts as the voice for every Bobcat. The Senate consists of sixty senators that represent the on-campus, off-campus and academic college constituency. The responsibilities of the RRC Liaison include: must be enrolled in at least one class at the Round Rock campus, commit to two long semesters, represent the RRC student body at ASG functions, meetings, etc., attend required meetings in San Marcos, be available to RRC students and collect feedback, suggestions, praise, etc., remain in communication with ASG officers and RRC staff members, and attend RRC events as schedule allows. This position will provide valuable leadership experience that will truly enhance your resume. All ASG meetings are open so you as a student are able to learn about the issues you face and call attention to the items that are important to you. For more information about ASG, visit: http://www.asg.txstate.edu/ For more information about ASG at the Round Rock Campus, visit: http://www.rrc.txstate.edu/current/ASG.html If you are interested in this position, contact Jill Seidenberger, js213@txstate.edu.

Winter Intersession Hours

The Winter Intersession begins Monday, December 17, 2012 and concludes Sunday, January 13, 2013. Classes for Spring 2013 will commence Monday, January 14th. We hope everyone enjoys the holiday season and we look forward to seeing you all again soon at the RRC!
Christians at Texas State

Currently, we’re reading through the Gospel of John together as a group. Check out the responses below:

“I’ve enjoyed the Bible study at Texas State because the group has been able to teach me the Word in a whole new way and it has had a big impact on my Christian walk.”
- M. P., Criminal Justice

“This has been a great learning and fellowship opportunity that has helped me to grow in my personal development.”
- E. W., Business Administration

Like us on Facebook and get updates on opportunities to gather, fellowship and pray outside the Bible study time.

For additional info specific to Round Rock activities email Joe Jenkins at joejenkinson@gmail.com

Chi Sigma Iota

International Counseling Honor Society

Sigma Tau Sigma, the Texas State University Chapter of the Chi Sigma Iota International Counseling Honor Society, held a successful Internship Fair at the San Marcos campus for all Professional Counseling Program students in October. More than 20 counseling agencies met with prospective graduate level student interns. The students in our counseling program were able to network with the representatives and make connections for the future.

Chi Sigma Iota, Sigma Tau Sigma Chapter, is proud to announce that we will be holding a Spring Internship Fair at the Round Rock Campus. We are excited to bring the Professional Counseling Program Internship Fair to the Round Rock campus, and will provide more information soon.

We look forward to providing the Professional Counseling Program students with another opportunity to meet with local organizations, as well as a place to interact with counseling professionals from across the Central Texas area.

Recycling at the RRC

The RRC now recycles plastic bottles, cans, glass, paper and cardboard! All of these items can go into the SAME receptacle.

Texas State Book Buyback

Thu, December 6 & 13, 2012
11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Avery 206
Texas State ID required

Please note: These are the only two days this semester that book buyback will take place at the RRC.
**College of Education Announcements**

**Attention CMED and TRP Students**
If you are planning to graduate in May 2013 with your Masters degree, you must pass a written comprehensive exam. Comprehensive Exams are scheduled for Friday, February 27, 2013. You must pre-register for this exam. Go to this link for exam registration information: [http://www.education.txstate.edu/combine](http://www.education.txstate.edu/combine).

**TEXES Practice Exam Information**
Texas law requires that individuals seeking to become teachers in Texas must pass the TExES in order to become certified. In order to receive a barcode to take the TExES, one must first take the required practice exams. Spring 2013 TExES Practice Examinations will be held at RRC, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Avery 455, February 23, 2013, March 23, 2013, and April 27, 2013. There is no charge for the practice exam, but you must register online in advance at this address: [http://signup.txstate.edu/topics/148-texes-practice-exam-at-round-rock-campus](http://signup.txstate.edu/topics/148-texes-practice-exam-at-round-rock-campus).

**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/combine/teacher-recruitment-program.html](http://www.education.txstate.edu/combine/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 earn teaching certification. The deadline for Fall 2013 is March 1, 2013. Information and applications are available online: [http://www.education.txstate.edu/combine/teacher-recruitment-program.html](http://www.education.txstate.edu/combine/teacher-recruitment-program.html).

**Teacher Certification Exam Information**
Texas law requires every person seeking educator certification to perform satisfactorily on comprehensive examinations. The purpose of these examinations 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://www.education.txstate.edu/oep/](http://www.education.txstate.edu/oep/).

**Scholarship Seekers**
The application period for College of Education undergraduate and graduate departmental scholarships for Spring 2013 is closed. The application period for Fall 2013-Spring 2014 is January 1—February 1, 2013. For more information please go to our FAQ.

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**Mc Coy College of Business**

The McCoy College of Business Advising Center is happy to introduce you to our newest Academic Advisor, Amanda Brock! Amanda earned her Bachelor’s of Business Administration in Marketing at Texas State and worked for the University Bookstore as a student worker and marketing intern. Ms. Brock will be advising all Round Rock Recruitment Management students. For more information on scheduling an advising appointment with Amanda, please visit: [http://advising.mccoy.txstate.edu/about/RRVirtualAdvising.html](http://advising.mccoy.txstate.edu/about/RRVirtualAdvising.html).

An advisor will be on the Round Rock Campus the following dates: January 8th, February 19th & 25th, March 6th & 19th. The Round Rock Open Forum hosted by the Management Department will take place on February 13th.

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**Financial Aid**
The disbursement of Spring 2013 aid to your student account with Student Business Services begins January 4. Your aid is ready to disburse. To learn more, visit Receive My Aid (undergraduates and graduates). First day of Spring 2013 financial aid refunds is January 7. For more refund information, visit Student Business Services.

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**Veterans Affairs**
If you are using the GI Bill, please submit the VA Certification Request for Spring 2013 as soon as possible after you register.
Hazelwood Exemption and Legacy: If you attended Fall 2012, there is no need to submit paperwork for Hazelwood benefits. If you DO NOT plan to use the benefit, please email js213@txstate.edu as soon as possible. Check your bill prior to the payment deadlines to make sure your Hazelwood benefits are showing and to pay for any portion that your benefits do not cover.

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**Scholarships**
- **Continuing Scholarships** - applications will be available beginning January 1, 2013. To apply for a scholarship, you must complete and submit a Texas State Scholarship Application no later than March 1, 2013.
- **Graduate College Scholarship** information will post to the Graduate College website after December 1, 2012.
- **International Scholarships** – To apply submit your scholarship application via [www.applytexas.org](http://www.applytexas.org). Remember, you must be currently enrolled or admitted to Texas State by March 1, 2013 deadline in order to be considered for scholarships.
- **Transfer Scholarship** - To apply for transfer scholarships, you must complete and submit a scholarship application - including an essay of your choice. The scholarship application and essay topic (i.e., A, B, C, D or E) are available via Apply Texas at [www.applytexas.org](http://www.applytexas.org). You must submit all documents and be admitted to Texas State no later than March 1, 2013.

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**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 upon request) and provide a copy of your disability documentation to Autumn Guel, ODS Liaison, Avery 201. Students may contact Autumn by calling 512-716-4007 or by email at abg35@txstate.edu. For more information please view the website: [http://www.ods.txstate.edu/about/RRC.html](http://www.ods.txstate.edu/about/RRC.html).