

# Welcome to Academics @ Texas State

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# First things first...What happens tomorrow?

## Advising & Registration

- What is General Education Core Curriculum?
  - Gen Ed Core = 44 hours (17 classes)
  - Most majors require 33 hours (11 classes)
  - 15-17 hours = a four year plan
- What is safe to take back home?

<http://statecore.its.txstate.edu>

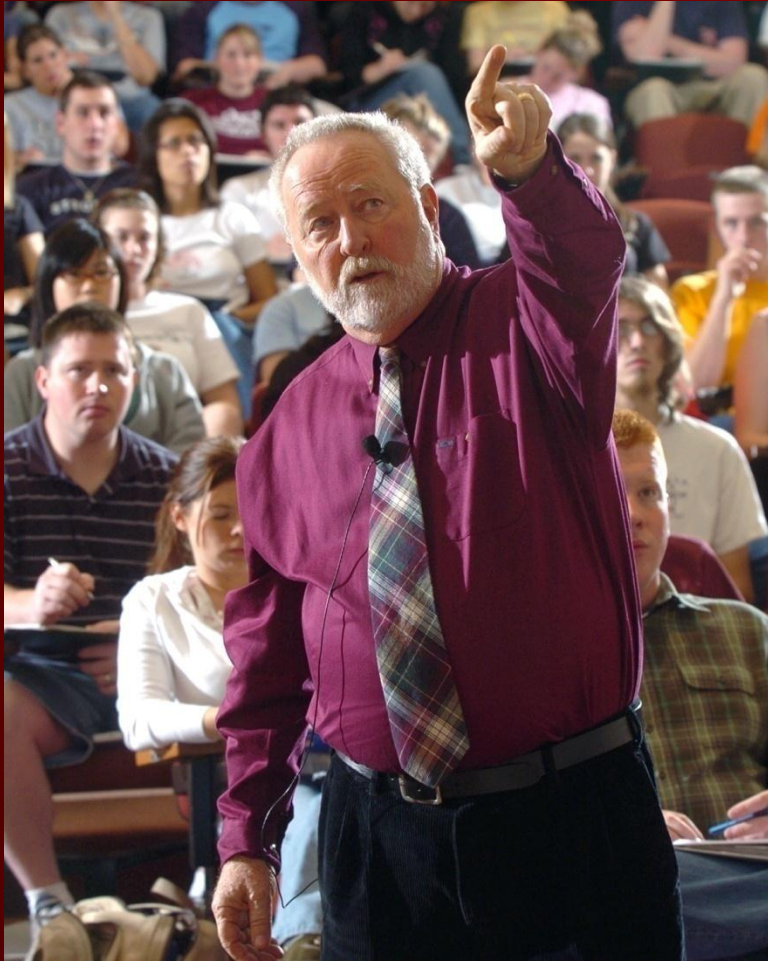
## University Honors College

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This slideshow is available online at  
[www.txstate.edu/slac](http://www.txstate.edu/slac) under Presentations.

# Glad you asked...



## Average class size?

- Ranges from 25-380
- Most classes average 60 students

## What's in a course syllabus?

- Faculty contact info, assignments, due dates, course policies, etc.
- Often available online (TRACS / faculty site/ HB 2504 Site)

## Attendance policies?

- Vary from class to class
- Daily attendance helps! (so does planning ahead)

# How many tests does it take...?

## Dual Credit/AP/CLEP

- What's the difference?
- Find testing info at the Testing and Research-Evaluation Center (TREC)

[www.txstate.edu/trec](http://www.txstate.edu/trec)

Academic Services Building, 303  
512-245-2276

## THEA

- Developmental course may appear on task list.
- If course appears to be mistake, check with:  
Texas Success Initiative Program (TSIP)  
Dr. Jacqueline Cooper, Director  
Undergrad Academic Center, Room 125  
512-245-3942

## Math Placement Test

- Free while here for orientation
- Visit TREC for more information



# A Few Last Surprises...

## Access to Grades

- Buckley Amendment
- How do I (legally) access this info?
  - Visit [www.registrar.txstate.edu](http://www.registrar.txstate.edu) and click on Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA)

## The Dropsies & Repeats

- The Dropsies: The Six Drop Rule
- Repeats: Third time is NOT a charm.



# What else do I need to know?

**Parent's Webasker**

**Office Hours**

**Ask questions & seek help!**

**PAWS Preview**

**Registration / Check In: August 20, 2012**

**Event: August 21-23, 2012**

**[www.pawspreview.txstate.edu](http://www.pawspreview.txstate.edu)**

**Advising Centers**

**Contact info for all advising centers:**

**[www.txstate.edu/ucollege/advising](http://www.txstate.edu/ucollege/advising)**



# Summer Reading Program

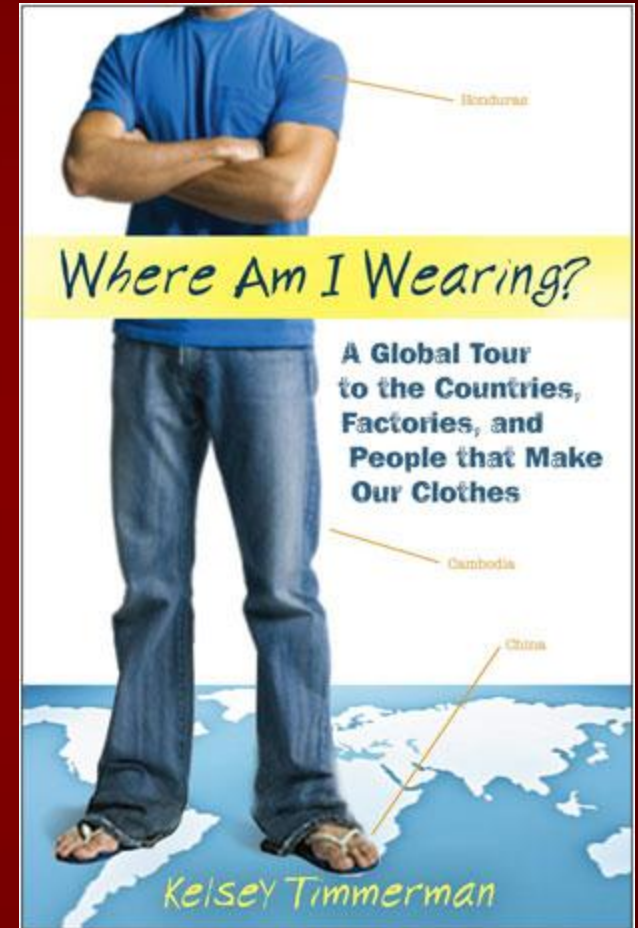
## 2012-2013

- Theme: “Global Odyssey: Exploring Connections to a Changing World”
- Featured Speakers: Kelsey Timmerman  
Ethan Zuckerman of Global Voices

Previous Themes: Hatred, Courage, LBJ, Protest & Dissent, Sustainability, Freedoms & the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment.

Previous Speakers: Maya Angelou, Edward James Olmos, Spike Lee, Isabel Allende, Erin Brockovich, Soledad O’Brien.

*“The world has changed since I last visited Honduras and stood in front of the factory where my T-shirt was made.”*  
-- Kelsey Timmerman



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# Send us your slackers...er...SLACers



## SLAC Resources

- SLAC Learning Lab
- Supplemental Instruction (SI)
- OWL
- Online Test Preparation
- Study Skills Handouts
- Presentations/Outreach

## Student Learning Assistance Center (SLAC)

Alkek Library, Suite 411

512-245-2515 (ofc) 512-245-2996 (lab)

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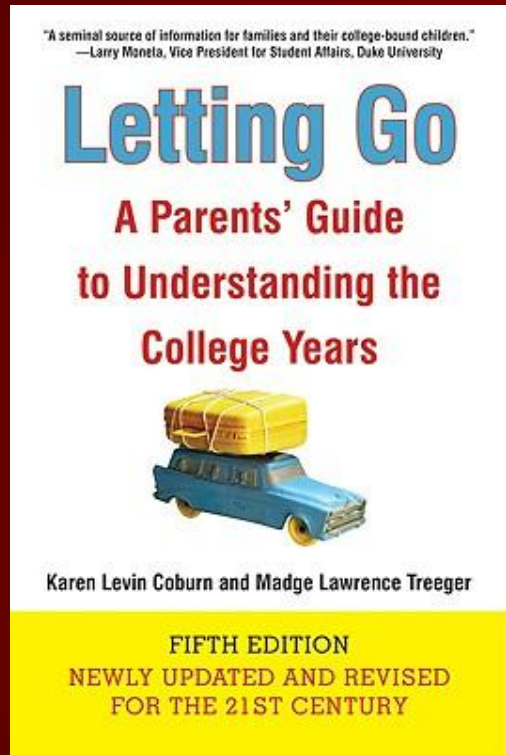
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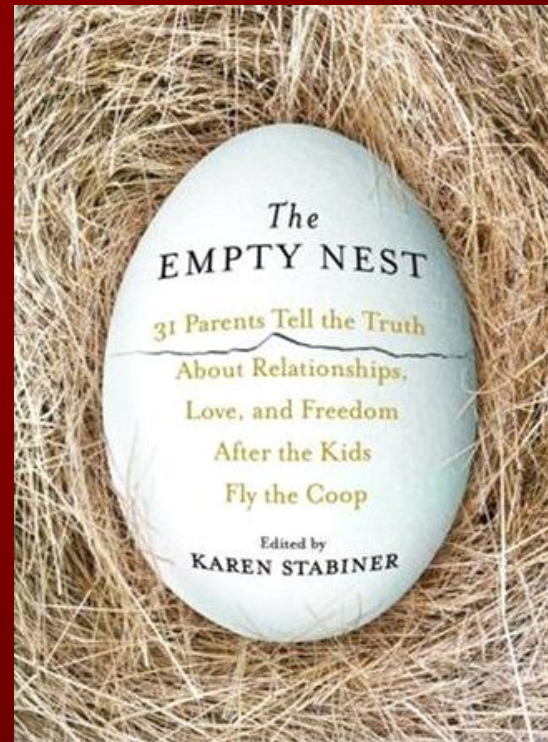


# A little parental bedtime reading...



## The Empty Nest by Karen Stabiner

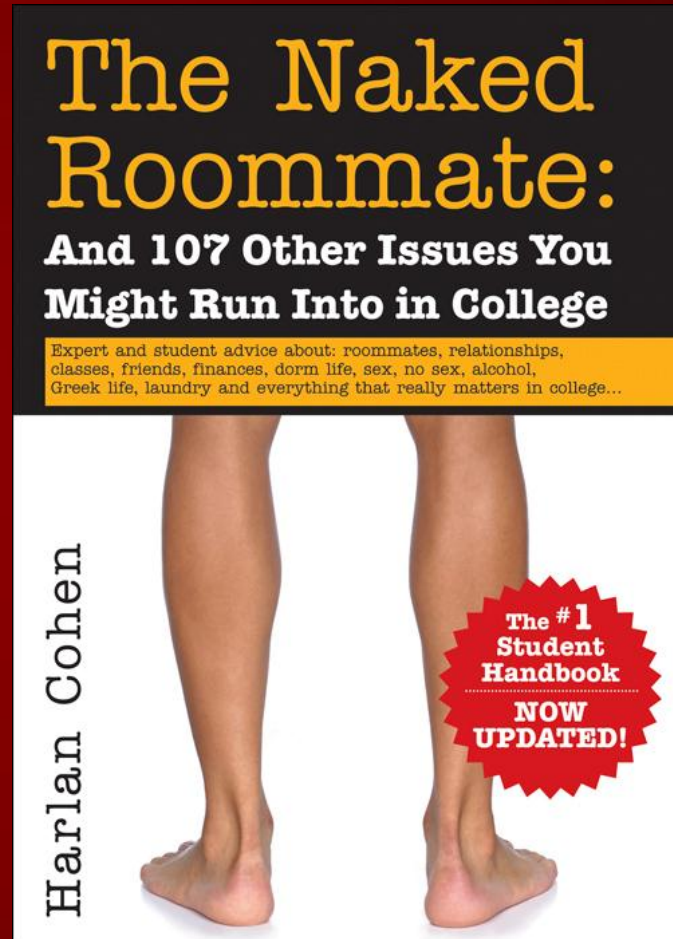
Letting Go: A Parent's Guide to  
Understanding the College Years  
by Karen Coburn & Madge Treeger



And for the student reader...

The Naked Roommate: And 107 Other  
Issues You Might Run Into in College

by Harlan Cohen





**THANKS  
for joining  
us!**

**Other Questions?  
Something we've missed?**

