Writing Center Workshop

Need help writing that essay? The RRHEC Writing Center will offer a workshop entitled, “20 Most Common Errors Writers Make”. The workshop will be held on July 6 from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in Avery 203.

Food will be provided but you must RSVP to Jill Seidenberger, js213@txstate.edu by Noon on Tuesday, July 5.

All majors are welcome to attend. Walk-ins are also welcome! However, food will be limited to those with reservations.

Time Management/Test Preparation Workshop

Get started off on the right foot this semester! The Student Learning and Assistance Center (SLAC) may be able to help you achieve your goals.

Join fellow classmates for a workshop on Time Management/Test Preparation/Test-Taking Strategies.

July 12 - Avery 221
5:30-6:20 p.m. OR 6:40-7:30 p.m.

Learn how to maximize your effectiveness during your job search. Be sure to mark your calendar for July 13 and/or August 2.

August 2
5:00-5:50 p.m. - Resumes and Cover Letters
6:00-6:50 p.m. - How to Network and Brand Yourself

All sessions will take place in Avery 221. All majors are welcome to attend.

Food will be provided (you must RSVP). Your RSVP must be received by Noon on Monday, July 11 for the July 13 session and by Noon on Friday, July 29 for the August 2 session. RSVP to Jill Seidenberger, js213@txstate.edu. Please specify which session you plan to attend. Walk-ins are welcome. However, food will be limited to those with reservations.

Career Services Workshop

Over 126 Texas State Round Rock Veterans/Dependents and family members attended the Military Appreciation Night at the Dell Diamond on June 27. A special thank you to Bluebonnet Trails, Veteran Outdoors, Texas Veterans Commission, TexVet Partners Across Texas, Texas Veterans Leadership Program, Heroes Night Out, and Round Rock Express for making this happen.

A great time was had by all!
Veterans—Thank you for your service!
Prospective Post-Baccalaureate Students Seeking Teacher Certification

Texas State University-San Marcos offers a traditional teacher education preparation program. The program requires students to complete university-based coursework, field experience in the public schools, one semester of full-time unpaid student teaching and state mandated certification examinations in order to be recommended for a teaching certification. Information sessions regarding the teacher preparation program are held throughout each semester. In order to be accepted into a teacher preparation program in the College of Education, you must first attend an information session. For more information go to: http://www.education.txstate.edu/oep/students/post-baccalaureate-seeking-teaching-certification.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/oep-links/texes.html

Certification

Students Seeking Teacher Certification

For more information, contact Marina Claxton, mc1645@txstate.edu.

Volunteer Opportunity

RRISD STARS Mentor Program

You can make a positive difference in a young child’s life!

Want to be a mentor for Caldwell Heights Elementary School?

Just 30 minutes a week during the 2011-2012 academic could make a difference in the life of an elementary school student. If interested in volunteering, email Jill Seidenberger, js213@txstate.edu with your contact information.

The STARS Mentor Program is a school-based program encompassing students in grades K-12. The Mentor program provides an opportunity for business and community volunteers to improve student academic attitude and enhance their school experience by acting as a positive role model, building a friendship and exploring college and career opportunities. For more information about the program, visit the Stars Mentor Program website at http://www.roundrockisd.org/index.aspx?page=3694

Student Leadership and Activities Organization

Calling all majors! We would like to have all majors represented in the Student Leadership and Activities Organization (SLAO). We welcome your ideas. The next SLAO meeting will take place on Tuesday, July 12 from 9:00 a.m.-Noon (food provided) to plan for the 2011-2012 academic year and to put together a display board. Feeling creative? Come join us! For more information, contact Marina Claxton, mc1645@txstate.edu.

Interested in the Psychology Association?

The RRHEC Psychology Association is an undergraduate group for students of all majors interested in the field of psychology. The purpose of the association is to provide opportunities for networking, volunteerism, professional development, and to learn about special topics in psychology.

If you are interested in joining, please contact Molly Foster (mf1237@txstate.edu) or Dr. Cordaro (mc71@txstate.edu).

RRHEC Psychology Association

Education Information

In order to receive a barcode to take the TExES, one must first take the required practice exams. EC-6 ESL Generalist candidates take the required TExES practice exams the semester prior to student teaching. Secondary candidates must pass the real TExES content exam prior to student teaching and may take the EC-12 PPR during the student teaching semester. TExES Practice Exams are given at RRHEC in the following areas: EC-12 PPR, EC-6 Bilingual Generalist, 4-8 Generalist, 4-8 Eng/LA/Rdg/SS, 4-8 Eng/LA/Rdg, 4-8 Math, 4-8 Science, 4-8 Math/Science, Generic Special Education. For more information related to practice exams go to: http://www.education.txstate.edu/oep/oep-links/texes/texes-certificate-testing-announcements/Practice-Tests.html

Nursing Students Visit Arthur Storer Toastmasters Club

Arthur Storer Toastmasters Club members were excited to meet our future nurses (shown in the photo displaying the “Heart of Texas State” hand sign). Our students, who are part of Texas State’s first Nursing class, learned that Toastmasters offers them an opportunity to enhance their communication and leadership skills. The students were invited by Josie H. Zamora, RN CNS-BC, APRN/Assistant Clinical Professor at the school of nursing. Fun was had by all!
Veterans Support Group

Who knows the emotional needs of veterans better than a fellow veteran? The answer is only a veteran. You were there and now you’re home, but for some the battle goes on.

Here’s where you come in. Veterans Peer to Peer Counseling is a nontraditional, nonclinical opportunity for veterans to seek counseling for the issues that only veterans and returning service members understand. Sometimes the best way to bring about healing and understanding comes by knowing that the person listening has had the same experiences. Your experience can make the difference.

We invite our brothers and sisters to participate. Peer to Peer Meetings are held on Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 p.m., Avery 367. Please contact Jarod Myers, Certified Peer Specialist at 512-550-6653 or jarod.myers@bbtrails.org with any questions. For additional information, please visit: https://www.texvet.org/peer-peer-support/what-peer-peer-support

Group Tour Guides Needed

Interested in leading group tours for new students and visitors? You will receive a Texas State Oxford shirt in exchange for your commitment to provide at least three tours throughout the 2011-2012 academic year. Please contact Jill Seidenberger, js213@txstate.edu for more information.

RRHEC Closed July 4th

The Round Rock Higher Education Center will be closed Monday, July 4th in honor of Independence Day. The Avery Building will be reopen Tuesday, July 5 at 7:30 a.m.

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 deadline for Spring 2012 application is September 1, 2011. The deadline for Fall 2012 application is March 1, 2012.

Information is available online at: http://www.education.txstate.edu/cci/degrees-programs/graduate/Teacher-Recruitment-Program.html

To sign up to attend an information session go to: http://www.education.txstate.edu/cci/degrees-programs/graduate/Teacher-Recruitment-Program/info/session/info-session-july-2011.html

To apply go to: http://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/

Management with Entrepreneurial Concentration

Texas State Round Rock will offer the undergraduate Management degree with Entrepreneurial Concentration as of Spring 2012! The program requires the same number of hours as the Management degree but requires four Entrepreneurship courses.

Visit http://advising.mccoys.txstate.edu/resources/roundrock.html under the Degree Planning link to review the Entrepreneurship degree plan.

Student Business Services

With the implementation of the new Student Information System for Fall 2011, Texas State is able to offer timely, cost effective, and efficient billing and payment processing options to our students. Login to the Student Business Services (SBS) Website at http://www.sbs.txstate.edu/new-sbs.html to keep current with the upcoming changes. Topics covered on the SBS site include:

What’s New for Fall 2011
Fall 2011 Payment Options
Policy Changes
Tuition and Fees
Fall 2011 Billing & Payment Information
Late Registration Fees

SLAC Study Tips

Steps to successful note-taking:
Step 1: Pre-read relevant reading assignments to acquaint yourself with main ideas, new technical terms, etc.
Step 2: Pay close attention to the first and last 10-15 minutes of class (previous lecture material is often reviewed during this time).
Step 3: Take notes in semi-outline form and paraphrase the lecturer. Write efficiently and legibly, but doesn’t need to be perfect.
Step 4: Review notes as soon as possible after class (within 24 hours) as well as periodically before the test.

For more tips, visit http://www.txstate.edu/slac

Veterans Affairs

Be sure to submit the VA certification request for Fall 2011 once you register. If you are receiving the Hazlewood Exemption, you will need to submit the appropriate Hazlewood Application and Hazlewood Exemption Request Form for every semester you enroll. Hazlewood documents must be turned in by September 9 for Fall.

Disabled Veterans – Disabled Veterans are exempt from parking permit fees, but still must register their vehicle with Parking Services in Avery 250.

For additional information regarding benefits, please visit: http://www.va.txstate.edu/
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If you require an accommodation (information in alternate format, sign language interpreting), due to a disability, contact Cecilia Ortiz, co18@txstate.edu or 716-4007. Accommodation requests should be made at least 72 hours in advance of the program start time to ensure availability.

The next student newsletter publication date is August 1. In order to promote your student organization, all submissions (information, articles, photos, etc.) must be emailed to sara.moore@txstate.edu (Subject: Student Newsletter) by 6 p.m. on Friday, July 15.