January 2014

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Scholarship Application Reminders
NOW is the time to apply for scholarships for the 2014-2015 Academic Year. Please review the TRiO FESP November 2013 Newsletter for more information or contact a FESP Staff Member today for assistance.

1. **CoEHD Undergraduate Scholarships**: The CoEHD has a variety of scholarships available to undergraduate students. The awesome part of this is that you only have to complete ONE application packet to be considered for all eligible scholarships! Applications are due January 10, 2014. For more information go to: http://www.wmich.edu/education/scholarships/

2. **WMU Endowment Scholarships**: There are several scholarships and you will need to read the eligibility requirements for each one. Please note that you will need to complete ONLY ONE application and will be given the option to select the scholarships in which you want to be considered. Applications are due February 15, 2014. For more information go to: http://wmich.edu/finaid/undergrad/scholarships/endowed-details.html

“Everyone teaches, everyone learns” - unknown
The Western Experience
TRiO FESP is piloting a program called The Western Experience in collaboration with Albion Public Schools. The Western Experience will expose young learners to a college going culture which can enhance their development of short and long term academic, career and lifelong goals.

In addition, partnering with Albion Public Schools will be equally beneficial to TRiO FESP participants. This is an opportunity to host 7th and 8th graders on WMU’s main campus and provide our teacher education candidates with structured, experiential and hands-on interaction with young learners to enhance their confidence and feeling of preparedness as well as allow them to have additional guided practice with student supervision and classroom management.

TRiO FESP student volunteers will accompany Albion 7th and 8th graders during the events and activities hosted by the Office of Diversity and Inclusion on January 18. The theme of the ODI’S 2014 Public School Visitation Program is “Past, Present, and Future: Living the Dream.” The Western Experience will allow Albion Public School Students and TRiO FESP Students an opportunity to gain experience and knowledge.

Friday Workshops for Future Teachers
These FREE workshops will provide future educators with additional skill building through the use of the Gallup Teach With Your Strengths Curriculum, coaching and guidance from current pre-K-12 educators and self-awareness/evaluation activities. We encourage students to take advantage of this opportunity to have additional support and assistance throughout your educational journey. These workshops will be held Friday afternoons, starting January 17 2014.

These workshops and other experiential learning opportunities allow students to make connections and put into practice knowledge and information from WMU courses. Contact Marcy or stop by the TRiO FESP Office for more information.
Important Dates

January 8       Spring Semester Begins
January 8-10    Spring 2014 One Stop
January 10      COEHD Scholarship Applications due
January 14      Last Day to drop/add classes with no penalty/fees
January 18      TRiO FESP & Albion Public Schools—The Western Experience
January 20      Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. - University CLOSED
February 5-7    TRiO FESP Staff out of office — TRiO Office OPEN 8-5
February 9      College Goal Sunday—FAFSA Assistance
February 15     WMU Endowment Scholarship Applications due

Do you need assistance completing your FAFSA? Then keep reading!

College Goal Sunday—FREE!
WHEN: Sunday, February 9, 2014 from 2-4 p.m
WHERE: WMU’S Schneider Hall

Financial Aid professionals will be available to answer questions and offer assistance to complete your FAFSA. Everyone is eligible for some type of financial aid, but you need to file the FAFSA.

Visit the website for more information and a list of documents to bring with you:
www.micollegegoal.org

Financial Aid Tip
Please note that if your grade level has changed to Sophomore, Junior or Senior status during the academic year, you will need to complete a Student Financial Aid Adjustment Form to possibly adjust and/or increase your financial aid package. Please contact Bronco Express for more information:

http://www.wmich.edu/broncoexpress/ or (269) 387-6000
Congratulations to our TRiO FESP December Graduates!

Kendra Carr
Christopher Cowles
Douglas Diamond
Heather Miller
Desiray Moses
Dez’Raii Phillips
Timothy Reid
Erica Root
Steven Smith

TRiO FESP Students who earned a spot on the WMU Fall 2013 Dean’s List

Peri A.  Stephanie L.
Tyler B.  Brooklynn M.
Brandy B.  Amanda M.
Micah C.  Ella’ N.
Jazmin D.  Jennifer N.
Maura D.  Bianca P.
Rebecca F.  Lauralee R.
Marina G.  Kacey R.
Michelle G.  Sarah R.
Ivelise H.  Taylor S.
Nicole H.  Audreanna S.
Cassondra H.  Riley S.
Ciera H.  Deon W.
Samantha H.  Bridget W.

Please let us know if we inadvertently missed your name—it was only due to human error and we will correct this in our February Newsletter.

TRiO FESP would like to send a special CONGRATULATIONS to TRiO FESP Senior Jesse Washington-Braggs and TRiO FESP Alum Nicolette Alston on their recent engagement.

CONGRATULATIONS!
To Receive Priority Registration for Summer I, II and/or Fall 2014:

1. The following assessments must be completed, results submitted and reviewed with a FESP Staff Member and your Spring 2014 Individual Student Development Plan (ISDP) must be completed and signed. All active FESP students must complete an updated ISDP each semester. Links to the assessments are below.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED & SUBMITTED THE ASSESSMENTS, YOU DO NOT EVER NEED TO DO THEM AGAIN

Learning Styles:

Jump$tart Fiancial Literacy Quiz:

College Student Inventory:

Student Success:

2. Complete an appointment and Spring 2014 ISDP with a FESP Advisor during Spring 2014.

3. Attend ONE of the workshops OR complete ONE on line module. If you completed an online module in the past, you need to complete and submit a different module during Spring 2014.

PLEASE NOTE: Workshop options and on line module options are listed on the next page.
Workshop Options During Spring 2014

College Success Seminars: Spring 2014 Schedule Not Yet Available. Check link below.

Topics Include: Note Taking Strategies, Textbook Reading Strategies, Test Taking Strategies, College Vocabulary Development, Reconciling Your Learning Style with Your Prof’s Teaching Style, Increasing Your Reading Rate, Time Management Techniques & Tips, Navigating E-Learning, Coping with Test Anxiety and Research Reading for College Literature Reviews.

If you attend any College Success Seminars, you will need to pick up a verification form in the TRiO FESP Office prior to attending and return it after attending. The Spring 2014 Schedule will be posted soon at: http://www.wmich.edu/tutoring/services/college-success-seminars.html

OR

If you prefer to do an on line module, you will need to pick one of the following and complete then submit the evaluation at the end of the module to the TRiO FESP Office:

- MODULE 1 – WHAT IS TUTORING?
  http://archive.austinisd.org/community/communityed/victory/docs/Module1.pdf

- MODULE 2 – THE SOCRATIC QUESTIONING MODEL
  http://archive.austinisd.org/community/communityed/victory/docs/Module2.pdf

- MODULE 3 – LEARNING STYLES
  http://archive.austinisd.org/community/communityed/victory/docs/Module3.pdf

- MODULE 4 – COMMUNICATION AND LISTENING SKILLS

- MODULE 5 – CRITICAL THINKING
  http://archive.austinisd.org/community/communityed/victory/docs/Module5.pdf

- MODULE 6 – TEST TAKING TIPS

- MODULE 7 – NOTE TAKING TIPS
  http://archive.austinisd.org/community/communityed/victory/docs/Module7.pdf

- MODULE 8 – MEMORY TIPS AND TRICKS
  http://archive.austinisd.org/community/communityed/victory/docs/Module8.pdf

- MODULE 9 – TIME MANAGEMENT

- MODULE 10 – LEARNING DISABILITIES
PLEASE TAKE ADVANTAGE OF EARNING PRIORITY REGISTRATION!

Earning priority registration is an advantage that is made available to TRiO FESP Students to assist with securing particular courses and easing the registration process. We want to assist you early with selecting your courses to save you time, energy and money so come see us soon and earn priority registration!