

SERVICES

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Important Reminders

- Communicate with your SSS advisor on a regular basis. We want to know how you are doing.
- Check your mailbox in the SSS office weekly. Information, announcements, and sometimes a surprise will be placed in your box.
- It is not too late to apply for Pell Grant funds. Apply online @ <u>https://www.fafsa.ed.gov/</u>

Dates to Remember

<u>October</u>

Classes End (First Session)	12
No Classes-Fall Break	14-18
Classes Begin (Second Session)	19
Schedule Adjustment (Second Session Only)	19-20
10 week check in	19-23
Last Day to w/draw student initiated (Full Session	on)29
Commencement Applications Due	30

<u>November</u>

Registration Begins for Spring 2016	9
Last Day to Request a Tutor	17
Last Day to w/draw student initiated (2nd Session)	24
No Classes-Thanksgiving	25
College Closed-Thanksgiving2	26-29



Surround Yourself With People Who Help You Succeed

I recently watched an inspiring video focused on the importance of surrounding yourself with people who can help you succeed. Entrepreneur Jim Rohn stated that "you are the average of the five people you spend the most time with." Surround yourself with people who are passionate about life. The people you have in your corner can make the difference between achieving your dreams, or not. Student Support Services is in your corner and our mission is helping you achieve your goals. We can only do that if you communicate with us regularly and utilize our numerous resources. Take advantage of all that SCC and SSS has to offer. Our collective strength and spirit can help you soar to new heights.

Supplemental Grant Aid Applications Due November 6

Student Support Services is now accepting applications for 2015-16 Supplemental Grant Aid Awards. Applications have been emailed to your SCC email account and are also available in Student Support Services. Completed applications must be submitted by November 6.

New Participation Incentive Program

Student Support Services is introducing an incentive program in 2015-16 that is structured to reward active participation in SSS. Students who meet the eligibility criteria will be entered into a drawing for the grand prize of a Dell Venue 7 Tablet (7" screen). To be entered in the drawing students must: meet with their advisor the minimum number of times each semester (five times for first year students, three times for second year); be enrolled at least half-time (6 hours a semester); participate in an enrichment activity; complete an SSS survey during the fall and spring semesters; remain in good academic and conduct standing at SCC; be registered for the summer/fall semester of 2016, or graduate in the spring 2016 semester, or be accepted for transfer to a four-year institution. The names of all eligible students will be entered into a drawing which will be held after April 20, 2016.

4-Year College & Scholarship Guides Available in SSS

Are you looking for the right four-year college to transfer to? Do you need additional scholarships? SSS has the 2016 Peterson's Guides to four-year colleges as well as for scholarships. Don't miss out! Learn about the many opportunities available.



Free Tutoring!

Are you feeling challenged by a course (or two)? Request a tutor.....It's EASY! It's FREE! Tutor requests continue throughout the semester. The last day to request a Tutor is *Tuesday, November 17!* For more information contact Laurie Butler, (828) 339-4231, Email: Laurie@southwesterncc.edu (or online at www.southwesterncc.edu/tutor-program)



WCU Transfer Day

WCU Transfer day for SSS students is Thursday, November 12th. Sign up in the Student Support Services Office. The deadline to register is October 20th. Visits are scheduled for 9am & 1pm and include department information sessions, a campus tour and a faculty advising session.

Pre-Health Professional Workshop

If you are considering a career in medicine, physical therapy, veterinary medicine, pharmacy, athletic training, nursing (BSN or beyond) – among others – you don't want to miss the Pre-Health Professional workshop scheduled for Thursday, October 29 from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. The focus will be on careers that require at least a bachelor's degree. Details/registration are available in the SSS office. Seating is limited, so you must register by October 22 to attend.

If you anticipate transferring to a four year college/university in Spring 2016, **make sure you know the application deadlines for the school(s) you are considering.** For more information about the application process contact Mary Lockey at (828) 339-4198 or email m_lockey@southwesterncc.edu

Spring 2016 Registration

Registration for the spring semester begins Monday, November 9. Contact your advisor now to set up an appointment.



SSS Gardening Club

The Student Support Services Gardening Club is the newest club at SCC! We are growing vegetables and herbs at a garden plot in Cullowhee Community Garden. Half of what we grow will be donated to support hunger relief efforts in SCC's service area. Club members will be able to enjoy the rest. Membership in the club will require approximately two hours of volunteer time a month. Contact Susan at 339-4420 to sign up.