Division of Student Services

American Samoa Community College

411 Newsletter

There are no shortcuts to anywhere worth going

Spring 2013-February 19, 2013

Campus News

2/4-3/22	Withdrawal Period to		
	Receive a "W"		

- 2/11-3/8 Administrative Drop
 - 2/18 HOLIDAY-Presidents Day
 - 2/22 2013 Spring Semester Graduation Application Deadline

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Important Announcement for Prospective Graduates



SMART CHOICES!!!

Now that you have the hassle of adding and dropping classes out of the way, hopefully, you can now get your focus on ⁽²⁾ The beginning of the semester always looks promising. Your slate is clean and from this point forward, its all about what is expected from you by your instructors. The best way to keep ahead is to stay focused and keep the communication line open between you and your instructor. If you don't understand it, ASK for clarification. If you're too shy to ask, stay back after class and ask. Don't rely on "I'll figure it out", or "I'll catch on". This attitude will only lead to more bad habits, and before you know it, you're not doing so well.

GOOD LUCK & ENJOY YOUR WEEK OF SCHOOL ©

Announcements

If you would like to make announcements via the 411 Campus Newsletter, please see Deidra Saelua at the S.L.A.Center, or you can email: <u>d.saelua@amsamoa.cdu</u> or call 699-9155 ext.461

Courtesy of Student Services



DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES

We here at Student Services are dedicated to providing each student with quality services and assistance in any of our respective areas.

Counseling

>DIVERSITY & TUTORIAL COUNSELING

If you are experiencing trouble with your academics, feel free to stop by the Diversity & Tutorial Counselors office-Annie Panama, or email her at <u>a.panama@amsamoa.edu</u> or ext.326.

>CAREER COUNSELING

Students seeking assistance in resume writing or job coaching are encouraged to visit the Career Counselor-Feleni Petelo or contact her via email: <u>f.petelo@amsamoa.edu</u> or via interoffice extension: 362

If you have any problems seeing any of the counselors in person, you can email them, or schedule an appointment with Ms. Sina Hudson at the Dean of Student Services Office.

HOURS: M-F 8:00-3:30

Students who may need tutoring through out the semester are highly encouraged to visit the SLACenter.

Tutorials are FREE and appointments are made with Mrs. Lydian Tinitali: <u>1.tinitali@amsamoa.edu</u>, or any of the staff members at the SLACenter.

If you have any additional questions please stop by the SLACenter and talk to Lydian Tinitali, Isaako Amosa, or Dacia Taleni, or call 699-9155 ext.479.



>CACGP OUTREACH COORDINATOR

If you would like to setup an outreach session for a local high school, village, community, or church organization to discuss transitioning to college and Financial Aid, stop by the SLA Center and see Mrs. Mana'o Satele-Vaovasa, or you can email her at m.vaovasa@amsamoa.edu, or via interoffice extension: 478.

VETERANS AFFAIRS



VA Student Services Coordinator/ Student Employment (Non-Pell)

Public Law 112-56, VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2012

On November 21, 2011, the President signed Public Law 112-56, the VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011. Included in the Law is the Veterans Retraining Program for unemployed veterans. VA and the Department of Labor (DoL) are working together to roll out this new program on July 1, 2012.

A brief summary of the new law is outlined below:

- Be between the ages of 35-60
- Be unemployed (as determined by DoL) with special consideration given to veterans who have been unemployed for more than 26 weeks
- Have any other than a dishonorable discharge.
- Not eligible for any other VA educational benefit program (e.g. the Post 9/11 GI Bill, Montgomery GI Bill, and Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Assistance).
- Not be in receipt of VA compensation due to unemployability.
- Not be enrolled in a federal or state job training program.

This program is limited to 99,000 participants who may receive up to 12 months of payments 2t the full-time Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty rate (currently \$1,473 per month). Participants must be enrolled in a VA approved program of education offered by a community college or technical school. The program must lead to an associate degree, non-college degree, or a certification and train the veteran for high demand occupation.

Applications will be submitted through DoL and benefits paid by VA. DoL will provide employment assistance to every veteran who participates, upon completion of their program. Note: The key is...must be enrolled in a VA approved program of education offered by a Community College or Technical School as stated above. The program begins July 1, 2012. Please visit the GI Bill website www.gibill.va.gov or GI Bill Facebook page for more details on when, where and how to apply.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!!!

THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT GRADUATION APPLICATIONS FOR SPRING 2013 IS February 22, 2013. PLEASE SEE MRS. PEKA LEUMA FOR APPLICATION DETAILS.

CLASSROOM(S) POLICY:

Please be advised that students are not allowed in any of the classrooms without a teacher or advisor present.



Don't miss out on a great opportunity to receive extra cash for school!!

IN-HOUSE SCHOLARSHIPS

SGA Saili le Atamai\$500Presidential Merit Scholarship\$500

Applications are now available. Deadline to submit your application is February 28, 2013! Stop by the Dean of Student Services offices to pick up an application!!

URM - Undergraduate Research and Mentoring In the Biological Sciences

URM - Environmental Biology in the Pacific Islands seeks to increase the number of Pacific Islanders pursuing bachelors and advanced degrees by recruiting and training promising students from the islands of Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianna Islands, and the U.S. Compact-of-Free-Association Micronesian states (Republic of Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, and Republic of the Marshall Islands) in modern approaches to environmental biology.

For more information please see: <u>http://www5.pbrc.hawaii.edu/urm/</u>



McDonald's American Samoa Scholarship Awards

Need help with college tuition? McDonald's American Samoa proudly announces the following scholarship awards for the 2013-2014 academic year:

- Four (4) \$1,200 Scholarship Awards to qualified applicants to attend the American Samoa Community College (ASCC)
- One (1) \$8,000 Scholarship Award to a qualified applicant who has completed the required courses for an AA degree at ASCC and is continuing his/her degree program at an accredited U.S. college/university

Applications are available at McDonald's Head Office, Nuuuli, beginning Feb 11, 2013, between 2pm and 4pm Monday - Friday.

Deadline for turning in applications is Friday, April 19, 2013, at 4pm at McDonald's Head Office.

For more information, please contact Evelyn Gebauer at 699-8699 or Dolores T Galear at 699-1520.

PREL Teacher Scholarship

Applications are now open for the PREL Teacher Scholarship for Fall 2013. Scholarships are awarded to students who are enrolled in a teacher preparation program. Applicants must reside in American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands (CNMI), the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM), Guam, the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI), or the Republic of Palau, be a 2nd, 3rd, or 4th year student at an accredited college or university, be a student in good standing, and intend to teach in a school in the U.S.-affiliated Pacific.

*Please see attached application for details.

Paid Marine Science Summer Internships in Hawaii

PIFSC Young Scientist Opportunity

The PIFSC Young Scientist Opportunity (PYSO) is a collaborative program between PIFSC and the Joint Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research (JIMAR) at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. This program offers qualified participants professional scientific research experience and formal training opportunities tailored to meet their educational and professional goals and interests.

For more information, please see: <u>http://www.pifsc.noaa.gov/pyso/</u>

**Note: this internship does not provide travel or housing support, however if you are accepted into this program travel support can be applied for through the ASCC LSAMP program. Please see Kelley Anderson Tagarino or Victor Ualesi for more information on ASCC LSAMP program.

Student Support Services (SSS)

We offer FREE tutorial services, academic and personal counseling for all SSS active & alumni participants Tutorial/Computer Lab opens 7:30-3:30pm

Tutorial Services-

ELI & Remedial Math students interested in tutorial sessions, visit SSS Lab (ELI Building) or contact the SSS Tutor Coordinator-Amber Fuaga, 699-9155 ex. 415 or email {a.fuaga@amsamoa.edu}, *please see attached tutorial schedule

Counseling Services-

If you need Academic & Personal counseling or any counseling services to improve your

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Ever wondered what's below the water? Want to learn more about what you see down there?



Come explore your local marine resources!



(The photo on the left shows MSC280 students after their research has been finalized.)

(On the right, you see a MSC 280 student collecting data in the field for Marine Science Special Projects.)



For more information stop by the Marine Science Coordinator's office in A-6 (small room next to classroom A5). Mrs. Kelley Anderson Tagarino Marine Science Coordinator <u>k.anderson@amsamoa.edu</u> or <u>kelleyand@gmail.com</u> Cell: 252-2310

S.L.A CENTER TUTORIAL SCHEDULES

MATH

Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Iupelisiliva	Ulysses	Iupelisiliva	Ulysses	Iupelisiliva
8:00-9:00 am	Edwards	Hopkinson	Edwards	Hopkinson	Edwards
	Ulysses		Ulysses		Ulysses
	Hopkinson		Hopkinson		Hopkinson
	Witt Mariner		Witt Mariner		Witt Mariner
	Iupelisiliva	Iupelisiliva	Iupelisiliva	Iupelisiliva	Iupelisiliva
9:00-10:00 am	Edwards	Edwards	Edwards	Edwards	Edwards
	Ulysses		Ulysses		Ulysses
	Hopkinson		Hopkinson		Hopkinson
	Witt Mariner		Witt Mariner		Witt Mariner
		x 11.		x 11.	
10:00-11:00 am	Creas Falias	Iupelisiliva Edwards	Grace Felise	Iupelisiliva Edwards	Creas Falias
10:00-11:00 am	Grace Felise				Grace Felise
	Witt Mariner	Lorilei Teofilo	Lorilei Teofilo	Lorilei Teofilo	Witt Mariner
10:30	Lorilei Teofilo		Witt Mariner		Lorilei Teofilo
11:00-12:00 pm	Grace Felise	Grace Felise	Grace Felise	Grace Felise	Grace Felise
	Lorilei Teofilo	Lorilei Teofilo	Lorilei Teofilo	Lorilei Teofilo	Lorilei Teofilo
	Witt Mariner		Witt Mariner		Witt Mariner
12:00-1:00 pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00-2:00 pm	Joyce Fou	Grace Felise		Grace Felise	Joyce Fou
				Ulysses	
		Joyce Fou		Hopkinson	
		Ulysses		7471	
		Hopkinson		Witt Mariner	
		Witt Mariner			
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2.00 2.00 pm	Iupelisiliva	Iupelisiliva	Iupelisiliva Edwards	Iupelisiliva	Iupelisiliva
2:00-3:00 pm	Edwards	Edwards	Edwards	Edwards	Edwards
	Joyce Fou	Joyce Fou		Witt Mariner	Joyce Fou
		Witt Mariner			
		y 11.		y 11.	
2.00 2.20 pm	Lawas Davi	Iupelisiliva		Iupelisiliva	Lawas David
3:00-3:30 pm	Joyce Fou	Edwards		Edwards	Joyce Fou
		Joyce Fou		Witt Mariner	
		Witt Mariner			

ENGLISH

Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-9:00 am	Maria Magalasin	Henrietta Pulou	Maria Magalasin Herietta Pulou		Henrietta Pulou
			Uisaina		
	Tala Ropeti	Tala Ropeti	Taufaasau Tala Ropeti		Maria Magalasin
	Uisaina				Uisaina
	Taufaasau	Tonya Tuigamala		Tonya Tuigamala	Taufaasau
9:00-10:00					
am	Maria Magalasin	Tala Ropeti	Maria Magalasin	Tala Ropeti	Maria Magalasin
	Tala Ropeti				Tala Ropeti
9:30-10:30		Pearl Sheck		Pearl Sheck	
10:00-11:00					
am	Henrietta Pulou	Tala Ropeti	Henrietta Pulou	Tala Ropeti	Henrietta Pulou
	Ella-Monique	•	Ella-Monique-	•	Ella-Monique
	Misa		Misa		Misa
	Mary Cheung-fuk		Mary Cheung-fuk		Maria Magalasin
					Mary Cheung-fuk
11:00-12:00		Ella-Monique		Ella-Monique	
pm	Staff	Misa	Staff	Misa	Staff
		Mary Cheung-fuk		Mary Cheung-fuk	
		Tonya Tuigamala		Tonya Tuigamala	
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12:00-1:00					
pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
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1:00-2:00 pm	Tonya Tuigamala	Henrietta Pulou	Tonya Tuigamala	Henrietta Pulou	Tonya Tuigamala
	Uisaina	Uisaina	Uisaina	Uisaina	Uisaina
	Taufaasau	Taufaasau	Taufaasau	Taufaasau	Taufaasau
		Uisaina			
2:00-3:00 pm	Henrietta Pulou	Taufaasau	Henrietta Pulou	Maria Magalasin	Henrietta Pulou
			Uisaina		Uisaina
	Pearl Sheck	Maria Magalasin	Taufaasau	Pearl Sheck	Taufaasau
		Pearl Sheck	Pearl Sheck		Tala Ropeti
		Uisaina			
3:00-3:30 pm	Henrietta Pulou	Taufaasau	Pearl Sheck	Pearl Sheck	Henrietta Pulou
	Pearl Sheck	Pearl Sheck			Tala Ropeti
	Tonya Tuigamala				Tonya Tuigamala

ALL OTHER SUBJECTS

Hours	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:00-9:00 am	Staff	Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke
				Sinaretta Schwenke	
9:00-10:00 am	Staff	Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke
				Sinaretta Schwenke	
10:00-11:00 am	Paul Saulo	Aneta Afeleti	Paul Saulo	Aneta Afeleti	Paul Saulo
			Sinaretta Schwenke	Sinaretta Schwenke	Sinaretta Schwenke
10:30		Paul Saulo		Paul Saulo	
11:00-12:00 pm		Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke
		Paul Saulo		Paul Saulo	
				Sinaretta Schwenke	
12:00-1:00 pm	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1:00-2:00 pm	Staff	Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke	Aneta Afeleti	Sinaretta Schwenke
				Sinaretta Schwenke	
2:00-3:00 pm	Paul Saulo	Aneta Afeleti	Paul Saulo	Aneta Afeleti	Paul Saulo
		Paul Saulo		Paul Saulo	
3:00-3:30 pm	Paul Saulo	Aneta Afeleti	Paul Saulo	Aneta Afeleti	Paul Saulo
		Paul Saulo		Paul Saulo	

S.L.A CENTER ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Tutorials are done on a walk-in, referral, or signing up with one of the peer tutors, basis. You may request group tutorials or one on one sessions.

ENGLISH: All papers submitted for editing must be turned in at least 24 hours before it's due.

S.L.A Center hours will be extended to 4:00pm during Finals Week.

If you have any additional questions, please see one of the SLA Center Staff, or you can reach them at ext.

What do you think of the new administration?

The new administration is doing a great job at bringing the changes that they promised.

-Murphy T.L.

I think they're doing great! I'm excited about the future of our government and our island ©

-Sinavai M.

To be honest, I was an F&T supporter...but the new administration has been doing a pretty good job so far.

-Anonymous

Some good changes, some bad. At the end of the day, same ol' \$#!+.

-Anonymou

Still waiting on these roads to be *fixed*!

-EastSidah.

Nice to see them FINALLY crack down on all the government abuse!!!

-Deanna A.

Honestly, anything is better than the old administration!

-Anonymous

F&T NEVA DOWN...CHEEEHOOO!!

STUDENTS CORNER

Word of the day

pachyderm \PAK-i-durm\ noun: A person who is not sensitive to criticism, ridicule, etc..

He writhed as he saw himself finally a toughened pachyderm in Eliza's world—sprucing up confidently, throwing his shoulders back proudly, making people "think he was somebody" as he cordially acknowledged an introduction by producing a card setting forth the joys of life in Altamont and Dixieland.

Fun Facts

- The first product to have a bar code was Wrigley's gum.
- 2) The average CEO's salary in the US is 475 times greater than the average worker's salary. In Japan, it is 11 times greater; in France, 15 times; in Canada, 20; in South Africa, 21, and in Britain, 22.
- 3) Your skin completely renews itself every 28 days.
- 4) Dentists have recommended that a toothbrush be kept at least 6 feet away from a toilet to avoid airborne particles resulting from the flush.
- 5) The top five oil exporting nations in the World are Saudi Arabia, Russia, Norway, United Arab Emirates and Iran







Thought for the day

Once you have accepted your flaws, no one can use them against you ©