

**AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES**

July 09-13, 2012

"Connecting Students to What's Happening on Campus"

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You MUST be the
CHANGE you wish to
see in the world ☺

-Mahatma Gandhi

S.L.A.Center:

NEED A TUTOR???

Stop by the SLACenter and request one.

(located next to the cafeteria)

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

During Finals Week M-F 8:00-4:00

-Math -English -All other Subjects

**GREAT
OPPORTUNITIES!!!**

**Native Students Professional
Development Program!!**

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411 FEATURES:

*STUDENT SERVICES
IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS
CAMPUS EVENTS/UPDATES
ASCC PRESS RELEASE
STUDENT'S CORNER*

**REMINDER from the Business
Office!! (page 5)**

2012 Summer Sessions

ASTEP 1st Session

May 31-June 1.....Administrative Drop & Drop Only Period

June 4-15.....Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W"

June 18-22.....Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W/F" or "W/NP"

June 29.....1st Session Ends

July 2.....1st Session Grades Due

Regular Session

June 13-15.....Administrative Drop & Drop Only Period

June 18-July 6.....Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W"

July 4.....HOLIDAY Independence Day

July 9-13.....Withdrawal Period to Receive "W/F" or "W/NP"

July 20.....Instructions End ☺

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July 30.....	2012 Summer All Grades Due
ASTEP 2 nd Session	
July 2.....	2 nd Session Begins
July 2-3.....	Late Registration
July 2-3.....	Add/Drop Period
July 4.....	HOLIDAY Instructions End
July 5-6.....	Administrative Drop & Drop Only Period
July 9-20.....	Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W"
July 23-27.....	Withdrawal Period to Receive "W/F" or "W/NP"
August 3.....	2 nd Session Ends

COUNSELING SERVICES OFFICE

(located in the Cafeteria)

➤ **Personal and Academic Counseling / Career Counseling / YANA**

- Students who have any personal issues such as: peer pressure, family issues, thoughts of suicide, relationship problems, dealing with emotional distress, and just need someone to talk to... please see the Personal Academic Counselor- Alison Hurst or call 252-YANA (9262) or email: yana@amsamo.edu



- Students seeking assistance in resume writing or job coaching are encouraged to visit the Career Counselor- Alison Hurst or email her at a.hurst@amsamo.edu

➤ **Transferability Counselor**

Prospective graduates must come in to see counselors at their offices located in the cafeteria for the following:

- **Fill out an Exit Counseling Survey**
- **Transferring to a 4-year college or university for assistance** with college search, filling out college applications, and retrieving college document checklists

➤ **Diversity & Tutorial Counseling**

*If you have any problems seeing any of the counselors in person, you can contact them via interoffice extension: 362 or email: Matesina m.willis@amsamo.edu , Annie a.panama@amsamo.edu , Alison a.hurst@amsamo.edu

STUDENT LEARNING ASSISTANCE CENTER



Tutorials (FREE)

- Students interested in getting tutored in any subject, please come see us at the Student Learning Assistance (SLA) Center ☺

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SLA Center Hours: 8:00-3:30

***During finals, we will be open from 8:00am-4:00pm**

- All tutorials are free and appointments are made with Lydian Tinitali {l.tinitali@amsamoa.edu}, or any of the available staff members in the SLA Center.

*Please refer to the attachment of the Tutorial Directory for more information on ALL campus tutorials.

*Also, attached are the tutorial schedules for all Tutorials in the SLA Center.

Financial Aid Counselor

Students who need assistance with filling out their Financial Aid Application are encouraged to visit the SLA Center and see Mrs. Mana'o Vaovasa or call 699-9155 x461.

411 Newsletter

Departments, Offices, Students, Clubs etc, who wish to make announcements via the bulletin, please stop by and see Mrs. Deidra Saelua, or simply send info to d.saelua@amsamoa.edu



VA 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 the DoL) with special consideration given to veteran 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 unemployment.
- 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.

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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.*

For more information contact Mrs. Fualaau Rosie Tago Lancaster @ 699-9155 x426. Email: f.lancaster@amsamo.edu, or visit the GI Bill website: www.gibill.va.gov. The Veteran Affairs/Student Employment Office is located directly behind the cafeteria.

DON'T MISS OUT!!

NATIVE STUDENTS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



Would you like to attend the Wildlife Society Annual Conference?

The Wildlife Society Announces a Professional-Development Program for Native American and Indigenous Students Interested in the Wildlife Profession

As a scientific organization for professionals who manage and conserve wildlife and habitats, The Wildlife Society (TWS) is increasingly concerned about the lack of ethnic and cultural diversity within the profession. Diversity is essential if the profession is to grow and meet the nation's conservation challenges. To help address this concern, TWS is establishing a new professional-development program for Native American and indigenous wildlife students. The indigenous community has enormous potential to enrich diversity within the wildlife profession. Native lands are important to a national strategy for fish and wildlife conservation, and indigenous students are showing a growing interest in pursuing careers in wildlife. TWS has an active Native People's Wildlife Management Working Group composed of wildlife professionals and students, tribal and non-tribal, who recognize native people's cultural, spiritual, and biological connections to the land. TWS and the Working Group have been exploring ways to promote the early development of Native American and indigenous wildlife professionals.

How the Program Works

The Wildlife Society believes that one of the most effective ways to support indigenous wildlife students is to give them the opportunity to attend TWS's Annual Conference – the largest gathering of wildlife professionals on the North American continent. The Society is therefore raising funds to enable indigenous students to attend the 19th Annual Conference, to be held in Portland, Oregon, October 13-18, 2012. Individuals selected for this program will receive funds to help cover registration fees, lodging, meals, and transportation. Program participants also will receive a one-year membership in The Wildlife Society and become members of the Native People's Wildlife Management Working Group. As TWS members they will receive our quarterly member magazine *The Wildlife Professional*, our monthly electronic newsletter *The Wildlifer*, the *Wildlife Society Bulletin*, discounts on TWS peer-reviewed publications such as *The Journal of Wildlife Management*, and access to the TWS website, blog, job board, and other online resources.

Eligibility: Candidates must be members of a Native American, First Nations, or Indigenous Tribe, and currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program in a relevant academic discipline such as wildlife biology or ecology. Applicants must display a record of academic excellence and a strong interest in pursuing a career in wildlife management or conservation. Qualified applicants will be evaluated by a panel consisting of the Chair of the Native People's Wildlife Management Working Group, two other working-group members, a TWS staff member, and representatives from other program partners including the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society.

Applications: Submissions must include name, address, email, phone number, tribal affiliation, name of college or university, current level of study (undergraduate, graduate, post-graduate), field of study, and a copy of most recent report card, showing courses and grades. Mention any relevant extracurricular activities, memberships in societies, honors, or awards. Also include an essay (500-750 words) explaining why you'd like to participate, how this program might benefit your career development, how your personal and cultural experiences and skills contribute to the wildlife profession, and any other special circumstances you may have.

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Deadline: Please email applications to nsvoboda@cfr.msstate.edu no later than **July 13, 2012.**

TWS would like to thank the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the USDA APHIS-Wildlife Services, the U.S. National Park Service, the U.S. Geological Survey, and the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs for their generous financial support of this worthwhile effort. With the help of these valued partners, TWS believes the wildlife profession will increase its diversity and benefit from the insights of indigenous people concerned.

For conference information, please visit: www.wildlife.org/conference

JOIN US as we celebrate our 75th Anniversary at The Wildlife Society's 19th Annual Conference, to be held in Portland, Oregon, October 13-18 2012. There you can learn about cutting-edge research in wildlife biology, management, and conservation, as well as meet colleagues and receive mentoring from wildlife professionals in a wide range of fields.

The conference offers over hundreds of paper and poster presentations, half-day and full-day workshops, related field trips and many networking opportunities. Student attendees can also participate in a career fair and attend a host of student activities including breakfasts and dinners, a student-professional mixer and a quiz bowl!!

REMINDER FROM THE BUSINESS OFFICE:

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS CURRENTLY ON A PAYMENT PLAN FOR THE SUMMER 2012 SEMESTER! ALL 2ND PAYMENTS ARE DUE BY JULY 17TH, 2012. PLEASE PAY BEFORE THIS DATE, OTHERWISE FURTHER ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR PAYMENT PLAN SCHEDULE, FEEL FREE TO STOP BY OUR OFFICE FOR ASSISTANCE.

THANK YOU ☺☺☺



DEADLINE for Fall 2012 Graduation Applications is September 28, 2012. Be sure to mark your Calendars ☺!!!



How to make a Library Card

Stop by at the ASCC Library and make a library card!
Documents needed for a library card are:

1. Valid Local Photo ID or Passport
2. Class schedule
3. Social Security Card

Notice: First time library cards are free of charge, but \$7.00 for a Lost Card.

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Are you looking for information about Samoa and the Pacific Islands for your research paper?

The Library Special Collection Room has information that you need!
Hours: 7:30am - 4:00pm (Mon-Fri)
Check it out and find out more about the Samoan Islands, as well as other Pacific Islands!!!

Haven't decided where to continue your education???



University of Pittsburgh, Bradford

The University of Pittsburgh, Bradford is ideal for both domestic and International students. For those students who are "risk takers" and who would like to explore new and better opportunities...or would just like to experience the East Coast, please see Mana'o at the SLA Center or check out their website: <www.upb.pitt.edu> for more information!

REMINDER: ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Students! Please know and understand that this policy is very crucial.

Zero Tolerance Policy

"As with any community educational environment certain policies are established to ensure health and safety of all the students and employees of the institution.

ASCC defines zero tolerance as: *the strict application of consequences regarding violation of ASCC's rules on weapons, explosives, fighting, drugs, and alcohol. If a student is found to have violated any of aforementioned rules, then the consequences shall be applied without exception.*"

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please refer to the ASCC Catalog (hard copy or ASCC Website), or see the Dean of Student Services.

CAMPUS SECURITY INFORMATION



Business Hours
After Hours

699-9155 x305
699-6299

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Word of the Day

scherzando \skert-SAHN-doh\ ,
adjective:

Playful; sportive.

A short coda recalls the **scherzando** music, and the piece concludes with the jazzy harmony.

The More You Know...

Face difficulties positively

This parable is told of a farmer who owned an old mule. The mule fell into the farmer's well. The farmer heard the mule praying or whatever mules do when they fall into wells. After carefully assessing the situation, the farmer sympathized with the mule, but decided that neither the mule nor the well was worth the trouble of saving. Instead, he called his neighbors together, told them what had happened, and enlisted them to help haul dirt to bury the old mule in the well and put him out of his misery.

Initially the old mule was hysterical! But as the farmer and his neighbors continued shoveling and the dirt hit his back, a thought struck him. It suddenly dawned on him that every time a shovel load of dirt landed on his back, HE WOULD SHAKE IT OFF AND STEP UP!

This he did, blow after blow. "Shake it off and step up...shake it off and step up...shake it off and step up!" He repeated to encourage himself. No matter how painful the blows, or how distressing the situation seemed, the old mule fought panic and just kept right on SHAKING IT OFF AND STEPPING UP!

It wasn't long before the old mule, battered and exhausted, stepped triumphantly over the wall of that well! What seemed

like it would bury him actually helped him . . . all because of the manner in which he handled his adversity.

THAT'S LIFE! If we face our problems and respond to them positively, and refuse to give in to panic, bitterness, or self-pity, you'll end up on top!

Author Unknown

LOGIC PROBLEM

"The beginning of eternity
The end of time and space
The beginning of every end,
And the end of every place."

Ans: The letter "e"

FUN FACTS:

- 1) The hydrochloric acid found in your stomach is strong enough to dissolve a nail.
- 2) Hippopotamuses are born under water.
- 3) The water in the Dead Sea is so salty that it's easier to float than sink.
- 4) Jellyfish are 95% water.
- 5) A person will die from total lack of sleep sooner than from starvation- Death can occur 10 days without sleep, while starvation takes a few weeks!

Thought for the day:

Don't Hope for things to happen, DECIDE and make it happen ☺

Have a great week ☺

(Miscellaneous Photos 2012)



Photos courtesy of Jim Kneubuhl

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