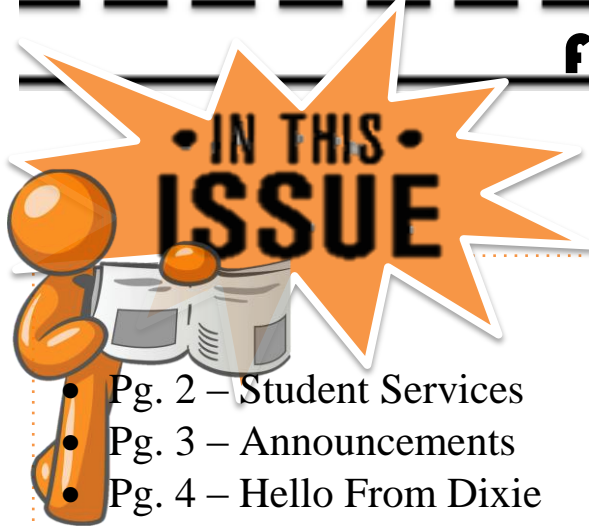


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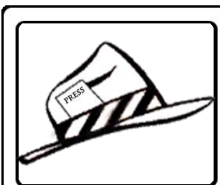
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MAKE AN ANNOUNCEMENT ON 411

If you would like to make announcements via the 411 Campus Newsletter, please see Katrina Garcia at the S.L.A. Center - Annex, or you can email: k.garcia@amsamoa.edu or ascc411newsletter@amsamoa.com. Or you can call 699-9155 ext. 363.



Fresh Print is ASCC's journalism club. They are in charge of putting together the 411 Newsletter. If you have any questions or would like to join the club, email k.garcia@amsamoa.edu

- 8/24 - 22 Administrative Drop Period
- 8/24 – 9/29 Drop Only Period
- 9/5 Holiday – Labor Day
- 9/8 ASCC Open House
- 9/12 – 10/21 Withdrawal Period to Receive a “W”
- 9/16 Graduation Application Deadline
- 9/19 – 10/21 Low Grade Reporting Period

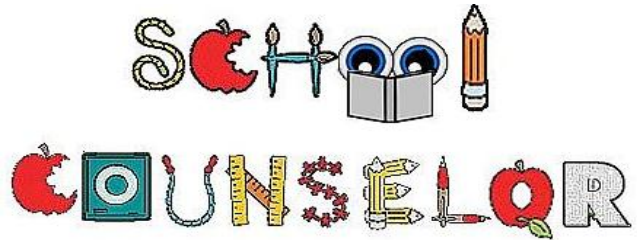
ASCC dates are available on www.amsamoa.edu or on the ASCC catalog.

Division of Student Services

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

Come visit an Academic, Personal, Career, Veterans Affairs or Transfer/Transition Counselor. Student Services counselors have their offices located by the cafeteria and the Career and Transfer Center

Need some guidance? Go see a



Counselor Contact

Feel free to stop by and get help from your Counselors

Contact Annie Panama 699-9155, ext. 326 or email a.panama@amsamoa.edu for your counselor questions.

Veterans Student Services Corner



For information concerning students with VA benefits. Please see or contact Lydian Tinitali, 699-9155 ext. 426 or email asccvastudentservices@amsamoa.edu

Other Student Services Offices:

- Dean of Student Services
- Admissions
- Records Office
- Financial Aid
- Library Services
- Student Computer Labs

S.L.A⁺ Center

If you need tutorial sessions, stop by the Student Learning Assistance Center for English & the SLA Center – Annex for Math.

Call us at 699-9155 ext. 479, to set an appointment or just walk in. Email us at ssls@amsamoa.edu. We have one-on-one and group tutoring.

If a teacher refers you to the Center, you must have a referral form.

For staff and peer tutor schedules, inquire at the SLA Center.



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Announcements

Fall 2016 Graduation Application Deadline

Deadline is September 16, 2016. Pick up the graduation application from the Records Office and see Ms. Tupu Fatuesi for your degree program evaluations.

US – South Pacific Scholarship Program

Three Scholarships will be available for studies to begin in August 2017. Scholarships are open to non-US citizens and nationals for Bachelors or Masters degrees at UH. Find out more information following this link: www.easstcenter.org/education/student-programs/us-south-pacific-scholarship

Non-Pell Work Study

Deadline to submit application is on Monday, August 29. Those who have completed, please see Gloria @ the CTC for job placement.

Presidential Merit Scholarship and SGA Saili le Atamai Scholarship

Applications will be available on September 1. Deadline to submit completed application is September 30. Stop by the Dean of Student Services office for more info.

Student IDs

ID taking has been moved to the SLA Center – Annex. Remember to wear your IDs while on campus! Last day to take your ID is Friday, September 2, 2016.



Come join us at the Gymnasium this



Thursday, September 8,
from 12:00 – 2:00 PM and
learn about the different
programs and services
ASCC has to offer.



**FREE LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED
AND THERE WILL BE PRIZES TO BE WON**



Are You Graduating This Semester Fall 2016?



Time is running out to apply to some of these colleges and universities for Spring 2017!

- University of Hawaii, Manoa: September 1, 2016
- Hawaii Pacific University: September 1, 2016
- University of Hawaii, Hilo: October 1, 2016
- Dixie State University: October 1, 2016
- Brigham Young University HI: October 1, 2016
- Alfred State University: October 1, 2016
- Dixie State University: October 1, 2016
- North Park University: October 1, 2016
- Union College: October 1, 2016
- University of Las Vegas: November 1, 2016
- Chaminade University HI: Dec 1, 2016
- Texas A&M University: Dec 1, 2016



If your future University is not listed, SEE Transfer Counselor Tala Ropeti-Leo NOW to start the application process! Call 699-9155 x348, email t.leo@amsamoa.edu or visit the Career Transfer Center next to ASCC Gymnasium.



ASCC alumni pose with Dixie State University friends.

“Hello From Dixie”

By Mau Brown (ASCC Alumni)

Being at Dixie State University has been a wild roller coaster ride. Transitioning from American Samoa Community College to a university in the mainland was quite difficult. I was homesick from day 1 and still feel the same way today. The one thing that made my transition easier was friends.

I’m grateful to have friends from ASCC who also attend Dixie State because

we all had to adapt to living without parents and taking care of ourselves. Although this may seem extravagant, it becomes stressful if you don’t know what to do in certain situations.

When I arrived in St. George, I was homesick to the point where I would literally bawl my eyes out in the bathroom so no one would see how vulnerable I was. As an adult, I had to learn how to efficiently manage my finances for food, transportation, rent, school supplies, and personal necessities. I knew that one day I’d be on my own and this was the perfect time to force myself into living independently. It wasn’t easy being on my own especially when I was so accustomed to taking care of others, and now I had to take care of myself. Getting sick was not in my list of accomplishments here, and thankfully I didn’t get sick through the past year. I did however meet amazing Samoan families here who took me, alongside other Samoan students from ASCC, under their wing as providers if any one of us needed anything.

I really miss being at ASCC. Everything I ever needed to survive college basically was free from personal necessities to school supplies and laundry (thank you Financial Aid..Lol). On the contrary, I am grateful to be where I am and proud of the effort I’ve put into my goals in the medical field. I’m only halfway into obtaining my bachelor’s degree, and I know for a fact that it will not get any easier along my educational journey. I truly believe that I can overcome this stage in my life with the support of my family, friends (near and far), mentors, and church members.



My advice to current ASCC students who plan to further their education off-island would be to set a career goal, manage your time and money wisely, and work towards your goal. Also, ask for help if



you know you are struggling. Some Samoans feel the need to be conservative rather than ask questions of topics that may seem vague or confusing. Lastly, remember who you are, where you’re from, and who you’re representing. Not everyone is cut out for school and that’s ok, just as long as there’s progression towards a goal that you absolutely love.

CAMPUS TALK

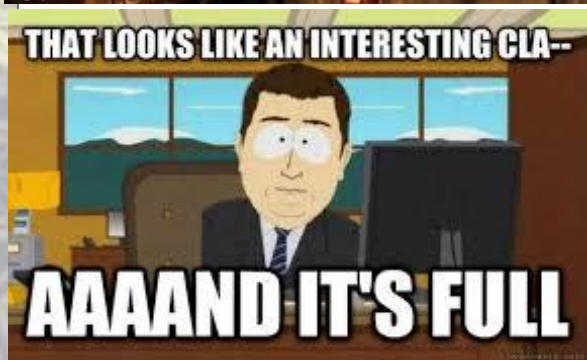
Registration: Good, Bad, or Ugly?



Fresh Print staff asked a few new students for their thoughts on their experience registering for classes this semester. Let's check out some responses!

"Registration is slow and unorganized " – Micah & Selesitina

"Needs a bit more organization because it was unorganized but the people were friendly." - Amy



"It was fine but I wasn't happy about the people who cut in line" - Polar

"Registration was really boring because everything was out of control and it wasn't as stable as I thought it would be." - Shaun



"It was a long and irritable and pointless at one moment. It was a great waste of time." - Tatiana

"It was very unique in its own way. Compared to off island it was very tedious but overall what we had to deal with was okay." - Jonah

"It's all good." - Divine

"It was very unorganized and it sucked. " - Tuileisu

"It was long and very unorganized. There wasn't enough time and the system they used wasn't very effective."- Tia

"It took a long time and it was crowded." - Lia



MOVIE REVIEW

By Lelei Tago

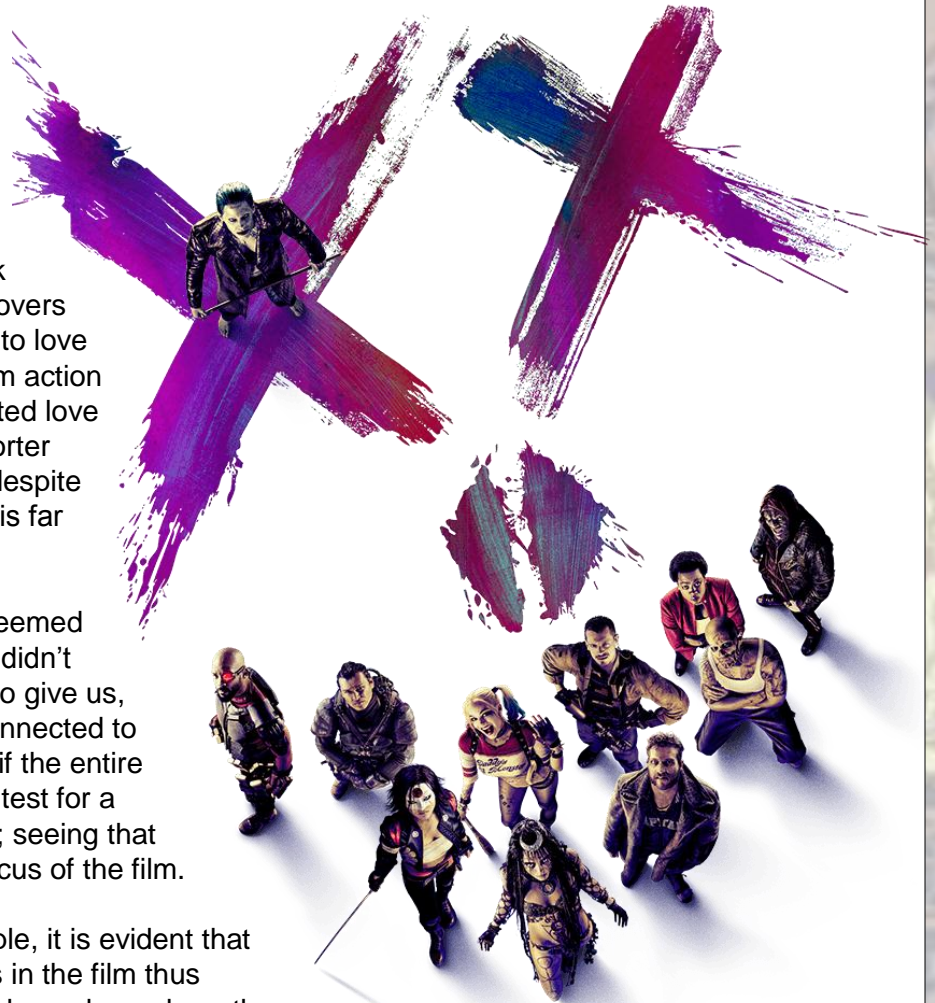
“Suicide Squad”

Suicide Squad, perhaps the most anticipated film of the year, is not only thrilling but also quite the fun! Comic book lovers and your average film lovers alike will be able to find much to love about this film. It has it all; from action to jokes to a romantic yet twisted love story, Suicide Squad is no shorter than the real deal. However, despite it 'having it all' Suicide Squad is far from perfect.

Many scenes within the film seemed out of place while many more didn't seem to go together. It failed to give us, the audience, a way to feel connected to each character. It seemed as if the entire Suicide Squad film was just a test for a stand alone Harley Quinn film; seeing that Harley Quinn was the main focus of the film.

It also lacked logic. For example, it is evident that both Batman and The Flash is in the film thus proving that our Suicide Squad members share the same universe as our heroes along with the entire upcoming Justice League. Knowing this, it seemed odd knowing that while the main villain of the film, the Enchantress, is wrecking havoc in the center of city, not a single hero showed up. Wonder Woman, Batman, The Flash, remained absent while the wrecking of havoc continued throughout the city; this was just one of the many things that seemed out of place. This and several more scenes and forced jokes is what prevents the film from reaching its full potential; it's also possibly the reason for its low rating from critics.

Despite the drawbacks, Suicide Squad remains a fun and entertaining family film. I give it a thumb and a half up for doing the impossible and not failing at it entirely. Despite the low ratings, many still praise the film for bringing something entirely different to the table. All that's left to do now is to be patient as DC's Wonder Woman and Justice League roll out next year. Excited? So am I.

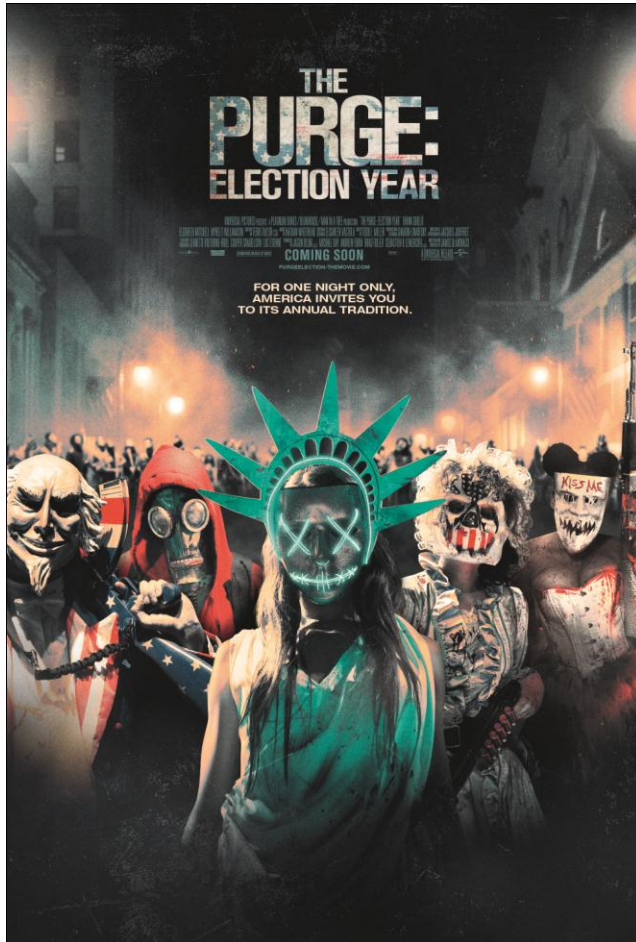




MOVIE REVIEW

By Jude Supapo

“The Purge: Election Year”



If you are looking for a scenario upon which Donald Trump might become president, the Purge trilogy is for you. I kid, I kid. However the comment prior to this doesn't stop the memes going around about white supremacy and inequality.

I am pretty sure that most of you people that have watched the two previous movies already know of the gore and malicious intent within this but really- is this movie good? The first of the Purge franchise wasn't as fulfilling as the sequel but the third movie did stand out. With the presidential election coming up, it gets your noodle thinking about who to vote for. Someone who believes violence is the answer and a necessary right to cleanse themselves; or someone who believes we should respect fellow humans and believe in the sanctity of life.

Honestly, the latest Purge movie is a really interesting movie with the deception going on. This movie franchise gives you insight on how people do not value the lives of others but also how they selfishly believe that violence is a necessary evil. The intent of the antagonists of

these movies may be understandable within the movie concept but really - how can this represent people around you?

Movies like the Purge can give you loads of trust issues but hopefully not to the point of paranoia. After giving my two cents in, I believe that this movie is not for everyone but it is entertaining to watch for inspired Halloween costumes coming up.



"There is only one way to avoid criticism: do nothing, say nothing, and be nothing."
- Aristotle

Word Search – Computer Programming Languages

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- PERL
- BASH
- RUBY
- PYTHON
- COLDFUSION
- LYNX
- MATLAB

Word of the day:

Fastidious *adj.* 1. Very attentive to and concerned about accuracy and detailed.
2. excessively particular, critical, or demanding; hard to please: "A fastidious eater." 3. Very concerned about matters of cleanliness.

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