AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES

Weekly Information Bulletin Connects Students to What is Happening On Campus March 22, 2010 to March 26, 2010

Quote of the week:

"Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful" ~Albert Schweitzer

ASCC Spring 2010~ENGLISH TUTORING @ SLAC

NEED HELP WITH YOUR ENGLISH WRITING? TROUBLE WITH STYLE, STRUCTURE, GRAMMAR, VOCABULARY, ESSAYS OR RESEARCH WRITING? UNSURE ABOUT BIBLIOGRAPHIES, QUOTATIONS & CITATION FORMATS?

We can help!

Come see us at the Student Learning Assistance Center (SLAC, by the Cafeteria), and we can work together to help you with writing challenges during your semester at ASCC. LET US HELP YOU WITH YOUR PAPERS! We offer:

- Continuous 1 on 1 English writing tutorials;
- Newly renovated center with computer lab;
- Help with grammar/punctuation/vocabulary usage, Essay & Research writing, APA/MLA formats, citations/bibliography & writing structure;
- Help with other areas in collegiate English writing;
- Checklists for preparing your papers

Student Learning Assistance Center (by cafeteria)Monday, Wednesday, Friday:12:00pm - 4:00pmTuesday, Thursday:8:00am - 10:00am

*CALL SIA ACHICA @ 258-9430 / 699-9155 EXT. 323 (EMAIL: Sia at l.achica@amsamoa.edu), OR CALL THE STUDENT SERVICES OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO SCHEDULE A TIME TO COME IN AND VISIT US!



THE IN-HOUSE SCHOLARSHIP, SPRING 2010 **Recipients**©

Presidential Merit Scholarship*: 1. Ms. Radhikan Anandan 2. Ms. Nolita Motu

- Sa'ili le Atamai / SGA Scholarship*:
 - 1. Ms. Sina Auomanu
 - 2. Mr. Tavae Auomanu
 - 3. Ms. Faith Vaifanua
 - 4. Mr. Vincent Tofilau

*Should you have any questions regarding your awards, please see Moala Mago at the Business Office.



McDonald's American Samoa Scholarship Awards for 2010 – 2011 Academic Year:

*4 each \$1200 Scholarship Awards to qualified applicants to attend ASCC

a) One for applicants from low income families. Low income families, for purposes of this award, is defined as the combined income of both parents/guardian of \$19,000 or less per annum

- b) One for applicants from the general public
- c) One for McDonald's employees and/or their dependents
- d) One offered specifically for the trades: electrical, plumbing, air conditioning, drafting, surveying, mechanical engineering, etc.
- One \$8000 Scholarship Award to a qualified applicant whom 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.

Application Package

The application package consists of the following items and is available at McDonald's Head Office in Nuuli beginning Feb 22, 2010 between 2pm and 4pm Mondays to Fridays. Make sure it is completed before turning it in. Incomplete packages will not be considered. **Deadline for turning applications is April 23, 2010, at McDonald's Head Office in Nuuli at 4pm.**

Applications are also available at the Student Services- Sina Hudson, SLAC office- Deidra Saelua & ITT- Tina Tapua'i, for more information regarding the scholarship.

Spring 2010 Academic Calendar

March 15 – April 1: Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W/F" or "W/NP"

April 1: ASTEP Instruction End

April 2: HOLIDAY – Good Friday

April 5 – May 6: 2010 Summer & Fall Priority Registration (Clearances, Advising & Posting...All Steps)

April 12-16: SPRING BREAK!

April 26-29: ELI & Developmental

Math Final Examinations

April 30: Instruction End

April 30: Last Day to Completely Withdraw from ASCC

May 3-7: Final Examinations!

May 3-6: ELI 2010 Summer & Fall Priority Registration (Clearances Advising & Posting...All Steps)

May 7-12: Early Add/Drop

May 10: 2010 Spring Semester Graduates Grades Due

May 14: 2010 Spring Semester Commencement

May 19: All 2010 Spring Semester Grades Due



Apr 5-62010 Summer & Fall Priority
RegistrationApr 6-9-Mr. ASCC Week Promotion

Apr 10 -Mr. ASCC Pageant; Gym @ 7pm - 11pm

Apr 12-16 SPRING BREAK

May 12Graduation BanquetMay 142010 Spring Semester
Commencement!May 14SGA Farewell Dinner



make arrangements to get this matter resolved immediately. Your immediate response to this matter is greatly appreciated. Give us a call or stop by our office for any inquiries and/or payments. Vaesavali Ta'ala, ext.342

(v.taala@amsamoa.edu), Carmen Umi ext.342 (c.umi@amsamoa.edu), Enele Seumanutafa ext.389 (<u>e.seumanutafa</u> @amsamoa.edu)

COUNSELING SERVICES OFFICE:

Located in the cafeteria STUDENT TRANSFERABILITY

Prospective graduates of Spring 2010 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

*Students seeking assistance in resume writing or job coaching

*If you have any problems seeing any of the counselors in person, you can contact them via interoffice extensions or email: Annie Panama (a.panama@amsamoa.edu) ext.362; Mark Mageo (m.mageo@amsamoa.edu) ext.326; Mary Taufete'e (m.taufetee@amsamoa.edu) ext.377; Matesina Willis {m.willis@amsamoa.edu} ext. 426

PERSONAL & ACADEMIC COUNSELING/ PEER PRESURE / 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 Counselor- Mark Mageo or call 252-*YANA (9262) or email: {yana@amsamoa.edu}

Financial Aid

1. Students that need to do corrections on their financial aid application may do so at the MIS computer lab.

2. Pick up an attendance form if you are not adding or dropping any classes if all you classes are posted with no other changes, please see the financial aid office for an attendance form.

3. If you graduated high school after January 1, 2005, please be sure to turn in a high school transcript to the financial aid office.

4. The financial aid office will ONLY process financial aid for students that have the following:

- a. Complete Financial Aid application
- b. High School transcript (required only for students that have graduated after 1/1/05)
- c. Copies of the following documents:
 - i. High School diploma
 - ii. Local ID
 - iii. Birth Certificate and/or US Passport
 - iv. Social Security Card
- d. Attendance form (complete with signatures from instructors)

The Buckley Amendment of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) Public Law 93-380

This amendment requires that institutions receiving Federal funds administered by the Department of Education must obtain the student's consent to release information from school records.

One exception to the law, however, is that information sought in connection with a student's application for receipt of financial aid is exempt. It has been determined that school records relating to VA benefits fall into the "financial aid" category and are therefore exempt from the provisions of the Buckley amendment.

Therefore, the VA (and SAA) shall have access to the records of VA beneficiaries as well as non-VA students without the written consent of the student in order to monitor the school's complicance with the law.

Please contact Mrs. Fuala'au Lancaster at 699-9155 ext.426 or email: f.lancaster@amsamoa.edu for any questions regarding VA benefits.



Next Meeting: 3/25/10; faculty loung@12 noon

Come on! Let's give back to our one and ONLY College on island and join our ASCC Alumni Association. We would love to have you. So when you're ready to join, please contact Panisia Neueli: 699-9155 ext.463 {p.neueli@amsamoa.edu}, Peteru LamYuen: 699-9155 ext.379 {p.lamyuen@amsamoa.edu}, Amio Luvu: 699-1575 {amio1@yahoo.com}, or Matesina Willis: 699-9155 ext.426 {m.willis@amsamoa.edu}, for more information. **Lunch will be provided!** Hope to see you there!©

<u>Notice:</u> For all 2010 & Fall Graduates, please fill out an "Alumni Exit Survey form" with the ASCC Alumni Counselor, Ms. Matesina Willis. <u>Where?</u> Student Learning Assistance Center (SLAC) located at the old Book Store before entering the cafeteria.

Lost & Found:

If you are looking for a Nokia phone please come to the Mark's office to pick it up. Phone details: Blue Sky – Nokia; 252-6271; Janelle & Justin Please bring a photo ID with either above names on it. Thank you,



REMINDER: <u>ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY</u>

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

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Business Hours: After hours or before 7:30am: 699-9155 ext.305 699-6299

CALLING ALL Faga'itua high school alumni!

The Faga'itua High School Alumni Association is offering a one-time college scholarship for FHS alumni members attending off-island colleges and universities as well as ASCC. Criteria are as follow:

- Verification for G.P.A of 2.5 or above
- Verification of enrollment for the following semester
- A letter of recommendation from (Professor, Administrator, Minister, or Employer)
- Applicant must be a Faga'itua High School Alumni

Please see or contact Mana'o Vaovasa at the SLAC office for an application. Don't miss out! "TASI LE TINO, TASI LE LOTO, TASI LE FATU"

ATTENTION JOB SEEKERS!!

For Part-time jobs, please see Mrs. Fuala'au Lancaster. For more information, please call Maria or Minnie at 699-6557.

