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Did you know...

The First Semester Success blog serves as a resource for ALL students. This blog is designed to ease the transition to IUP with engaging and informative contributions, all located in one convenient location. This semester will include topics such as Proper Email Etiquette, Making the Most of Your Time in College and Resume/Cover Letter Tips. You can find new posts every other Thursday, starting January 26, 2017 . You can also stay up to date on blog news and other resources by following ASC@IUP on Twitter and Facebook!

ADVISOR RESOURCES

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New Academic Programs Open for Admission

These new academic programs have been approved and will be open for admission starting in Spring 2017. Current students may also explore these majors.

- Communications Media/Media Marketing, BS—COMM-MDMK—housed in the College of Education & Educational Technology, Department of Communications Media
- Theater/Musical Theater, BA—THTR-MUTH—housed in the College of Fine Arts,
 Department of Theater and Dance—the previous INFA-MUTH is now closed, students
 interested in this program should be directed to the THTR-MUTH program
- Audio Production, Certificate—APRD-CERT—housed in the College of Education
 & Educational Technology, Department of Communications Media

From the Eberly College of Business and Information Technology comes a change to the Management/Operations program. Effective Spring 2017 the new name for the program is **Management/Supply Chain Management**—MGMT-SCMG. Records for students currently in this degree will be updated after the Spring 2017 Drop/Add period to reflect the new program title. The Management/Operations program is closed to new admits.

Changes in Graduate programs have also occurred. The Adult and Community Education/Communications Technology, MA—ACE-CMNT program has been changed to **Adult and Community Education/Instructional Design Technology, MA—ACE-IDT** as of fall 2017. Students continuing in the ACE-CMNT program as of fall 2017 will be changed to ACE-IDT. Those who have been admitted into ACE-CMNT for fall 2017 (and after) will be changed to ACE-IDT.

Spring 2017 IMPORTANT DATES and DEADLINES

Official Drop/Add Begins
 Classes Begin
 Drop/Add Ends
 Audit Forms Due
 Individual Course Withdrawal begins
 Monday, Jan. 23, 2017
 Monday, Jan. 30, 2017
 Tuesday, Jan. 31, 2017
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The complete Academic Calendar can be found at www.iup.edu/academiccalendar

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To SUCCEED, you need to find something to HOLD ON TO, something to MOTIVATE you, something to INSPIRE you.

- Tony Dorsett

Consider These Courses and Resources for Student Academic/Subject/Skill Development

Of special interest to education majors who are preparing for the Pre-Professional Academic Performance Assessment (PAPA) exams and/or the Praxis Core exam is **EDSP 257 Understanding and Taking Standardized Tests**. The course is designed to promote the understanding of the principles of successfully mastering standardized tests.

The course is recommended <u>NOT</u> required and offers I credit that counts toward graduation. In the spring semester 2 sections are offered:

EDSP 257 Section 001 CRN 22003 begins Jan. 23 EDSP 257 Section 002 CRN 22008 begins March 20

Students seeking to improve college learning strategies and/or approaches to college level academic work might consider **DVST 160 Learning Strategies**. Topics presented include goal setting and self-monitoring, learning styles, test preparation and test taking, lecture and textbook note taking, time management and concentration, and general strategies for learning.

The course is recommended <u>NOT</u> required and offers I credit that counts toward graduation. In the spring semester I6 sections are offered with seats available in many of the sections.

If a student needs to engage in career exploration to clarify their major/career path, settle their frustration with a current major or are considering changing their major direct them to **DVST 170 Career Exploration**. This course introduces students to the theoretical and practical framework with which to explore careers compatible with their overall academic skills, aptitudes, and life goals. Students can expand their search using resources at the **Major and Career Exploration Center** in Pratt Hall.

The course is recommended <u>NOT</u> required and offers I credit that counts toward graduation. In the spring semester 2I sections are offered with seats available in many of the sections.

These courses might also be of interest if a student needs to obtain 1 or 2 credits to maintain full-time registration status OR needs 1 or 2 credits to graduate.

Upcoming SSC Advisor Platform Information Sessions

The Office of the Provost is very pleased to announce that information sessions will be conducted on **February 1**, **2017** for faculty where features of IUP's Student Success Collaborative (SSC) Advisor Platform will be highlighted. Each session is limited to 40 participants, so early registration is strongly encouraged. Follow this <u>link</u> to confirm your attendance.

The SSC Advisor Platform is a web-based tool that can assist advisors working with their advisees in a variety of situations, such as course registration and reviewing academic progress. The sessions are hands-on and should provide attendees with the skills to utilize the tool immediately.

Implemented using 10 years of IUP academic history so student success markers specific to IUP majors are optimized, the SSC Advisor Platform is provided by the Educational Advisory Board (EAB).

Please feel free to contact Michele Norwood at asc-inquiry@iup.edu with any questions.