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A Note from the Dean...

Enjoy what remains of your summer vacation because classes resume for Fall semester on August 24. Please make every effort to join UWF EC at our orientation at 6:00 p.m., on Thursday, August 19, 2010, in Bldg 1, Room 126 at the Fort Walton Beach Campus. This is very important and the information that you receive will help you be successful in your academic programs and will introduce you to the many services that are available to you at our various Emerald Coast locations.

UWF EC has a new and more effective phone system. Because of the change, some of the old numbers are no longer valid. Please check our website for the new listings or call the main number to contact directory information at 863-6565.

Please join me in welcoming the newest addition to our EC staff, Vanessa Gere. Vanessa is a fiscal specialist and has responsibility for among other things the cashier's office. She is most helpful and is ready to assist you with your questions.

Also be sure to watch *Explore University of West Florida Emerald Coast* on Cox Channel 6 every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 3:00 p.m.; and also on Mondays at 8:00 p.m., Saturdays at 5:30 p.m., and Sundays at 8:30 a.m. This month's show is being done on location at the REEF. The guests for this month's show are Dr. John Rogacki, he is the director for the University of Florida at the REEF. Additional guests are Dr. Thomas Gilbar, Dr. Gilbar is the Electrical Engineering Program Coordinator for the Emerald Coast, and a UWF Electrical Engineering student of the REEF Matt Brown. Matt Brown is also the Emerald Coast SGA President. Past shows can be seen by going to <http://www.uwf.edu/emeraldcoast/explore/explorearchives.cfm>

Be safe, take care and be sure to register for fall if you have not already done so.

Best of luck to you in your endeavors!

John F. Azzaretto
Vice Provost and Dean
UWF Emerald Coast



Academic Dates - Fall 2010

Academic Dates and Deadlines for August for Terms A and B are as follows:

Regular Registration: 8/2 – 8/22/2010

Registration for state employees and senior citizens with waivers: 8/23 – 8/27/2010

Late Registration: (\$100 late registration fee): 8/23 – 8/27/2010

Drop/Add Period: 8/23 – 8/27/2010

The complete 2010-2011 academic calendar can be found at this link:

<http://uwf.edu/registrar/annualcal2010-2011.cfm>

New Student Orientation

There will be a New Student Orientation for newly admitted Emerald Coast graduate, undergraduate, and online transfer students on the Fort Walton Beach campus (Bldg. 1 room 126), Thursday, August 19, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Information will be provided on the following topics: Counseling & Wellness, Library Services, Student Services, Fitness Center, Student Disability Resource Center, Student Clubs & Organizations, Career Services, Bookstore, Cashiering, Parking Permits, UWF ID Cards, Argus, Computer Facilities, and E-Learning. Door prizes and refreshments will be provided. RSVP today to Sherry DelCastillo, sdelcastillo@uwf.edu Call (850) 863-6569 for more information.

Bookstore Hours

The University of West Florida - Emerald Coast Bookstore hours from July 21 to September 10, 2010 are:

Monday to Thursday: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Financial Aid Deferment will begin on August 2 and end on August 27. The UWF Emerald Coast bookstore is now RENTING TEXTBOOKS! Please go to rent-a-text.com for more information or stop by the store. For any questions or additional information, feel free to call (850) 314-6914 or e-mail 1017mgr@fhcg.follett.com.

Cashier's Office Hours

Effective Monday, August 16, 2010, the cashier operating hours will be as follows:

Monday through Thursday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Become a Student Ambassador

Do you have what it takes to be an EC Student Ambassador? The key requirements to become an ambassador are a GPA of 2.5 or higher, and a commitment of four hours of volunteer time per month. Dr. John Azzaretto, EC Dean and Vice Provost is the advisor. You can learn more and pick up an application on July 28 and August 20 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, Building 4, Room 452. You can also request an application from Terri Reshard at treshard1@uwf.edu.

Upcoming Career and Job Fairs

August 19, 2010 - NAS Whiting Field Career and Job Fair 9am - 3pm Milton, Florida

September 15, 2010 - Okaloosa and Walton County Public Schools and NWFSC Annual College Night K-Mall 6pm-8pm. Niceville, Florida

September 16, 2010 - Panhandle Job Fair, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., NW Florida Fairgrounds (FWB) For more information visit www.panhandlejobfair.com

October 5, 2010 - UWF Career and Graduate School Expo, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Conference Center, Pensacola Campus.

Habitat for Humanity

You are invited to participate in a Habitat for Humanity Build on October 2nd. This build is open to any student, faculty or staff member who would like to participate. The build will take place in Crestview from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (lunch will be provided). You will need to have your own transportation or find a way to carpool with other participants. UWF will not be able to provide transportation. Space is limited to the first 15 people, so RSVP soon! Anyone interested in participating is asked to RSVP to Ester Molder by September 15th (850) 863-6575 or emolder@uwf.edu with your name, mobile phone number and email address.

SBDC Workshops

STARTING A BUSINESS - August 4

This workshop will review business planning areas such as financing, selecting a business legal structure, identifying your market, recordkeeping and identifying risks that can challenge success. To reserve your seat, please call the SBDC at (850) 833-9400 by August 3, 2010.

922 Mar Walt Drive, Suite 203, Fort Walton Beach
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. The fee is **\$35.00**.

SBA LOANS Workshop - August 12

Learn about the SBA's loan programs for starting and expanding businesses. Topics to be discussed include eligibility, criteria and participating resources. To reserve your seat, limited seating, please call the SBDC at (850) 833-9400 by August 11, 2010.

NWF/UWF FWB Campus, Bldg. 1, Room 126 Fort Walton Beach. 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The fee is **\$20.00**.

Need help with eLearning?

Faculty can get assistance with:

- Online Course Design
- Desire2Learn (D2L), UWF's online Learning Management System
- Illuminate Live!
- Other instructional related technologies

Contact Cindy Mersereau at the Academic Technology Center (ATC) on the Combs Campus to set up an appointment at cmersereau@uwf.edu or (850)833-3989.

Visit the ATC website at <http://uwf.edu/atc>, for more information, resources and a calendar of events related to online learning and instruction.

Library News

Campus Librarian Paul Williford has been appointed to the UWF Faculty Senate through 2012.

As the school year starts, you may need to brush up on your research skills. The Emerald Coast Library staff are happy to help you out! Look for our upcoming schedule of classes or contact Paul Williford (850) 863-6577 or williford@uwf.edu for assistance in finding the information you need. Emerald Coast Library Intersession Hours during August 9 - 22, 2010 are:
Monday to Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday and Sunday CLOSED

Military Corner

Mr. Fay McRoberts (Mac) is a new student with the University of West Florida and was recently awarded a fully funded WIRED Grand Scholarship to take the Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator Security + (MCSA Security +) certificate program offered at the UWF Combs Campus this summer. Mac is a retired member of the United States Air Force where he served 26 years as an Aerospace Control and Warning Systems Operator. He presently works at the Base Education Center at Hurlburt Field as an Education and Training Technician/CST and maintains the IT infrastructure. Additionally, he supports the entire Hurlburt Field population in achieving their academic goals. Among his other accomplishments, Mac has eight years experience in running CAT 5 cables, installing software, trouble shooting, repairing and maintaining networked computers and peripherals. He also maintains the Base Education Computer Lab, Pearson Vue Test Center, and he set up a wireless access system throughout the education facility. After completing the MCSA Security + certificate Mac is very excited about getting his certification which will help him achieve his future goals of being a Network Administrator/Technician.

Center for Lifelong Learning

The Center for Lifelong Learning continues to ready their curriculum for the fall 2010 semester, finalizing classes in such areas as computers, exercise, science, dance, languages, bird watching, gardening and genealogy.

Registration for the fall semester will be in the Emerald Coast auditorium on September 10 with returning students registering at 9:00 a.m. and new students at 1:00 p.m. Students may take up to four classes for only \$40.00. For more information about CLL -- or to receive a catalog -- please email ccl@uwf.edu or call the office at (850) 863-6548. The web site is ccl-fwf.org.