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Dear Second Year Students,

Welcome Back! I hope you had an enjoyable Summer break.

A wise man once said, "The future depends on what we do in the present."

As President Hundert has stated, education requires an ingenious balance between support and challenge. I urge you to take full advantage of the abundance of resources and opportunities offered here at Case to help you achieve your academic goals.

Hopefully by now, my name and role are familiar to you. I look forward to collaborating with you and other members of the community to enhance the second year academic experience here at Case. It is important that we establish an open line of frequent and consistent communication. One form of communication will be monthly newsletters that I will send out.

As always, I am available for individual appointments. The easiest way to schedule an appointment is to call the receptionist's desk at 368-2928. Or if you happen to be in the Sears Building, you can drop by the office (room 357) to schedule an appointment. I wish you the best in all your endeavors this semester.

Sincerely,
Dean Pieri

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ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SEMINAR FOR SECOND YEAR STUDENTS (ACES)

You don't want to miss this! Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, September 7, 2004, 6:00-7:30 pm.** I am happy to announce that a partnership between various offices on campus has been established (thanks to the collaboration among Educational Services for Students, Undergraduate Studies and Housing, Residence Life and Greek Life) to offer an ***"Academic Excellence Seminar (ACES) for Second Year Students"*** which is scheduled to be held in Thwing.

Second-year ACES is an interactive seminar series to help you explore the available programs and services that will foster your personal vision and a greater sense of engagement. There will be much information on hand regarding various opportunities such as scholarships and fellowships, Junior Year Abroad, internships, pre-med advising along with time management strategies.

To register for this event, e-mail ACES@ess.case.edu

For questions or more information, call 368-5230.

Here are 3 important seminars that Undergraduate Studies will be presenting:

JYA Information Session (Claudia Anderson): Study abroad opportunities at Case span five continents. Study abroad offers you the opportunity to immerse yourself in another culture and university, as well as participate in internships and community service in a variety of fields, including business, engineering, policy development, and health education. It's true that you can travel, live, or work overseas after college, but why wait? Now is the time to begin planning for your junior year abroad.

Scholarships and Fellowships (Dean Timothy Dodd): "Leadership. Scholarship. Service". Those are the necessary attributes of our successful national and international scholarship winners. If you are developing those attributes at Case, and are interested in an opportunity to compete for a Truman, Udall, Rhodes, Mitchell, Fulbright or other national or international scholarship, this session is for you. Competitive scholarship programs are highly selective but the benefits are outstanding: money for graduate school, study at prestigious overseas universities, and the opportunity to meet and network with some of the finest and most accomplished students in the country. Learn what it takes to be one of those students.

Pre-med/health information session (Dean Joseph Pieri and Dr. Jane Buder Shapiro): By now you probably have heard the news, Dr. Westin after close to 10 years of pre-med advising, has decided to step away from this position and pursue some other interests. Dr. Buder Shapiro and myself will be sharing pre-health advising responsibilities this upcoming year. This session will be a nice way for us to not only introduce ourselves, but to also present some very important information regarding pre-medical and pre-dental advising. Please join us if you are thinking about applying to medical, dental or any other health related field.

In addition, the following offices on campus will be holding seminars and/or information tables: **Career Center, Educational Support Services, Housing, Residence Life and Greek Life, and Student Activities.**

MAJOR DECLARATION

SELECTION OF MAJORS AND MINORS; DEPARTMENTAL ADVISORS

Students should select a major no later than the end of the sophomore year. When a student selects a specific major or minor, the department representative assigns a faculty advisor. A choice or change of major or minor is not recorded for any student until the major or minor declaration form, bearing the signature of the student, the name of the advisor, and the signature of the department representative, has been completed and returned to the Office of Undergraduate Studies, Sears 357. Students who have not declared a major should consult their assigned advisor (noted in their on-line student information) or the academic representative of an academic department of interest for advice and schedule approval.

If you feel ready to declare a major and it's just a matter of filling out the paperwork, I urge you to come by UGS and do this at your earliest convenience. Selecting a major will allow you to become connected with a department and receive valuable information about departmental related opportunities. **It will also update your DPR to accurately reflect your degree requirements.**

THE STEPS YOU SHOULD FOLLOW IN THE DECLARATION PROCESS:

- 1) Stop by the Office of Undergraduate Studies to pick up a "Major Declaration" or "Minor Declaration" form.
- 2) Find out the name and contact information for the department representative of your intended major. (The department representative list is outside this office.)
- 3) Arrange to meet with the dept rep, have him/her sign your major declaration form and assign you an advisor.
- 4) Drop off the signed yellow copy to the Office of Undergraduate Studies to complete the process.



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

RETAINING YOUR SCHOLARSHIP

At the end of the academic year, the records of all scholarship (Full Tuition, Trustees', Presidents', and Provosts') recipients will be reviewed. In order to have your scholarship renewed for next year, you must satisfy the following 2 requirements:

- 1) 54 semester/cumulative hours earned (*only hours earned **after** matriculation at Case, not including AP/IB/transfer or Pre-College Scholar credit earned prior to enrollment at Case*).
- 2) A cumulative scholarship* grade point average of 3.00

*Scholarship Grade Point Average: No courses are eliminated from a student's record for the purpose of calculating the "scholarship g.p.a.". If the scholarship recipient has used the Repeat Option for any course(s) or has earned any grade(s) of F in the first year that do not appear on the official transcript, the original grades in the courses for which the final grade has been replaced by RPT or in which the earned grade was F will be included in the computation of the cumulative average for the purpose of determining eligibility for scholarship continuation.

ACADEMIC SUCCESS RESOURCES

ESS Services for Second Year Students

If you find yourself either wanting to reinforce material presented in class or seeking guidance in understanding material, there are two excellent services available to you. You may want to consider attending SI (Supplemental Instruction) sessions taught by your peers or signing up for a TUBA tutoring appointment.

SI sessions are available for many courses, but these may be most relevant to you as a second year student: BIOL 215, CHEM 223, PHYS 121, 122

If you would like a TUBA tutoring appointment, visit the ESS website at ess.case.edu/tuba and schedule your appointment on-line. Learn more about these services at ess.case.edu or by visiting in person at 105 KSL

Individual Consultations on Time Management

If you would like some individualized help with time management, reading strategies, or other types of study skills strategies, call 368-5230 to arrange a consultation with one of the professional staff of ESS. They will help you create a schedule that will maximize your effort!

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND PROGRAMS TO CONSIDER!

ACADEMIC RELATED NEWS

GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP, for science, mathematics and engineering students who are currently sophomores or juniors. **October 1 is the deadline for the preliminary application.** The Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation aims to attract outstanding students into careers in mathematics, the natural sciences, and engineering. Current sophomores (planning to graduate in 2007) and juniors (planning to graduate in 2006) are eligible for consideration. A Goldwater Scholarship provides \$7000 per year. Candidates should be outstanding students who have an interest in pursuing a research career in science, math, or engineering. Preferred are students who have already been engaged in research or have some ideas about specific problems or areas they'd like to investigate via research. The University is permitted to nominate no more than four students for this national competition; as a result, there are preliminary applications, available in Sears 357. In addition, there are a couple of questions from the "real" (long) application which must be submitted to Dr. Westin (jxw3@po.cwru.edu; Sears 357) in the Office of Undergraduate Studies.

UDALL SCHOLARSHIP for second year students interested in careers related to environmental issues. **October 15 is the deadline for the preliminary application.** The Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation aims to encourage outstanding students to pursue careers related to environmental public policy and to encourage outstanding Native American and Alaska Native students to pursue careers related to health care and tribal public policy. Current second year students (planning to graduate in 2007) and juniors (planning to graduate in 2006) are eligible for consideration. A Udall Scholarship provides \$5000 per year. Typical majors or areas of study include environmental engineering, the natural sciences, natural resource management, and the social sciences. The University is asked to nominate students for this national competition, so there is *PRELIMINARY SCREENING*. Interested students should make an appointment to meet with Dean Dodd, 368-2928.

JUNIOR YEAR ABROAD

Representatives will be visiting the Case campus to present information about their study abroad programs. All meetings will be held in the Office of Undergraduate Studies, Sears Bldg., Rm. 357.

Wednesday., Sept. 29, 2004

Butler University - study abroad programs in Australia, New Zealand, the UK (including Oxford University), Latin America and Cuba. 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Wednesday., Oct. 13, 2004

Aracadia University - study abroad programs in Australia, New Zealand, Italy, Spain, the UK, and Mexico. 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Thursday, October 14, 2003

University of Bristol in Bristol, England - one of Britain's premier universities with a world-wide reputation. Bristol ranks in the top ten among British institutions and offers a vast array of majors. 1:30-3:30 p.m.

ACADEMIC RELATED NEWS

FALL SEMESTER – HIGHLIGHTS

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| Late registration-Drop/Add ends | September 3 |
| Deadline for Credit/Audit | September 3 |
| Mid-term Grades Due | October 18 |
| Fall Break | October 18, 19 |
| Deadline for Removal of Preceding “I” Grades | November 5 |
| Deadline for Class Withdrawal | November 5 |
| Open Registration for Spring 2005 Begins | November 8 |
| Thanksgiving Holidays | November 25, 26 |
| Pass/No Pass Form Submission to Undergraduate Studies | December 1, 2 & 3 |
| Last Day of Classes | December 3 |
| Reading Days | December 6 & 7 |
| Final Exams Begin | December 8 |
| Final Exams End | December 15 |
| Final Grades due | December 17 |

CHANGING THE INCOMPLETE GRADE:

Making Up Incompletes from the Spring Semester

If you received a grade of “I” (Incomplete) in the Spring Semester, it is your responsibility to meet with your professor and make arrangements to complete the unfinished work as soon as possible. All incomplete work must be completed and a grade change submitted to the Office of Undergraduate Studies, no later than November, 5, 2004. Any “I” not made up by this date will be converted to a grade of “F.” Any request for an extension must be submitted well in advance for review by the Dean’s Committee. A request for extension should be submitted to Dean Robinson in Sears 357 and must be accompanied by a supporting note from the professor in the course involved.

DUAL DEGREE

To qualify for two undergraduate degrees, i.e., a B.A. and a B.S. degree, or two B.S. degrees, a student must satisfy all requirements for each degree, and complete for the second degree thirty semester hours of study beyond the hours required for the first degree. A student may, however complete two or more majors within the 120 hour minimum requirement for the B.A. degree. Students completing both a B.A. and a B.S. degree are exempt from 6 hours of the 90 hour arts and sciences requirement for the B.A. A student desiring to be a candidate for two degrees should meet with a dean in the Office of Undergraduate Studies, Sears 357, to apply for dual degree candidacy.

ARE YOU CONSIDERING LAW SCHOOL?

If you are considering law school you should make an appointment with the Undergraduate Studies Pre-Law adviser, Joanne Jackson. You can contact Dr. Jackson at prelaw@po.cvru.edu or call 368-2928 to make an appointment. Pre-Law is neither a major nor a minor, however there are courses here at Case that students who are considering law school often take. Currently there are 60 second year students enrolled in the Pre-Law Blackboard site and Dr. Jackson would like add any additional students who may be considering law school to this site.

September 2004

Labor Day holiday is September 6 (no classes).

Several new food services are being added to campus dining options this year. A new Sports Pub at Charlie's Place will be open evenings this fall and feature—in addition to sports pub menu items—interactive video games, several TV screens, pool tables, food, spirits and fun. A "Fair Trade" Coffee Bar, Bon Appetit's new Pura-Vida coffee bar that supports fair trade principles, is now in the Thwing Atrium, and a Haagen-Dazs ice cream cart is available on Euclid Avenue near Thwing Center. Additional new food carts are expected to be added later this year. Go to

<http://www.case.edu/finadmin/security/auxiliary/auxiliary.htm>.

Newly designed "Case" shuttles will be appearing on campus in the next few weeks. Go to <http://greenie.case.edu>.

Case will install a state-of-the-art rock climbing wall this spring. The exact location is to be determined, but it likely will be within one of the athletic department's recreational facilities. Go to <http://www.case.edu/finadmin/security/secmain.htm>.

Case has established a Spirit Rock next to the Silver Spartan Diner near Juniper Avenue and 115th Street. Details are forthcoming. Go to <http://housing.case.edu/>

A concert by Jurassic 5, co-sponsored by University Program Board and Case Campus Services, will take place September 17 at Adelbert Gym. Go to <http://home.case.edu/upb>.

The Case School of Medicine will conduct its next Mini Med School, beginning Sept. 29. The fall session covers mood disorders, osteoarthritis, stem cells, care at the end of life and lung disease. No science background is needed. Call x2975 or go to <http://cme.case.edu/minimedschool/>.

The Corporate Club at Landerhaven will host an election preview luncheon September 9. Guest panelists are **Jimmy Dimora**, chairman, Cuyahoga County Democratic Party, and **Michael Wise**, co-chair, Cuyahoga County Republican Party. Call 440-449-0700 extension 241 or go to <http://www.ccatlanderhaven.com>.

University Circle is hosting a free "Third Thursdays" summer concert series September 23 in Wade Oval. Go to <http://www.universitycircle.org>.

The Institute of Pathology is hosting its 75th anniversary celebration in October featuring several events, including a day-long symposium on October 2. RSVP deadline is September 27. Call x2482 or go to <http://www.case.edu/med/pathology/75th.html>.

Leadership Conference, September 18, The theme this year is "The Grass Roots of Leadership." Contact Mark Starr at mrs11@case.edu for more information

The Race at Case: City Club of Cleveland Campaign Issues of the 2004 Election Series presented by Baker & Hostetler LLP featuring Henry Kissinger "Can War Prevent Terrorism?" begins at noon September 8 at the Marriott Hotel Downtown at Key Center. Additional forums are at noon on Wednesdays throughout September at the City Club. Go to <http://www.case.edu/vpdebate>.

The second annual Case for Community Day takes place 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. September 15. All faculty, students, staff, and alumni are invited to participate. To register and find out about volunteer opportunities go to <http://www.case.edu/events/cfc>.

The Western Reserve Historical Society exhibit "Every Four Years: Ohio's Role in the Making of the American President" —in conjunction with the Race at Case— opens September 25 and runs through February 27, 2005. Go to <http://www.case.edu/vpdebate>.

Robert F. Kennedy Jr. will speak on "Crimes Against Nature" in conjunction with the Race at Case at 7:30 p.m. September 30 in Strosacker Auditorium. Go to <http://www.case.edu/vpdebate>.

The Commission on Presidential Debates determines who will receive the limited number of tickets available for the 2004 vice presidential debate. In the event that the university receives tickets, a student lottery will determine how those tickets are distributed. Case students will be able to register for the lottery beginning September 7 on the debate Web site. Go to <http://www.case.edu/vpdebate>.

Information Technology Services has partnered with PerceptIS, a Cleveland company with IT expertise, to bring help-desk service to students, faculty and staff at Case. For details go to <http://www.case.edu/its/estore/epartners/perceptis/>.

Thwing Center will sponsor a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. September 2 in the Thwing Center Ballroom. To register, e-mail Suzanne Leach at suzanne.leach@case.edu or call the Student Activities and Leadership Office at 368-2679. Drop-ins also are welcome. All donors will receive a "gift of life" long-sleeved t-shirt. Go to <http://chapters.redcross.org/br/northernohio/blooddrives/cuyahoga-east.html>.

In honor of National Hispanic Heritage Month a screening of the film "Frida," followed by a panel discussion will take place at 7 p.m. September 28 at Strosacker Auditorium. Go to <http://www.case.edu/provost/centerforwomen>.