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Tips for Transfers

1. See a FREE movie at the Askew Student Life Center Theater (see movie listings below)
2. Take note of all important dates & deadlines - write them down somewhere to refer to later
3. Summer is approaching, be sure to use the Career Center and other campus resources to find a summer job or internship (see "Career Corner")
4. Complete your AlcoholEdu & Think About It modules

February 2015

Mark Your Calendar
February 11: Complete Part 1 of Alcohol Edu
February 11: Complete Think About It Module
February 13: Final payment for installment contract due; Financial aid deferments expire
February 13: Check out Fridays at the Union, featuring countless activities and Breakfast for a Buck
February 18: University Housing portal opens for Hall preferences and roommate matching
February 20: End of the 7th Week of Classes (click here for deadlines)
February 25: Career Center's Government & Social Services Fair

For More information, visit the Registrar's Office

From One Transfer Student to Another: Academic Advising & Transfer Students!

Written by: Latifah Carty, Transfer Leadership Institute

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5. Meet with a Peer Involvement Mentor to find organizations that match your interests
6. Attend a spring sporting event!
7. Follow @FSU_NSFP on Twitter for announcement & reminders about campus events!
8. Join the FSU Leaders Listserv to get weekly e-mails about events and opportunities to get involved!

Get Involved!
Peer Involvement Mentors

Looking for a way to get involved on campus?
Want to make friends?
Build your resume?
Have fun?

Peer Involvement Mentors are here to help!

Take a quick 10 minute online survey and get assigned to a mentor who will introduce you to a list organizations that best fit you!

Take our survey at: http://union.fsu.edu/sac/involvement/peer-involvement-mentors/

Make your time at FSU worthwhile and come meet with a Peer Involvement Mentor! We will also be at the Spring Involvement Fair on January 15th!

If you have any questions, email us at pimfsu@gmail.com

Transfer students are really on a fast track when entering their new universities. One of the most important things that I had trouble with was academic advising. Unlike most transfers, I transferred from a 4-year university. Most credits were transferrable, but some were not. Because different institutions have different curriculum, I believe it is crucial for transfer students and their academic advisors to pay close attention to transcripts.

A term that all transfers should get acquainted with is "milestones". Milestones are a way of tracking academic progress to stay on track in your respective major. For instance, by the end of your freshman year ENC 1101 needs to be completed in order to stay on track for graduation. Before I transferred to FSU, I was unaware about milestones. When I came to orientation, I was in for shock because my acceptance was dependent on milestones for my major. If you don’t pass a class or take a certain class by a certain semester this may put a hold on your account or push back your graduation!

Another thing that should be taken into account as a transfer is excess credit hours. I left my last university with over 85 credit hours. Most majors require about 120 credits to graduate. Now that I am a senior I have over 140 credits! Not only did I change my major; but, many credits did not transfer over to FSU. Depending on the year you graduated high school, excess credit fees will be charged to ensure that a student graduates within a timely manner. With that being said, try your best to stay on top of your credits.

Transferring to Florida State was one of the best decisions I've ever made. However, knowing a little bit more information in regards to milestones and excess credits would’ve made my journey a little smoother. It is important to reach out to your academic advisors and make sure that all of your i’s are dotted and t’s are crossed.

Hopefully this information will help out another transfer!

Phi Theta Kappa: How to Get Involved!

The purposes of Phi Theta Kappa’s Delta of Florida Alumni Association at Florida State University are to: Provide a continuing fellowship of Phi Theta Kappa members, help transfer students become accustomed to the senior institution and the life it affords, provide service to the community, and recognize and encourage scholarship and leadership among Phi Theta Kappa members.

Phi Theta Kappa’s main objective this school year is to help transfer students easily transition in to life at Florida State University as well as the surrounding community of Tallahassee. This is accomplished through community service as well as group utilization of the universities’ programs and facilities.

If you were a member of Phi Theta Kappa at your Community College, come join the FSU Chapter! Our meetings our every other Tuesday, and this month they will be held on February 3rd and 17th at 6:00pm in the William Johnston Building, Room G060.

We have upcoming opportunities for community service hours by helping out with our bake sales! Our bake sales will be held outside of Strozier Library from...
Our ultimate goal with THT is to help students get acclimated, to have another community to turn to and feel more a part of The Seminole Nation. We will have a chance for students to meet other transfer students from all the different colleges by attending events such as bowling at Crenshaw Lanes, watching movies in the SLC and even going to places like The Boys and Girls Club. These events are to help each student feel more apart of Florida State and The Tallahassee Community. Our members will also have the opportunity to help raise funding for the FSU Food Bank here on campus. We found that by participating right away in an organization it immediately makes students feel at ease with their transition to a new place.

Transfers Helping Transfers is a unique organization that was put in place to create a smooth transition from a students past college/university to FSU. By providing a past transfer student as a mentor figure to the newest transfer students we found it a more personable way to have any question answered. Questions ranging from where a certain building is on campus to what the night life is like in Tallahassee, your mentor will be a guiding light to your success here at Florida State.

Organization Contact:
Meredith Robinson, mkr13b@my.fsu.edu

Phi Theta Kappa
Transfer Student Honor Society

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Alcohol Edu

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Transfers Helping Transfers: Transfer Student Testimonial

Transfers Helping Transfers is a student led organization that I began at FSU in the fall of 2013. I was a transfer student myself from the University of Alabama and had always been an FSU fan ever since I could remember. I took a different path as most but I finally became a true Florida State Student. Even though I felt like I understood the how to's and what not's of being a 'Nole I still went through a drastic transition when I transferred. It’s hard transitioning from one big college to another. I did not feel entirely comfortable right away but my hope is to give other college transfer students that comfortable community to run to when they have questions about classes, campus, or even just want some friends that are going through that exact transition as them. Transfers Helping Transfers is the organization to join to help guide students through the adjustments of attending this university and to provide helpful information in whatever else students desire for their college careers at FSU.

After a long and complicated admissions process, I fulfilled that goal of mine and was admitted into FSU as an Information Communication and Technologies major in the College of Communication and Information. In my first semester I was enrolled in an IT Leadership course with Ebe Randeree. Our responsibility in this course was to successfully lead a group project. I had put some thought into what kind of project I wanted to lead and created a topic that I knew was relevant to me. That is how Transfers Helping Transfers was created!

T.H.T., also known as Transfers Helping Transfers, will pair up a past transfer student or a well knowledge FSU student with a new transfer student to allow a smoother transition in their college major and at Florida State as a whole. The target group I am trying to reach are past transfer students, new transfer students and students who never transferred in at all. You do not have to be a transfer student to get involved with T.H.T. If you know and love FSU and want to help others feel acquainted at Florida State, then this is the perfect place to be!

The overall goal of this organization is to create a community between transfer students and other students on campus to help with the adjustment of being a new ‘Nole. By hosting events such as bowling at Crenshaw Lanes, watching movies in the SLC and even going to places like The Boys and Girls Club; we hope to have students feel more like a Seminole and a part of The City of Tallahassee. Not only will these events help make transfer students more comfortable; it will also be used as a resource for them and their school work. By getting to know other members in T.H.T. and providing a mentor figure to a student with the same major/interests, it will allow them another source of support through their transition at FSU.

If you know of any transfer students or would like to join yourself, please contact Meredith Robinson for further information at mkr13b@my.fsu.edu

9:00am - 3:00pm on February 2nd, 3rd, 9th, and 10th. The money we make from these bake sales will go towards our Relay for Life team.

There will also be a social towards the end of the month!

If you are interested in joining, or becoming involved with us, please feel free to like our facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/groups/phithetakappafsu or email ptkfsu@yahoo.com.
Florida State University has partnered with EverFi, whose mission is to help students address critical life skills such as alcohol abuse prevention in higher education institutions across the country. Each year over ½ million students complete AlcoholEdu.

As part of our comprehensive alcohol prevention program, Florida State University expects each incoming student to complete AlcoholEdu. Whether you drink or not, this online course will empower you to make well-informed decisions about alcohol and help you better cope with the drinking behavior of your peers.

To fulfill Florida State University's requirement as a Spring 2015 Entering Student, you must achieve the following:
- Incoming Fall students must complete Part I by February 11, 2015
- Incoming Fall students must complete Part II by March 13, 2015

Please note that the course includes three surveys that help personalize your experience and measure students’ alcohol-related attitudes and behaviors. All survey responses are strictly confidential; FSU will only receive information about the student body as a whole and will never see individual students’ answers.

Other Important Information:
- You will need Internet access and audio capabilities.
- To avoid technical issues, please use a major web browser released within the previous two years (e.g. Chrome, Firefox, or Safari).
- You may take the course in multiple sittings. Sections end with a "Next" button. DO NOT log out until you click the "Next" button or you will have to repeat the section.
- The course may include surveys to help personalize your experience and measure students’ attitudes and behaviors. All survey responses are confidential; the school will only receive information about the student body as a whole and will never see individual students’ answers.
- Should you experience problems, technical support is available 24/7 and can be accessed from the "Help" link within the course.

Instructions for creating an account are included below:
1. Go to: http://www.everfi.com/register
2. Enter the Registration Code: c134097a
3. Deadlines will be sent to you via email!

AlcoholEdu is a college-level alcohol education program that has been proven effective in reducing dangerous alcohol use by college students. The course aims to educate students about alcohol and its effects on the mind and body. Whether or not they drink, AlcoholEdu empowers students to make well-informed decisions and better cope with the drinking behavior of peers. The program, recognized nationally for its effectiveness, uses the latest prevention techniques and science-based research to educate students about the impact of alcohol. All data collected is anonymous and cannot be tied to a single user. The aggregated data from both programs will be used to inform our alcohol and sexual violence prevention education.

Think About It

Upcoming Events:
- Feb 9 - Men’s Basketball game vs Duke - 7pm. (Free with student ID)
- Feb 11 - Casual game of frisbee on Landis Green - 5:30p. (FREE!)
- Feb 24 - Baseball game vs Oklahoma. (99.9% sure, free with student ID)
- Feb 26 - Dinner & a Movie - TBD. (Dinner will be at Chili’s on campus)

Career Corner:
Identify Occupations

If you are exploring occupations and career paths of interest, The Career Center invites you to take advantage of resources available in our Career Library, as well as online. Meet with a Career Advisor to discover occupations and research field-related employers. With the guidance of our Matching Majors to Occupations sheets, you can make the connection between your field of study and sample job titles, employers, and professional associations. Career Advisors are available for drop-in advising Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

Discover additional opportunities to you:
- Explore over 3,000 information resources in The Career Center Library to help you research majors and occupations.
- Search for books, files, and videos about your major in Career Key.
- Conduct an informational interview to learn more about professions.
- Connect with professionals in your area of interest and expand your network by accessing ProfessioNole, a database of alumni and friends of the University.

Gain insight into various career paths by attending Career Panels this spring:
- Creative Arts | Tuesday, January 27
- Communication & Information | Tuesday, February 3
- Social Sciences & Humanities | Tuesday, February 10
- Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math | Tuesday, February 17
- Education & Helping | Tuesday, February 24
- Business-Related Professions | Tuesday, March 3

Location: Globe Auditorium
Time: 7 - 8 p.m.

For more information:
www.career.fsu.edu | 850-644-6431

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Think About It is an interactive on-line program that enables you to make informed decisions about sex and relationships in college. It is designed to help prevent sexual violence and to demonstrate how to intervene in high-risk situations. Every new first-year and new transfer student starting Spring 2015 will receive an email invitation on January 21, 2015 inviting them to start their training with ThinkAbout It. Each student has a unique invitation that prompts them to their individual training course.

If you do not receive an invitation on January 21, please call Health Promotion Department at 850-644-8871 and someone will be able to assist you.

All technical support questions can be directed to Campus Clarity
Email: admin@campusclarity.com
Phone: 800-652-9546

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- Think About it opens January 21, 2015
- Incoming Fall students must complete Think About It by February 11, 2015

Think About It is an interactive comprehensive education program that enables students to make informed decisions about sex and relationships in college. The program's research-based curriculum takes a non-judgmental approach to effectively reach students by demonstrating how to intervene in high-risk situations. Think About It is compliant with Campus SaVE Act and is customized to reflect Florida State Universities policies and resources. All data collected is anonymous and cannot be tied to a single user. The aggregated data from both programs will be used to inform our alcohol and sexual violence prevention education.

ACE Tutoring

Taking some difficult classes this semester? Need some extra help?

The Academic Center for Excellence (ACE) is here to help! The ACE Learning Studio provides free tutoring in many subject areas, including accounting, biology, chemistry, economics, math, statistics, physics, and more. Visit the ACE Learning Studio on the ground floor of the William Johnston building (WJB).

We offer both drop-in and appointment based tutoring. Stop by and see us soon to ensure that your semester progresses smoothly!

Call/email us with any questions or to make an appointment.
850-645-9151 or tutor@fsu.edu

ACE Learning Studio: Spring 2015 Hours

Monday through Thursday: 10:00 A.M. - 10:00 P.M.
Friday: 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Sunday: 5:00 P.M. - 10:00 P.M.

Need help with a class? Want to help tutor others? Need an extra edge and tips on how to ace a test? All three of these are reasons to come check out the ACE Learning Studio so you can be successful this semester! Start out your freshman year strong with your goal GPA!

Library Hours

For more information, click here.
Strozier
Monday-Thursday: 24 hours
Friday: 12am-6pm
Saturday: 10am-6pm
Sunday: 12pm-24 hours

Dirac
Monday-Thursday: 8am-1am
Friday: 8am-5pm
Saturday: 10am-6pm
Sunday: 1pm-9pm

Click here for more information about library services.

Fitness Center Hours

Leach Center
Monday-Thursday: 6:00am-11:45pm
Friday: 6:00am-10:00pm
Saturday & Sunday: 11:00am-9:00pm

Fitness & Movement Clinic
Monday-Thursday: 6:00am-10:00pm
Friday: 6:00am-9:00pm
Saturday & Sunday: 8:00am-5:00pm

Don't forget: enrolled students have a variety of free services, including 4 sessions with a personal trainer!

Student Life Cinema

Upcoming Movies

Dressed to Kill
February 5 | 8:30pm

Freaks
February 6 | 11:30pm

God’s Not Dead
February 9 | 7:30pm

Boyhood
February 10 & 11 | 6:45pm & 10:30pm

Gone Girl
February 12 & 14 | 7:30pm & 10:00pm
February 13 | 8:00pm

Spring 2015 Workshop Calendar

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Contact us:
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Find Your Place at FSU:
Student Government Association Agencies

Written by: Rebecca Cue, 2014 Orientation Leader

This month, we are spotlighting the various Agencies of the Student Government Association here at FSU! The mission of the Student Government Association (SGA) is to provide FSU students with representation, services and advocacy within the university structure. The Student Government Association provides quality leadership for and accountability to its constituency by recognizing that strength arises from diversity, engagement, and dialogue.
At Florida State University, we have six agencies that all students are invited to become involved in. An agency is a programmatic division of the Executive Branch created to provide support for and education on a particular select identity group of FSU whether it be based on race, ethnicity, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, disability, or veteran status. Florida State University is an institution where inclusivity is one of our top priorities. If your student is looking to get involved, agencies are a great place to start. Highlighted here are the six agencies of FSU:

Asian American Student Union
The Asian American Student Union seeks to educate and empower students through our programming and relationships. AASU hosts cultural and educational events to spread the knowledge and appreciation of Asian culture within campus and the Tallahassee community. AASU has 10 affiliates, including associations such as the Filipino Student Association and the Japanese Student Association, among others.

Black Student Union
The Black Student Union has a mission to be a Student Government Agency that offers black students a form of identity and a social life. The BSU creates an atmosphere of self-respect and gives minorities on campus an opportunity to network and explore all of the different options that FSU has to offer. BSU also has various organizations affiliated with them, such as the Minority Business Society and the Black Actors Guild.

The Hispanic/Latino Student Union
It is the Hispanic/Latino Student Union's mission that ever academic year, they aim to "serve as a nucleus for a network with other national institutes and organizations to improve the opportunities and living conditions of the Hispanic/Latino community. HLSU also serves as an umbrella organization for fifteen affiliate organizations."
The Pride Student Union strives to create a safe and positive environment for students no matter their gender identity or sexual orientation. Pride's mission is to provide services and programs to address the needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students and to increase the awareness of issues pertinent to them within the Florida State University community. Further, The Pride Student Union shall attempt to create a supportive and healthy environment for the welfare of all students regardless of their sexual orientation and gender identity.

The Veteran's Student Union is the newest agency at FSU, and just recently celebrated its one year anniversary! By joining VSU, veteran students have a new challenge to enhance themselves and the mission of veterans at FSU, our community, and even nationwide. Students have the opportunity to join the ranks of the best student veterans and veteran supporters in the nation and continue to show everyone why FSU is the most veteran friendly school in the nation! The VSU helps sponsor many events throughout the year, including the Student Veteran Film Festival.

The Women Student Union values struggles of the past, asserts rights in the present, and celebrates aspirations for the future. The mission of WSU fosters the growth of women personally, professionally and politically. WSU is an identity-based group within Student Government whose overall mission is to unite women on the common purpose of individual self-growth. As a representative voice, the Women Student Union prides itself on being an open and diverse group, available to every student on campus!

Be sure to visit http://sga.fsu.edu/agencies.shtml in order to learn more about each of the agencies at Florida State University. Be sure to also check out each agency on social media! It is important to know that regardless of how your student identifies, there is a place for them on campus!
Parking & Transportation Services

Whether you are in a surface lot or parking garage, be sure that the parking spots are designated for students to avoid ticketing. An easy way to note this is to park "nose in" between white lined parking spaces!

Overnight Parking
The top floor of each parking garage is designated as overnight parking. Please take notice of the signage for each parking area before leaving your car for the evening.
*Overnight parking is available on the Top 2 Floors of the W. Pensacola St. Garage.

Mobile Apps:

FSU Tranz - Finding parking just got easier! How full are the parking garages on campus? Find out now! Download Mobile App: iPhone or Android

TransLoc - Never wonder where your bus is again! View Seminole Express in real time. Download Mobile App: iPhone, Android, or view here online

Want more info?
Like us on Facebook and Follow us on Twitter for daily parking updates and more!
FSU Transportation Services @fsuparking

For information and to view our site of services, visit transportation.fsu.edu or contact us at transportation@fsu.edu or (850) 644-5278.

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