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A New Opportunity - Graduate Programs Fair



A GRADUATE PROGRAMS FAIR was held on Tuesday, June 27 at Mercy College. Over 20 students, nearly 15 faculty members, and several program chairs and administrators attended. Six graduate nursing programs were represented at the fair including: Creighton University, Allen College, Clarke College, College of St. Mary, Graceland University, and University of Nebraska. The Fair was created as a result of student requests to learn more about graduate programs after graduating from Mercy College. Interested students and faculty were given an opportunity to talk with program representatives and learn more about graduate education.



On June 23, 2006, the College held a Summer Career Fair. Twelve employers participated helping students make connections before graduation.

Campus is Now Tobacco-Free



JULY 1, 2006 HAS COME AND GONE. As prior communication in the Messenger and monitors throughout campus have reminded us all, Mercy College is **now a tobacco-free campus.** This policy applies to employees, physicians, patients, visitors, students, vendors, contract workers and volunteers. The prohibition includes all buildings owned, leased or rented by Mercy including grounds, parking lots, sidewalks and plazas maintained by Mercy. This does include the Student Parking lot at 701 Crocker and the grounds of our college campus.

The Inauguration of President Barbara Q. Decker



The installation of President Barbara Q. Decker, will be held on **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2006. Campus will be closing at 2 p.m.** The investiture will be conducted at St. Ambrose Cathedral at 3 p.m. followed by a reception in the Sullivan Center. Please join us in welcoming President

Decker as the 2nd President of Mercy College of Health Sciences.

CALENDAR

July 1

Tobacco- Free Campus

July 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY
NO CLASSES

July 12

Student Senate Meeting
10 a.m. - BH-137

July 14

Last day to drop Science
Session classes

July 19

Last day to drop Summer
Session II classes

August 2

**Presidential Inauguration
Campus CLOSSES at 2p.m.**

August 18

**Summer Baccalaureate and
Commencement**

August 31

Professional Program Student
Orientation Allied Health and
Liberal Arts & Sciences

September 1

Professional Program Student
Orientation Nursing

September 5

First day of Fall Classes

Fall tuition payment deadline
(or deferred payment plan
established)

September 15

Last day to drop Fall Semester
classes with refund

September 25

Mercy Day

Students Who Need to Update Medical Records

JONI COWDEN, STUDENT HEALTH RN, may have contacted you regarding outstanding medical records. If you have been contacted, please get back to her at **643-6631** or visit her office at Mercy Court, main level.

Students Helping Out at First Senior Health Fair in Iowa

THE IOWA SENIOR OLYMPICS was held June 9th and 10th. This was the first year that a Health Fair has been a part of the Senior Olympics. Five students from the NSG 417 Principles of Teaching and Learning course, Heather Gloede, Nancy Jackman, Morgan Kuhn, Sara Thomsen, and Katie Zachow, presented health information particularly related to seniors for the Health Fair at Valley South Woods Freshmen High School.

An Information Source for Students Online

THE BLACKBOARD SYSTEM IS NOT NEW to students. However, a new login has been created for students to find forms and information such as, Graduation Requirements, APA guidelines, and portfolio guidelines. You can access this site at <http://mercycollege.blackboard.com> from home or on campus. The username and password is **mchs**. You will be able to view and print the most current forms and guidelines for these areas. Communication with the logo below will be posted in the library and communication boards throughout campus to help guide you to the site.

 **@Student**
Online Resource Center
<http://mercycollege.blackboard.com>
Username & Password: **mchs**

Continuing the Student Enrichment Program

THE FUNDING FOR THE STUDENT ENRICHMENT program (SEP) has been renewed for the coming academic year. Marti Doyle, as Retention Coordinator, is working to put together tutoring services for the remainder of the summer and for fall. She is located in room 315 and can be reached at 643-6659. She is also available for assistance on study skills, test anxiety, time management. Check out the campus monitors and the SEP column of the Mercy Messenger.

Summer Graduation - Friday, August 18

Students graduating should pick up a robe between **Aug. 7 - Aug. 18**. They may be picked up at the front desk of the Sullivan Center from Missy Chapman between **8:00 am and 4:00 p.m.** If you will not be on campus during pick up hours, please contact **Susan Rhoades** at **643-6609** to make arrangements.

Please check your Mercy College email on a regular basis. All future communications regarding graduation will be posted to your student email.

Robes are black or gray and look best with black shoes and hose or pants.

Schedule of Events

- 9:00am **Pinning Ceremony**
Hy-Vee Hall B
- 10:00 am **Rehearsal & Program Group Photos**
Hy-Vee Hall B
- 11:00 am **Lunch on your own**
- 1:00 pm **Baccalaureate Service**
Hy-Vee Hall B
- 1:45 pm **Line-up**
- 2:30 pm **Commencement**
Hy-Vee Hall B

Event Location:

**Iowa Events Center
Hy-Vee Hall B
730 3rd St.
Des Moines, IA**

STUDENT ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Summer Tutoring Schedule Writing & APA

Joe Moravec

jmoravec@mercydesmoines.org

Location: Library

Month of July Schedule

Mondays

11 - 12 p.m.

Tuesdays

11 - 1 p.m.

Nursing Medical Calculations

Nancy Tremmel

ntremmel@mercydesmoines.org

Mondays and Tuesdays

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Location: BH-133

Thursdays

10 - 11 a.m.

Location: BH-137

SEP Workshop

Writing A+ Papers the "Right" and Easy Way

Offering information on techniques that can help students plan and write their papers in a quick, but correct, manner. Tips on APA will also be included. Brownies will also be served!

Wednesday, July 12th

11:45 - 12:45

Location: BH 132

The Office of Marti Doyle

Retention Coordinator

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Phone: 643-6659

Summer Office Hours

Monday

8 a.m. - Noon

Tuesday

Noon - 5 p.m.

Wednesday

9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Thursday

Noon - 5 p.m.

Friday

9 - 1:30 p.m.