

CSP Newsletter

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Director's Corner by William Collins

As the fall semester proceeds it also ushers in the holiday season and the approach to the end of both the term and the calendar year. The year has already witnessed the loss of a giant of the civil rights movement in Rosa Parks as well as enormous destruction wrought by hurricanes and other natural disasters. It is truly a time to reflect upon our accomplishments and our blessings as well our personal goals and aspirations.

Most students will have among their goals achieving good grades in courses. Doing so requires sustained effort and an effective plan for accomplishing that goal. We suggest that students engage in an honest review of their performance in each course to date and develop a strategy for continued success or improvement. This may entail revising your study schedule, meeting with faculty during office hours, forming or attending study groups, and meeting with your academic advisor to get additional perspectives or suggestions. It's also a good idea to identify early the variety of resources that are available to you, such as tutors or GSIs in case you want to utilize their services later. Another reason to visit with your academic advisor is to make plans for winter term course selection so that you can make wise choices for backpacking your courses for next term.

Speaking of next term, students will want to remember that many summer internships or research opportunities will have application deadlines early in the new year. The same is true for graduate and professional school admissions tests, such as the MCAT, LSAT or GMAT. It will be useful to identify and plan for those deadlines now rather than to wait.

Finally we urge everyone to keep your goals and aspirations firmly in mind as you work to fulfill your current academic obligations. Good luck and good knowledge for the remainder of the term!

Education is the best provision for old age.
Aristotle (384-332 BCE)
Philosopher

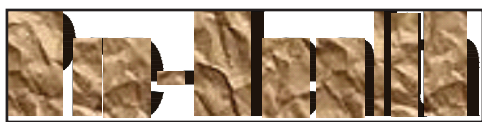
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Dr. Dwight Fontenot
Charlae M. Davis
Elzora Holland
Liese A. Hull
Carmen McCallum
Harry McLaughlin
Dahlia Petrus
Michelle Rosemond
Michele Ruffino
Chauncey Williams

Please call our office at (734) 764-9128 to make an advising appointment.

We have Walk-ins hours for more urgent situations Monday - Friday 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m
Keep in mind that appointments allow you & your advisor time to discuss academic and personal concerns.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



Pre-Health Peer Advising

Brandon Baugh
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Monday 2-5
Tuesday 2:30 - 5
Wednesday 11-1
Friday 11-1

Cecelia Calhoun
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Friday 12-4

Olubunmi Fawumi
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Tuesday 12-4
Thursday 10-2



Welcome all Pre-Health students:
Pre-Medical, Pre-Dental,
Pre-Pharmacy, Pre-Public Health,
Pre-Nursing etc.

Contact us at CSP-PHA@umich.edu

Walk-in for your consultation today!
No appointment necessary.

Pre-Dental Program Information Pipeline Program & Profile for Success

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Office of Multicultural Affairs
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The applications for these two **Summer** programs are now available via the website. The deadline for Pipeline and Profile for Success is March 22, 2006.

Pipeline - students get exposure to health careers in dentistry and medicine and increase aptitude in science coursework

Profile for Success - DAT Preparation, test taking skills, and pre-clinical experiences



Office of New Student Programs Orientation Leader Positions for Summer 2006

Information Sessions:

Wednesday, November 16, Michigan League, Michigan Room 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 11, Michigan Union, Kuenzel Room, 7:00 p.m.

Applications due: Friday, January 20

Apply online:

www.onsp.umich.edu/current_students/

Questions: Drew Tinnin, 647-4676
atinnin@umich.edu

Tutoring

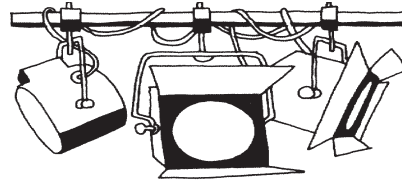
If you are interested in being a tutor please stop by the CSP office and pick up a tutor application form. Our Tutor Coordinator, Chauncey Williams, will contact you.

CSP offers free tutoring for the following courses in the **fall** and **winter** terms:

- *Accounting
- *Biology
- *Chemistry
- *Economics
- *French
- *Math
- *Physics
- *Spanish
- *Statistics



To request a tutor please make an appointment to see your academic advisor or come in during walk-ins.



Spotlight on "Student Success 2005"

An ongoing feature of our Newsletter is "Spotlight on Student Success." This is in an effort to inform you and the University community of some of the achievements of current CSP students and recent graduates. CSP has a rich history of academic achievement and we want to let everyone know. Please take a moment to fill out the form in the CSP lobby and let us know about your academic and personal successes.

The Comprehensive Studies Program is a family of more than 2,000 scholars. Help us inform the entire community about your success.

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**Please stop by the CSP Office to fill out a Student Spotlight Form today!**  
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● Demond Davenport, B.A. Psychology-1997, is currently a Senior Financial Analyst for the LS&A Dean's office. Demond is also an MBA student in Finance. He plans to complete his degree in December 2006.

● Feodies Shipp III, B.A. History-1995, is currently the Assistant Director of the Admissions and Visitor's Center.

Maximillian Boudreaux- CSP Junior, Screen Arts and Cultures Concentrator
Max is a transfer student from Oakland Community College. He served three years in the U.S. Army, and did one year in Iraq. Max hopes to pursue a career as a Film Director, Writer, and Producer.

(The Department of Screen Arts & Cultures provides students with high quality instruction in the history, theory, aesthetics, and technique of moving image media in its historical and emergent forms. The Screen Arts & Cultures major balances studies and production, with studies occupying approximately two-thirds of a student's coursework and one-third devoted to hands-on projects.)



Alicia Brown, CSP Junior, Political Science Concentrator
Alicia is the newly appointed member of the LS&A Honor Council and the newly elected Educational Affairs Committee Chairperson. During her Sophomore year at U of M she was Operations Director of K-grams, one of the largest service organizations on campus. In her first-year, she served as State President of Business Professionals of American (BPA) for the State of Michigan. After that she started the U of M Chapter of BPA. In Summer 2005 she traveled to Italy to study Roman History. She also interned for a Michigan Senator, Hansen Clarke, and interned as an organizing apprentice for a labor union. Look out Donald Trump!

William Gressman, CSP Senior, Philosophy Concentrator
William participated in the Global Intercultural Experience for Undergraduates, (GIEU) program in Spring 2005. He is originally from Miami, Florida and was placed in Detroit, for one month of intense cultural immersion. He lived with a Detroit family and worked at **Latino Family Services**, where he only spoke Spanish. He and his fellow GIEU staff led the children and elderly in various activities such as: games, tutoring, and field trips to area restaurants. During his time at the Latino Family Services he helped: reorganize the library, develop a photo project, and put on a childrens' talent show. There were also intensive weekend retreats where they received training on intercultural immersion. This is a great opportunity for someone who would like a brief language immersion

Alumni Corner

Mario Miner, CSP Graduate, B.A. English, May 2002.

Mario began the University of Michigan, School of Education, **Master of Arts with Certification (MAC) Program** this past summer. He is doing his student teaching in Detroit at Western International High School. The MAC program is a highly-intensive graduate level teacher certification program that begins late June of each year and ends the following July. If you are interested in learning more about this program visit the School of Education website at: www.soe.umich.edu

The MIRT Program has changed its name to the **Minority Health and Health Disparities International Research Training (MHIRT) grant program.**

MHIRT is now being managed by the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities.

The NCMHD program officer is Dr. DeLoris Hunter.

Her telephone number is 301 402-1366 and her e-mail is hunterd2@mail.nih.gov

These new grants support innovative programs that offer international research training opportunities to qualified undergraduate, graduate, and health professions students who are from health disparities populations and/or underrepresented in basic science, biomedical, clinical, or behavioral health research career fields.

For more information regarding MHIRT please visit their website:
www.fic.nih.gov/programs/mirt.html

The MIRT Program at the University of Michigan held its Tenth Annual Presentation Evening with the 2005 Trainees on Friday, November 4, 2005

Among the participants in the Poster and Panel Sessions were several of our outstanding CSP students:

Chile

Nicole Retland

Tanisha Tate

China

Nicole Ward

Ghana

Cecilia Calhoun

Jamaica

Krisaun Jones

Shantel West

South Africa

Adrienne Waller



10 Good Reasons Why You Should Enroll in CSP 100

1. **First-Year Student (especially)**
2. Improve Test-Taking Strategies
3. Reduce Text Anxiety
4. Learn Successful Methods for Note-taking
5. Understand Faculty-Student Relationships
6. Develop a 4-year Plan for Graduating
7. Learn How Your Memory Works and How to Improve it
8. Explore Your Career Interests and Skills
9. Set Goals and Manage Your Time
10. Discover Your Learning Style and Cultivate Effective New Styles

CSP Tidbits....

Geoffrey Bankowski, CSP English instructor, will be teaching a section of English 223 - Creative Writing, in the Winter term. It is not a CSP section so be sure to register as soon as possible for English 223 section 010.

Carmen McCallum, CSP Academic Advisor is Coordinating a workshop on Deciding if a Career in Education is in your future. If you are interested in the field of education and would like to attend please contact her at cmmccall@umich.edu.

Financial Aid Advising
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Academic Success Workshops
Tuesdays 4:15 - 5:00
Counseling and Psychological
Services (CAPS)
3100 Michigan Union

November 29,
Time Management and Procrastination
December 6,
Reducing Stress and Test Anxiety
December 13,
The Final Stretch-Strategies for Success

Also, offered at CAPS:

Personal Empowerment
by Managing Anger

Facilitator: LaReese Collins, Ph.D.
Meets: Tuesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Call to schedule a pre-group
interview: 764-8312.
www.umich.edu/~caps



Pre-Business Advising
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3-year program (First-Years)
Pre-requisites for Admission
Calculus-Math 115
English 124/125
Economics 101 & Distribution
Applications due **March 31, 2006**

2-year program (Sophomores)
Pre-requisites for Admission
Math 115
English 124/125
Economics 101, 102
Accounting 271 & Distribution
Applications due **February 15, 2006**

Mastery Project - New Initiative

You can apply to be part of this program that is designed to assist students who are interested in applying to the BBA program. This Project focuses on assisting students with the pre-requisite quantitative courses and to increase participant's academic competitiveness with the goal of fostering diversity of business school enrollments.

The next round of applications will be available at the end of November.

I will be forwarding this information to the CSP BBA First-Year interest group. If you are not on the e-mail group, BBA2005Prospectives, please contact me, Michele Ruffino at loraine@umich.edu. I will add your name to the list.

Winter term CSP Courses

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LS&A Degree Requirements Information Sessions

Registration time is Near

Need Help Sorting Through the "Maize" of Requirements?

☺ Understanding your Distribution

☺ What is QR, R&E, ULWR, etc.

☺ Bachelor of General Studies
(no language requirement)

☺ Interpreting your Transcript

Bring a copy of your unofficial transcript for Q & A

Registration
Time

Thursday, November 17, Noon - 1:00 pm - 168 Angell Hall

*Monday, November 21, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

*Monday, November 28, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

*Wednesday, November 30, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

*Thursday, December 1, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

*Monday, December 5, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Tuesday, December 6, Noon - 1:00 pm - 1359 Mason Hall

*Sessions held in G183 Angell Hall (the CSP Conference Room)

Information sessions conducted by CSP Academic Advisors

Congratulations
December 2005
CSP Graduates!



If you have any comments or questions regarding the CSP Newsletter, please contact Michele Ruffino, Academic Advisor & Newsletter Coordinator (print & web) in the CSP Office at (734) 764-9128 or e-mail loraine@umich.edu.

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