



Student Newsletter

Vancouver Island University - Cowichan Campus Student Newsletter, Issue #175, September 20, 2010

IMPORTANT DATES

University/Career/Technical

Oct. 1: Last day to apply to graduate in January 2011

Oct. 5: Fees due for daytime classes

Oct. 11: Thanksgiving: campus closed

Career and Academic Preparation

Oct. 1: Last day to pay fall semester fees

Oct. 11: Thanksgiving: campus closed

Oct. 1: Last day to apply to graduate in January 2011

CAFETERIA

Our cafeteria service provider is Shelley's Catering. Shelley offers a daily lunch special at a great price, salads, muffins, and other snacks. The cafeteria hours of operation are 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Monday to Friday.

STUDENT UNION

Free Pizza!

Who says there's no free lunch? Come and enjoy the free pizza, popcorn, and refreshments that will be provided by VIUSU, the Vancouver Island University Student Union. Join your fellow students and Student Union members at the front of the campus (inside if it rains) for lunch, prizes, tunes, and information on Wednesday, September 22, from 11:30 am – 1:00 pm



ELECTIONS

The nomination period for area representatives will end on September 28, and the campaign period will be from September 28 to October 8. Pick up forms or more information from Student Services or look for the poster on the bulletin board in the cafeteria. Cowichan Campus needs to be represented... this is your chance to make a difference! Remember to cast your vote October 12-14.

SCAVENGER HUNT

The draw for prizes such as bookstore gift certificates, flash drives, and school supplies will be on September 23 at 3:30 pm, so be sure to fill out the form and put it in the box in

the Learning Centre. Answers to the questions are on the Information for Students handout that is available in Student Services and on the table in the entrance of Building 601.

NEW CAMPUS INFO SESSION

Our Principal, Maria Lauridsen, invites all students to attend an info session about the new Cowichan Place campus. Project Manager Ric Helm will provide an update and answer questions. Please come to the Cafeteria on Monday, October 4 at 12:00 pm

HUMAN RIGHTS ADVISOR

Maria Gomes will be on campus every two weeks and is available to meet with students with any concern related to human rights or harassment. If you wish to arrange a meeting, contact Maria at the Human Rights office or make an appointment at Student Services. Maria's regular day on campus is Wednesday, but alternate arrangements can be made.

ACADEMIC/LEARNING SUPPORT

Learning Centre

For learning skills workshops, one-on-one sessions, and handouts, please drop by the Learning Centre, Room 131, to meet with Arleigh Trail. Workshop schedules are posted by Reception and are also available on the table in the main entrance. The "Connect with your Inner Learner" series starts September 21 and are on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays at 12:30 - 1:00. A new topic is presented each week. The first two topics are "What is Learning?" and "How will I Get it all Done?" Everybody is welcome!

Writing Centre

Starting on September 21, university students can meet with Jay Ruzesky on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. Sign up in the blue column on the schedule outside Room 131, or drop in to see if Jay is available.

Library

Regular hours are now in effect:

Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am - 9:00 pm

Friday - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday - 12 - 4 pm

APA and MLA Workshops

What are the guidelines of these writing style? Do you need to use headings? What should the in-text quotations look like? What about the list of works cited? For answers to these and other questions, attend a workshop in the Learning/Writing Centre, Room 131. English instructor Jay Ruzesky and Education Counsellor Arleigh Trail will guide you through the process of using an academic style guide.

APA Monday, October 5, 1:00 – 2:00 pm

MLA Tuesday, October 6, 1:00 – 2:00 pm

Volunteer Tutors

For on-going, one-on-one support, volunteer tutors are available by filling out a purple Request for Tutor form (outside Office 111A) and meeting with Arleigh Trail, Office 111A/Learning Centre, Room 131.

FACULTY NOMINATED FOR PRIZE

English and Creative Writing instructor Jay Ruzesky has had his first novel, *“The Wolsenburg Clock”*, shortlisted for the 2010 City of Victoria Butler Book Prize. This is quite an honour—good luck, Jay! To find out more about Jay’s publications, visit <http://web.viu.ca/ruzesky/>

WORK-OP POSITIONS**On campus jobs for students**

Jobs are posted on bulletin board outside Student Services office. Many positions have not yet been filled.

CHILD AND YOUTH CARE PROGRAM**Interested in making a difference in your community?**

The Child & Youth Care First Nations Program is now accepting applications for the two-year diploma program at this campus. Spots are filling fast, so please get your application in ASAP. If you are interested in learning more about the Child and Youth Care programs at VIU you can visit our website at <http://www.viu.ca/hhs/cyc/index.asp> or contact Manjeet Uppal at 250-746-3564 or Manjeet.Uppal@viu.ca.

PENNIES FOR PRESENTS

Once again, our campus is collecting pennies and other coins to donate to the Cowichan News Leader “Pennies for Presents” campaign. The money will be used to buy Christmas gifts for families in the Valley. Penny jars will be on campus in various locations

CAMPUS LIFE ACTIVITIES

**Pancake Breakfast, Friday, October 1,
and Tuesday, October 12
8:30—10:30 am**

Free Event—Bring your student card or employee card to Student Services and get your ticket for a free Pancake Breakfast with coffee or tea.

Thanksgiving Lunch, Thursday October 7

Squash Soup, Turkey Sandwich, Pumpkin Pie

Free for students, bring your student card to Student Services for a ticket.

Employees—\$5.00—get your ticket at Student Services

**Pumpkin Pie and Coffee or Tea, Wed. October 27
11—2 pm**

Get your ticket at Student Services, further details to come in the next Newsletter.

Financial Aid

The following applications are currently available to complete online at www.viu.ca/financialaid/bursaries.aspx

VIU Tuition Bursary: for students with a current student loan: Deadline Oct 30

Please submit completed application to Student Services.

COMMUNITY EVENTS**BC Transit**

New bus schedules are in effect, but the printed copies are not yet available. You can check online at BC Transit: <http://www.transitbc.com/regions/> to find the schedule you need.

**STAND UP FOR MENTAL HEALTH,
TUESDAY OCTOBER 26, 6:30—9 PM**

Are you crazy for comedy? Well, Stand Up for Mental Health is bringing you the laughter. This show coincides with Mental Illness Awareness week on campus. The event is free for the VIU community.

Location: Clemclemluts Theatre at the Quw’utsun’
Cultural and Conference Centre
200 Cowichan Way, Duncan (next door to
Cowichan Campus VIU)



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