A Fond Farewell
Alexis Holladay
Horacio Mercado

The School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts hopes that you will join us in sending warm wishes to our Academic Advisors, Alexis Holladay and Horacio Mercado.

After more than two and a half years of dedication to UC Merced, Alexis and Horacio will be leaving our department in order to pursue other professional opportunities. Their commitment to service and passion for student success has left a significant impact on students, staff, and faculty alike, and they will be missed greatly.

During this transition, and as SSHA Advising works to hire additional advisors, our seasoned Academic Advising staff and Peer Mentors will be able to continue assisting students with all of their academic questions and concerns. As always, our Walk-In Hours are located on our website: ssha-advising@ucmerced.edu.
Semester-at-a-Glance: Fall 2014

- **Monday, September 15** – Deadline to submit Online Graduation Application for Fall 2014 (See SSHA Advising prior to submitting)
- **Tuesday, September 16** – Spring 2015 Online Graduation Application opens (See SSHA Advising prior to submitting)
- **Thursday September 18** – Deadline to:
  - Add courses (instructor permission required)
  - Drop courses (Online at MyRegistration)
  - Submit a Major/Minor change form
- **Monday, October 6** – Spring 2015 Class Schedule is released
- **Thursday, November 6** – Deadline to Withdraw from a course (Will receive a “W” on transcript)
- **Monday, November 10** – Spring 2015 registration opens (check your Portal for your registration time)
- **Tuesday, November 11** – Veterans Day – Campus Closed
- **November 27-28** – Thanksgiving Holiday – Campus Closed
- **Friday, December 12** – Instruction ends
- **December 13-19** – Final Exams
- **December 20-January 19** – Winter Break

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**Fall 2014 Graduation Application**

Seniors – If you are planning to complete your degree requirements **THIS SEMESTER (Fall 2014)** you have until **Monday, September 15** to apply for graduation online through your portal. See SSHA Advising to determine if you will be completing requirements this term.

**Spring 2015 Graduation Application**

Seniors – If you are planning to complete your degree requirements **NEXT SEMESTER (Spring 2015)** the online Graduation Application will be open beginning **Tuesday, September 16**. Only apply if you will be completing ALL requirements in Spring – do NOT apply if you just intend to “walk”. See SSHA Advising to discuss your options!
Want to study abroad in 2015?
September 17, 2014:
Deadline for Spring 2015 and year-long programs

Stop by the International Center in Kolligian Library 101 or visit for studyabroad.ucmerced.edu more information.

Seek SSHA Advising assistance in determining your academic plan for studying abroad, and come by soon to have the Academic Planning Form signed!

Help! I am Already Behind on my Reading!
Come to this workshop to learn and practice an effective method for reading actively and retaining what you learn!

9/15/14
7:00 PM – 8:00 PM
California Room

Calvin E. Bright
Success Center presents...

Center for Career and Professional Advancement presents...

9/17/14
10:00 AM–11:00 AM
SSB 250

Portfolium.com is a new, forward-thinking platform, developed by college graduates for college students and faculty. It is a free interactive portfolio for students to visually showcase their work, knowledge and research experiences. Learn more about this new and free resource by attending our workshop.
Frequently Asked Questions

**How should I contact my SSHA Advisor?**
Choose one method and stick to it - either email only or come to our walk-in advising hours.

**Do SSHA Advisors make advising appointments?**
No, but we have ample walk-in hours to most efficiently serve our students. During peak advising times, we extend our walk-in hours!

**Where can I find SSHA Advisors?**
You can access SSHA Advising walk-in hours by checking into COB 208 during the hours listed on our website.

**Where do I turn in forms?**
All forms should be turned in to COB 208 during 9am-12pm and 1-4pm. All forms, if necessary, will be available for pickup in COB 259.