# SSHA Update

School of Social Sciences, Humanities, and Arts Academic Advising Newsletter

## **SSHA Advising is growing!**

As a result of our continuous efforts to meet and exceed our goals to serve students, SSHA Advising has hired a 5th

Academic Advisor!



Brenda Maldonado-Rosas has been a part of our team since October 2013, and we are excited to have her begin meeting with students this Spring term. She will be advising Freshman-Junior Anthropology, Political Science and Sociology majors as well as the minors in these disciplines.

With this new hire, the advising responsibilities for majors and minors have shifted. Carefully read the breakdown of advising responsibilities on **page 6 of this newsletter**, or on our website: http://ssha-advising.ucmerced.edu/contact-us

Email <u>ssha.advising@ucmerced.edu</u> if you have any questions. MyAudit has been updated with this information.

\*NOTE: Students who are classified as Seniors as of Spring 2014 will be staying with their current major academic advisor.

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SSHA Advising – COB 208 Open: 9am-12pm; 1-4pm

Walk-in Advising Hours
EXTENDED HOURS

January 20-24, 2014

**Monday: Closed** 

Tues & Thurs: 10am-12pm; 1-4pm Wednesday: 9am-12pm; 1-4pm Friday: 9am-12pm; 1-3pm

## **REGULAR HOURS**

January 27-March 21, 2014 Mon-Thurs: 10am-12pm; 1-4pm Friday: 10am-12pm



# Semester-at-a-Glance: Spring 2014

- January 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Offices closed
- January 21 Spring 2014 Instruction Begins
- January 27 Last day to add courses online
- February 3 Last day to change grading option
- February 10 Last day to add/drop courses and submit major or minor changes
- February 17 President's Day Holiday Offices closed
- February 24 Summer registration opens for continuing students
- March 2 Priority deadline to submit 2014-2015 FAFSA and Continuing Student Scholarship (<u>financialaid.ucmerced.edu</u>)
- March 11 Mid-semester grades online after 4:00pm
- March 24-27 Spring Recess
- March 28 Cesar Chavez Holiday Offices closed
- April 7 Last day to withdraw from a course (will receive "W" on transcripts)
- April 7-11 Fall 2014 Continuing Students Registration by Appointment (<u>my.ucmerced.edu</u>)

# **Tutoring**

UC Merced offers tutoring in a variety of subjects – from Biology to Writing, the Bright Success Center can help!

Location: Kolligian Library Rm KL 222
Online: learning.ucmerced.edu

Start the Spring 2014 semester off with success!
Check out the Bright Success Center's Success Workshops

http://learning.ucmerced.edu/workshops/study-skills-workshops http://learning.ucmerced.edu/workshops/online-workshops

# Want to study abroad in 2014-2015?

Wednesday, Jan 29, 2014: Biggest Study Abroad Deadline of 2014

Apps Due for 25 Countries

With less than two weeks remaining until the deadline, it's time to start your study abroad application. Get started before spring semester classes begin and apply for one of the many programs for summer or fall 2014 or the whole 2014-15 year!

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!

## Center for Career and Professional Advancement

New website: hire.ucmerced.edu

New Location: SSB 230 (In the new Student Servics Building!)

## **Upcoming Events:**

**Networking & Etiquette Dinner:** 

**Date:** March 19, 2014 **Time:** 4:30pm

Contact: Brian O'Bruba at bobruba@ucmerced.edu

Phone: (209)228-7272

## Career & Internship Fair:

Location: Joseph Gallo Gym Date: March 20, 2014 Time: 11:30am – 2:00pm

**Register online:** <a href="https://ucmerced-csm.symplicity.com/employers">https://ucmerced-csm.symplicity.com/employers</a>

Contact: Kaitlin Harada at kharada3@ucmerced.edu

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## **Need Financial Aid Assistance?**

Financial Aid Advisors available in KL 155 from 12-2pm on the following days: Wednesday, February 29 \* Monday, February 3 \* Wednesday, February 12

Tuesday, February 18 \* Tuesday, February 25

FAFSA Filing Priority Deadline: March 2, 2014!

# **Internships and Course Opportunities**



Prepare for a Future Career...
Engage yourself in Public Service.
Apply by February 10, 2014 to the
Capital Fellows Programs

http://www.csus.edu/calst/programs

Want to develop your leadership and professional skills...AND receive course credit?

The Foster Family Center for Engineering Service Learning – Now Accepting Applications

Work as part of a highly skilled team, get real-world experience in your discipline and have a lasting positive effect on your community through service learning. Enroll in ENGR 197 and receive up to 2 upper division units of credit while gaining valuable professional experience.

ENGR 197 common lecture time: Monday 10:30-11:20am

The following Service Learning Teams are seeking students to contribute their skills and efforts towards helping our community. All SSHA majors are invited to apply to serve on these teams.

Community Development Analytics: Alex Whalley | Weekly Team Meetings: Monday 12-1:50pm

The mission of the Merced County Office Planning and Community Development is to provide solution-oriented customer services to promote the implementation of sustainable plans, facilitate economic growth, enhance quality of life, and protect the environment. The Community Development Analytics team will be identifying and developing an analytical tool to be used by the Office of Planning and Community Development which will enable them to more efficiently evaluate the effectiveness of their projects on the community.

#### Vernal Pool Reserve (VPR): Martha Conklin | Weekly Team Meetings: Tuesday 9-10:50am

The VPR team will develop and implement management and operational plans, and address some of the access and nature interpretation needs of the new Reserve. Students will research, design, create, and install interpretive signs on campus and near the new Vernal Pools Grasslands Reserve. In this process they will interact with different campus offices, conduct research on the lives of endangered species, assemble maps and photographs and use tools to create state-of-the-art signs.

#### NISE NET: Valerie Leppert | Weekly Team Meetings: Tuesday 8:30-10:20am

Nanoscale Informal Science Education Network (NISE Net) is a national community of researchers and informal science educators dedicated to fostering public awareness, engagement in, and understanding of nanoscale science, engineering and technology. The NISE Net team at UC Merced focuses on helping seventh-grade science students learn about optics and nanoscience.

Questions regarding applying, enrollment, time conflicts etc.? Email esl@ucmerced.edu **soon** to take advantage of this unique opportunity!

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## **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 walkin 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.

# Who is my advisor?

## SSHA Academic Advising Assignments Effective Spring 2014

Major	Freshman-Junior	Transfer (non-Senior)	Senior (as of Spring '14)
Anthropology	Brenda	Marsha	Alisha
Cognitive Science	Alexis	Marsha	Alexis
Economics	Alexis	Marsha	Alexis
English	Alisha	Marsha	Alisha
History	Alisha	Marsha	Alisha
Literatures & Cultures	Alisha	Marsha	Alisha
Management	Alexis	Marsha	Alexis
Political Science	Brenda	Marsha	Marsha
Psychology	Horacio	Marsha	Horacio
Sociology	Brenda	Marsha	Marsha
Spanish	Alisha	Marsha	Alisha
Undeclared SSHA	Horacio	Marsha	Horacio

Minor	Advisor	
American Studies	Marsha	
Anthropology	Brenda	
Arts	Marsha	
Chicano/a Studies	Marsha	
Cognitive Science	Alexis	
Economics	Alexis	
History	Alisha	
Literatures & Cultures	Alisha	
Management	Alexis	
Philosophy	Marsha	
Political Science	Brenda	
Psychology	Horacio	
Public Health	Marsha	
Service Science	Alexis	
Sociology	Brenda	
Spanish	Alisha	
Writing	Marsha	

