

# SSHA Update

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



## SSHA Peer Mentors

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The School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts is proud to present the addition of Peer Mentors to our academic advising program!!!

The peer mentors will provide guidance and insight for a wide variety of subjects including, but not limited to: selecting an appropriate major, minoring, double-majoring, suggestions for classes, study abroad experiences, how to apply for research/internships/jobs, etc.

The SSHA Peer Mentor Staff are located on the second floor of the Classroom & Office Building (COB) at UC Merced. Check out their bios and office hours here:  
<http://ssha-advising.ucmerced.edu/students/ssha-peer-mentors>

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

**Walk-in Advising Hours**  
**EXTENDED HOURS**  
**September 2 - 5, 2014**

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

**REGULAR HOURS**  
**September 8 – October 3, 2014**  
**Mon-Thurs: 10am-12pm; 1-4pm**  
**Friday: Closed**

## **Semester-at-a-Glance: Fall 2014**

- **Thursday, September 4** – Deadline to add a course online
- **Thursday, September 11** – Deadline to change grading option
- **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

### **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 2015 year-long programs

Stop by the International Center in Kolligian Library 101 or visit for [studyabroad.ucmerced.edu](http://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!

*What can I do with a*  
**MANAGEMENT** *Major?*

Wondering how to connect your Management major to a career?

Attend this workshop to learn more about the different occupations you could pursue and hear from a Management alumni!

9/3/14  
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM  
SSM 117



Center for Career and Professional Advancement presents...


Major  
Exploration  
Workshops!

*What can I do with an*  
**Economics** *Major?*

9/11/14  
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM  
SSM 117

Wondering how to connect your Economics major to a career?

Attend this workshop to learn more about the different occupations you could pursue and hear from an Economics alumni!



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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 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.