

Student Academic Services Spring Newsletter

As we embark on this new year, we understand that you are busy with classes and clinicals and want to remind you of the administrative services that are here to help. The goal of Student Academic Services is to provide you with the support you need to fulfill the administrative requirements of your academic career. To that end, we hope that this newsletter will serve as one more tool to guide you through the

administrative segment of your academic obligations. Whether it be a question about adding a class, applying for a loan, reserving study space, applying for graduation or any related area, the staff of Student Academic Services will be your go-to-guide. Student Academic Services is the Office of the University Registrar (including Space Management and Graduation) and the University Office of Financial Aid.

In this edition, you'll find important information that will help you secure a successful Spring 2011 semester. All of this information, and more, is available on our websites. Please, visit our websites at:

www.jefferson.edu/financialaid

www.jefferson.edu/registrar



We're here to help...

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Financial Aid and Registrar Telephone and Walk-in Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
8:30am-5:00pm

Wednesday
8:30am-12 noon

Financial Aid
215-955-2867

financial.aid@jefferson.edu

Graduation/Commencement
graduation@jefferson.edu

Registrar
215-503-8734

university.registrar@jefferson.edu

Room Reservations
roomrequest@jefferson.edu

General Announcements

Weather Emergency Procedures

Weather emergency information is available via Pulse, a toll-free Jefferson hotline, 1-800-858-8806, and the TJUH Intranet.

Graduating Students

Below are the Commencement Ceremony dates for 2011:

*JSHP, JSN- Pennsylvania Convention Center
June 1, 2011

*JMC, JCGS, JSPH- Kimmel Center for Performing Arts
June 2, 2011

Please stay tuned for more information regarding the Regalia Distribution Fair coming later this Spring.

Adopt-a-Family Update

The Adopt-a-Family Gift Drive, coordinated for the 4th consecutive year by the Committee of Student Advisors (CSA), Offices of the University Registrar and Financial Aid and the TJUH Volunteer Office, collected over 1,000 gifts for 60 families at My Sister's Place, Interim House and the Juvenile Justice Center. Thank you to all who participated in making this year's drive a wonderful success!



Important Dates and Deadlines

Online Registration for Summer/Pre-Fall/Fall 2011 (please note these are anticipated dates)

*JSPH
February 28, 2011

*JCGS, JSHP, JSN, JSP
March 21, 2011

*JMC
Please refer to the Class Organization site on Pulse for add/drop dates for rotations.

*Please note that students should continue to check important dates on their College/School's academic calendar located at: http://www.jefferson.edu/registrar/academic_calendars.cfm

Priority Deadline to Apply for Financial Aid 2011-2012

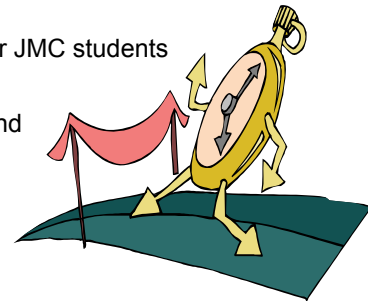
*Rising 3rd and 4th year JMC students
March 1, 2011

*Returning JSHP, JSN, JSP students
March 14, 2011

*Incoming and rising 2nd year JMC students
April 1, 2011

*Returning and New JCGS and
JSPH students
May 2, 2011

*Incoming JSHP, JSN, JSP
April 1, 2011



Student Academic Services On-Line Communications and Services

On-line communication and services are essential to fulfilling your academic administrative responsibilities. Please remember to:

1. Check your Jefferson email account regularly as all important administrative announcements are sent to that address.

2. Utilize Banner Web to view/pay tuition bills, financial aid application

information, graduation application information, and much more.

3. Regularly update your address, phone and emergency contact information via Banner Web.

4. Access important information via our websites including:

Updates to important administrative requirements.

Outside Scholarship Information - Scholarship listings by major and instructions on how to conduct a successful scholarship search.

Presentation/Workshops-- Videos from the spring seminar series and narrated PowerPoint presentations from various workshops.

Financial Aid Announcements

Doing Well by Doing Good: Public Service Loan Forgiveness

If your career aspirations include work in the public service sector, you'll find that the reward is not only psychological – but possibly monetary as well. The government program provides for the forgiveness – or cancellation – of the remaining balance (principal and interest) due on eligible Federal Direct Student Loans after the borrower has made 120 monthly payments to Direct Loans while employed in qualifying public service jobs. Borrowers must have made 120 monthly payments after October 1, 2007 in the Direct Loan program and work in a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Any non-defaulted loan made under the Direct Loan Program may be eligible. These include the Federal Direct Stafford Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans, Federal Direct Grad PLUS loans, and Federal Direct Consolidation Loans. Direct Loans are loans that were borrowed directly from the Federal Government lending program. If your loan(s) were borrowed from lenders in the banking industry, these are loans in the FFEL Program and are not part of the Direct Loan Program. Borrowers with loans made under the FFEL Program may be eligible if they consolidate those loans into the Direct Loan Program. However, only payments made on the Direct Consolidation Loan will count toward the required 120 monthly payments. Eligible repayment plans are Standard Repayment, Income Contingent Repayment, Income-Based Repayment, or other Direct Loan repayment plans if certain conditions are met. Public Service Jobs – Borrower must be employed full-time (at least 30 hours per week) in a qualifying public service job (a) during the period in which he or she made each of the 120 monthly payments, (b) at the time of application for loan forgiveness, and (c) at the time the remaining principal and interest are forgiven. For more information, go to: www.finaid.org/loans/publicservice.phtml.

Financial Planning Series – Building a Financial Plan for School and the Future

For the 27th consecutive year, the University Office of Student Financial Aid is sponsoring a seminar series entitled “Building a Financial Plan for School and the Future.” A Q & A session will follow each presentation. All sessions will be held in Room 101 of the Bluemle Life Sciences Building. These are free sessions so please take advantage of the opportunity. Short bios on each speaker can be accessed at <http://www.jefferson.edu/financialaid/Brochure2011.pdf>. The schedule is as follows:

First Session: February 1, 2011, 6:15pm
“Managing Educational Debt”
Susan McFadden, University Director of Financial Aid

Second Session: February 10, 2011, 12 Noon
“What You Should Know About Insurance”
Richard D. Scott, CLU, Insurance Planning Group, Inc.

Third Session: February 16, 2011, 12 Noon
“What You Should Know About Mortgages”
Joan Kofsky, Sr. Loan Officer
Arlington Capital Mortgage

Fourth Session: February 22, 2011, 6:15pm
“What Everyone Should Know About Personal and Professional Financial Planning”
Timothy Valente, First Vice President, Financial Consultant
RBC Dain Rauscher

Fifth Session: March 9, 2011, 12 Noon
“Practical and Legal Considerations of Planning Your Professional Future”
Joseph R. Pozzuolo, Esq.
Pozzuolo Rodden, P.C.

*Refreshments will be served 15 minutes prior to the start of each presentation. Registration emails will be sent to all students and hospital residents 2 weeks prior to each presentation. To register, please email the University Office of Student Financial Aid at: financial.aid@jefferson.edu or call (215) 955-2867 at least 4 days prior to each session.



Graduating Students – Exit Interview Update

All students who have borrowed through the Federal Stafford, Federal Perkins, NSL, PCL, Federal Grad PLUS, institutional and/or private alternative loan programs while enrolled at Jefferson are required to complete an Exit Interview prior to graduation. Through the Exit Interview, students are provided a comprehensive view of their educational debt and repayment responsibilities. Note that you may not be cleared for graduation until this requirement has been met.

JMC Graduates – All JMC students must complete the online Exit Interview at www.nslsds.ed.gov and attend a small group in-person Exit session. The dates for the in-person small group sessions are:

Thursday, January 27, 2011, 5:00 – 7:00 pm Herbut Auditorium
Tuesday February 8, 2011, 5:00 – 7:00 pm Herbut Auditorium
Monday March 7, 2011, 3:00 – 5:00 pm Curtis Room 218
Tuesday March 15, 2011, 5:00 – 7:00 pm Herbut Auditorium

JCGS, JSHP, JSN, JSPH Graduates

Students graduating from the aforementioned College/Schools in May or August must complete an online Exit Interview. The process is expected to be available no later than February 15. Emails will be sent to all students when this process is available.

*If you have any questions regarding the Exit Interview, please contact the Financial Aid Office.

Financial Aid Workshops for Newly Accepted JSHP, JSN, JSP, JSPH Students

Do you have questions about financial aid? Wondering if you qualify? Find out all you need to know about financial aid by attending one of our two Financial Aid Workshops. To register, email us at financial.aid@jefferson.edu by January 31.

*February 5, 2011 from 9:00am-11:00am in Foederer Auditorium

*April 2, 2011 from 9:00am-11:00am in Foederer Auditorium

Student Organization Room Reservations

Do you need a space for your event?* Just follow these steps!

1. Submit your completed event request to the Activities Office at kim.caltagirone@jefferson.edu for event approval (include: student organization name, date, start/end time, desired space, event name, number of attendees, requestor's name/number/Jefferson email, College/School affiliation)

2. The Activities Office will respond to the requestor and the Registrar's Office with event approval.
3. University Registrar will respond within 2-4 days via email with room confirmation.

Need a suggestion of which space to reserve? Try one of these:

*Bluemle Life Sciences Building (BLSB): Rooms 101 & Lobby, 105

*Jefferson Alumni Hall (JAH): Rooms 139, 207, 307, 407, Cafeteria, Eakins Lounge, The Courtyard, Solis-Cohen Auditorium, Brent Auditorium, the Mezzanine open space and Rooms M-21, M-23, M-24, M-25

Study Space Reservations at TJU

Study Space is available for all students!

*Written requests for groups of five or more must be made only one week prior to your study period.

*Smaller groups must use the Dedicated Quiet Study Space.

*Submit requests to University Registrar via e-mail, roomrequest@jefferson.edu (please note this is a new address).

*Reservations cannot extend beyond 1:00 a.m.

*You may request space for a 4 hour period in the morning; take a 2-3 hour break, and then request space for a 6 hour period in the evening after 5:00 p.m.

*Requests must include: Desired study dates, start and end times, names (at least 5) and # of attendees, requestor's/contact's name, phone number and College/School (JMC, JCGS, JSHP etc.) and requestor's and contact's Jefferson e-mail address.

*Visit V-EMS for space availability <http://ems.jefferson.edu/VirtualEMSCampus/BrowseForSpace.aspx>

*Additional study space is available in the Scott Library and Jeff Hall and can be found at (https://pulse.jefferson.edu/webapps/portal/frameset.jsp?tab_id=21_1) under Library/Jeffline/Services.

