

and now for something completely important...



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Important announcements for students are now being consolidated into this one weekly communiqué—the sixth of which you are now reading.

Review the headlines in this week's newsletter and see what may impact your "***Student Life***" at Concordia.

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CSA General Elections and Vacant Positions

Since the elections for the Arts Representative was a tie, candidates will be available for questions on Oct. 4 during chapel and voting will commence immediately following starting at 11:10 to 3:30pm. As well, Oct. 5 please watch for times.

Please come out and vote! (We really don't want another tie:)

The CSA has vacant positions on the the general council! If you are interested, please send your resume with a brief cover letter to csapresident@student.concordia.ab.ca by Oct 8.

The two vacancies are: Science Representative (only open to science students) and UCEP Representative (only open to UCEP students)

Sincerely,
Josey Hitesman
CSA President



Apply for Part-Time Work Today!

Student Affairs is seeking to **immediately hire part-time Academic Aides** whose primary responsibility will be proctoring exam accommodations for Learning Accommodation Services. Details are included in the attached application package which is also available at Student and Enrolment Services (HA 120)

CANCELLED CLASSES

Usually if a professor is ill or cannot make it to a class for some other reason (an unplanned absence) he/she will email the students. Also, students may call 780-479-8481, select option 5 and they will hear a recording made daily at 8 am listing the cancelled classes. This line is updated as well daily on an as needed basis. Alternatively, if the professor does not show up in the classroom, students may consider the class cancelled after waiting for 15 minutes.

Arlene Thompson
Concordia University College of Alberta
Administrative Assistant
Academic Services
780-479-9216

Important Change to Convocation date!

It has become necessary to change the date for the 2011 Graduation Convocation next year due to a scheduling challenge. Since the date is a change from the published date in the 2010-2011 Calendar, please regard this as official notice that the 2011 Graduation Convocation will be held on Saturday, May 7, instead of May 14 as previously advertised.

Please ensure that students are alerted to this change in forthcoming communications. Faculty and staff should keep this change of date in mind for planning purposes.

Richard Willie
Vice-President Academic & Provost

Concordia Bursary Assistance

Concordia Bursary Program

Students experiencing financial difficulties while attending Concordia may apply for bursary assistance. A Concordia bursary is non-repayable financial assistance awarded to domestic and international students on the basis of financial need. Students are expected to make plans for funding their education through primary sources such as personal and family savings, scholarships and awards, and employment earnings. A bursary is meant to supplement, not replace, other financial assistance. The program is funded by both Concordia University College and private donors.

Am I eligible?

Demonstrate financial need based on a modest standard of living

Be enrolled in an undergraduate degree program

Be registered full-time (minimum 60% of a full-course load)

Have achieved satisfactory academic standing on their most recent course work

Have not previously declared bankruptcy or defaulted on a student loan, including the Concordia Emergency Loan

Application Process

To apply for bursary assistance, students must complete and submit an online application form by the October 15th deadline. In addition, students must submit all supporting documentation to the Student and Enrolment Services office by the deadline. Go to **Services for Students** on the Concordia website and click on "Online Award Applications".

Questions?

Contact Student and Enrolment Services at 780-479-9220 or send an email to finaid@concordia.ab.ca.



SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATE STUDIES

What is an Alexander Graham Bell Canada Graduate Scholarship?

NSERC (Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council) provides financial support to high caliber scholars who are engaged in master's programs in the natural sciences or engineering. This support allows these scholars to fully concentrate on their studies and to seek out the best research mentors in their chosen fields. NSERC encourages interested and qualified Aboriginal students to apply.

Are you eligible for scholarship support?

To be considered eligible for support, as of the application deadline date, you must:

Be a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada;

Hold, or expect to hold (at the time you take up the award), a degree in science or engineering from a university whose standing is acceptable to NSERC;

Intend to pursue in the following year full-time graduate studies and research at the master's level in an eligible program in one of the areas of the natural sciences and engineering supported by NSERC; and

Have obtained a first-class average (a grade of "A-") in each of the last two completed years of study (full-time equivalent)

What is the scholarship value?

A Canada Graduate Scholarship is \$17,500 for one year.

How do I apply?

Concordia students interested in applying for an NSERC Canada Graduate Scholarship will need to complete Form 201. Applicants should visit the NSERC website at <http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/> for the electronic application form and further information on the scholarship.

Applicants must submit an electronic application form by Concordia's deadline.



GTC News:

The GTC is having a Hollywood night at Lucky 13th on October 8th. We will be selling tickets with the Science club on October 6th. The Science club is having a brewery night which is \$20 a ticket and you go to a bunch of breweries with beer and pizza included and it goes until 9:00 p.m. Then head over to Hollywood night where you get to dress up like your favourite celebrity; costumes are not required though! The prices of Hollywood night is still pending but will be set on the 6th and the tickets will include free entrance to the bar and either 1 or 2 free drinks.

We are also hosting One Acts so come out and either direct a play (10 minutes max) or audition to perform in one. All scripts must be submitted to a member of the GTC Council (Laura Filice, Kendra Lamothe, Niki Tally, Sarah Cumbleton, or Carla Mysko) by Oct 8th and there will be a directors meeting on the 8th as well at 3:30 and you can still submit them at that time. Auditions for one acts will be on Oct 15th at 3:30. Sign up sheets are outside the green room and the GTC post.

On-Campus Yoga!

The Psychology Student Council will be hosting FREE on-campus yoga on Thursday Oct. 7 at 11 to 12:15 in room HA021. The yoga session will be led by a professional yoga instructor. Please arrive on time and bring a yoga mat and large towel. You may also want to bring a firm cotton blanket or small quilt.

Whether you are new to yoga or well acquainted, come join us for an opportunity to relax and de-stress! Please let the Psychology Student Council you will be attending by contacting Alyssa

CSA Clubs and Associations

Concordia Aboriginal Students' Association	casa@student.concordia.ab.ca
Concordia Business Association	cba@student.concordia.ab.ca
Church Vocation Alliance	churchvocation@student.concordia.ab.ca
Education After-Degree Students' Association	eadsa@student.concordia.ab.ca
Environment Health Students' Association	ehsa@student.concordia.ab.ca
Education Undergrad Society	eus@student.concordia.ab.ca
Hockey Fan Club	hfc@student.concordia.ab.ca
Loveglobal	loveglobal@student.concordia.ab.ca
Model UN Club	modelun@student.concordia.ab.ca
Psychology Students' Council	psc@student.concordia.ab.ca
Philosophy Club (The Peripatetics)	philosophy@student.concordia.ab.ca

Joke of the week:

When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I.

If you have a joke of the week you would like to see featured in the newsletter, please email it to studentaffairs@concordia.ab.ca.

(All submissions are subject to approval)

Library News

The September 2010 issue of The Corner Shelf is up on the website!

- October is Canadian Library Month - read how Concordia Library can help you open doors to the future
- Read a staff book review
- Featured E-Resources
- Cool Web Stuff column
- To read the current and past issues of the Concordia library newsletter click this link: <http://library.concordia.ab.ca/cornershelf/index.php>

Do you have a suggestion for an article in a future issue?

Is there something you've always wanted to know about the library?

Do you have comments or questions?

Make your voice heard by contacting the editor, Jan Mutch, at jan.mutch@concordia.ab.ca

Need help with your paper? RefWorks can be your lifesaver!

RefWorks is a web-based citation and bibliography manager that allows you to create your own personal citation database. Concordia students can use RefWorks to **organize references**, use **references in writing papers** and automatically format a **bibliography** in seconds.

There will be drop-in information sessions available to all Concordia students in **October 2010** on the following dates:

October 4th 2:30 – 3:30 pm

October 5th 2:30 – 3:30 pm

October 7th 2:30 – 3:30 pm

October 8th 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Plan to attend in **HA 107** and let **Refworks** be your lifesaver!

October is Canadian Library Month

Your Library, Your World: Opening Doors to the Future

College and university libraries are vital to learners, faculty and researchers. Academic library professionals provide expert reference assistance at point of need, whether in-person, through online chat or other electronic means and work cooperatively with faculty to assist students in developing the information literacy skills critical to success. Come to Concordia library to open doors to the future!



Career Services NEWS – Oct.1, to Oct. 8, 2010

Graduate Studies Fair – Wednesday, October 6, 2010 - 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Seminar - Peter Schiemann Centre – Researching and Applying for Grad Studies – Wednesday, October 12 – 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Opportunities for those in third or fourth year to explore Graduate Studies within the Province of Alberta and here at Concordia:

Concordia University College of Alberta
University of Calgary,
University of Alberta,
Athabasca University,
University of Lethbridge
Kaplan Testing
Chartered Accountants Association of Alberta
Certified Management Association of Alberta

Plus information on funding and other institutions at the Career Services booth

Come and talk to the representatives and explore opportunities in Education.

For Graduate Studies support here at Concordia contact Doreen Kooy in the Career Services office.

For more information or appointment - contact Doreen Kooy, Career Services Coordinator at 780-378-8461, or e-mail at [do-reen.kooy@concordia.ab.ca](mailto:doreen.kooy@concordia.ab.ca) or careerservices@concordia.ab.ca



DODGEBALL IS BACK!

Hello Fellow Students!

The Education After-Degree Student Association is please to offer all students at Concordia the opportunity to compete in a 16 team dodgeball tournament. Here are all the details you need!

Cost: It will cost \$30+GST/Team (Six players on a team equals \$5 per person)

Location: Ralph King Athletic Center

Date: Saturday October 9th 2010

Time: 11am - 4pm (Team captains are to arrive by 1030am and players by 1045am)

Other Information

* **BEFORE** purchasing a ticket from the bookstore you **MUST** email apinksen@student.concordia.ab.ca and request a registration form. Fill it out and send it back **BEFORE** buying a ticket. If you buy a ticket before filling out the registration form you are **NOT** considered registered and can lose your spot!

*There are to be six (6) players per team and teams must be coed

*You can have players on your team that do not attend Concordia they must still fill in all the information on the registration form

*Wednesday October 6 will be the final day to send in registration forms and purchase tickets!

*Spots went quick last year so act fast!

Ashley Pinksen
Social Convener