## and now for something completely important...

Concordia Students,

Important announcements all students should know about are now being consolidated into this one weekly communiqué—the first of which you are now reading. You will receive very few other messages through the "All Students" list serve.

Concordia is also beginning to send its official communications with you through your student e-mail instead of using paper and snail-mail. Therefore it is essential that you open and read your Concordia email, including this newsletter.

Below you will find the headlines for this week—read on!

Jonathan Strand,

Assoc. Vice-President Student Services

## Headlines...

- Important Dates & Deadlines
- Evening Courses
- Student Services Extended Hours
- New Payment Options
- Cashing in on your Student Loans
- <u>Tutors Required</u>
- Career Services-Upcoming Events
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## Upcoming dates and deadlines For Regular University Program (day classes)

- September 1 *Confirmation schedules* for the fall semester become available for students to sign
- September 3 Last day to sign *Confirmation Schedules* for the fall semester
- September 7 Fall semester and full-year classes begin
- September 7-13 Course change week for fall semester and full-year courses
- September 13 Regular university program: Last day to add or drop fall semester and full-year courses
- For the complete Academic Schedule please refer to the 2010-11 Calendar (http://www.concordia.ab.ca/pdf/2010-11 Calendar.pdf).
- Information is also available on "Upcoming at Concordia" on the Concordia website (www.concordia.ab.ca)

## **Evening Classes**

- Fall Semester Evening: Classes begin the week of Sept. 13th, 2010.
- Pick up your Confirmation Schedule at Student and Enrollment Services before your class begins. It will have your classroom printed on it.
- Exam schedule: All final exams for evening courses are scheduled for the last day of classes. Check with your instructor for details.

#### **Extended Hours of Service**

During the first three weeks of this coming fall semester Concordia's Student & Enrollment Services will be offering extended hours of service.

This applies to Student & Enrolment Services (Admissions, Financial Aid, Student Affairs, and Registrar's offices) and the Bookstore:

During our hours of extended service Student Accounts services will also be available in Student and Enrolment Services.

#### **Extended Hours**

Tuesday, Sept.7 to Thursday, Sept. 9 8:30 am -5:30 pm

Monday, Sept.13 to Thursday, Sept.16 8:30 am -7:00 pm

Monday, Sept. 20 to Thursday, Sept. 23 8:30 am -7:00 pm

#### Regular Hours

Monday to Friday 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

# There are exciting new options for paying your Student Account! There is no need to stand in line!



#### Pay at your bank

# You can now pay your <u>student account</u> at the major banks and credit unions in Canada.

All you need to do is set up Concordia University College of Alberta as a biller (just like utilities or credit cards companies), you can then pay at the teller, the ATM, or by web banking or telephone banking using your student id number as your account number.

#### **Please Remember**

- $\cdot$  Use your Student ID number as your account number
- · Be sure you choose Concordia University College of Alberta and NOT Concordia University Montreal
- · Pay the balance on your most recent statement. If you have questions regarding the balance owing, contact Student Accounts

And for your convenience Concordia also accepts payment by cash, cheque, debit, VISA, Mastercard, American Express and pre-authorized debit.

Please contact the Student Accounts Office if you have questions about paying your Student Account.

Phone (780) 479-9206 Email studentacets@concordia.ab.ca

# Cashing Your Student Loans

It's that time of year again when students receive their student loan agreements in the mail. For your convenience, Concordia will hold an on-site loan processing day on Friday, September 3, 2010. A representative will be on campus from 9:00 a.m. 3:30 p.m. (HA 114 Peter Schiemann Centre) to process your loan documents. Remember to bring your government issued photo ID, SIN card and your banking information. Questions? Contact the Financial Aid Advisor at 780-479-9220 or finaid@concordia.ab.ca.

# **Tutors Required**

Concordia's Student Affairs Office is developing a Tutor Registry for students with or without disabilities to consult when they need to contract tutors for learning services in a particular subject area.

Tutors are Concordia students who have successfully completed 54 credits and who have a GPA of 2.7 or greater in their last semester of study. If you are interested in applying for placement in the Tutor Registry, please review the attached Student Tutor Registry Application and apply today.

Concordia Career Services hosts a number of events and seminars throughout the Fall and Winter School Terms. These are in the Student Agenda noted on the day they are scheduled. Weekly newsletter will highlight those happening in the next week.

Further details will be regularly posted on the Career Services Section of the Concordia website.

Happening in September, 2010:

**Volunteer and International Opportunities Fair – Tegler Centre -** Wednesday, September 15,

Featuring Fair Trade –'Ten Thousand Villages' will present. Many on and off campus volunteer opportunities will be exhibiting

Seminar - Peter Schiemann Centre - Making Decisions to Build your Career Path

**–** Friday, September 10 - 1:55 – 2:45 p.m.

**Cues and Notes from Career Services -**

Starting in October - Resume Critique Clinic - Every Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon Location - L 265 - Main Floor Library

Consider Volunteering with Career Services to assist with events, critique resumes or special projects! Training and Volunteer Recognition provided.

Career Services provides **Individual career consultations** and numerous **Career Resources**.

See the Career Services Section of the Concordia Website for contact and more information. Feel free to stop by the Career Services office at L265 – Main Floor – Library

Welcome Back! From Career Services

## **SPORT SCHEDULES**

Student athletes interested in participating in any of the following sports are asked to attend at the appropriate time and place.

#### <u>BADMINTON</u>

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 8:30 pm GYM

#### MEN & WOMENS BASKETBALL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 5:30 pm GYM

#### CURLING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 4:30 pm GYM

#### **CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 4:30 pm GYM

## MEN'S HOCKEY

PLEASE CONTACT MR. PEACOCKE (dan.peacocke@concordia.ab.ca)

#### GOLF

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 4:30 pm GYM

## **MEN & WOMENS SOCCER**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 5:00 pm FIELD

#### MEN & WOMENS VOLLEYBALL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 7:00 pm GYM

#### Security provides First Aid in addition to Security

#### First Aid

The Commissionaire's provide the Security service for Concordia. They are all trained in First Aid. Should you need assistance contact Security on 780 479-8761 or 5555 from an internal phone.

New to Concordia this academic year are our two AED's, commonly called Defibrillators. One is located on the west wall of the Robert Tegler Student Centre, on the left side of the doors that lead into Alumni Hall. The other is located outside the interior doors into the Ralph King Athletic Centre on the main floor of Concordia High School. AEDs are easy to operate, a link to a useful demonstration is below, this will help familiarise yourself with how to operate our AED's if you haven't been trained.

http://www.heartstarthome.com/animated\_demo/demo.asp

#### **Security Tips**

#### **Be Safe**

Although Concordia has a very low crime rate, every year a few students at Concordia are victims of acts of vandalism, theft or assault.

- Never leave your laptop, packages, purses or wallets unattended. That quick walk to the cafeteria, washroom is all the time it takes to lose your valuables.
- Always keep expensive items on your person. Lockers and cars are easily broken into. Better yet, don't bring these articles to campus unless absolutely necessary.
- Always Lock your vehicles and store valuables in the trunk or out of sight.
- Lock bicycles with a good quality lock.
- Become familiar with people who have lockers in your area.
- Keep your locker combinations to yourself.
- Walk with a friend or call Campus Security, (780 479-8761) or 5555 from an internal phone, when leaving campus buildings late at night.
- Know your surroundings and keep in mind the potential dangers that you
  may be walking into.

For more information review our webpage on the Concordia website:

http://plantops.concordia.ab.ca/securityservices/