

February 2017 FESP News

Kalamazoo Nature Center Opportunity:

The KNC staff is looking for individuals who are willing to develop within children an appreciation and respect for the natural world. This program will encourage local 3rd grade students to have an awareness and appreciation for nature, and to encourage students from different schools and background to work together on common interest. This will be a great opportunity for TRiO FESP participants to get some additional experience working with youth. We are in need of FESP participants on the following dates:

- Kleinstuck Preserve, April 20, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)
- Asylum Lake, May 8, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)
- Kleinstuck Preserve, May 30, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)
- Asylum Lake, June 01, 2017 (8:30-1:00pm)

If you are interested, let Myia know by Friday, March 03, 2017 at rmymia.hughes@wmich.edu.

Important

Upcoming Dates:

Feb 01: Last day to apply for graduation

Feb 06: Summer I & II registration begins

Feb 06: Last day to receive 50% refund for a complete withdrawal

Feb 09: Career Fair

Feb 10: Gov't and Non-profit Job Fair

Feb 15: WMU Endowment Scholarship Due

Feb 20: View Fall Course Offerings

Feb 2016: Time management and Financial Literacy Workshops on various.

Message to our Student Staff:

This month we are recognizing the great work that our student staff do in the office on a daily basis. From the faces you see when you walk through the office door, to the mentors you meet your first semester here, they all play a key role in the success of TRiO FESP. I want to give a special thanks to all of our office/lab employees and mentors:

- Brandy Bouck
- Marina Garber
- Nicci Harris
- Stephanie LePoudre
- Jamie Marcyan
- Brooklynn McLaughlin
- Lauralee Redmond
- Taylor Scholz
- Kelsey Williams

I also would like to thank all the tutors that were hired this past year.

Book Drive:

We are partnering with the CEHD McGinnis Reading Clinic to host a book drive for new and gently used books. These books will be delivered to Hillside Middle School to be distributed to students and families for their March Literacy Night.

We are asking that you please consider donating to the book drive. Each Donation will show much appreciation to those who do not have access or the means to purchase books. We will be accepting donations starting Feb 6-28th in the TRiO FESP office.

For those who donate, you will be entered into a raffle!



Fall Welcome Week

Study Abroad Opportunities:

Learn about exciting WMU study abroad opportunities for students in the college of Education and Human Development!

Drop in anytime during the Study Abroad information hour on Wednesday mornings from 9-10 a.m. in 1406 Sangren.

Stop by at your convenience to ask any questions or get information about planning for study abroad. Meet Ann Ganz, Study Abroad Specialist, Senior who will be on hand to assist you whether you're just beginning to explore options or have already applied for a program. Learn more about:

- Short-term, WMU faculty-led summer, fall, and spring break study abroad programs
- Semester programs, including exchanges at WMU partner universities
- Application process
- Scholarship and budgeting
- Academic credit for foreign courses
- Benefits of studying abroad

Priority Registration:

Priority Registration is a benefit available to TRiO FESP students that ensures students get an advantage to register for courses. To earn priority registration this semester, students must complete an appointment with a FESP staff member, have all required FESP assessments completed/submitted, and attend a TRiO workshop or complete an online module.

Online Modules: www.wmich.edu/trio-future-educators/teacherprep

Please go to our TRiO FESP website to schedule your appointment!

www.wmich.edu/trio-future-educators/advising

All requirements need to be complete by **Tuesday, March 7, 2017** to earn priority registration for the Fall 2017 semester.

We will host workshops in the month of February on "Time Management" and "Financial Literacy" on the following dates and times:

Time Management	Financial Literacy
Feb 6-7, 2017 8:30-9:30 am	Feb 8-9, 2017 8:30-9:30 am
Feb 15-16, 2017 11:30-12:30 pm	Feb 13-14, 2017 11:30-12:30 pm
Feb 20 & 23, 2017 3:30-4:30 pm	Feb 21-22, 2017 3:30-4:30 pm

To register for a workshop follow the link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b4bacad2ba4fc1-workshops>

Mentoring Awareness Month:

Mentoring relationships are perfect opportunities for shared learning and growth. January has been named Mentoring awareness month as an effort to connect more young people with caring adult mentors.

Every Fall semester TRiO FESP has junior or senior participants mentor incoming freshman during their First Year Experience course. This helps guide them through their first semester on campus and ease into the transition. Here are what the 2016 FYE students had to say:

"...The mentors are more than a role model to me, they are also my friend..."

"...She is really an inspiration to becoming an education major and plays a big role in why I am pursuing my career!"

Stop by the TRiO FESP office to see what the rest of the FYE students had to say about their mentors.

Career Fair:

Date: Thursday, February 9, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Location: Bernhard Center,
Western Michigan University

The event offers all students an opportunity to meet with employer representatives to discuss internships and professional employment opportunities.

Government and Nonprofit Fair:

Date: Friday, February 9, 2017

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Free event for the public, all majors encourage to come. Please bring your WMU Bronco Card.

Visit the career center prior to the event to prepare for the event.