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CHECK YOUR MYKSC ACCOUNTS OVER WINTER BREAK

Finals are over and classes don’t start up again until mid-January. Some people think that everything shuts down here at KSC over winter break. Nothing could be further from the truth! And sometimes the staff who are working are sending you important information via your MyKSC announcements and e-mail! So be sure to check your MyKSC accounts at least twice a week over winter break. Make sure you have all the information you need to start the Spring semester successfully!

ACADEMIC AND CAREER ADVISING HAS A FACEBOOK FAN PAGE

Are you a fan of Academic and Career Advising at KSC on Facebook? Sign up today to receive important reminders of deadlines, information about upcoming events and tips on finding resources at Keene State!

AND NOW, FOR THE BIG FINALE!

It seems like you just got here…and your first semester of college is rushing to a close. That means two things: 1) semester break is only three weeks away; and 2) you have to get through exams before you head home.

By now you have noticed a number of differences between how things worked in high school and how things work here; exams are no exception. Not all classes will have required exams, but those that don’t will usually have a final assignment or project that will count for a major part of your grade. Don’t wait…get it done.

If you have any questions re: what you’re supposed to be doing for your final project/paper or what will be covered in your final exam – ASK! The professor may not give you specifics, but you want to make sure you’re on the right track. And remember: The only dumb question is the one you don’t ask.

If you are a veteran procrastinator, now is the time to try something new. You’ll be surprised how much better you’ll feel when you’re confident that the paper/project you’ve produced is worthy of a good grade. Studying for a final doesn’t need to be painful: get a group together to talk about what you think will be on the exam.

Finally, think of your first semester college grades this way: 1) If you do well, you give yourself a buffer in case something doesn’t go so well later on in your academic career; 2) if you don’t do so well (say, below a 2.0), you will be spending your next semester (or, possibly, your next two semesters) digging yourself out of a hole. Don’t go there.

Study, get enough sleep, exercise, eat good food, be confident…you’ll do just fine.

Peer Advising

Who are these smiling students? This group represents the Academic and Career Advising Peer Advisors. Each year, ACA hires 16-20 former Orientation Student Leaders and current Resident Assistants to assist the staff of Academic and Career Advising in the work they do with students on campus. You may have seen our Peer Advisors in the ACA lobby during drop in advising or at a Career Connections event welcoming students and employers. This versatile bunch represents numerous majors and campus organization affiliations. They hit the ground running with prior training in working with new students either through Orientation Programs or Residential Life. We are fortunate to work closely with such talented students.