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# College of Education and Community Innovation: *Welcome!*

## About this Newsletter

Welcome to the new academic year! As you gear up for an exciting semester ahead, we want to ensure you're equipped with all the information and resources you need to make the most of your college experience. From tuition deadlines to mentor programs, we've got you covered.



This edition is part of a **monthly newsletter** -- so keep an eye out in your email for more to come!

## This newsletter will cover information about...

- Reminders
- Up-coming Events
- [CECI Fellows peer mentoring program](#)
- Updates from the Student Academic Success Center
- Additional Resources

## Reminders

**Tuition Payment Deadline - Friday, August 18th:** The deadline for tuition payment is fast approaching. Make sure to complete your payment by [hyperlink to payment portal] (insert link) before August 18th. If you have any questions or need assistance, feel free to reach out to your dedicated Academic Advisor. ***Be sure to schedule an [appointment with your advisor](#) to double check that schedule of yours!***

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## Up-Coming Events

### Drop-in Advising for CECI Students - August 23-September 1

Join us for drop-in advising sessions where you can get personalized assistance. Our advisors will be available in multiple locations: In-Person: 321C DeVos Center, Pew Campus; In-Person: B-3-255 MAK, Allendale Campus; Virtual

### Rock the Campus Event - September 13th & 14th

Mark your calendars for the Rock the Campus Event! Join us on September 13th from 12pm to 1:30pm and September 14th from 3pm to 4:30pm in the Pew Campus Courtyard. It's your chance to connect with fellow students, engage in fun activities, and kickstart the semester on a high note.



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## Become a CECI Fellows

Are you ready to embark on your college journey with confidence? Our [CECI Fellowship mentor program](#) is here to guide you through every step. Designed specifically for

students in the College of Education and Community Innovation, including Hospitality and Tourism Management, Social Work, Legal Studies, Public, Non-profit, and Health Administration, and Criminal Justice programs, our CECI Fellows Mentors are dedicated to helping new GVSU students (First-Year and Transfer Students) navigate Grand Valley and excel in their chosen majors.

All Mentees are paired with a [CECI Fellows Mentor](#) through a sensitive match-making process. When matching you with a peer mentor, we consider things like academic program, hometown/home region, and areas of interest/future career goals. Mentors and mentees are supported by a team of professionals in the CECI Office of Undergraduate Advising to ensure the most positive and productive relationships.

To learn more, please feel free to email [Melanie Rabine-Johnson](#), our Retention Specialist and peer mentor program director.

## Updates from the Academic Success Center

[New! Success Coaching Drop-In Hours](#): Need some guidance on staying on track academically? Visit us during our drop-in hours at the Kirkhof Center Lobby and OMA. Our success coaches are here to help you succeed!

[New! Accountability Groups](#): We're offering two new accountability groups this fall. Whether you're a transfer student or not, these groups are open to all. Join to set semester goals and meet weekly to track your progress.

[Success Coaching Appointments](#): For more personalized support, book a one-on-one success coaching appointment to discuss your academic goals and develop strategies for success.

[Academic Success Workshops](#): Take advantage of our workshops designed to boost your study skills, time management, and overall academic performance.

[Online Resources](#): Explore our online resources hub, featuring tips, guides, and tools to enhance your learning journey.

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

### Health and Wellness Support

Take care of yourself! GVSU provides many ways for you to prioritize your health and wellbeing including:

- [Spaces to support your needs](#)
- [On-campus dining options](#)

- [Physical and mental health resources](#)

## Academic Support

We're here for you! GVSU provides many resources and services dedicated to academic support including:

- [Knowledge Market](#)
- [Tutoring](#)
- [Success Coaching](#)
- [Academic Resources](#)
- [Support Programs](#)

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### Go Lakers!

Get ready for an incredible semester of growth, learning, and unforgettable experiences. We're here to support you every step of the way. ***Keep a close eye on your inbox for future newsletters and important updates.*** In the meantime, soak up the rest of your summer and get ready to create memories that will last a lifetime.

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