

# CLAS Academic Advising Center

Academic advising for students pursuing majors and/or minors offered by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
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## Pre-Professional E-Bulletin

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Welcome back  
Lakers!

The purpose of this newsletter is to share information that may be of interest to you. By posting information, it does not mean that we endorse the organizations or services enclosed.

## Campus Resources

- The **Student Academic Success Center** is offering **free academic workshops** throughout the winter semester! Starting in **January and continuing through April** there are plenty of opportunities to learn how to be a **successful student**! You can see the full schedule for the workshops [here](#).
- Don't wait to sign up for **Tutoring** at the **Student Academic Success Center**! The Tutoring Center (located in **STU 200**) provides free tutoring to all Grand Valley State University students in most 100- and 200-level courses. Tutorials are conducted in weekly, one-hour sessions in small group settings. You can sign up for a tutor online: <http://gvsu.edu/tc/>.
- **Walk-in science tutoring** is available in the **Science Success Center** (formerly MS<sup>3</sup>), located in 399 PAD. This center offers support for students in **BIO 120, 121, and 355/375; BMS: 208, 212, 250 and 290; CHM 109, 115, 116, 230, 231, 232, 241, and 242; PHY 200, 220, 221, 230, and 231**. Check out <http://gvsu.edu/ssc/> for more details.
- **Walk-in math tutoring** is available in the **Math Center (A-2-601 MAK)** and **Stats Center (A-2-101 MAK)** for students enrolled in **Math 097, 110, 122, 123, 125, 201 and STA 215**. Check out <http://gvsu.edu/mathcenter/> for more details.



- **Discipline-Specific Writing Support** is available at **The Writing Center** (LOH 120). The Writing Center employs peer consultants from majors across the university. Students that would benefit from meeting with a consultant with experience in science writing, the social sciences, or any other field, can use the Writing Center's website to determine which consultants might meet their needs before scheduling an appointment. Students can call the Writing Center at (616) 331-2922 and/or visit the website at <http://www.gvsu.edu/wc/> for more information.
- Like **The Success Center at North C** Facebook page for Academic Success Tips for the Day! <http://www.facebook.com/GvsuSuccessCenterAtNorthC>.

## Program Announcements

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### GVSU Events

- **Blood Drive sponsored by the Pre-Pharmacy Club:** Donating blood is one of the **best and easiest ways you can help save lives**. You can choose when to donate, but people can't choose when they need blood. When you donate at your convenience, **you can save the life** of someone who needs blood immediately and unexpectedly. On **Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**, from **11:30 am – 5:30 pm**, in **2250 Kirkhof Center**, you can give blood and do your part to **save a life**. Schedule an appointment by using the sponsor code "**GVSU**" at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/make-donation-sponsor>.
- **BMS Seminar Series** kicks off this **Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>**, from **12pm to 1pm**, with a discussion on **Multiple Sclerosis** by **Deborah Gelinaz**, from **St. Mary's Health Care/Michigan State University**. Location has not yet been decided upon. However, you can check back and see the **full calendar** of the **Biomedical Science Seminar Series** [here](#).
- **"Shake the World: Empower the Dream" – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Week 2013** will begin **Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>** and will continue until **Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>**. Classes will **NOT** be held **Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>**, allowing students to attend the scheduled events and to pay respect to Dr. King's incredible, lasting legacy. To see the complete list of scheduled events for the whole week, click [here](#).



### Non-GVSU Events

- **The Central Association of Advisors for the Health Professions** will be hosting an event called **"Meet the Deans"** on **Saturday, April 20, 2013**. This session, located at the **West Book Cadillac Hotel in Detroit**, will provide students the opportunity to speak with Deans of Health Professions programs throughout the Midwest.
- Participate in a **Spanish Immersion and medical shadowing experience** through **Ecela Spanish!** Gain **healthcare experience**, improve your **communication skills**, and experience **another culture!** Summer programs in **Argentina** and **Peru** are available. Find out more about the program [here](#).

# Test Prep Course

If you signed up for the **Test Prep Course** that helps students prepare for their professional school **entrance exam** to apply to **dental, medical, optometry or pharmacy school** remember that it starts this **Thursday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in B-LL-110 MAK**. Also, if you have yet to pay for the course you can stop in the **CLAS Academic Advising Center (C-1-140 MAK)** to pay with cash or a check OR go online at <http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising/ecommerce.htm> to pay with a credit card. **Payment must be received before the course begins!** Please contact the CLAS Advising Center at **(616) 331-8585** if you have questions.



## Gap Year Opportunity

- “What Am I Going to Do For My Gap Year?” Become a **Chief Research Associate** in a **National Alliance of Research Associate Program (NARAP) Member Hospital**. Doing so will give you **Clinical Experience, Clinical Research, and Leadership skills** which will **jump start your career** in the Health Professions.
  - Undergraduate degree and pre-req courses completed
  - Four (4) Chief RAs per NARAP hospital’s RA Program in the Department of Emergency Medicine
  - RA Program Director’s assistants for the academic year
  - Involved in all aspects of an emergency department’s clinical research → potential for authorship
  - Leadership role on NARAP national, multi-center studies on
    - tobacco cessation
      - potentially the largest prospective, interventional clinical trial ever done
    - cervical and breast cancer screening
  - Volunteer about 20 hours per week ...
    - time for a full-time job
    - career advancement > making money in the short-term



Details and application materials: [www.theNARAP.org](http://www.theNARAP.org)

## Parallel Plan

- **Anesthesiologist assistants (AAs)** earn \$120K and up after completing this **24 month Master of Science** program at one of **Case Western Reserve University’s** three locations in

**Cleveland, Houston, or Washington D.C.** AAs are **in high demand** due to the ongoing shortage of anesthesia providers nationwide. All members of the graduating class of 2012 are employed. For information about the AA profession click [here](#). To review the admission requirements of Case Western Reserve University click [here](#).

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"Education is not preparation for life;  
education is life itself."

John Dewey

