

Baker College Connection



Muskegon, MI

Summer Issue

August 2014

REGISTRATION CELEBRATION

**Tuesday, August 12, from 1 to 6 p.m.
Student Center**

**Come register for fall during Week 7
and de-stress over FREE snacks!**

**Get a chance to win a GREAT prize...
and register for fall classes!**

Save the Date!

EXTRA MILE AWARD RECIPIENT

Congratulations to Justin Kinziger — Winner of the 2013-2014 Extra Mile Award

Extra Mile Award winners are nominated by students. The award is presented at graduation each year to a faculty or staff member who has gone “The Extra Mile” to make a difference for students. Thank you, Justin Kinziger, and all the nominees for making Baker such a great place to learn!

***The LAST day to withdraw
from 9-week on-ground classes
is Friday, August 22.***

STOP OUT = RE-ENTRY

Students who take a term off (excluding summer term) will need to complete a re-entry form the term they return to Baker to resume classes. After taking a term off (excluding summer term), students must register **ON** campus. Web-based registration is not an option for re-entry students.

IMPORTANT MEETING

*The date for the
Teacher Prep fall meeting
is Thursday, September 25,
from 12—1:30 p.m.*

Phone: 231-777-5340
Email: bookstore-mu@baker.edu

Online at: www.muskegon.baker.edu/bookstore

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Summer Quarter Bookstore Hours:

Monday—Thursday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Summer Quarter Buyback:

Wednesday, August 27, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Thursday, August 28, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

FALL QUARTER BOOK SALES BEGIN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Monday-Friday, September 15-26
8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, September 27
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



ATTENTION: HUMAN SERVICES STUDENTS — IT'S NOT TOO EARLY TO PLAN AHEAD!

Please take a look at your rotation schedule and consider when you plan to do an internship. Contact your advisor if you need guidance with your schedule. The deadline for a fall quarter internship has come and gone, but we are now compiling a list for winter quarter 2015. If you would like to be considered for a winter internship, please contact Human Services Internship Coordinator Rich Nelson at rich.nelson@baker.edu or (231) 777-6534. The deadline for making an initial inquiry about a winter internship is October 15. You may also contact Rich with any general questions regarding internships.

CAREER SERVICES INFO

Internship Procedure

This information on internships is to inform you of a program procedure change. If you are ready for an internship, you must first meet with your program advisor. This meeting must take place prior to Week 2 of the PREVIOUS quarter. This will allow you to receive a permission slip from your academic advisor to attend a work experience orientation. Please contact your program advisor or dean if you have any questions.

Library Learning Connection

Monday—Wednesday 8 a.m.—8 p.m.
Thursday 8 a.m.—6 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m.—5 p.m.
Saturday CLOSED
Computer Connection CLOSED

Coming Soon! Study Jams!

Study Jams are study sessions taught by tutors which will help you prepare for finals. Stop in the Learning Center for more information about Study Jams.

Hot outside? Come to the library and enjoy a free tutoring session and study in air-conditioned comfort!

STUDY TIP: REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR LAPTOP COOL IN HOT WEATHER AND BACK UP YOUR WORK ON A FLASH DRIVE.

Pet Food Drive!

- Help dog/cat shelters
- Donate pet items
- Feed homeless pets



Items donated by August 28 will help
Faithful to Felines & Bellwether

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Thank you for donating!



SAFE SPACE

Baker College of Muskegon is committed to making its campus a safe and supportive place for all students. The Safe Space program has been established for LGBTQ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning) students who would like to talk to a supportive faculty or staff person to discuss any issue that may be impacting their personal or academic life. Confidential, one-on-one discussions are available; look for the rainbow decal on participating staff and faculty office doors. For more information, contact Rich Nelson at (231) 777-6534 or rich.nelson@baker.edu.

The deadline for summer quarter tuition is Friday, August 15. Don't let the quarter fly by without paying your summer charges. Unpaid account balances will be assessed a \$30 finance charge.

Invoices are sent to your preferred Baker College email address. Check your account online via the Solar System at www.baker.edu for the latest account information.

If you plan to withdraw from a summer quarter class, please stop in the Financial Services Office to check on the status of your summer financial aid BEFORE you withdraw or stop attending. Financial Services can help you withdraw with the least amount of impact to your financial aid. Never withdraw or stop attending a class without checking first with the Financial Services Office.



★ ★ NEW FINANCIAL AID DISBURSEMENT & REFUND SCHEDULE ★ ★

Effective summer quarter 2014, eligible financial aid funds (including student loans) will be applied to student accounts beginning on July 14 (the Monday following the census date). Before funds can be applied to your account, you must meet the federal requirements (i.e. attendance, minimum registered hours, etc.). **Refunds will be issued on Tuesdays (beginning July 15) instead of Fridays in order to accommodate more students.**

- Financial aid funds must be applied to your account to be eligible for a refund. Pell Grants and one quarter loans can affect the amount that you receive and when you receive a refund. You could have multiple refunds.
- Refunds are generally available by 5 pm EST. Higher One will send an email when credit is available on the Baker One card.

If you receive a refund, please understand that it is contingent upon your attendance in all of your summer quarter classes. If you do not attend or if you withdraw from any classes, your financial aid eligibility may be impacted. This may result in a loss of financial aid and a balance due to the College. Please contact your campus Financial Services or Business Office prior to withdrawing from classes.

Federal regulations require that loans for a single quarter be paid in two disbursements. To qualify for the second disbursement, students must be registered at least half time and have attended after the midpoint of the quarter. The earliest date the second disbursement can be paid to your account is August 11, 2014 (after we verify your registration and attendance). You will receive an email when loan funds have been applied to your account.

The summer quarter census date is July 8, 2014. This census date is used to determine your enrollment status for Pell Grant awarding. Visit our census date website (<http://www.baker.edu/departments/finaid/census-date/>) for more details on how this may impact your awards.

Use the STAR system (<https://carina.baker.edu/solar>) to view the status of your financial aid and for the following information:

- Determine if documents are needed
- View your financial aid awards
- Complete your MPN and entrance loan counseling
- See if your financial aid has been applied to your account
- Determine if a refund has been applied to your Higher One card