

# CONNECTION

BAKER COLLEGE OF MUSKEGON

FALL 2015 | WEEKS 8-10

## Student Services

### From the desk of Mike Helsen

I hope fall quarter has been going well for you and you have your winter quarter courses set before a well-deserved holiday break.

The Student Services Department is made up of Campus Safety, Career Services, and Residence Life. The role of each office is to provide services which support the student as they complete their academic program.

Campus Safety is here to provide a safe and secure environment in a customer friendly way while you are on campus. In addition, Campus Safety is available to provide jump starts for cars with dead batteries and vehicle unlocks.

Career Services supports your employment needs while you are a student and for life once you graduate. Career Services is ready to assist you with your part-time work experience and graduate employment assistance. If you haven't explored Career Service's HQ Connect web site, please do so. This site is designed to assist Baker College students and alumni with employment opportunities.

The Residence Life Department provides oversight for the students who choose to live in College housing. In addition, they also coordinate a very active IM Sports and Recreation program that is open to all students. A number of activities are available, and it is a good way to get involved and meet other students.

Currently, there are seventeen active clubs on campus with others in the process of being formed. Clubs are a great way to get connected with students in your academic program and also to get involved in community activities. Take a moment and investigate one of the many clubs on campus.

I welcome you and encourage you to make the most of your time spent here. Please contact me with any questions you might have about any of the Student Services offered at Baker College.

Mike Helsen  
Vice President of Student Services



Mike Helsen

## Tobacco Free

Baker College of Muskegon, Fremont extension site, and The Culinary Institute of Michigan are tobacco-free campuses. Thank you for your cooperation in adhering to this effort.



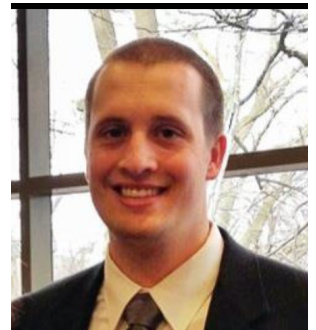
## Know Your Staff—Corey Spickler

Corey Spickler started teaching at Baker College in the fall of 2013. He teaches Psychology 101 and Psychology 111 at both the Muskegon and Fremont campuses. Mr. Spickler received a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology from Taylor University in 2011 and a Master of Science degree in clinical behavior psychology from Eastern Michigan University in 2013.

What Mr. Spickler says he loves about teaching at Baker College is “the opportunity to pass along my knowledge and love for learning to my students.” He enjoys being able to encourage students to further explore their world as well as encourage them to gain a greater understanding of themselves and their potential.

Mr. Spickler currently works for the State of Michigan Department of Corrections as a psychologist. Before that he worked as a graduate student lab instructor at Eastern Michigan University. He also worked for Pine Rest Christian Mental Health Services in Grand Rapids.

While attending Taylor University, Mr. Spickler played college baseball. He enjoys a wide variety of music and loves to go to concerts. He has two dogs and a cat. He is engaged and is getting married in the fall of 2016.



Corey Spickler

## ARC—Academic Resource Center

### LIBRARY / ARC HOURS:

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 a.m.—9:00 p.m.

Friday: 7:30 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

### TUTORING

If you would like to make an appointment

Call 231-777-5345 or

Stop by the Academic Resource Center

### SOME AVAILABLE ONLINE RESOURCES:

Research Guides for classes at [guides.baker.edu](http://guides.baker.edu)

APA Help & Writing Guide

Databases for college-level articles

E-books

## Service Above Self

The Rotaract Club of Baker College of Muskegon has just kicked off its new year of “Service Above Self”! Join us any Tuesday during the school year for fun opportunities that include volunteering with local organizations and networking with area professionals. We meet in room WE104, 4:30 p.m.-5:45 p.m.



## Study Jams

### December 1, 2015

Anatomy & Physiology I

4:30 p.m. — 6:30 p.m.

Room A213

### December 3, 2015

Anatomy & Physiology II

5:00 p.m. — 7:00 p.m.

Room A212



Stop by the ARC/Library Learning Center to reserve a spot.

## Dining at the CIM

LOCATED AT THE CULINARY INSTITUTE OF MICHIGAN

336 WEST CLAY | DOWNTOWN MUSKEGON | 49440

Open for Lunch

Wednesday—Friday

11:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Call 231-777-6610 or place an online reservation at [www.coursesrestaurant.com/reservations](http://www.coursesrestaurant.com/reservations). Reservations are available for parties of 10 or fewer.

# COURSES

One part restaurant. One part classroom.

## Information Technology Solution Center

Monday - Thursday  
10:00 a.m. – 5:45 p.m.

Room A104  
231-777-6699  
ITSC@mu

## Barnes & Noble Bookstore

Monday - Thursday  
8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Call 231-777-5340 to contact the Bookstore for assistance.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FALL 2015

Date	Event
November 23 - 28	Thanksgiving Break - No classes
November 26 - 27	College closed
November 30	Classes resume
December 7 - 11	Final exams
December 24 - 25	College closed
December 31	College closed
January 1	College closed
January 11	Winter quarter begins

## De-Stress Event at the Bookstore

Stop in for fun and games! Unwind before Finals week!  
Wednesday, December 2, 2015, from 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

### WINTER QUARTER BOOK ORDERS

Student Financial Aid book credits will be available starting Wednesday, December 2nd for the winter quarter. Don't forget to pre-order textbooks and supplies by visiting [baker.bncollege.com](http://baker.bncollege.com).

Here's how:

Go to [baker.bncollege.com](http://baker.bncollege.com)

Scroll down to *Find Textbooks*

Select a Campus

Select *Term, Department, Course, Section*

Follow instructions for selecting textbooks *FORMAT*

(*New, Used, Rental, and Digital*)

Choose *IN-STORE* or *SHIP-TO-HOME DELIVERY*

## BAKER COLLEGE OF MUSKEGON HEALTH SCIENCES CAREER DAY

**Friday, February 19, 2016**

Muskegon Campus Gymnasium

**9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

## ROTARACT FUNDRAISER

The Rotaract Club will be holding a fundraiser November 30, December 1, and December 2 in front of the library/learning center (ARC). All proceeds will be donated to Kids' Food Basket to assist them in their efforts to provide a sack supper to over 1,000 elementary children every day.

## GRADUATE SPOTLIGHT

Andrea Lynn Sweetland graduated June 2015 magna cum laude with her BA in Human Services. She has helped in organizing events for the Hope Project of Muskegon and also was a speaker for the Fremont Freedom walk early this summer. In addition, she travels monthly to either attend the MI State Human Task Force meetings in Lansing or attend meetings for the Step Forward Initiative. The Step Forward Initiative involves working with members and survivors, including Homeland Security FBI Agent Andrew West in Detroit. She helped create the 12-Step Survivor program, as well as its missions and core principles and designed the web page. This initiative is still in progress with the goal to go international with a recovery program for survivors of both labor or sex trafficking. Recently, she was a speaker for the Human Trafficking Conference sponsored by the Prosecuting Attorney's Association of Michigan in Dearborn.

Sweetland was also nominated to go to the US Department of Justice for the Office of Crime Victims in January of 2016. If elected, she will attend and speak on the legislative issues and the need to have laws in place from a victim's perspective rather than from the judicial system's perspective like those that are currently in place.

## Thanks to the Baker College Community

The Rotaract Club would like to thank everyone who donated books to the Read Early Read Often initiative. Together, with your help, we collected 1,185 books!!

## Winter Weather and Campus Closings

Winter weather will arrive, and when it does, it is important that you be aware of the College's protocols for weather-related delays and cancellations. Here are a few important things for you to know:

1. Announcements about delays and cancellations of morning classes are usually made no later than 6:15 a.m., whenever possible.

2. Announcements about delays or cancellations of afternoon classes are usually made no later than 10:15 a.m., whenever possible.

3. Announcements about delays or cancellations of evening classes are usually made no later than 3:15 p.m., whenever possible.

4. The two fastest ways to learn of delays or closings are to visit [www.baker.edu](http://www.baker.edu) or call the campus weather hotline at 231-777-6666. There is no need to call the campus switchboard or other offices like the Academic Center until after the above-posted times, since they will not have an answer about delays or cancellations before then.

5. The Emergency Notification System (ENS) also communicates information about delays and cancellations via e-mail, text, and telephone. You may go on-line to opt-out of the text and telephone message. However, all students must receive the e-mail communication.

Finally, if the College is open but bad road conditions prevent you from coming to class, contact your instructors to notify them of the absence and consult your syllabus about the make-up policy for each class. The College respects your right and responsibility to make the necessary decisions regarding your safety when weather conditions worsen.

## The 2015 Job & Internship Expo Was a SUCCESS!

The annual Job & Internship Expo was held on Thursday, November 5, 2015, in the Baker College gymnasium on the Muskegon campus. A total of 48 companies and 69 students and graduates participated, making it a very worthwhile event.

Students and graduates were asked to evaluate what they thought was the best part about the event. Here are a few of their comments:

- Good variety of employers
- The employers were very informative and helpful in answering questions
- The employers were friendly and personable
- Great opportunity to network

Representatives from the participating companies were asked to evaluate the Expo and what they thought was the best part about the event. Here are a few of their comments:

- Meeting students & graduates who were very professional and well prepared
- Great exposure of their company to prospective future employees
- Talking with students and graduates who expressed their interest in their future career

On behalf of the Career Services staff, thank you to everyone who had a part in assisting with and participating in this very important career event!