

CONNECTION

BAKER COLLEGE OF MUSKEGON

SPRING 2015 | WEEKS 1 - 4

From the President's Desk

Dear Faculty and Students,

We have done much over the past few years to improve our recycling efforts and reduce our energy needs in Muskegon, Fremont, and at the Culinary Institute of Michigan. For example, we have increased the number of water fountains that double as bottled-water dispensers, thus keeping thousands of plastic bottles out of landfills. We have pushed our energy efficiency to close to 97% with a new boiler system used for heating and cooling and with the installation of high-efficiency light bulbs both internally and externally. The Muskegon campus hosts one of the few charging stations for electric cars in Muskegon County. Our new managed print initiative has reduced our use of paper, and we remain committed to a comprehensive recycling program for all paper and cardboard.

Our efforts to recycle paper are not as productive as they could be, and I am writing to request your help. A major source of recyclable paper on campus comes from the waste containers in classrooms. In order to recycle this paper, it must not be mixed with food waste. However, it routinely is, and this prevents us from maximizing our recycling initiatives.

Therefore, effective Monday of Week One of the spring quarter, I am asking all faculty and students to renew our commitment to recycling by keeping all food waste in either the Student Center, West End Cafe, or employee break rooms, so it may be disposed of there. Food waste includes any uneaten food as well as dirty plates, utensils, and napkins. Faculty will remind you of this as part of their syllabus review during the first class, and I hope you will remind and encourage one another toward this goal. Other reminders will be posted in classrooms and where you purchase food on campus.

I appreciate your help with this effort. We have made great progress so far, and I trust you will want to join together to do even more.

Sincerely,

Lee Coggin, J.D.
President
Baker College of Muskegon, Fremont, and the Culinary Institute of Michigan



Lee Coggin

**REGISTER
TODAY FOR
SUMMER
CLASSES!**



Tobacco-Free - Baker College of Muskegon, the Fremont extension site, and The Culinary Institute of Michigan are tobacco-free campuses. The use of e-cigarettes is prohibited on campus. Thank you for your cooperation.

Digital Signage - While on campus please check digital signage frequently for current news and reminders. Locations include: Student Center, Academic Center, Financial Services, Residence Life, and Career Services.

Library Learning Center

Library Learning Center 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.

Free tutoring is available. Stop in or call 231-777-5345 to make an appointment.

Do you have research questions?

We have answers!

Ask Us — askus.baker.edu

Text Us — 810.771.8959

Resources at askus.baker.edu contain over 2,000 answers and are staffed by Baker College librarians.

Writing Center Hours (Weeks 2 - 10):

Monday – Thursday

9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday (Closed Friday Week 10)

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Call 231-777-5345 to schedule an appointment.

Math Center Hours

(No appointment necessary):

Monday and Tuesday

9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday and Thursday

11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

ITSC@MU

Monday - Thursday

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Room A104

231-777-6699

Students, staff, and faculty needing technical assistance on campus may visit the ITSC@MU for help. No appointments necessary.

Radiology Technology Application Deadline

Radiology Technology applications are now available in the faculty wing reception area. They may be completed and turned in any time before June 25, 2015.

A student does not have to be a radiologic technology major at the time of application to the program, and it is unnecessary to wait on spring course grades before submitting the application as they will be checked at the end of the quarter.

If you have questions about the Radiologic Technology program, please contact Cameron VanderStel at 231-777-5224 or cameron.vanderstel@baker.edu, or Laurie Flagstead at 231-777-5347 or laurie.flagstead@baker.edu.

Graduation Application Deadline Approaching

Please complete the application online at:
<http://corvus.baker.edu/graduation-application/>

All graduates need to fill out this application, even if they do not plan to participate in the graduation ceremony. The formal graduation ceremony is held during the spring quarter on Friday of week ten. If you have any questions, please contact the Academic Office at 231-777-5232.

All Career Services emails are from hqconnect@baker.edu (It is not spam).

Winter 2015 graduates should apply now! Spring and Summer graduates should apply by **Friday, April 10, 2015**.

Human Services Students

Attention all Human Services Students: Are you planning an internship during the summer or fall quarters?

Please contact Internship Coordinator, Rich Nelson by Monday, May 4, 2015, to be considered for an internship opportunity. Rich Nelson can be contacted at rich.nelson@baker.edu or at 231.777.6534 before Monday, May 4, 2015.

Academic Center

Monday - Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Advising hours:

Monday - Friday

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

For assistance, e-mail at acad-mu@baker.edu or call

231-777-5232.

Dropping/Withdrawing from a course:

When withdrawing from a course, students will find it beneficial to consult the Financial Services Department. A visit to Financial Services will help to evaluate the student's current account status and help coordinate financing for future terms. Additionally, academic advisors will meet to discuss with the student the impact of not completing a course and help determine ways to stay on course to graduation.

Know Your Staff - Sara Jesse

Sara Jesse is one of the residence hall coordinators at Baker College of Muskegon. As a residence hall coordinator, she is responsible for supervising an area within the residence halls and making sure everything runs smoothly. Residence hall coordinators provide support to resident/students when needed and enforce the Baker College guidelines and regulations. Sara is also the coordinator for the Community Service Program team.

Before coming to work at Baker College, Sara chose to attend Baker College as a student because of the college's mission to provide quality education that leads to a successful career. She received a bachelor's degree in business management from Baker College in 2013. While attending Baker College, she was very involved in residence life.

After college, Sara worked as an office assistant for a construction company and then briefly worked as a teller for a bank.

In the fall of 2014, Sara applied for a position as a residence hall coordinator. She came back to Baker to work for the same reason she chose Baker College as a student: she truly believes in the college's mission. She enjoys helping students and sharing her experiences with them. She also says that the people she works with "are amazing!"

Sara was born and raised in Grand Rapids. She loves being outdoors in the fresh air. In the summer Sara usually can be found camping, attending a demolition derby, off-roading in a jeep, or spending time on the dunes at Silver Lake.



Sara Jesse

Scholarship Opportunities

GM Scholarships for Women

This scholarship is for women seeking a career in the automotive retail sector ranging from sales to finance to management positions in dealerships. You could receive up to \$5,000! Apply online at <http://gmsac.com> by April 15, 2015.

Lightning55 Scholarship Program

LIGHTNING55 is offering college-based scholarships for students aspiring to achieve a college education. Deadline: April 15, 2015.

Behavioral Health Academic Scholarship

Attention! All behavioral health, nursing, counseling, and human services students. \$10,000 in scholarships is being awarded. Deadline: May 31, 2015. Apply online at: [:americanaddictioncenters.org](http://americanaddictioncenters.org)

NEWH - Hospitality Scholarships

Multiple scholarships available for Food & Beverage, Culinary and Baking Students. Deadline: April 29, 2015. See Financial Services for details.

DR. ALMA S. ADAMS

The Legacy for Longer Healthier Lives awards two \$5,000 scholarships to non-smokers. Deadline: April 30, 2015.

Farm Bureau Scholarships

Farm Bureau members can apply for scholarships at https://www.michfb.com/MI/Ag_Ed_and_Leadership/Scholarships/Scholarships/

Lakeshore ATHENA Scholarships

Annual scholarships are available for female students 30 years or older, who live/work in Ottawa, Allegan, or Muskegon County, or have limited financial resources. See Financial Services for details.

APPLICATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FEATURED SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE IN FINANCIAL SERVICES.

Financial Services

Week 1

Monday & Tuesday

8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Weeks 2 -10

Monday – Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

231-777-5231

Porter Scholarship Winners Spring 2015:

Kallie Cousins, Jennifer Wagenmaker, Carissa Paulsen, and Shayna Sumner.

Watch digital signage for upcoming workshop dates. FAFSA for 2015-2016 is available at www.fafsa.ed.gov

Do NOT stop attending classes! If you stop attending your class, your financial aid may NOT PAY on your account, making the balance your personal responsibility. Please call or visit the Financial Services Office for financial advice. We can help you make the right decision.

Career Services

Welcome new and returning students! As the spring quarter begins, take a moment to become familiar with all the Career Services Department offers to current students and alumni. Some of these services include the following:

Employment Opportunities

Career Services posts employment opportunities on a daily basis on our HQ Connect System. Now is a busy time for employers to hire for their spring and summer season. Seasonal jobs can be viewed on HQ Connect or stopping in at the Career Services office to view the Part-Time and Seasonal Employment Opportunities book. Also, be sure to watch in upcoming newsletters and the digital signage around campus as some of these employers will be conducting on-campus recruiting events.

Workshops

Social media is a key player in the job search process today. Sites like LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter allow employers the chance to get a glimpse of who you are outside of the normal confines of the resume, cover letter, and interview. For job seekers, these sites offer the opportunity to learn more about companies of interest; stay better connected with current and former employers, and be informed about job openings instantaneously, among other things.

To assist in better understanding how to use social media for your job search, Career Services is offering a two seminars:

Friday, May 1, from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in the Meeting Place

Friday, May 1, from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. in the Meeting Place

HQ Connect

To assist in better understanding how to use HQ Connect and some of its features, Career Services is offering several HQ Connect Seminars:

Tuesday, May 12, from 12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Place

Tuesday, May 12, from 4:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in the Meeting Place

Wednesday, May 13, from 12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Place

Wednesday, May 13, from 4:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m. in the Meeting Place

If you are interested, please attend one of these seminars. Reservations are not required. Stop by or call Career Services at 231-777-6500 to talk with a representative to learn more about viewing jobs and our many services.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event
April 6	On-ground classes begin
April 22	Culinary Arts Internship & Job Fair Time: 1:00 p.m.– 4:00 p.m. Where: CIM downtown
April 22	Michigan's Adventure On-Campus Recruiting Event Time: 11:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Where: Library entrance
April 29 /30	Home Depot On-Campus Recruiting Event Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. Where: Library entrance
May 1	Social Media and Employment Workshop with Career Services
May 12/May 13	HQ Connect Workshop with Career Services
June 12	Baker College of Muskegon Graduation Ceremony
June 25	Radiologic Technology application deadline

West End Fitness Center

Monday – Thursday
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Friday
7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Closed Saturday and Sunday

Open Gym

Tuesday & Wednesday
9:00 p.m. – midnight

BRIC Hours

Monday – Thursday
12:00 p.m. – 2:00 a.m.

Friday – Sunday
12:00 p.m. – midnight

Four Corners Bookstore

Bookstore will be CLOSED
Monday - Friday,
April 27, 2015 to May 1, 2015.

We will reopen on
May 4, 2015 as a
Barnes & Noble store.

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