

CONNECTION

BAKER COLLEGE OF MUSKEGON

WINTER 2015 | WEEKS 8-10

**REGISTER
TODAY FOR
SPRING &
SUMMER
CLASSES!**

Book Buyback at Four Corners Bookstore

Winter Quarter Buyback:

March 18 & 19, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

March 20, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

SPRING QUARTER Book Sales:

March 23-27, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

March 30- April 2, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

CLOSED April 3rd

April 4, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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

HEALTH SCIENCES CAREER DAY 2015 was a Success!

The annual Health Sciences Career Day was held on Friday, February 20, 2015, in the Baker College Gymnasium. Despite the cold, a total of 39 companies participated, making it a very worthwhile and successful event for students and graduates who attended.

Representatives from the participating companies appreciated the opportunity to meet qualified candidates and were impressed by the level of professionalism of the students and graduates: organized, well prepared, professional dress and demeanor, resumes in hand.

Students and graduates who attended commented on the friendly people willing to talk and give ideas, the number of companies and options, the convenience and venue of the networking opportunity to meet face to face with employers while building confidence in networking with professionals. One had never been to such an event before, but indicated that it was a really good experience; another one added that it was excellent and they would do it again.

If you attended the event, make the most of the networking which you initiated and continue to build upon your relationships. Be sure to:

- Review your notes and the contact information collected at the event, evaluating potential career options.
- Complete an application or follow up as advised by the employer.
- Send an appropriate follow-up and thank you to the representatives you talked with.
- Evaluate your personal introduction in preparation for future networking opportunities.
- Continue to explore options and opportunities to volunteer, participate in internships/externships, and apply for part-time or full-time employment openings.

Employers indicated that they enjoyed the friendly environment and that it is always a pleasure attending Baker's Career Fair. They wished even more students and graduates representing ALL program areas were in attendance, including non-health care majors. So make plans now to attend future events!

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!



Since 1911

Tobacco Free - Baker College of Muskegon, the Fremont extension site, and The Culinary Institute of Michigan are tobacco free campuses. 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.

Register today for Spring & Summer 2015

Visit the Academic Center to turn in registration requests. Please have your Student ID available to present to staff.

Program advisors are available by appointment to assist in class selection for both terms.

Many classes are available for web registration at www.baker.edu. Select Solar System and proceed to login with your student account information. Navigate to the STAR System, which is where access to the Academic Office web registration can be found. Call 231-777-5232 for assistance.

Baker College of Muskegon's Rotaract Club and Early Childhood Education Program invite you to an opportunity to "Read Early & Read Often"!

WHAT—Free read-n-do activities to do with your baby or toddler (birth—36 months)

WHEN—SATURDAY, March 14, 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. You may come and go as you please.

WHERE—Room E101, Baker College of Muskegon, 1903 Marquette Avenue. Enter by "the clock" on Quarterline Road.

HOW—Notify Liz Garman (231-777-5375 or liz.garman@baker.edu) to reserve your spot.



Paris & Madrid Trip

Trip price will include flight, six nights in hotels, two meals per day, all entry fees, train fare from Paris to Madrid, an air-conditioned tour bus, and tour guides in both countries. Travelers must be over 18 years of age. For more information, e-mail sylvia.coon@baker.edu.

Know Your Staff - Colleen Johnson

Colleen Johnson is the Director of the Writing Center (WC) at Baker College. The WC, which is located in the library and staffed by Baker College English faculty, offers free individual tutoring to students working on writing or speech assignments. Students can make appointments at the library or call 777-5345. Mrs. Johnson supervises the WC services and is also one of the faculty tutors. She has been part of the Baker College faculty for ten years as a composition and speech instructor. She says that she loves working at a career college like Baker with its focused training and its commitment to professional excellence.

Mrs. Johnson graduated from Sparta High School, earned a B.A. in elementary education and music at Calvin College, and taught in an elementary classroom for six years. Following that, she decided to teach English in Japan and later earned an M.A. in TESOL at Biola University in Los Angeles. She became an instructor at Biola, teaching English to foreign students until 1995 when she married her husband Tim, a widower with three young children. She says that, after being a single career woman for 40 years, it was quite a change to become a stay-at-home mom with a husband, three children, and a dog! But when the children were grown, she returned to teaching again as part of the Baker College faculty.

Mrs. Johnson's personal interests include performing sacred music as a church organist and pianist, visiting interesting places in Michigan with Tim, and spending time with her three grandsons.



Colleen Johnson

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.

Attention Anatomy and Physiology I & II Students!

Are you worried for your lab practical? Are you already stressed about final exams? The Learning Center is here to help!

A & P I Study Jam, Friday 3/13/15 time:

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

A & P II Study Jam, Friday 3/13/15 time:

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Stop by the Learning Center for more information or to sign up!

Writing Center Hours (Weeks 2 - 9):

Monday - Thursday

10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Friday

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.

What's new at the Library/ARC?

- Check out guides.baker.edu/muarc
- Shortcut to Article Databases
- Link to Book Catalog
- New Items in the ARC

Scholarship Opportunities

MARIAN VYVERMAN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Awards one \$1,000 scholarship.

Deadline March 15, 2015.

PORTER SCHOLARSHIP

Baker College Scholarships in the amount of \$1250 are available for two new students and two current students.

Write an essay (250 - 1000 words) describing why Baker College was the college of choice for educational and career goals for the future. Scholarship application details are available in Financial Services.

Future deadlines: Summer 2015-June 1, 2015, Fall 2015-September 1, 2015, Winter 2015-December 1, 2015, and Spring 2016-March 1, 2016

ED KURTZ LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

Baker College Scholarship of \$25,00 to five students. Deadline April 1, 2015.

WOMEN'S DIVISION CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP

Local Muskegon chapter offering multiple scholarships of \$1,000 to students attending Baker College. Applications due March 16, 2015.

Scholarship details at www.womensdivision.org

DR. ALMA S. ADAMS

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

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

"I need to withdraw from my class."

The last day to withdraw from Winter 2015 classes is Friday, March 13, 2015. In order to withdraw from a course, students will find it beneficial to consult the Financial Services department. A visit to Financial Services will help to evaluate current account status and help coordinate financing for future terms. Additionally, Academic Advisors will meet to discuss the impact of not completing a course and help navigate ways to stay on course to graduation.

GRADUATION IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER, DID YOU APPLY?

Please complete the application online at:

<http://corvus.baker.edu/graduation-application/>

All graduates need to fill out this application, even if you 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 Grads should apply now! Spring and Summer Grads should apply by Friday, April 10, 2015.

Adobe User Group

On March 10, 2015, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Room T103/Digital Video Studio.

Mitch Nyberg will present an Adobe Premiere Pro and Digital Camera Tutorial for the Adobe User Group. Students with an interest in digital cameras and producing films are invited.

The Baker College of Muskegon Adobe User Group meets the second Tuesday of every month while classes are in session. The focus of the group is to build community, provide fellow designers, developers, and producers and opportunity to exchange ideas and resolve problems.

Visit www.bcmadobe.org for more information about the Adobe User Group.

VITA - Volunteer Opportunities

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) volunteers provide free tax assistance to low- and moderate-income workers and families eligible for significant state and federal tax credits.

No accounting experience is required! Volunteers receive free IRS training and certification. Opportunities include the following:

Greeter
Call Center Assistant
Tax Preparer
Quality Reviewer
Interpreter.

For more information or to volunteer, call 231-722-7874, ext. 246 or visit VITAWestMichigan.org

Rotaract Club

Rotaract is a service above self international program for college students who wish to make a difference.

WANT TO LEARN MORE?

Join us every Tuesday 4:30-5:45 p.m. in

Room E103

See you March 10, 2015!

Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RotaractBakerCollege



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event
March 10	Adobe User Group 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., T103 (DVP Studio)
March 13	Anatomy & Physiology I Study Jam 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., A101 Anatomy & Physiology II Study Jam 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
March 14	Read Early. Read Often. Education Program 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m., RSVP at 231-777-5375
March 18 - 20	Winter Book Buyback at Four Corners Bookstore
March 23	Spring book sales begin.
April 6	On-ground classes begin.

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, contact by e-mail at acad-mu@baker.edu or by calling 231-777-5232.

Financial Services

Monday – Thursday

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

231-777-5231

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

Do NOT Stop Attending! 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.

Information Technology Solution Center

Monday - Thursday

10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Room A104

231-777-6699