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THE ARTHUR O. EVE OPPORTUNITY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

FROM THE DIRECTOR:

Wake up everybody, Wake up! Guess what, it’s almost mid-term, as I continue to say time is just rolling along. Now, I hope each of you is doing what it takes to ensure your grades are the best they can be. With that said I won’t bore you with a whole lot of words on that subject. Just know as your director I expect only the best from you.

Also I hope all of you remembered to register to vote and will exercise your right. After all many marched, fought, and some even died so that you could vote. So you could at least honor them by casting your vote this year.

I want to thank each of you who made our homecoming float a great success. We were awarded the most spirited float.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the Hispanic Heritage Celebration on Friday, October 17, 2014, in the Eagles Look Out located in Tuttle South. Good food and lots of fun!

Finally, hope you enjoyed your fall break and have come back ready to finish the second half of the semester on top.

Remaining Fall Check Release Dates:
November 20
December 4

EOP Students march in the Homecoming Parade
### Career Services Presents...

**Career Xpress**
- Have career-related questions?
  - Major
  - Career goals
  - Need to have your resume/cover letter checked?
  - Find a job
  - Apply for graduate school
  - Internships
  - Graduate school
  - Apply for an internship of field placement

**Drop into Career Xpress Without an Appointment:**

**Monday-Friday**

**11AM - 2PM**

101 Rakov

### Employable Eagles Workshop Series

**Be prepared for your job/internship search!**

**Learn practical ways to beat the competition!**

**Register at www.brockport.edu/career**

Or by clicking anywhere in this email!

### Career Workshops

Workshops provide a hands-on opportunity to work on aspects of your resume/cover letter or perform a mock interview. You can also have your questions answered by a Career Counselor.

Learn key aspects of how to do an effective internship/job search.

Attend any or all of the workshops to give you a solid foundation to make you a top candidate!

**Walk-ins are always welcome on the day of the event!**

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<td>Righting Your Resume!</td>
<td>Writing a resume for the first time? Not sure what goes into a cover letter or how to write one? This workshop gives you the tips you need! This hands-on workshop will give you a chance to ask your questions and experience writing some of the trickier parts of a resume and/or cover letter. Resume templates and samples of resumes/cover letters will be provided.</td>
<td>101 Rakov</td>
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<td>Get Results with Your Job and Internship Search</td>
<td>Are you getting ready to begin your post-grad job or internship search but haven't necessarily found positions in your industry or geographic location of choice? This workshop will cover basic job and internship search strategies, and students will be directed to specific resources to help them with their search.</td>
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<td>Power Up Your LinkedIn Profile</td>
<td>Don't have a Linked In Profile? This workshop will help you to learn the key elements of developing a Linked In Profile. Recruiters today use Linked In as the #1 way to find candidates for openings. Learn the basic use of the tool in a job search. Participants must have basic computer skills and familiarity with navigating websites. Please note that it is not necessary to bring a laptop to this workshop.</td>
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<td>Mock Interview Interview Prep</td>
<td>When you practice interviewing skills, you are more confident and prepared. This can lead to job internships offers. Gain an understanding of how to make a great first impression with employers, learn about different types of interviews and common interviewing mistakes. Practice some sample questions as well as an Elevator Speech.</td>
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Financial Aid News

Be aware of any charges you have incurred on your student account. If you incur charges before you get a refund, they’ll be deducted from the refund. If you incur charges after you receive your refund, you must pay them. Charges such as parking tickets, dorm damage, book store charges, easy money etc., will impact your financial status.

Always monitor your meal plan usage. You don’t want to be caught short at the end of the semester. Do not assume that just because you got a refund last term means you will get a refund this term. For those students thing about moving off campus please remember that the budget for living off campus is different than the budget for living on campus. Do yourself a huge favor and know your anticipated funds prior to making the commitment to move off. Do you really need that new NosVies shirt? Your personal funds need to last. Choose wisely.

If you get a refund check, PLEASE VERIFY THAT THE AMOUNT IS CORRECT! Always consult with your EOP counselor before you spend the funds. You will be held accountable for any funds to which you are not entitled. Make sure you understand all components of your financial aid award and your student bill. NEVER ASSUME, ALWAYS ASK!

Please avoid getting/using a credit card. Misusage can have serious financial and personal consequences. Do you really need all of your refund? Paying down your loans is always a smart play. Start your advanced planning for potential winter break and summer break jobs. Saving your earnings can reduce your loans even further.

Please think long and hard about the pros/cons of getting a part time job while in school. You need to concentrate on getting good grades. There is a major difference between financial need and financial desires. Know the difference between short term sacrifice vs. long term gain. Don’t forget that your cumulative GPA and amount of earned credits can have a direct impact on you receiving your full financial aid. You must stay aware of your status. Please consult with your counselor to help ensure your complete and detailed understanding of this important Information.

Students Improve Through Tutoring

EOP’s One-on-One Peer Tutoring Program provides students the opportunity to receive individualized tutorial support through being matched with a tutor who in many instances has had the same professor and or course, and who has received a high grade in the specific subject content area in which the student requires additional help. This tutorial support program not only aids students in being academically successful, but also in acquiring and developing study skills, strategies and techniques as well as to aid in better understanding the course content.

The tutorial supports of this program are designed to address the academic needs of the student and tailored to accommodate both the schedules of the student and tutor, thus allowing for the student to meet their assigned tutor(s) as needed to maximize on their learning potential within the sessions and their academic success within their courses.

Why are good grades important? We live in a world with a highly competitive job market. Your grades can make the difference in your being selected for that job/career you are pursuing or being accepted for admittance into the graduate program and graduate school of your choice. You want to stand out and above the rest. Don’t settle for mediocrity. Get the support you need to be all you can be academically. See your counselor. Read and complete that tutoring form.

Review it with your assigned counselor. Your counselor must initial the form.
Then submit it in person to: Academic Coordinator (Debra Joseph-McEwen).
For more information please contact Debra Joseph-McEwen, EOP Academic Coordinator at djosephm@brockport.edu or 395-5411.
EOP’s Peer Assisted Learning

EOP’s Peer Assisted Learning (PAL) Program offers students another opportunity to practice their learning. We offer guided study groups for specific classes. The groups are facilitated by a student who, like our peer tutors, has earned a high grade in the class and is recommended by the professor.

Students attending can expect the peer to support them through the material they want to learn, helping them not just to understand challenging content, but also realize that they can learn better skills.

Any student enrolled in the specific class may attend the study group. You’ll find that this opportunity is not just for students having trouble. Successful students use this opportunity to maintain and increase their competence in course material.

When: Tuesdays and Thursdays
9:15pm – 11:15pm
(Starting Tuesday, Sept. 2nd)

Where: Drake Memorial Library (Keifer Room)

What subjects/courses: Varies Math courses, PSH 110, PSH 202, BIO 111, pre-requisite nursing courses and writing

P.A.L.

EOP’s Peer Assisted Learning

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The Educational Opportunity Program Presents:
*36th Annual Honors & Recognition Banquet*
Saturday, April 4, 2015
Seymour College Union Ballroom
6:00pm-9:00pm

For More information Please Contact:
Daniel Askey, Senior Counselor@ 395-5438 in room G9C Rakov
Lisa Jones, Graduate Counselor @ 395-5436 in room G9B Rakov
Division of Enrollment Management and Student Affairs
Looking For Answers To Your Questions Regarding XAE
Look No Further… Here Are Your Answers!!!

What is XAE?
The Chi Alpha Epsilon (XAE) Epsilon Rho Chapter is an Honor Society at The College at Brockport that was chartered in 2008.

What is XAE’s purpose?
XAE’s purpose is to…Promote continued high academic standards Foster increased communication among its members Honor academic excellence achieved by those students To promote civic engagement through community involvement.

Why should I become a member of XAE?
To have your outstanding academic achievements formally recognized and honored. To motivate current and future EOP students to strive for high academic goals.

How can I become a part of XAE?
Students are eligible for this membership if they have maintained a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 or higher for the last two consecutive semesters.

Who can I talk to if I have further questions about XAE?
Feel free to contact your counselor or any member of the XAE Executive Board.

We encourage you to visit the Chi Alpha Epsilon Honor Society website at www.xaehonor.com to learn information about the Honor Society.

Now that you have answers to your questions regarding this awesome honor society….

We challenge you to strive for academic excellence and become a future member of XAE.

***We cordially invite you to attend our 7th Annual Induction Ceremony on Friday, November 14, 2014, at 3:00 pm, in the New York Room of Cooper Hall***

Come Celebrate Your Birthday with your EOP Family!!!!

October 16, 2014 for October birthdays
November 20, 2014 for November/December 2014 birthdays
February 19, 2015 for January/February 2015 birthdays
March 19, 2015 for March birthdays
April 16, 2015 for April/May 2015 birthdays
Congratulations!
Will Dillard–Jackson is Brockport Stylus’ 2014, RA of the Month for August/September!

OOPS!
In the last issue of “The Achiever” we did a student spotlight about Marcia Albarracin. Unfortunately, we included the wrong photograph. We extend our heartfelt apologies. This is the real Marcia Albarracin.

EOP Writing Workshops
Do you need help with improving your writing skills and technique? Having a little difficulty formulating a thesis statement or structuring your writing?

When: Mondays and Wednesdays 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm (Cooper Hall, Room C-25A) & Thursdays 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm (Rakov, EOP Conference Room)
For more information please contact Debra Joseph-McEwen, EOP Academic Coordinator at djosephm@brockport.edu or 585-395-5411

Homecoming Parade and Float Preparation
I would like to send a heartfelt thank you to all the freshmen from EOP who participated in preparation of the Homecoming Parade Float. A special thank you goes out to Marlen Fowler and Jamela Ollivierre for being our student coordinators for the event. Preparation for the float was filled with days of family and fun. We had approximately sixty students, majority freshmen, representing EOP in the Homecoming Parade. This event was a success because of YOU. Please continue to give your suggestions and ideas to your EOP counselor.
Lisa Jones

WOMENS SUPPORT GROUP
Are you interested in becoming a member of the Women’s Support Group? Do you have an interest in becoming a Mentor to younger women? Are you interested in Empowering one another? Or are you looking to build positive relationships and find support? If so, here’s the perfect opportunity to get involved!

For more information contact Latasha Craig, Senior Counselor at (585)395-5437 or lcraig@brockport.edu
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Brockport, NY 14420

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Rakov Building,
Ground Floor

Homecoming Parade 2014
Capturing Courage