

CELEBRATING and RECOGNIZING people with developmental disabilities through programs and activities!

"Developmental disability is a natural part of the human experience and in no way diminishes the right of individuals to live independently, enjoy self-determination, make choices, contribute to society and participate fully in the economic, political, social, cultural and educational mainstream of our society.

The goals of this Territory properly include providing individuals with developmental disabilities the opportunities and support to make informed choices and decisions; live in homes and communities where such individuals can exercise their full rights and responsibilities as citizens; contribute to society, and achieve full inclusion in society"

CELEBRATE with friends, relatives, or members of your community!!! ☺

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PTK UPDATES

2012 Spring Academic Calendar				
February 6-March 23	Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W"			
February 13Deadline for Low Grade Reporting				
	HOLIDAY-Presidents Day			
February 24				
March 5-8				
March 12-16	<mark>Spring Break</mark>			
March 19-30	ASTEP Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W/F" or "W/NP"			
March 26-April 13	Withdrawal Period to Receive a "W/F" or "W/NP"			
April 6	HOLIDAY-Good Friday			
April 6	ASTEP Instructions End			
	2012 Summer Priority Registration			
April 30-May 3	ELI & Developmental MATH Final Examination			
May 4	Last Day to complete Withdrawal from ASCC			
	Instructions End ☺			
May 7-10	Final Examination			
May 7-10	ELI 2012 Summer & Fall Priority Registration			
May 11-16	Early Add/Drop			
	2012 Spring Semester Graduates Grades are Due			
	2012 Spring Semester Commencement			
May 23	All 2012 Spring Semester Grades are Due			

SGA Activity Calendar-Spring 2012

March 10	Adopt a Beach-CLUBS (ARRA Project)
March 20 & 22	Elementary Outreach (ARRA Project)
March 24	Fashion Show (ARRA Project)
April 10	Field Games-Malae 12:30pm
April 12	Invention Competition
April 24	ARRA School Awards
April 26	Dance Battle
May 1	Club Awards-Lecture Hall



ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS!!

2012 SUMMER PRIORITY REGISTRATION WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 16, 2012 THROUGH MAY 10, 2012!

(Note:These dates are no longer for Fall priority registration. Keep checking for future updates ©)

Schedule of Course Offerings for 2012 Summer Session will be ready for distribution on April 13, 2012

For more information, please contact Dean of Academic Affairs at the following venues:

Phone: 684-699-9155 x321
Facsimile: 684-699-2062
Email: i.helsham@amsamoa.edu

COUNSELING SERVICES OFFICE

(located in the Cafeteria)

Personal and Academic Counseling / Career Counseling / YANA

- Students who have any personal issues such as: peer pressure, family issues, thoughts of suicide, relationship problems, dealing with emotional distress, and just need someone to talk to... please see the Personal Academic Counselor- Alison Hurst or call 252-YANA (9262) or email: {yana@amsamoa.edu}



- Students seeking assistance in resume writing or job coaching are encouraged to visit the Career Counselor- Alison Hurst or email her at a.hurst@amsamoa.edu

Transferability Counselor

Prospective graduates of Spring & Fall 2011 must come in to see counselors at their offices located in the cafeteria for the following:

- Fill out an Exit Counseling Survey
- Transferring to a 4-year college or university for assistance with college search, filling out college applications, and retrieving college document checklists
- ► Diversity & Tutorial Counseling

*If you have any problems seeing any of the counselors in person, you can contact them via interoffice extension: 362 or email: Matesina m.willis@amsamoa.edu}, Annie q.a.panama@amsamoa.edu}, Alison q.a.panama@amsamoa.edu}, Alison q.a.panama@amsamoa.edu},

STUDENT LEARNING ASSISTANCE CENTER



Tutorials (FREE)

- Students interested in getting tutored in any subject, please come see us at the Student Learning Assistance (SLA) Center©

SLA Center Hours: 8:00-3:30

*During finals, we will be open from 8:00am-4:00pm

- All tutorials are free and appointments are made with Lydian Tinitali {1.tinitali@amsamoa.edu}, or any of the available staff members in the SLA Center.
 - *Please refer to the attachment of the Tutorial Directory for more information on ALL campus tutorials.
 - *Also, attached are the tutorial schedules for all Tutorials in the SLA Center.

Financial Aid Counselor

Students who need assistance with filling out their Financial Aid Application are encouraged to visit the SLA Center and see Mrs. Mana'o Vaovasa or call 699-9155 x461.

411 Newsletter

Departments, Offices, Students, Clubs etc, who wish to make announcements via the bulletin, please stop by and see Mrs. Deidra Saelua-Lualemana, or simply send info to d.saelua@amsamoa.edu



For students who are interested, please see Fualaau Lancaster or contact her @ 699-9155 x426 or email her at <u>f.lancaster@amsamoa.edu</u>

VETERANS AFFAIRS



VA Coordinator/ Student Employment (Non-Pell)

Public Law 112-56, VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2012

On November 21, 2011, the President signed Public Law 112-56, the VOW to Hire Heroes Act of 2011. Included in the Law is the Veterans Retraining Program for unemployed veterans. VA and the Department of Labor (DoL) are working together to roll out this new program on **July 1, 2012.**

A brief summary of the new law is outlined below:

- Be between the ages of 35-60
- Be unemployed (as determined by the DoL) with special consideration given to veteran who have been unemployed for more than 26 weeks.
- Have any other than a dishonorable discharge.
- Not eligible for any other VA educational benefit program (e.g. the Post 9/11 GI Bill, Montgomery GI Bill, and Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Assistance).
- Not be in receipt of VA compensation due to unemployability.
- Not be enrolled in a federal or state job training program.

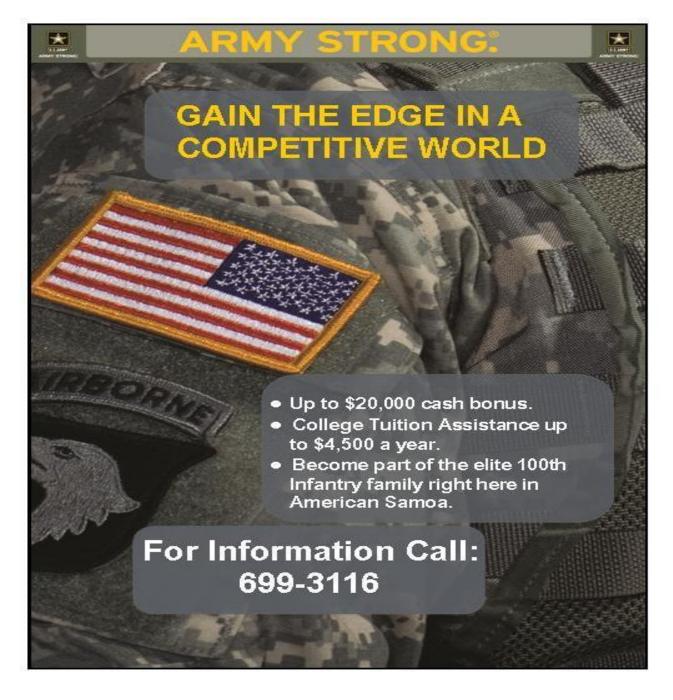
This program is limited to 99,000 participants who may receive up to 12 months of payments 2t the full-time Montgomery GI Bill-Active Duty rate (currently \$1,473 per month).

Participants must be enrolled in a VA approved program of education offered by a community college or technical school. The program must lead to an associate degree, non-college degree, or a certification and train the veteran for high demand occupation.



Applications will be submitted through DoL and benefits paid by VA. DoL will provide employment assistance to every veteran who participates, upon completion of their program. Note: The key is...must be enrolled in a VA approved program of education offered by a Community College or Technical School as stated above. The program begins July 1, 2012. Please visit the GI Bill website www.gibill.va.gov or GI Bill Facebook page for more details on when, where and how to apply.

For more information contact Mrs. Fualaau Rosie Tago Lancaster @ 699-9155 x426. Email: f.lancaster@amsamoa.edu, or visit the GI Bill website: www.gibill.va.gov. The Veteran Affairs/Student Employment Office is located directly behind the cafeteria.



FO GUANG SHAN ORGANIZATION OFFERS TWO (2) SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS FROM AMERICAN SAMOA!

Two (2) Scholarships to attend the University of the West (UWest) located in Rosemead, California, just ten minutes from Los Angeles. Applications are now available via U.S. Congressman Eni Faleomavaega (AS) in Washington, D.C.

They are offering 2 scholarships to students from American Samoa for the 2012 school year.

- 1) First year scholarships-\$10,000 each (cover tuition, books, and housing at the University)
- 2) Each year students may re-apply for additional Scholarships or for Work-Study Programs.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Office of Congressman Eni Faleomavaega (AS)
2422 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515
Ph: (202) 225-8577

Cell: (202) 664-3757
Email: Solomona.Aoelua@mail.house.gov



McDonald's American Samoa Scholarship Awards:

Need help with college tuition???

McDonald's American Samoa proudly announces the following scholarship awards for the 2012-2013 academic year:

- Three (3) \$1,200 Scholarship Awards to qualified applicants to attend the American Samoa Community College (ASCC)
- One (1) \$1,200 Scholarship Award specifically for ITT at ASCC for any of the Trades: electrical, plumbing, drafting, air conditioning, mechanical engineering, etc.
- One (1) \$8,000 Scholarship Award to a qualified applicant who has completed the required courses for an AA degree at ASCC and is continuing his/her degree program at an accredited U.S. college/university

Applications are available at McDonald's Head Office, Nu'uuli, beginning March 07, 2012, between 2pm and 4pm Monday - Friday.

Deadline for turning in applications is Friday, April 27, 2012, at 4pm at McDonald's Head Office.

For more information, please contact Evelyn Gebauer at 699-8699

STEFFANY FAMILY MARITIME SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

This scholarship application must be completed & submitted to the Steffany Family Maritime Foundation Board (P.O. Box 21, Pago Pago, American Samoa 96799) or hand delivered to a foundation board member by March 21, 2012. Incomplete or Late applications will not be accepted.

Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. ASCC college student that will be graduating in the Fall of 2011 or the Spring of 2012.
- 2. Attain a Cumulative Grade Point Average of at least 3.2.
- 3. Meet the requirements for admission to the California Maritime Academy, including:
 - a. 2 years U.S History and social Science (American Government, World History)
 - b. 4 years high school English.
 - c. 3-4 years Math (Elementary Algebra, Geometry, Intermediate Algebra, Pre-Calculus).
 - d. 2 years Science with lab (1 Biological Science, 1 Physical Science).
 - e. 2 years Foreign Language.
 - f. 1 year Visual or Performing Arts.
 - g. 1 year College Preparatory Course.
 - h. Provide a plan for meeting any deficiencies in the above requirements.
- 4. Qualifying score on the SAT (as determined by CSU Marine).
- 5. Complete the attached Scholarship Application Form.
- 6. Complete a 200-400 word essay describing your interest and goals in the maritime industry.
- 7. Provide 5 Letters of Reference.
 - a. 3 letters from former or current teachers or counselors as academic recommendations.
 - b. 2 letters from non-family members as personal character references
- 8. Provide an official copy of your high school grades or ASCC transcript.
- **For more information regarding this scholarship offer, please stop by the Student Services Office near the cafeteria and ask for Sina Auva'a-Hudson or simply call 699-9155 ext. 376.

Haven't decided where to continue your education???



University of Pittsburgh, Bradford

The University of Pittsburgh, Bradford is ideal for both domestic and International students. For those students who are "risk takers" and who would like to explore new and better opportunities....or would just like to experience the East Coast, please see Mana'o at the SLA Center or check out their website: www.upb.pitt.edu for more information!

TTD Computer Lab Hours For students usage:				
LAB A:	MWF	11:00-12:00		
		1:00-4:00		
	T-TR	2:00-4:00		
LAB B:	T-TR	8:00-11:00		

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PTK is currently working with AYFS (American Youth Football Samoa), and will continue to work with them throughout the semester, to provide tutorials for their studies, conduct workshops about non-violence, being drug free, etc.

Upcoming Events

February 28 - Intramurals with SGA

April 27 - Fundraising booth at the ADEAZE and AARADHNA Concert at the Veteran's Memorial Stadium in Tafuna!!!

*Will set up a food drive in March for the concert!

CELEBRATING DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH!!!

FILM FESTIVAL!!!

Free Admission Showtime: 12:30–2:00pm <u>Lecture Hall (No Food or</u> Drinks Allowed)

March 6

Without Pity"-Documentary by Christopher Reeves celebrates the efforts of people with disabilities living a full and productive life. This film applauds the resilience and potential of people with disabilities and their determination to be self-sufficient.

March 13

'Including Samuel"-A highly personal and passionately photographed film that captures the cultural and systemic barriers to inclusion and features interviews with teachers, parents, and disability rights experts. It documents the hopes and struggles of Samuel.

March 20

FI am Sam"-Emotional story of a father who has Autism and an intellectual disability with an IQ of a 7 year old. When his daughter reaches 7 authorities took her away and gets a high-powered attorney to get his daughter back pro-bono.

REMINDER: ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

Students! Please know and understand that this policy is very crucial.

Zero Tolerance Policy

"As with any community educational environment certain policies are established to ensure health and safety of all the students and employees of the institution.

ASCC defines zero tolerance as: the strict application of consequences regarding violation of ASCC's rules on weapons, explosives, fighting, drugs, and alcohol. If a student is found to have violated any of aforementioned rules, then the consequences shall be applied without exception."

If you have any questions regarding this policy, please refer to the ASCC Catalog (hard copy or ASCC Website), or see the Dean of Student Services.

CAMPUS SECURITY INFORMATION



Business Hours After Hours 699-9155 x305 699-6299

STUDENTS CORNER

MEET YOUR PEERS!

Name: Montana Leseali'i Birthday: January 06, 1993 Age: 19 Village: Petesa Uta

Major: Criminal Justice

Short-Term Goal: To graduate from college!

Long-Term Goal: To one day become an FBI Agent @

Interests: Dancing, playing volleyball and basketball with my bro Aito.

Name: Gemmir Luardo

Birthday: December 06, 1990 Village: Futiga

Major: Liberal Arts-Graduated Fall 2011

Short-Term Goal: To attend Texas A&M University-Commerce, where I've been accepted and

graduate with a BS in Accounting.

Long-Term Goal: To work in a non-profit company that helps make a better world for the future @

Interests: I'm a typical nerd who loves reading ©

Name: Senetenari Lameta-Malele

Birthday: ???

Age: 18

Age: 21

Village: Tafuna

Major: Education, Liberal Arts, Samoan

Short-Term Goal: Graduate 2013 Spring and enter into the BEd Program!

Long-Term Goal: Become a Teacher...somewhere, ANYWHERE @

Interesting Fact: I am FUN and I love to SOCIALIZE @

Any student who wishes to receive the 411 Newsletter via email can submit their email address to Deidra Saelua at the SLA Center or just email me at d.saelua@amsamoa.edu

Word of the Day

$carp \setminus kahrp \setminus , verb, noun;$

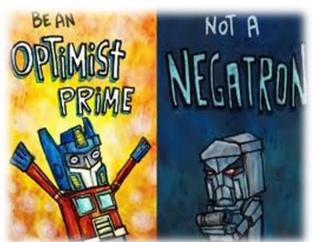
To find fault or complain querulously or unreasonably.

She'd been **carping** about money lately – or not **carping**, but she'd inserted a few pointed remarks about pulling your own weight into the prolonged and intent silences that were her specialty – so he thought she'd be pleased.

The More You Know...

We Only Dream of What We Know:

Our dreams are frequently full of strangers who play out certain parts — did you know that your mind is not inventing those faces — they are real faces of real people that you have seen during your life but may not know or remember? The evil killer in your latest dream may be the guy who pumped petrol in to your Dad's car when you were just a little kid. We have all seen hundreds of thousands of faces through our lives, so we have an endless supply of characters for our brain to utilize during our dreams.



LOGIC PROBLEM

Acting on an anonymous phone call, the police raid a house to arrest a suspected murderer. They don't know what he looks like, but they know his name is John. Inside they find a carpenter, a lorry driver, a car mechanic and a fireman playing cards. Without even asking his name, they immediately arrest the fireman. How do they know they've got their man?

Ans: All the other card players were women @



- 1) What is called a "French kiss" in the English speaking world is known as an "English kiss" in France.
- 2) "Rhythm" is the longest English word without a vowel.
- 3) A cockroach can live several weeks with its head cut off!
- 4) There is a city called Rome on every continent.
- 5) Like fingerprints, everyone's tongue print is different.

Thought for the day:

No matter how you feel, get up, dress

up, and show up ©

Have an amazing week ©















Courtesy of Student Services Division Spring 2012