

**AMERICAN SAMOA COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
DIVISION OF STUDENT SERVICES  
August 27-September 08, 2012**

*"Connecting Students to What's Happening on Campus"*

*The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams ☺*

*-Eleanor Roosevelt*

**S.L.A. CENTER:**  
(located next to the Cafeteria)

**NEED A TUTOR?**  
Stop by the SLA Center and sign up for one!  
Tutorials for ALL subjects are available :)

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**411 FEATURES:  
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**SGA CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES**

August 20	School Begins
August 22-24	SGA Recruitment-New Members
August 27	Election of New Members
August 30	Meeting with New Members "Meet & Greet" with Students: FREE Lunch
<b>September 3</b>	<b>HOLIDAY-Labor Day</b>
September 4	New/Continuing Clubs Sign in: Fale Samoa
September 7	Meeting with ASCC President
September 11	SGA Council Meeting
September 13	Club Campus Clean Up
September 18	Council Meeting on Congressional/Gubernatorial Forum

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September 20	Club Rally Theme: "Tribute to Troops"
September 24-27	ASCC American Idol Competition
September 27	American Idol Finale
October 2	SGA Clubs: Field Games -Hot Dog Eating Contest      -Apple Bobbing Contest
October 4	SGA/Marine Science: Save the Reef "Jingle" Contest: ASCC Gym
<b>October 8</b>	<b>HOLIDAY: Columbus Day</b>
October 9	SGA Council Meeting
October 9-12	Mid-Term Week
October 11	SGA Clubs Workshop "Starting a Business": Lecture Hall
October 16	Congressional Forum: ASCC Gymnasium 12:30-2:00pm
October 18	Gubernatorial Forum: ASCC Gymnasium 12:30-2:00pm
October 23	SGA Council Meeting with Miss ASCC Contestants
October 25	MTV Showdown: ASCC Gymnasium Performance by ASCC American Idol Winner
October 29-30	SPIRIT WEEK
October 31	HALLOWEEN SGA/Clubs Halloween Treats for ASCC Employees & Students
November 1	American Samoa Election Day
November 2	SGA Meeting with ASCC President
November 5	Miss ASCC Contestant's Photo Shoot
November 6	SGA Council Meeting
<b>November 12</b>	<b>HOLIDAY: Veterans Day</b>
November 13	Miss ASCC Contestant's Platform Presentation Lecture Hall
November 14	Miss ASCC Parade: ASCC Campus Luncheon with Media: ASCC Cafeteria
November 15	Miss ASCC Ava Competition: Fale Samoa
November 16	Miss ASCC Rehearsal: ASCC Gymnasium
November 17	Miss ASCC Pageant: ASCC Gymnasium
November 20	Field Games -Pie Eating Contest      -FREE Thanksgiving Lunch
<b>November 22</b>	<b>HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving</b>
November 23-25	SGA Retreat
November 29	SGA Final Activity "Club Battle: Dance Competition"
November 30	Last Day of Instruction
December 3-5	Final Exams
December 3	Student Body Coffee Break
December 4	Club Awards
December 5	Student Body Coffee Break
December 7	SGA Farewell Gathering
December 12	Prospective Graduates Banquet/Awards
December 14	ASCC Fall 2012 Commencement

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# 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@amsamo.edu](mailto:yana@amsamo.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@amsamo.edu](mailto:a.hurst@amsamo.edu)

## ➤ *Transferability Counselor*

Prospective graduates 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@amsamo.edu](mailto:m.willis@amsamo.edu) , Annie [a.panama@amsamo.edu](mailto:a.panama@amsamo.edu) , Alison [a.hurst@amsamo.edu](mailto:a.hurst@amsamo.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 [l.tinitali@amsamo.edu](mailto:l.tinitali@amsamo.edu), or any of the available staff members in the SLA Center.

## *Financial Aid Counselor*

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All New 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 her at 699-9155 x461. All returning students who need assistance with renewals are to visit their Financial Aid Counselor at the Financial Aid Office. Counselors are assigned by last name.

Josie Tuisamoa: A & T  
Brigette Moala: C, E, G, H, I, J, L  
Shanell Tauiliili: B, D, K, S  
Tu'uloto Lopa: F & M  
Mata Tausili: N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z  
Mana'o Vaovasa: ALL New Students

#### **411 Newsletter**

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

#### **School To Work**

Please see Ms. Dacia Taleni for more information or contact her via interoffice extension 449 or email her at [d.taleni@amsamoa.edu](mailto:d.taleni@amsamoa.edu)

**JOB COACHES  
WANTED!!!**

#### **Student Employment Center (Non-Pell)**

Students who are currently enrolled at ASCC but not qualified for the Federal Work Study Program or Pell Grand due to being born outside of American Samoa or the United States are eligible to apply for the Non-Pell Work Study. Applications are available at the Student Employment Center on a "first come-first serve" basis. See Mrs. Fualaa Tago Lancaster at the VA Office (located behind the cafeteria) for more information, or call her at 699-9155 x426.

**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.

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- 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](http://www.gibill.va.gov) or GI Bill Facebook page for more details on when, where and how to apply.*

For more information contact Mrs. Fualaa Rosie Tago Lancaster @ 699-9155 x426.

Email: [f.lancaster@amsamo.edu](mailto:f.lancaster@amsamo.edu), or visit the GI Bill website: [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov) .

The Veteran Affairs/Student Employment Office is located directly behind the cafeteria.

## **STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES (SSS) WILL BE CONDUCTING 2 ORIENTATIONS!**

### QUALIFICATIONS:

- On Financial Aid
- U.S Citizen/U.S National
- Enrolled in ELI Regular/ CAPP
- ENG 80,81, 90, 91

### Required Documentation

- Birth Certificate
- High School Diploma
- Social Security Card
- ASCC Course Schedule/Transcript
- Photo I.D
- Financial Aid Clearance



**THURSDAY Aug. 30, 2012 & FRIDAY Aug. 31, 2012**

### **ALL DAY**

Location: **SSS LAB** (Old Library)

SSS provides **FREE** unlimited services in:

Academic tutoring, academic and personal counseling, study hall and computer lab  
for all **SSS Participants**.

Monday-Friday 7:30am-4pm

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# Student Conference on Conservation Science Australia

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**DON'T MISS OUT!!!**

The **Student Conference on Conservation Science (SCCS) - Australia** will bring together 100 post-graduate students from the Asia-Pacific region and elsewhere to develop their skills and forge lasting professional relationships in this, the most biologically and culturally diverse region in the world.

With successful initiatives expanding from [Cambridge](#) and into [Bangalore](#), [New York](#), and now Brisbane, the SCCS is the only international series of conservation conferences aimed entirely at students. The purpose of SCCS – Australia is to build a network of early career conservation science professional across the Asia-Pacific region, and to provide training in skills and tools for regional conservation scientists.

## **Where and when will it be held?**

The inaugural SCCS-Australia conference, workshop and field trip program will be held at [The University of Queensland](#), in Brisbane, Australia, over **21st-31st January, 2013**.

The combination of a 3 day conference, 3 days of field trips and sightseeing in Brisbane and the surrounding region, followed by 4 days of training and workshops will provide students a unique and unforgettable experience that will create lasting networks and help launch their careers in conservation science.

## **Who can attend?**

SCCS-Australia is open to post-graduate students from anywhere in the world with a focus on students within the Asia-Pacific region, including PhD (within one year of completion), MSc and final year undergraduate research students. We also welcome applicants who are not currently enrolled in a research degree but are working at a similar level in a conservation organisation. The program is designed for students pursuing studies within the field of conservation science, including (but not limited to) ecology, environmental science, resource management, geography, economics, and social sciences. Attendance will be capped at 100 students.

A total of 30 equity scholarships will be offered to cover the full cost of the attendance (travel, accommodation and registration) for students who meet the selection criteria and would otherwise not be able to attend due to financial hardship.

## **SCCS-Australia Important Dates**

**29 June 2012:** The online application process opens.

**14 September 2012:** the online application process is closed.

**1 October 2012:** Successful applicants for talks and scholarships are notified, and will be invited to register for the conference.

**21 - 31 January 2013:** Conference, workshop and field trip program.

The SCCS family is growing. Sister conferences continue in [Bangalore](#) in August 2012, [New York](#) in October 2012, and [Cambridge](#) in March 2013.

*For more information, please visit <http://www.sccs-aus.org/>*

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## Announcements from the Teacher Education Program!!

We are happy to announce that TED has opened its NEW building!!!  
Building 7 is located next to our current building!!  
Open house for all Education majors! Stop by our new office for a visit and meet the TED faculty! All are invited to tour our building!!!

We also welcome Ms. Shirley Delarosa to our department!



(Photo Courtesy of Jim Kneubuhl)

Dr. Larry Purcell and Mr. Sonny Leomiti have relocated to the new building. Other TED faculty offices are still located in the current building; Building 8. Phone lines are still unavailable, but students can call the main office line 435 and leave a message.

B.Ed. applications are now available at our office (located on upper campus). Students who are interested are encouraged to stop by and pick up applications from there. Students must have either an AA or AS degree to apply. Funding is available for B.Ed. students.

See Dr. Lina Galeai-Scanlan, Director of Teacher Education for more information.



**DEADLINE for Fall 2012 Graduation Applications is September 28, 2012. Be sure to mark your Calendars ☺!!!**

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## IN-HOUSE SCHOLARSHIPS

*Saili le Atamai & Presidential Merit*

Scholarship applications will be available at the Dean of Student Services Office, **8/27/2012**

Deadline to submit your application is **9/21/2012**

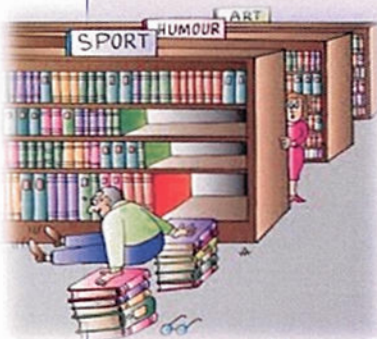
Please see the Dean of Student Services, Dr. Emilia Le'i for more information.

## ATTENTION STUDENTS!!!

Starting Tuesday September 4, 2012 - November 9, 2012 the library will be open late!  
Monday-Thursday: 7:30am - 7:00pm.

### ASCC Library Catalog Online Search

Are you looking for a specific book at the library, but have no idea where to find it? Well, not to worry, our online library catalog search is now available. You can search for the call number on the college website [www.amsamoa.edu](http://www.amsamoa.edu) and click on the "Search Library Catalog" link located on the left hand side of the website. For more information concerning this online service contact us at 699-9155 Ext: 418 or 330.



### How to make a Library Card

Stop by at the ASCC Library and make a library card!  
Documents needed for a library card are:

1. Valid Local Photo ID or Passport
2. Class schedule
3. Social Security Card

Notice: First time library cards are free of charge, but \$7.00 for a Lost Card.

**Are you looking for information about Samoa and the Pacific Islands for your research paper?**

The Library Special Collection Room has information that you need!

Hours: 7:30am - 4:00pm (Mon-Fri)

Check it out and find out more about the Samoan Islands, as well as other Pacific Islands!!!

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*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](http://www.upb.pitt.edu)> for more information!

### 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

699-9155 x305

After Hours

699-6299

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# Word of the Day

**fabulist** \FAB-yuh-list\,

**noun:**

*A liar.*

*A person who invents or relates fables.*

But at the same time, for fear of disruption and uncertainty, we attempt to relegate the maker's role to that of **fabulist**, equating fiction with lies and opposing art to political reality...

## FUN FACTS:

- 1) The most popular first name in the world is Muhammed!
- 2) *Your body is creating and killing 15 million red blood cells per second.*
- 3) A car uses 1.6 ounces of gas idling for 1 minute. Half an ounce is used to start the average car.
- 4) *A lightning bolt generates temperatures 5 times hotter than those found at the sun's surface.*
- 5) It takes glass one million years to decompose, which means it never wears out, and can be recycled an infinite amount of time

# The More You Know...

Believe in Yourself!

There may be days when you get up in the morning and things aren't the way you had hoped they would be.

That's when you have to tell yourself that things will get better. There are times when people disappoint you and let you down.

But those are the times when you must remind yourself to trust your own judgments and opinions, to keep your life focused on believing in yourself.

There will be challenges to face and changes to make in your life, and it is up to you to accept them.

Constantly keep yourself headed in the right direction for you. It may not be easy at times, but in those times of struggle you will find a stronger sense of who you are.

So when the days come that are filled with frustration and unexpected responsibilities, remember to believe in yourself and all you want your life to be.

Because the challenges and changes will only help you to find the goals that you know are meant to come true for you.

**Keep Believing in Yourself!**

**Thought for the day:**

*Ten out of ten people die, so don't take life too seriously 😊*



# Have a great week ☺

*(Fall 2012 Registration: Photos courtesy of Jim Kneubuhl)*

