

**End of Semester Issue** 

# **Division of Student** Services

"We here at Student Services are dedicated to providing each student with high quality services and assistance in all of our respective areas."

Come visit an Academic, Personal, Career, Outreach, Veterans Affairs or THIS W/ Transfer/Transition Counselor. Student Service counselors have their offices THIS WAY located by the cafeteria.

Need some guidance? Go see a THIS WA

## ounselor Contact

Feel free to stop by and get help from your Counselors

Contact Annie Panama 699-9155, ext. 326 or email a.panama@amsamoa.edu for your counselor questions.

## **Veterans Student Services**



For information concerning students with VA benefits. Please see or contact Lydian Tinitali, 699-

9155 ext. 426 or email asccvastudentservices@amsamoa.edu

## STUDENT SERVICES **RELOCATION NOTICE:**

# S.L.A Center

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If you need tutorial sessions, stop by the Student Learning Assistance Center for English & Math. Call us at 699-9155 ext. 479, to set an appointment or just walk in. Email us at slastaff@amsamoa.edu. We have one-on-one and group tutoring. If a teacher refers you to the Center, you must have a referral form. For staff and peer tutor schedules, inquire at the SLA Center.

Please note that effective, October 1, 2015, the relocation of the following Student Services offices:

Admissions - The Admissions Office has now been relocated to the old ASTEP office;

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- Financial Aid -The Federal Work Study program counselor (Thomas) has relocated to the old Admission Officer's office;
- Student Learning Assistance (SLA) Annex Office- The SLA Annex office has now been relocated to the old SSS Lab/Office (CAPP building);
- **Career Transfer Center (CTC)** The old SLA Annex office (by the gym) is now the new CTC (Career Counselor Gloria Iaulualo and Transfer Counselor Matesina Willis)

American Samoa Government Scholarship and Student Loans applications will be available soon from the Dean of Student Services office. Please provide a copy of unofficial student transcript to pick up application.

Available: November 2, 2015 Deadline: November 28, 2015





#### Scholarships for PTK Students

Apply for the following scholarships on <u>https://my.ptk.org</u>.

Through one scholarship application, PTK students may be

considered for:

- Ø All-USA Community College Academic Team
- Ø Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team
- Ø New Century Scholars
- Ø All-State Academic Teams
- Ø GEICO Pathway to Completion Bachelor's Degree Scholarship
- Ø Christopher A. Calhoun Transfer Scholarship
- Ø Guistwhite Scholarship
- Ø Hites Transfer Scholarship

For complete details, eligibility criteria, and to access the application, have students visit: <u>https://www.ptk.org/Scholarships/BachelorsDegreeScholarships.aspx.</u> **Please don't forget to apply by Monday, December 1, 2015 at 5:00 pm, CST.** 

## Thumbtack School-To-Skills Scholarship

Award: \$5,000 Application Link: thumbtack.com/scholarship/ Deadline: Sunday, January 31, 2016

The scholarship will be awarded to an individual who demonstrates this commitment by chasing their passion to learn a new trade that they can turn into a business, learning fundamental business skills such as marketing and accounting, or deepening their knowledge and capabilities to improve public policy and foster an environment that better serves small business owners and independent professionals.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGE GRADUATES

The Community College Graduate Scholarship is available to community college students with demonstrated financial need who have earned their associate's degrees and seek to complete their bachelor's degrees at one of our four-year Partner Colleges. **Students who are currently enrolled in a bachelor's degree program are not eligible**. Scholars are selected from a nationwide pool of applicants.

Link to apply: <u>http://www.thedream.us/scholars/</u>

Deadline: February 15, 2016

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Scholarship

# International Student Organization Presents Fall 2015 Semester \$500 Scholarship

ELIGIBILITY & REQUIREMENTS:

- 1. Completed Application Form
- 2. Essay of 250-500 words
- 3. Cum GPA of 3.0 of Higher

4. Must be working towards AA degree or Certificate

Please See Tala Ropeti-Leo at SLA Center for Scholarship Application and for more information email:t.leo@amsamoa.edu call: 699-9155 ext461

Application Deadline: November 27, 2015 3:30PM

APPLY NOW

PosterMyWall.com



Stay tuned for Student Government Association Events! Calendar of events include intramural sports, talent shows, scavenger hunts, costume competitions! Participate to win monetary prizes or watch and enjoy the show.

## **ATTENTION ALL FALL 2015 GRADUATES!**

If you have not attended any meetings regarding this fall 2015 graduation, please see Sina Hudson at the Division of Student Services Office ASAP.

# **IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM**

Division of Academic Affairs and Student Services Academic Affairs Divisional Office

#### MASTER SCHEDULE FOR FINAL EXAMINATIONS FOR FALL SEMESTER 2015

Final Examination Period for all Second Session College Accelerated Preparatory Program Courses **Testing Dates:** November 23-25, 2015. CAPP ELI English and CAPP Math students are required to meet with your instructor(s) to obtain the correct/current testing dates/times and/or testing updates for final examinations.

FINAL EXAMINATION PERIOD FOR REGULAR ASCC FALL SEMESTER 2015 COURSES November 30, 2015 to December 03, 2015

#### COURSES OFFERED ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

08:00 a.m. – 09:20 a.m. 09:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. 11:00 a.m. – 12:20 p.m. 02:00 p.m. – 03:20 p.m. 03:30 p.m. – 04:50 p.m.

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08:00 a.m. - 08:50 a.m. 09:00 a.m. - 09:50 a.m. 10:00 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. 11:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. 12:00 p.m. - 12:50 p.m.

#### FINAL EXAMINATION TIME MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2015

08:00 a.m. to 09:50 a.m. 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. 12:00 p.m. to 01:50 p.m. 02:00 p.m. to 03:50 p.m. 04:00 p.m. to 05:50 p.m.

#### FINAL EXAMINATION TIME TUESDAY, DECEMBER 01, 2015

08:00 a.m. to 09:50 a.m. 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. 12:00 p.m. to 01:50 p.m. 02:00 p.m. to 03:50 p.m. 04:00 p.m. to 05:50 p.m.

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#### COURSES OFFERED ON TUESDAYS/THURSDAYS

03:30 p.m. – 04:50 p.m.

FINAL EXAMINATION TIME WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 02, 2015

08:00 a.m. to 09:50 a.m. 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. 12:00 p.m. to 01:50 p.m. 02:00 p.m. to 03:50 p.m.

FINAL EXAMINATION TIME THURSDAY, DECEMBER 03, 2015

08:00 a.m. to 09:50 a.m.

#### Make Up final examination period

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Students with more than three (3) exams per day or have exam schedule conflict <u>MUST</u> consult/confirm with instructors for the correct test time/dates. For such cases, instructors may schedule exams on Thursday, December 03,, 2015 after 10 a.m. to accommodate/assist the students. ABSOLUTELY NO COURSES will schedule final examinations before November 23, 2015 EXCEPT for CAPP ELI English and CAPP Developmental Math as scheduled for November 23-25, 2015.

ALL exams are to be given in the same classrooms in which curses have been taught during the semester. All exams must follow the designated schedule as submitted by the Dean of Academic Affairs and approved by the Vice President of the Division of Academic Affairs and Student Services.

Remember to **have** your students complete student evaluation forms – **NO EXCEPTIONS** – assign one student to return the completed forms to the Academic Affairs Divisional Office.

## **IMPORTANT DATES and REMINDERS**

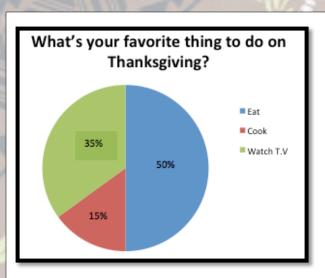
November 02-06, 2015 November 06, 2015	CAPP Second Session Withdrawal Period to receive a "W/NP" TED Instruction Ends
November 09, 2015- December 03, 2015	Priority Pre Registration for Spring Semester 2016 and
November 11, 2015	Summer Session 2016 HOLIDAY – Veterans Day
November 13, 2015	TED Semester Grades Due
November 20, 2015	CAPP Second Session Instruction Ends
November 23-25, 2015	Final Examinations for CAPP Second Session
November 26, 2015	HOLIDAY – Thanksgiving Day
November 27, 2015	CAPP Second Session Grades Due
November 27, 2015	Regular College Instruction Ends
November 30, 2015 – December 03, 2015	Final Examinations
December 04, 2015 – December 09, 2015	Early Add/Drop
December 07, 2015	2015 Fall Semester Graduates' Grades Due
December 11, 2015	2015 Fall Semester Commencement
December 18, 2015	All 2015 Fall Semester Grades Due



# On behalf of Student Veterans Organization club, THANK YOU for supporting our Veterans Appreciation Day event!!!









by Ariella Bellizzi

## "What are you thankful for?"

"I am thankful for the people that care about me." – T.F.

"I'm thankful for the food I get every day." – Anonymous

"I'm thankful for a great family who always supports me." – Anonymous

"Thankful for being alive, experiencing various only who l've met". LL C

things and the people who I've met" - J.L.C "I'm thankful for my family, friends (the salty squad), and loved ones, especially Lelei" - R.M.

"I'm thankful for living another day and my family's support (especially my mom), also my friendships with people that could make me smile while I'm down. I'm also thankful for my wifi because without it I won't be able to watch Netflix." – Idalyn Tino

"I'm thankful that I'm alive and also that God is helping me passing all my classes and answering some of my prayers" - S.P.



### "What was your reaction/impression during the WASC visitation?"

"Nothing, try not to get caught doing PDA." – Anonymous "At first I was like "is that why there are faculties looking/dressing good this week?" then later on I said, "I'm going trash the school so I can finally go to college off island."" - Jyoncé "I don't know what that is." – Anonymous "Nothing." - IIXIXVII "I didn't really focus on them, just my classes and my assignments that were due." – I.T "I never saw that, so no reaction." – Anonymous

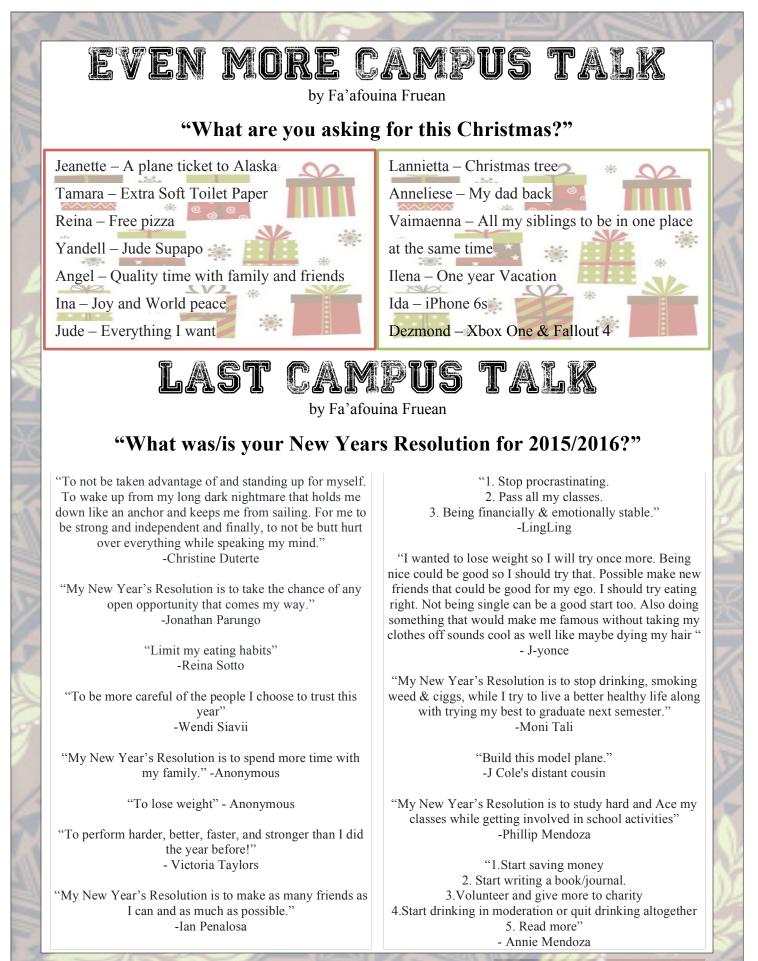
"Wait, that was for accreditation?" - Anonymous

"Well I don't know. I just saw too many cars on the field." – Anonymous

"Man, I was hoping they would make the school better." - Anonymous

"I was ke'i when the security guard told me to pick up my trash. He was telling me that we might not get accredited." – Your Queen





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"Make positive impacts on everything around me" -Anonymous

"I guess I'm gonna start being strict with all these fitness trainings going on" -Ace

"Um the only thing I think of is Change. I need to change" -OT

> "To become a better person" -Anonymous

"To correct my mistakes from the previous years." -Anonymous

"To be able to do what I need to do, remain motivated to do it, and complete it. I'd also like to be able to correct my wrongs, and ensure that I've learned from my previous mistakes and ensure that I do not repeat them. I just want to have an overwhelming feeling of a positive relief, so that I may finally be in peace." -Dubotix

"Blawhhhh I haven't really thought of anything new since I've accomplished all my old ones... But I guess my new one is to make positive impacts on everything around me (super cheesy but true) ... Oh and get some nice toned abs" -Anonymous

> "To graduate" -ASCC Fall 2015 Graduate





For every journey we take, we make sure we have a destination. However, within this journey in life, we tend to forget to enjoy the real things in life- the rare things that genuinely make life special. Much like every movie Julia Roberts plays in; she captures the essence of the character to be displayed. For someone who fell out of love and had gotten a divorce to later on gain a relationship with a younger man, her life had gone into a spiral that she never knew she could control until she followed the steps to enjoy life at your own pace.

- 1. Eat
- 2. Pray
- 3. Love

With eating, she found herself with acceptance with her body while enjoying her newfound independence where she gained friends to eat with. For praying, she found peace and tranquility within herself as she traveled to understand life from a different perspective other than the norm. Although with love, hesitance erupted. Due to becoming single because she paused the chapters of love in her life to be written, she never guessed that love can be found and that it can be a great spontaneity. This movie does show how impromptu decisions can help benefit your life. Being sidetracked isn't that bad because as long as you enjoy the in-between from the start to your ending, you've experienced everything you need to understand life.

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# Dos and Don'ts at a Graduation party. By Dolan Grey

First of all, congratulations to the graduating class of Fall 2015. I know that you may now feel free from the shackles that are ASCC but then again you must remember! LIFE. HAS. JUST. BEGUN. So for all of you party people ready to celebrate, yours truly has come up with an efficient DOs and DON'Ts when you celebrate.

- <u>Do</u> have fun. You just graduated and you are free. Momentarily.
  <u>Don't</u> have too much fun to the point where you end up drinking yourself to liver damage or you don't know how or why you ended up in jail.
- 2.) Do save up your money. It's good to save up your money for the event of the party but just make sure you have enough money for a meal when everything is done so you won't be broke like the college student you once were.

So <u>Don't</u> spend more than you can because what will you use to pay for travelling fees, living arrangements, and food plans when you decide you want to go off-island right after?

- 3.) Do wear protection if you plan on "going all the way." And if you are of the female population, prioritize your future wisely and push your partner to wear protection. Don't sidetrack your future with regret even if it may end up a blessing, just don't. Unplanned Pregnancy isn't the end of your life but then you must keep in mind that you just started a life of your own and you need to make sure you are ready when you are.
- 4.) Do make memories. Live, Laugh, and Love with what you have at that given moment. Pictures can capture them but not your feelings, so feel that moment before it goes away. <u>Don't</u> however let anything ruin your night. No one likes a person who's just a hash tag and pity party. Put your phone down and just interact with humans. This is supposed to be fun and you're supposed to enjoy YOUR party with those that were invited. That is all.
- 5.) Do drink if you are over the age limit and limit yourself at that. Don't try to drink or partake in any forms of alcohol or drugs unless you want to get severe side effects or possibly end up in jail. You just got out of a hell called college and you found that good in goodbye. Don't find the hell in hello with prison/jail time.
- 6.) <u>Do</u> eat a lot. Haters will hate you cause they ain't you.

Don't stop because any pizza is a personal pizza if you try hard enough.

7.) <u>Do</u> make sure you live the next day after your party. And the next, and the next, and the next...

<u>Don't</u> directly or indirectly off yourself. I have said this and I will say this again. "Your life has just begun."

8.) Just <u>do</u> you and be yourself within this party or life in general. So <u>don't</u> fret then regret so just cheer up buttercup. Make life a better life according to you.

# EXPRESS YOURSELF

**"Oh Happy Day"** *By : Dezmond Applin* 

Oh Happy Day! Oh Happy Day! What a day it is that I can say

Over 120 murdered in Paris The World hunting down terrorists But I can buy French fries Without worrying that I'll die Oh no no no, no body bag for me #Holdtheterrorism, please

Oh Happy Day Oh Happy Day The World's always been messed up Never knew this as kids, only as grownups But I am conscious, you know the Holy Book tells of the times But why would Black Lives Matter, if they chose to deny

Oh Happy Day You filtered your photos red, white, & blue But when college students died in Kenya, ya barely knew

Oh Happy Day

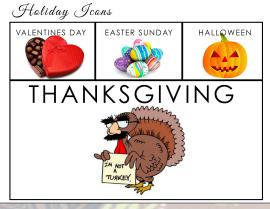
It's not your fault though, that's just how it is Because if you knew how the world really worked, you couldn't stand that shizz

Oh Happy Day Oh Happy Day Be grateful and pray Keep the faith til the end It's all that'll matter when your dead

#### "Super-Villians" By: Marquis de Soda

I don't play the villain very well – no reason, no evil vision. I'd only hurt by omission, not knowing. But if I were a super-villain, a challenger of Batman, nemesis of Superman, I wouldn't be The Joker or The Penguin, I'd be The Teacher, with a mystical ability to bore to death my enemies no matter what I say. Or else I'd be The Preacher, with a supernatural power to render anyone who comes in contact with me so utterly guilty they fall on their knees begging forgiveness. Or better vet, The President, preying on everyone's loyalty to home and family till they do whatever I tell them unquestioningly.

Heroes quietly resist becoming corrupted by their own power, but others holding authority without moral values find the easy slide to the Dark Side too tempting to avoid.





# Dear ASCC,

American Samoa Community College It has been a privilege and honor to walk through the halls where my life has been greatly enriched by the students, faculty and staff of ASCC. With graduation approaching, the feeling that overcomes me is bitter sweet and I leave with mixed emotions. I have made so many good friends over the past 3 years; most of which I met in the various clubs

(BAOA, PTK, FRESH PRINT, ISO, ASCRF) that warmly welcomed and accepted me as one of their own. Enclosed in this letter are a few treasured memories that I will greatly miss as I leave my beloved ASCC.

I will ironically miss the registration frustrations at the beginning of every semester that once made me want to scream at the top of my lungs and pull my hair out. I now look back and realize that it was in those long lines that I made/formed my very first group of ASCC friends. It was in those long lines and numerous visits to Admissions, Business, and Financial Aid that I built goodwill relationships with the ASCC staff that helped me all throughout my years at ASCC. I look back at all my petty complaints and minor hardships and I'm simply grateful for every experience, both good and bad, that I had here at ASCC. It's these struggles that make my ASCC experience unique and like no other.

I will miss being a part of the 411 Fresh Print Journalism Club where I had the joy of writing for the ASCC 411 Bi-Weekly Newsletter. I will especially miss being involved in various club activities: Walkathons, Pickathons, Bake Sales, Community Service Projects, Ushering Service Events, Bonding/Fellowship Events, SIT Hosting, PTK Induction, BAOA Forums and Field Days, etc. If it weren't for my involvement in these activities, my ASCC experience would be lifeless, boring, dull and purposeless. I looked forward to going to school and being in school not because I enjoyed going to class, doing homework, or for anything academically related. I looked forward to school because that's where the "fun" and "party" and "money" was at: Free Lunch, Dance/Singing Competitions, Talent Shows, Open Mic, Field Day Competitions, Scavenger Hunts, etc. SGA never failed to entertain me, put money in my pocket and food in my stomach throughout all my 3 years at ASCC. Thank you SGA!

I will miss working at the Student Learning Assistant Center. I honestly will not miss editing papers, marking researched papers as *plagiarized* or dealing with students on a daily basis; although, doing my job has made me a better student and working and has definitely taught me responsibility, time management and great work ethics. However, I will greatly miss working alongside some of the best work supervisors I'll ever have and workmates who I can now call friends. I will miss "TIMESHEET DAY!" and "PAY DAY!" announcements. Also I'll definitely miss free pizza, ice cream, cookies, cake, and drinks at all our end of the semester parties.

It is the precious memories made within these clubs and at work that have made my years spent here at ASCC memorable and unforgettable. It is the struggles, tears, laughs, frustrations, complaints, confusions, busyness and stress that I endured with my fellow peers and club members that have contributed to 3 of the best years in my life. It is the endless scolding/lecturing and gracious leniency from teachers on deadlines that I will miss and greatly appreciate when I transfer to a 4-year "no mercy" state university. It is the funny thought of security guards rolling around campus on golf carts that take up 2/3rd of all the walkways making it almost impossible for students to easily go from one class to the other, the ridiculously overpriced books at the bookstore, food at the cafeteria and everything that makes up the full ASCC experience that has greatly gotten a grip on my heart. Having said all this, I would sincerely like to thank every individual who has impacted my life and contributed to my success here at ASCC. With a bit of sorrow, and a lot of excitement for what lies ahead I say, "Goodbye ASCC..."

Fall 2015 Graduate, Sívila Frances Níedo Uele



# of the WEEK

# Kimberly losef<u>o</u>

Village: Tafuna Age: 18 Major: Liberal Arts Campus Job: Math Peer Tutor in the Student Learning Assistance Center -Annex



#### **Favorites:**

Movie: Fast & Furious 7 TV Show: Law & Order Food: Noodles Book: Charlie Bone Series Video Game: Archery Sport: Softball App: Pinterest Junk Food: Hot Cheetos Singer: G Eazy Subject: English & Math









**What is something interesting about you?** My brother named me after his favorite Power Ranger when I was born.

What do you like to do outside of school? Workout and interact/adventure out with friends.

Where do you see yourself five years from now? As a successful person with a well-paid job.

Any advice you have for your fellow peers? Be yourself and don't be afraid to be different.

#### Shout outs?

Shout out to my family, friends, and peers for being the supportive and motivating factor in helping me succeed in school and life.

# Student

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#### Merry Christmas Word Search - Christmas Food ο G F υ Υ Ν G м G С υ I Υ F TURKEY R С Е G ο ο С ο С D υ к υ Ν HAM Е Α Ε L. ο Ν D ο L G R G к R STUFFING S А R R D υ G G ο G м Α Е L PUDDING L I. ı. υ D R ο s G Т F G G υ MINCE PIES т Е ο υ ο к Ν Е L S R Е Е н υ к S Е L Ρ Е С Ν L м Υ к YULE LOG Ν т s υ D Е L G Υ G Ν Т F F υ GINGERBREAD т Е Р м А н Е G Е Е в G Е I. EGGNOG т υ D L Ρ υ D G L т D L Ν R DUCK Ρ Ρ L D Е R в R Е G Ν L G Α GOOSE Е к Υ ο м Р в т R G т Р G D т С ο R R т Y υ L Y υ к к Ν к N I. R G G G ο υ С G Е R G

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Word of the day:

**Confluence** *n*. The act or process of merging. A flowing together of two or more streams. "A fortunate confluence of factors led to his success."

**N**Corner

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