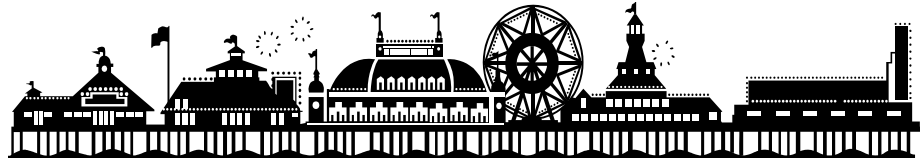




# Carnival of Majors!!!



March 16, 2005 is going to be a date to remember! Students will be able to visit the 3rd Annual Carnival of Majors presented by the Office of Academic Advisement. The carnival will be held in the SMC Multipurpose Room from 11 a.m.-1p.m.

Exploratory students or students that are considering a change of major will benefit significantly from this event. Major departments from all over the university will converge at the SMC to display the best of what their major has to offer. Students interested in a minor should also attend as informational papers and pamphlets will be available.

Last Year's Carnival of Majors was a great success! Projects, videos, and other presentations were among the many highlights during the carnival. MU students should bring their appetite as popcorn and cotton candy will be provided.

Raffle tickets will be drawn for the chance to win a Millersville University afghan and blanket. **The grand prize of an autographed t-shirt by Eagles Pro Bowl Safety Michael Lewis will be drawn at 1 p.m.!**

Please come out for a wonderful event that is sure to be fun and informative!

## MARK YOUR CALENDER!

\*Important dates for the Spring 2005 Semester\*

**Feb. 21-** Undergraduate class schedule booklets available.

**March 4-** Last day to change your major before Fall registration.

**March 7-11-** Spring Break.

**March 16-** Carnival of Majors.

**March 18-** Last day to withdraw from a class.

**April 5-** Summer '05 registration begins.

**April 14-22-** Fall '05 registration begins.

**May 2-6-** Finals Week.

**May 7-** Commencement ceremony.

**May 13-** Spring '05 grades available on the MAX system.

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# Ten Points for Academic Success

Here is a list of ten tips that will help you as a student. It's important to help yourself become academically focused. Use this list as a guide to avoid frustrating academic experiences.

**1.) Your Adviser-**Take time to meet with your adviser outside of the hectic registration period. Listen to their advice.

**2.) Your Body-**Eat healthy, exercise, and be sure to get enough sleep.

**3.) Your Catalog-** Go through the undergraduate catalog for a variety of important information.

**4.) Directions-** Read ALL directions carefully before you begin an assignment.

**5.) Deadlines and Due Dates-** Make sure to keep a calendar with all important dates such as your registration appointment.

**6.) Your Employment-**Try to talk to your employer and explain your academic goals. Ask for some flexibility. (Hint: several campus jobs offer flexible hours!)

**7.) Your Finances-** Take advantage of scholarship opportunities. Do research to find scholarships that will aid with your

college financial plans.

**8.) Your Grades-** Understand your GPA and what happens if you were to reach a certain GPA or fall below a certain GPA. There are a variety of things associated with GPA such as Dean's List, probation, and financial aid. Try to keep your grades up!

**9.)Your Friends-**Look out for each other and stay connected. Keep each other aware of important dates (i.e. drop/add days, registration, etc.)

**10.)The Internet-** The web is an excellent tool for research and communication. Don't forget to cite your sources!!!

# Communicating with a Professor

The following tips might help to open the lines of communication during academic frustration:

**NOT:**

- I'm totally lost
- I have no idea what you are talking about.
- I can't understand a thing.

- This makes no sense at all.
- You didn't explain it well.
- This is boring.

**Instead TRY,**

\*Could you please review that?

*Keep in mind that your professors are a vital part of your academic experience!*

\*Would you mind going over that a little more in depth?

\*I understood what you meant by\_\_\_\_, but I had difficulty with\_\_\_\_.

\*Can you give me a few examples?

# TAP Numbers

With registration for the Fall '05 semester approaching, it is important for all Millersville students to make an appointment with your advisors so you can get your TAP number.

Remember, ALL students need their TAP number in order to register for classes. You must also submit your TAP number anytime

you switch classes after the registration period. NO ONE will be allowed to register without a TAP number.

In addition, don't wait until the last minute to make an appointment. Keep in mind your adviser will be extremely busy before, during, and after the registration period.

