



# New Year...New You!

## Take Charge!

Do you need to take the ACE Exam at some point? Don't just pass or fail, make sure you ACE it! Come learn strategies and tips on how you can pass the ACE exam. Guest speaker will be Angelina Moe. Workshops will be held in the Library (BC102L) from 12:20-1:20pm on Tuesday 2/28 and Thursday 3/2.

RSVP to Senora Gilley by 2/27: 641-422-4209 or [senora.gilley@niacc.edu](mailto:senora.gilley@niacc.edu)

### Your TRIO advisors are planning college visit days to the following schools!

**University of Iowa—March 31st**

**University of Northern Iowa—April 7th**

**Iowa State University—April 11th**

*Upper Iowa University and other schools are also a possibility per request.*

Please email or stop by Andrea's desk if you are interested in attending the visit day. We need a minimum of 3 students to make the trips happen. We generally meet at NIACC and drive you in a NIACC vehicle. Most visit days take the entire day. Let us know SOON if you are interested so we can reserve slots!

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## REMINDERS

### COLLEGES ON CAMPUS:

The following colleges will be in the Activity Center this month:

2/27 and 2/28 University of Iowa from 9-2

2/28 University of Northern Iowa from 10-1. Feel free to drop in at any time to get information.

**FINANCIAL AID NOTE:** FAFSA has changed! As of October 1, 2016, you can complete both the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and the NIACC Foundation Scholarship application to prepare for your 2017-2018 academic year. Go to [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) and use your 2015 federal tax information to complete your FAFSA. If you need assistance, contact the NIACC Financial Aid office or the Admissions office for an appointment. (Priority deadline for the FAFSA is March 1st!)

<http://www.niacc.edu/admissions/finance-your-education/scholarships/>

**UPCOMING GRADUATES:** Have you completed your graduation application and turned it in to the Records Office in the Administration Building? **They are due March 1st.** Graduates transferring to a four-year school should fill out the Foundation Scholarship Application before March 1st too!

### NIACC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **STUDENT ACADEMIC REVIEW** postcards have been sent to you. Please stop in to schedule a time to see your TRIO advisor so we can look at your grades/semester progress. WE HAVE **PRIZES FOR YOU TOO!**
- Are you looking for employment or preparing for graduation? Career Services can help! From reviewing your resume created for a class or potential employer to giving you coaching tips on how to shine at your next interview, NIACC's Career and Employment Services team is ready to help students. Contact them at [CareerServices@niacc.edu](mailto:CareerServices@niacc.edu) or 422.4413 to make an appointment.
- Did you know that you can check on your program of study, view course offerings, and see mid-term grades in My NIACC? Simply open up My NIACC and look for the Academics tab on the left side.

**HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR SUMMER CLASSES? SECTIONS ARE FILLING FAST!**

**TRIO & FRIENDS CLUB NEWS:**

The TRIO & Friends Club meeting convened at 6:30 PM on 2/9/17. The following was discussed:

- The two options for the Beauty and the Beast play are 4/23 or 4/29.
- Roller skating, ice skating, and Adrenaline X (Laser Tag) were considered for future activities. Sundays are best for ice skating. Thursdays for roller skating. Laser Tag working hours are W-R (3-9), F (3-10), S (11-11), and S (11-7), but Wednesdays tend to not work best for the group.
- The trip to Mall of America that was cancelled last semester is going to be reconsidered. This event would be acknowledged as a cultural event if we visit the Aquarium inside the mall. A date wasn't yet confirmed.
- It was agreed that the game nights this semester are going to be themed (i.e., Pizza night, contest night, costume night, etc). Game nights are scheduled for March 2, March 23, April 6, and April 20.
- Possible Service Project ideas: The Career Fair (NIACC) wants more promotion and participation in activities held in advance. The TRIO Club will promote the mini sessions and supply snacks. The dates for these events are 3/1 and 3/9.
- The next club meeting is going to take place after the first game night on March 2. After that date the next meetings are on March 23, April 6, and April 20.

***The FOUNDATION \$CHOLAR\$HIP is due March 1st! Returning students and graduates transferring to a four-year school should complete this application!***

**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**Second Semester (2017)**

March 10th	Midterm
March 13th-17th	Spring Break
April 3rd	Last Day to Drop a Class
May 5th	End of Semester/Graduation

**Summer Terms (2017)**

May 15th	Classes Begin (MAY TERM)
June 1st	Last Day to Drop
June 12th	Classes Begin (JUNE TERM)
July 7th	Last Day to Drop

**CAREER CHAT & CHEW MINI-SESSIONS**

**Wednesday, March 1st (AC 101)**

11:10-12:10 OR 12:20-1:20

**Thursday, March 9th (AC 150)**

11:10-12:10 OR 12:50-1:50

**Topics include:**

- NIACC's Career Services/North IA Career Fair
- Resume Tips & Trends
- Tips for approaching employers

**Snacks will be provided, but you're welcome to bring your lunch too!**

***Fall 2017 registration begins March 21st make your appointment early!***

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Follow #NIACCTRIO on Twitter to be sure you get all our reminders and updates! You'll find pictures of prior activities, scholarship resources, academic information, motivational quotes, and REMINDERS for all our events and activities. On Facebook look for NIACC TRIO & FRIENDS CLUB.



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