

E O P S NEWSLETTER

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IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE

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Coordinator's Message

It is hard to believe that we are already halfway through the semester; we have eight weeks left. I hope everyone is doing well with their classes and doing all those things that will ensure a successful semester...studying, using tutoring, and checking in with their counselor.

This is our first online newsletter; we will e-mail our newsletter directly to the e-mail address provided by you to Financial Aid and it will also be posted on our EOPS Webpage. From now on, we hope to use our newsletter and e-mail to keep you abreast of deadlines and to communicate event dates and other pertinent information that you, as an EOPS Student, need to be aware of. We will no longer send information notices through the U.S. Postal Services.

Included in this edition are the EOPS priority registration dates. Take a look at them and make sure that you are ready to register on the date and time that corresponds to the number of your completed units. You should already have seen your counselor for winter and spring 2010 course recommendations.

Have a successful and wonderful semester. Come by and see us; remember that EOPS staff is here to assist you as you continue on with your academic endeavors.



Olga Artechki

Are you planning to TRANSFER to a UNIVERSITY for the fall term of 2010?

You must submit your application to the California State University (CSU) between October 1st and November 30th of 2009. If you are applying to the University of California (UC System), the application period is between November 1st and November 30th, 2009.

Meet with your Counselor

Have you met with your EOPS counselor? Remember that you are supposed to meet with your EOPS counselor a minimum of three times per semester. Your 1st appointment should have been completed September 23th, your 2nd appointment should be completed by October 30th and your 3rd appointment needs to be completed by December 4th. Counseling staff is here to assist you with the myriad of problems that usually arise as you go through the semester. Meeting your counseling appointments ensures that you will receive our EOPS Services such as priority registration, bus passes and book gift cards.

The purpose of the IVC Extended Opportunity Programs & Services [EOPS] Newsletter is to provide program information, keep students abreast of deadlines and upcoming events, and most importantly, provide essential information to assist students in making better use of the program services.

- Olga Artechki -

**Summer Events: University Link Medical Science Program at UCSD**

Last summer, Julio Quintanilla, an EOPS participant, was invited to be part of a prestigious UCSD residential program for students planning to attend medical school. Julio is an outstanding student who is successfully completing the rigorous science and math requirements necessary for later admission into medical school. His special interest is pharmacological research. Julio had a great experience during this past summer at UCSD, and was able to work with physicians and researchers while he was there. Here is what he had to say about his experience.



**Julio, tell us about your experience at UCSD?**

My experience was really fascinating. Having the opportunity to work directly with the staff at UCSD's School of Medicine is a one of a kind opportunity. Also, seeing the distinct types of careers in medicine really helped me decide whether or not I want to continue pursuing a career related to medicine. The University Link Medical Science Program is very intense, added to the fact that its only four weeks in length, but I guarantee those new applicants who are interested in applying that if they do get accepted, they will have a wonderful experience, obtain informative knowledge, and make long time friends.

**What would you like other students to know about opportunities like UCSD's University Link Medical Science Program?**

First of all, I would like to thank my EOPS Counselor, Ms. Janeen Kalin, for letting me know about this wonderful opportunity. Counselors are a key part in the distribution of information regarding the different opportunities that are available out there. If you have a counselor, go and ask them if they have heard of different programs, like this one, and if you don't have a counselor, try to get one. Opportunities like this one really test your capacities as an individual. With this program, you get to live on campus, which is something that is dreaded by most transfer students because we have no idea what it feels like to be staying away from home for a long time. Time flies once you are there and at the end, you come to realize that it's not as bad as you thought it was. If you want to have some fun and learn about the different opportunities that the field of medicine has to offer, I encourage you to apply to this program. You have nothing to lose but you do have a lot to gain.

**UC Irvine Summer Transfer Institute '09**

This last August, the University of California at Irvine held its Summer Transfer Institute on its campus, fifty-eight students from five southern California Community Colleges were selected and invited to attend the week long event. Five of our EOPS students, Rogelio Celaya, Lucia Diaz, De'Vone Elliott, Kimberly Mejia, and I Edgar Ortega, were among those selected to attend the event. The main purpose of the week long event was to develop the leadership skills of community college students planning to transfer to four-year college and universities. Students attended and participated in a variety of activities led by UCI Staff and faculty. Activities included a daily class, conferences, panels, workshops, recreational activities and team projects, all of these were accomplished by putting in twelve hour day activities.



The Summer Institute provided a unique learning opportunity for students who were looking for ways to make a difference in their chosen field. As a participant, I would encourage you to actively pursue programs such as this one. It is such an enlightening experience to interact with the "people who actually get to write the books" (Dr. Parham, UCI Psychology professor). Programs such as these give you the opportunity to look at the world from a new perspective. Check with your counselor for information on programs such as this one.

**Call  
355-6407 to  
make your  
counseling  
appointment.  
You can also  
make on-line by  
using e-SARS  
(See -last page)**

**Have you  
seen your  
counselor  
for Winter/  
Spring 2010  
Classes?**

**CARE CORNER**

Dear CARE Student,

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you in pursuing a higher level education. Whatever educational goal you are pursuing at this time, never give up, no matter what obstacles or challenges you may encounter, do not lose hope. Keep pressing on until you reach your dream and set goals; short term and long term goals. Education is a life time journey, so enjoy the ride to your final destination. It is easy to quit and give up, but if you persevere to the end, you will have more opportunities for better and secure lifestyles for you and your family. Pursuing an education is not easy when you have other responsibilities, when you are trying to balance family, school, and work. But when you reach your educational goal, when you reach the end of the tunnel, it is worth it. Learn how to balance the different areas of your life. Learn how to balance your priorities, learn about time management, develop good study skills, ways to handle stress, and have a positive attitude. Many times as care takers, we neglect to take time for ourselves, it is also very important that you dedicate time for yourself and to have quality time with your children. Eat healthy balanced meals and schedule time for daily exercise. This is not being selfish, if you take care of yourself first, you will be able to take care of your loved ones. Additionally, remember to take advantage of the various resources available to you in the EOPS/CARE program. We are here to assist you with support services that enable you to become empowered, more informed, and better able to take advantage of resources available to you. We are here to provide information, services, resources and referrals that will assist you in successfully accomplishing your educational goals.

Sincerely,

Lourdes Mercado,

EOPS/CARE Counselor



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EOPS/CARE counselor**

**PRIORITY REGISTRATION WINTER/SPRING 2010**

Unit Total	Registration Date	Registration Time
EOPS - 61 + units	Monday, November 16, 2009	3:00 PM
EOPS - 46 - 60.5 units	Wednesday, November 18, 2009	10:30 AM
EOPS - 31 - 45.5 units	Wednesday, November 18, 2009	12:00PM
EOPS - 16 - 30.5 units	Wednesday, November 18, 2009	1:30 PM
EOPS - .5 - 15.5 units	Wednesday, November 18, 2009	3:00 PM
EOPS - 0 units	Thursday, November 19, 2009	9:00 AM

**\$\$\$Money Matters \$\$\$**

By **Jose Plascencia**, EOPS Counselor

At Imperial Valley College, we offer many different types of scholarships. For example, some are for different ethnic groups (i.e. Hispanics), some are by career/major (i.e. Business), while others do not require any criteria other than financial need. The majority require you fill out an application. In addition, others have you write an essay or respond to a general statement. Further, some require a certain grade point average (GPA) or that you have completed some college units. Finally, some may require volunteer hours. At EOPS, we can help you find which scholarship is best for you, help you fill out the application, or even assist with the statement or essay. ([Click here for available scholarships at IVC](#))

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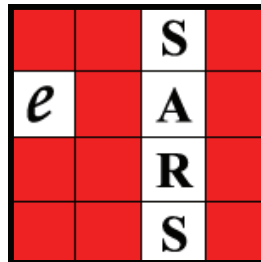
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A S U C C E S S F U L C O L L E G E P A T H "

## To All our EOPS/CARE Students...

### New On-Line Appointment System

1. Log onto your **WebSTAR** account
2. Click on **e-SARS**, then select **EOPS**.
3. Enter **STUDENT ID (G00#)** and **DATE OF BIRTH**
4. Click on **MAKE AN APPOINTMENT**
5. Select **REASON** of visit
6. Select **e-SARS APPOINTMENT** as field of interest then continue
  - a. Select **DAY OF WEEK**
  - b. Select appointment in 45 minute spans for example  
**START 8:15- END 9:00**
7. Select your counseling appointment by clicking on \*
8. Next screen will be **APPOINTMENT CONFIRMATION**
  - a. The following screen will appear. *You must have an active email address and phone number to complete this section.*
9. Print **REMINDER** and **EXIT**



Transfer

## NEXT STEPS

### TRANSFERRING?

You have an important role in the successful completion of the admission process. To make sure you receive a timely admission decision:

Take a look at the [TRANSFER CHECKLIST](#)



### Would you like a Book gift card for Spring?

- Stay off probation.
- Enroll in 12 units.
- See your counselor 3 times this semester.