Supplement for Winter 2017 First-Day Handout Info for Students

Important Deadlines, Safety Information, and General Information

No Credit Classes

WCC does not hold credit classes on these dates during the Winter semester so you may want to paste the dates in your First-Day Handout.

No credit classes: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Monday January 16 Winter Recess February 20 – February 25 Easter Sunday April 16

Important Deadlines

Note to Instructors: Check your particular class start and end dates to see which session deadlines apply to your class. Then, you can cut and paste that particular session's set of deadlines into your First-Day Handout.

15-Week Sessions starting week of Jan 9

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Jan 20 Last day to adjust schedule with permission OR change credit or audit status: Jan 23 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Mar 9

12-Week Sessions starting week of Jan 9

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Jan 20 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Jan 23 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Feb 27

12-Week Sessions starting week of Jan 31

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Feb 11 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Feb 14 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Mar 20

10-Week Sessions starting week of Jan 9

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Jan 18 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Jan 21 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Feb 14

10-Week Sessions starting week of Feb 14

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Mar 1 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Mar 4 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Mar 27

7.5-Week Sessions starting week of Jan 9

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Jan 17 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Jan 20 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Feb 4

7.5-Week Sessions starting week of Mar 9

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Mar 16 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Mar 20 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Apr 4

5-Week Sessions starting week of Jan 9

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Jan 13 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Jan 17 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Jan 27

5-Week Sessions starting week of Feb 14

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Feb 18 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Feb 21 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Mar 9

5-Week Sessions starting week of Mar 28

Deadline to drop and get a refund: Apr 1 Last day to adjust schedule with Instructor permission OR change credit or audit status: Apr 4 Withdrawal deadline (NO REFUND): Apr 13

Student Conduct

The Board of Trustee Policy 4095 provides information on overall Student Rights, Responsibilities, and Conduct Code including Academic Dishonesty:

Academic Dishonesty: All forms of academic dishonesty including but not limited to collusion, fabrication, cheating, and plagiarism will call for discipline.

- Collusion is defined as the unauthorized collaboration with any other person in preparing work offered for individual credit.
- Fabrication is defined as intentionally falsifying or inventing any information or citation on any academic exercise.
- Cheating is defined as intentionally using or attempting to use unauthorized materials, information, or study aids in any academic exercise.
- Plagiarism is defined as the appropriation of any other person's work and the unacknowledged incorporation of that work in one's own work offered for credit.

The full policy is available at http://www.wccnet.edu/trustees/policies/4095/.

Safety & Security

Your safety and security is important to us. Here are some important safety tips for the upcoming semester. Also watch your WCC email for safety tips throughout the semester.

- Emergency Notification Service: We encourage you to sign up for the Emergency Notification Service in *MyWCC*. You will receive timely notifications if the College is closed due to weather or other emergency.
- Fire: If there is a fire or other reason a building needs to be evacuated, the fire alarm will ring. Exit the building using the nearest stairway. Do not use elevators. Make sure you stay at least 150 feet from the building until the all clear signal is given.
- **Tornado:** If a tornado warning is issued for the WCC campus area, the tornado siren will activate outside and an emergency message will broadcast throughout campus. Please seek shelter in the closest room/area designated as a tornado shelter. If you are unable to find a marked tornado shelter, seek shelter in an inner hallway or restroom, away from exterior windows.
- **Property Security:** Do not leave laptop computers, smart phones, tablets or other valuables unattended. If parking on campus, roll up your windows, lock your doors and keep personal belongings out of sight.
- Call Campus Safety (734-973-3411 or 3411 from a College house phone) to report any suspicious activity or safety concern.

Report a Concern

The WCC Care Team can receive online reports from any member of the campus community regarding any concern at:

<u>https://publicdocs.maxient.com/reportingform.php?WashtenawCC&layout_id=4</u> or use the *Report a Concern* link from the WCC home page.

Accommodations

If you have a documented disability or used an IEP in high school, contact Learning Support Services as soon as possible to discuss accommodations. Learning Support Services is located in room LA 104.

Sexual Misconduct/Title IX Disclosure

Washtenaw Community College seeks to provide an environment free of sexual misconduct. If you are, or have been, the victim of sexual misconduct on campus or within a WCC educational program or activity – contact the Ombudsman office at <u>ombudsman@wccnet.edu</u>.

Information on sexual misconduct prevention, awareness, reporting methods, and victim resources are available from the WCC website at: http://www.wccnet.edu/consumer-information/sexual-misconduct/

Pregnant Students

The College recommends that pregnant students be proactive in communicating their situation with their instructor and WCC support offices. Pregnant students should contact the Ombudsman office (<u>ombudsman@wccnet.edu</u>) as soon as possible if they encounter medical situations that are impacting their ability to attend classes. Options for adjustments become limited with time.

Pregnant students should contact Learning Support Services to discuss accommodations, if needed, during their pregnancy. Additional information is available at: http://www.wccnet.edu/services/ombudsman/pregnant-student-rights/

Lactation Room

In support of our students and employees who are nursing mothers, a lactation room is available for your use. The room offers a secure and private place for the mother to express milk for their nursing children.

Students may make arrangements to use the lactation room by contacting: Student Resources Center (SRC) on the second floor of the Student Center building or via phone at 734-677-5105.

Additional information is available at: http://www.wccnet.edu/services/ombudsman/lactation-room/

Suggestions Regarding Reporting Responsibilities of Faculty

(*Reminder to Faculty - be mindful of your assignments and suggested topics. Consider whether the topic is requesting/suggesting student disclosures on reportable situations. A sample awareness statement to provide to students is shown below.)

Dear Student;

While I want you to feel comfortable coming to me with issues you may be struggling with or concerns you may be having, please be aware that I have reporting requirements that are part of my job responsibilities at Washtenaw Community College.

For example, if you inform me of an issue of sexual assault, sexual misconduct, or gender discrimination - I am required to bring it to the attention of the institution's Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Coordinator. If you would like to talk to either of those individuals directly, they can be reached at:

Linda Blakey VP of Student and Academic Services & WCC Title IX Coordinator

lblakey@wccnet.edu

Larry Aeilts Dean/Ombudsman & WCC Deputy Title IX Coordinator <u>laeilts@wccnet.edu</u> or <u>ombudsman@wccnet.edu</u>

Information on all reporting options for issues of sexual assault, sexual misconduct, or gender discrimination (including confidential reporting options) is available at: http://www.wccnet.edu/consumer-information/sexual-misconduct/