UNIVERSITY OF UTAH FALL COUNSELOR CONFERENCE

We’ll see you Thursday, October 8, 2015 for this year’s Counselor Conference. We’ve put together an engaging and informational event. The conference will take place at the University Guest House & Conference Center from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on October 8th. We will be serving a light breakfast and lunch, and providing all the updates you’ll need to best serve your students for the upcoming year.

Visit the website for more information, to register, and be sure to sign up for one of three campus tours. You may also contact the Office of Admissions at (801) 581-8761 or UofUCounselorConference@sa.utah.edu with any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

HELPFUL HINTS FOR TRANSCRIPTS

As we mentioned in last month’s newsletter, the Office of Admissions is going paperless. This change will help process applications, student transcripts and other documents quicker. As your students are applying to the U, your school will need to send transcripts directly to the University. We accept official electronic transcripts from Docufide by Parchment, National Student Clearinghouse, AVOW, Credential Solutions TranscriptsNetwork, and ScripSafe whether you are in-state or out-of-state. Currently, we are not accepting transcripts through UTREx, however we are working with USHE on a solution. We apologize for any inconvenience. You may send transcripts to admisstranscripts@sa.utah.edu.

Please be sure the name on the transcript matches the name on the application, i.e. use the student’s legal name. Nicknames or shortened versions of names make it difficult to track students’ records. If you have questions, please contact your Admissions Counselor.
2016 APPLICATIONS

The application is open for spring, summer, and fall 2016. Our new application has been made easier to navigate and allows a user to start the application, save it, and then finish it later.

There has never been a better time to come to the U. Encourage your students to apply now!

HONORS COLLEGE

Dear Counselors,

The Honors College at the University of Utah is a welcoming, friendly and fun place for students to work closely with one another and with faculty. Applicants should: 1. Visit our website to learn more about the program, 2. Come visit us if possible 3. Plan to meet our Priority Date of November 1, 2015.

The application review process is holistic—favoring applicants who seek a liberal arts and science education to experience a depth and breadth of study in our core curriculum and their major. Students of all majors and interests are welcomed.

If you feel strongly that a certain applicant should be given consideration please forward names on to Jennifer Wiseman, Director of Honors College Recruitment and Admissions

We would love to visit at your school. We can travel and meet your scheduling needs. Please let me know how I can further connect with you and your students.

Thank you,

Sylvia Torti Ph.D.
Dean, Honors College

Jennifer Wiseman (Ziarko)
Director, Honors College Recruitment and Admissions
Email: j.wiseman@honors.utah.edu

EXPECT THE GREAT FAIR

All African/African American high school students grades 9-12 are invited to attend the Expect the Great College and Career Readiness Fair at Weber State University. Expect the Great Fair provides workshops for students and parents, a panel discussion with current college students, and a career fair featuring higher education institutions and major businesses from along the Wasatch Front.

Encourage students to register to attend this free event or visit the Weber State event website for more information.

Date: Saturday, October 10
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Location: Weber State University, Shepherd Union Building
Contact: Please call (801)626-8516 for more info.

UTAH COLLEGE APPLICATION WEEK

Contact your admissions counselor if you would like information or resources for application week. We encourage students to apply early. To be considered for Honors College students must apply by the November 1 priority date.

Email: j.wiseman@honors.utah.edu
CONNECTING U DAYS

Every fall the Office of Admissions hosts these expanded recruitment programs to provide undergraduate students and their families a snapshot of life on campus. Share this information with your students so they have opportunity to learn more about scholarships and financial aid, the admissions process, and our academic student success programs.

Sessions fill up quickly so students should register now.

Dates: Saturday, October 3; Friday, October 9; Saturday, November 14
Time: 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: Spencer Fox Eccles Business Bldg
Contact: Please contact us if you have questions or need more info at (801) 581-8761 or campusvisits@sa.utah.edu.

SCIENCE DAY AT THE U

Do you have students interested in science and mathematics? Science Day at the U is a great way for them to get some hands-on exposure to a variety of science programs. Students attend science workshops and experience first hand the exciting research and educational opportunities available at the University of Utah. During the lunch and closing ceremonies, one $3,000 scholarship and three $1,000 scholarship prizes will be awarded. Registration is required and this month.

Date: Saturday, November 7
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Location: Student Union Building
Visit our website for more info or contact the College of Science at (801) 581-6958 or office@science.utah.edu for more info.

ENGINEERING DAY

Engineering Day is a half-day event open to high school students (9-12), undecided majors, and transfer students interested in engineering. The event is FREE and is designed to introduce students to a variety of engineering disciplines. Tell students to register now!

Date: Saturday, November 14
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: Warnock Engineering Bldg Lobby
Contact: Morgan Boyack at morgan.boyack@utah.edu or call (801)581-4252.
CREATE A MY U PAGE

Encourage your students to create a My U Page. The My U Page is a great way for a students to get more personalized information about the programs and majors they find the most interesting. In addition, it offers helpful functions like the application checklist, financial aid and housing checklists, and contact information for each student’s personal admissions counselor.

SCHOLARSHIP & FINANCIAL AID

The scholarship process for all U of U merit and diversity scholarships is included in the admissions application process. All students applying by the December 1 Priority Admissions Application Date will automatically be considered for these scholarships. Be sure to tell your students about the benefits of applying early.

Financial Aid
financialaid.utah.edu
financialaid@sa.utah.edu
201 South 1460 East, Room 105 (SSB, First floor)
Salt Lake City, UT 84112
Phone: (801) 581-6211
Fax: (801) 585-6350

COUNSELOR INFORMATION SHEET

If you’re looking for a quick reference guide on Undergraduate Admissions at the U, check out our Counselor Information Sheet. You can download and print to use with students and parents.

The sheet includes information on estimated costs, priority dates and deadlines, the application process, the freshman admission evaluation process, list of degrees offered and more.

COLLEGE FAIRS

If students are interested in the U and live too far away to visit campus, don’t miss a visit from the U of U Admissions Counselors! Representatives from our office are traveling to select states for local college fairs. Find out if we’re coming to your city or state this month.

We look forward to meeting your students!

PACIFIC ISLANDER STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT CONFERENCE

The University of Utah and Salt Lake Community College’s Pacific Islander student clubs, (PISA) and (PUA), are collaborating to host in partnership the annual Pacific Islander student’s high school conference. Our theme this year “Oceanians Navigating Higher Education” keeps to inform Pacific Islander high school students of the necessary tools to navigate higher education. We have invited scholars, community workers, and change agents of the Pacific Islander community to host workshops and information sessions. Your schools will receive updates as they are available. If you have any further questions please contact your advisor.

Date: Wednesday, January 27
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: University of Utah’s Union Building
Contact: Ti Kinikini at 801-587-9570 or email at d.kinikini@utah.edu
COUNSEL WITH U

WELCOME NEW ADMISSIONS COUNSELORS

We’d like to welcome our new admissions counselors Madalyn Smith, Carlie Mzik and the new international admissions counselor Carolyn Lyons. We are excited to have them on our team and know they will take great care you and your students.

To find out who your admissions counselor is, visit the website for Utah or Out-of-State High School Counselors.

BENNION CENTER STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: LEADER IN TRAINING

Cindy Kuo never could have imagined herself creating meeting agendas, leading new students, or working with community partners on service projects. But that’s exactly what she’s doing as co-director of the Bennion Center’s First Year Service Corps. The group is designed to help new University of Utah students make friends, develop leadership skills and work together to improve their community.

A friend who was involved at the Bennion Center encouraged her to check the group out. Cindy took the advice. “I made so many connections and friends!” she says. Cindy’s first volunteer effort was answering phones and greeting guests at the Bennion Center. She applied to become a resident of the Bennion Center Service House, an on-campus historic home where twelve students live and devote part of their time to service projects. “I made so many connections and friends,” Cindy says. “I could actually recognize people on campus.”

Now Cindy’s complementing her major in medical lab science with the leadership skills that will help her be successful on campus and in the workplace. She tells freshmen, “Get involved! Volunteering opened up so many doors for me. It added purpose.”

BENNINGION CENTER STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: LEADER IN TRAINING

Humanities Scholars: is a first year learning community immersing students in the dynamic landscape of Humanities today. Through engaged learning, scholars experience a multi-dimensional approach to self-discovery and innovation, preparing them for both their academic journey and success in the 21st century. The program includes:

Summer Intensive Orientation: at the Taft Nicholson Environmental Humanities Education Center in Centennial Valley, Montana.

Humanities Scholars Seminar: taught by leading Humanities faculty, this year-long course explores timely and relevant challenges facing our world today through the lenses of our disciplines.

College-to-career connections: Scholars connect academic passions and career potential.

Innovation: Scholars explore big questions facing the world today.

Community Engaged Learning: Scholars apply classroom learning to community projects. Living & Learning Community: Scholars have access to world-class housing as part of an elite living & learning community in the Lassonde Studios.

Humanities in Motion: Scholars travel abroad to explore innovative applications of Humanities disciplines across a broad range of cultural contexts.

Program Director: Taunya Dressler, taunya.dressler@utah.edu, 801-585-9733. Visit our website for more information.
OCTOBER
3: Connecting U Day
3: Bringing the U to You (BTUTY) Chicago
2-11: Homecoming
8: Counselor Conference
9: Connecting U Day
9-11: Parent & Family Weekend
13: BTUTY Houston
14: BTUTY Dallas
12-16: U of U Fall Break
21: BTUTY Los Angeles
22: Frontiers of Science Lecture
27: BTUTY Walnut Creek
28: BTUTY Santa Clara

NOVEMBER
1: Honors College Priority Application Date
7: Science Day at the U
9: Utah College Application Week
11: Veterans Day
14: Connecting U Day
14: Engineering Day
26-27: Thanksgiving Break

DECEMBER
1: Priority Admissions Application Date
5: Saturday Campus Tour
24-25: University Closed - Christmas Break
31- Jan 1: University Closed - New Year’s Break

HAVE SOMETHING TO SAY? Please don't hesitate to contact Katie Matisohn with feedback or questions at kmatisohn@sa.utah.edu or (801) 585-6720. If you want to opt out of the monthly Counsel With U Newsletter, please email Katie.