COUNSELOR CONFERENCE
The Annual Counselor Conference is nearly here! Don’t miss your chance to join us on Monday, October 7, 2013 at the University Guest House on the U of U campus. The Conference is free, and will include updates on procedures, deadlines, and departments. We’ll enjoy a complimentary light lunch and breakfast as well. Register at admissions.utah.edu/counselors/conference.php

HONORS COLLEGE UPDATES
The Honors College is committed to creating an environment where students are challenged to think, ask questions, take risks and explore the full scope of the University’s offerings. It is with this in mind that we select each incoming class. This year, we received over 2,600 applications to the Honors College and accepted 650 students. The holistic review process is competitive. Applications are reviewed considering grades, rigor of coursework (AP, Honors, IB, Concurrent Enrollment), test scores, extracurricular involvement, and essay. Students must include a thoughtful essay to be considered for admission. Students are encouraged to indicate their extracurricular activities on the general U application. While we will accept letters of recommendation, they are not required. Each applicant will be reviewed thoroughly. The change in the Honors priority deadline to November 1st is a result of this comprehensive evaluation process. Learn more about the Honors College at honors.utah.edu.

APPLICATION PRIORITY DEADLINE
The Priority Deadline to apply for admissions at the U is December 1. Students apply-
ing by the priority deadline will be automatically consid-
ered for merit scholarships. In addition, students will be notified of acceptance on January 15.

**SCIENCE DAY AT THE U**
Do you have students interested in science and mathematics? Science Day is a great way for students (grades 10-12) to get some hands-on exposure to a variety of the sciences. Students attend science workshops and experience first-hand the exciting research and educational opportunities available at the University of Utah. The event is scheduled for Saturday, November 2 from 8:00 am to 1:30 p.m. Registration is now open at science.utah.edu/events/science-day.php. You can learn more at admissions.utah.edu/counselors/Final-Science-Day-flyer.pdf.

**CONNECTING U DAYS**
Connecting U Day is a great opportunity for students to come get a taste of what the University of Utah has to offer. Breakout sessions will include Admissions 101, Financial Aid and Scholarships and a variety of students groups. Students and parents will have a chance to head out on tour for a campus snapshot. Connecting U Day will be held on October 5, 26, and Nov 23 at the Spencer Fox Eccles Business Building. Come join us for an interactive day getting to know the campus communities and our amazing Student Ambassadors. Learn more and register at admissions.utah.edu/events/connecting-u-days.php. And look for the Ambassadors on twitter and Instagram @uofuambassadors.

**BRINGING THE U TO YOU**
We're sending more than just the football team out of state! Are we visiting your state? Join us for a special student reception, or for the morning reception specifically for high school counselors on the following day. Five Bringing the U to You events will be held this year:

- Phoenix, Arizona  
  October 17-18, 2013
- Los Angeles, California  
  October 24-25, 2013
- Portland, Oregon  
  November 14-15, 2013
- Seattle, Washington
- East Bay/San Francisco  
  November 21-22, 2013

Learn more and register by visiting our site at admissions.utah.edu/events/utoy-ou/index.php.

**BLOCK U PRE-GAME PARTY**
The first annual Block U Pre-Game Party is an opportunity for anyone to visit campus and enjoy live music, food, college tents, the U of U marching band, the MUSS, activities, and a big football game. The Block Pre-Game Party is also a great opportunity to learn more about the U, the Admissions process, check out campus, and have a great time! The University Ambassadors will lead this event as representatives of the Office of Admissions. Visitors to the Ambassadors’ tent can win U of U prizes as well as enjoy music and games like putt-putt golf, bean bag toss, and golf ball toss. Block U Pre-Game attendees will be among the first to get their hands on our new comprehensive publications and to connect with Ambas-
sadors and Admissions Counselors who will be on hand to discuss the admissions process as well as encourage visitors to come back to campus for a tour. The Block U Pre-Game Party will be held in Library Plaza, Saturday, October 12th, 2013, three hours before kick-off.

**EARLY ASSURANCE PROGRAM**

The Early Assurance Program is designed for academically exceptional and ambitious students freshmen. The Program provides a unique opportunity to secure admission to one of the University’s highly ranked graduate programs while still an undergrad. The program offers “open track” enrollment and is limited to high-performing students who meet the qualifications. The application deadline is February 1, 2014. Learn more at earlyassurance.utah.edu.

Participating Programs:
- Architecture & Planning
- Business
- Education
- Engineering
- Health
- Humanities
- Law
- Mines & Earth Sciences
- Nursing
- Pharmacy
- Public Health
- Science
- Social & Behavioral Science

**REGIONAL COLLEGE FAIRS**

If you’re far from the state of Utah, don’t fret! You can still meet some of our great staff or alumni and have your students learn more about the University of Utah. We visit plenty of college fairs throughout the country. Visit our site at admissions.utah.edu/events/college-fairs.php to see where we’re going and when.

**CALENDAR**

**OCTOBER**

3: Distinguished Alumni Assembly
5: Connecting U Day (General)
7: Counselor Conference
12: Saturday Hours
12: Block U Pre-Game Party
13-20: Fall Break
17-18: Bringing the U to You – Phoenix
24-25: Bringing the U to You – Los Angeles
26: Connecting U Day (High Achieving)

9: Saturday Hours
14-15: Bringing the U to You – Portland
16: Expect the Great College & Career Readiness Fair
20: Bringing the U to You – San Francisco
21-22: Bringing the U to You – Seattle
23: Connecting U Day
28-29: Thanksgiving Break

**NOVEMBER**

1: Honors College Priority Deadline
2: Science Day at the U

1: Priority Application date
7: Saturday Hours
21-Jan 5: Winter Break
25: Campus closed - Christmas

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