

STUDENT SUCCESS WORKSHOPS FALL 2016

August

Counseling Center

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Blackboard Student Orientation

When: Tuesday August 30th, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Where: D2430J

Contact: Douglas Johnson 708.235.7698

Description: Confused about how to use Blackboard to complete course work? Have questions about the Discussion Board? Not sure how to submit an assignment? This orientation will give a better understanding of how to use Blackboard and whom to contact if you have questions.

Student Employment and Part-Time Job Fair

When: Wednesday August 31st from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Where: Hall of Governors

Contact: Cynthia Staples at cstaples@govst.edu

Description: The job fair is designed to help student find both internal part-time job opportunities (both federal work study and regular student worker jobs) as well as some external part-time opportunities.

For additional questions, please call the Office of Career Services at 708-235-3974.

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September

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Lower Division Academic Recovery Information Session

When: Tuesday, September 6th from 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Wednesday, September 7th from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Thursday, September 8th from 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.
Friday, September 9th from 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, B1215

Contact: Amy Comparon, arc@govst.edu

Are you a freshman or sophomore and have been placed on Academic Probation? This information session is an overview of the Lower Division Academic Recovery Program and gives students insight on what they need to know to be successful. All lower division academic recovery students are required to attend.

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Mastering APA Documentation Style

When: Tuesday, September 6, 2016 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: From templates to make formatting a snap, crediting sources in your paper, to following rules about contractions, this workshop will help you navigate APA formatting and style. If APA makes you nervous, come to this workshop!

Blackboard Student Orientation

Time: Wednesday September 7th, 2016 from 3:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Where: D2430J

Contact: Douglas Johnson 708.235.7698

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Finding your Focus

When: Thursday September 8th, 2016 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: Finding exactly what you want to write about and understanding why you want to write about are both important. Putting that information into writing is a key part of a successful piece of writing. In this session, we will discuss arriving at and writing a focus statement.

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BALANCING SCHOOL AND: Work, Family, or other Responsibilities
Academic Resource Center - Thursday, September 8, 2016 - 6-7pm

The Research Paper: How to Use Your Sources without Plagiarizing: Paraphrasing without Pain

When: Tuesday, September 13, 2016 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Paraphrase your sources so that you don't plagiarize, as well as show you how to credit each source properly. Included will be a discussion of plagiarism and ways to make certain that you avoid it, and the easiest way to properly format your Reference Page.

Finding the Work You Love, Love the Work You Do – September 14, 2016 – Hall of Honors – 3:30-4:30pm

Organizing your Writing

When: Thursday, September 15, 2016 from 2:00- 3:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: Shaping your writing in a way that is easy for the reader to follow will make your writing more effective. This workshop will help you determine where your own writing might "go off the path" and guide you toward organizing your work in the best manner possible.

Winning Essays for Scholarships and Graduate School Admission

When: Friday, September 16, 2016 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Are you thinking about applying for a scholarship? Need to write an essay for admission to graduate school? Boost your chances with a winning essay. Showcase your strengths and talents so the selection committee will be certain that you are the best choice. This workshop will offer the "dos and don'ts" for writing a good essay, help you develop a plan, and provide sources for further one-on-one help during the process.

The Research Paper: Finishing Touches

When: Tuesday, September 20, 2016 from 6:00- 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Almost finished with your research paper, but not quite? This workshop will show you what to look for to make certain that you submit a winning paper; an editing checklist to show you what to look for and resources to provide knowledgeable revision suggestions will be offered.

Supporting your Ideas

When: Thursday, September 22, 2016 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: Giving your reader enough information to understand and believe what you are saying is very important. This workshop will discuss the elements of successful writing: giving definitions of specialized language, providing examples that make a point, and perhaps even relying on outside sources to support what your work.

Writing Responses, Reflections, Essays, and Strong Discussion Board Posts

When: Friday, September 23, 2016 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Boost the power of your more "informal" class writing with this workshop. Discussions of the resources available, plans for approaching the writing, and ways to power them up will lead to making your contributions really count.

Study Skills with Patrick

When: Wednesday September 28th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: Daniel Ferry at 708 - 235 - 3962

Description: A workshop on study skills and test taking strategies. Especially helpful to those preparing for multiple choice and standardized exams.

Style and Mechanics

When: Thursday, September 29, 2016 from 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary:** Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: One of the ways that readers determine that a writer is "reliable" and "educated" is through grammatically correct writing. This workshop will provide methods for proofreading your work to find and correct these kinds of errors in your writing.

October

Counseling Center

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Campus Resources

When: Tuesday, October 4th from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, Room B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: Come and see the free services that GSU has to offer to help you be successful in your academic career.

Finding your Focus

When: Tuesday October 4, 2016 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary:** Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: Finding exactly what you want to write about and understanding why you want to write about are both important. Putting that information into writing is a key part of a successful piece of writing. In this session, we will discuss arriving at and writing a focus statement.

Professional Image Career Conference

October 4, 2016 – October 6, 2016

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| a. Disability Disclosure | 10/4/2016 | 2:30-3:30 p.m. | Engbretson |
| b. YWCA Sexual Assault Center and Domestic Violence | 10/4/2016 | 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Engbretson |
| c. Personal Branding | 10/5/2016 | 2:00-3:30 p.m. | Hall of Honors |
| d. Small Business Development Center | 10/5/2016 | 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Hall of Honors |
| e. Networking Etiquette | 10/6/2016 | 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Hall of Honors |

APA Workshop Series:

The Research Paper: Getting Started

When: Wednesday, October 5, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Required:** Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Make a plan and make the grade! This workshop will show you how to find the resources that you need to write an almost stress-free research paper. Included will be discussions of analyzing the assignment to make certain your paper is on target; APA documentation styles and where to find the templates and information that make it so much easier; and the importance of developing a focus statement to make organizing the paper a snap.

Internships 101 Sessions

When: Thursday, October 6th from 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Where: Hall of Honors

Contact: Cynthia Staples at cstaples@govst.edu

Description: The Internships 101 Session is designed to give students valuable information to both search for an internship as well as understand the professional expectations of employers.

For additional questions, please call the Office of Career Services at 708-235-3974.

Organizing your Writing

When: Tuesday, October 11, 2016 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: Shaping your writing in a way that is easy for the reader to follow will make your writing more effective. This workshop will help you determine where your own writing might “go off the path” and guide you toward organizing your work in the best manner possible.

Campus Resources

When: Wednesday, October 12th from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, Room B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: Come and see the free services that GSU has to offer to help you be successful in your academic career.

Mastering APA Documentation Style

When: Wednesday, October 12, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: From templates to make formatting a snap, crediting sources in your paper, to following rules about contractions, this workshop will help you navigate APA formatting and style. If APA makes you nervous, come to this workshop!

Campus Resources

When: Thursday, October 13th from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30p.m.

Where: Prairie Place Classroom

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: Come and see the free services that GSU has to offer to help you be successful in your academic career.

Building on Strengths and Weaknesses

When: Friday, October 14th from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, Room B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: How are you doing in your courses? Do you struggle? What seems to be working and not working? Let's talk about how we can change weaknesses into strengths!

Building on Strengths and Weaknesses

When: Wednesday, October 19th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, Room B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: How are you doing in your courses? Do you struggle? What seems to be working and not working? Let's talk about how we can change weaknesses into strengths!

Supporting your Ideas

When: Tuesday, October 18, 2016 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: Giving your reader enough information to understand and believe what you are saying is very important. This workshop will discuss the elements of successful writing: giving definitions of specialized language, providing examples that make a point, and perhaps even relying on outside sources to support what your work.

The Research Paper: How to Use Your Sources without Plagiarizing: Paraphrasing without Pain

When: Wednesday, October 19, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Paraphrase your sources so that you don't plagiarize, as well as show you how to credit each source properly. Included will be a discussion of plagiarism and ways to make certain that you avoid it, and the easiest way to properly format your Reference Page.

Building on Strengths and Weaknesses

When: Thursday, October 20th from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Where: Prairie Place Classroom

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: How are you doing in your courses? Do you struggle? What seems to be working and not working? Let's talk about how we can change weaknesses into strengths!

Style and Mechanics

When: Tuesday, October 25, 2016 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Othman O'Malley (708) 235-7337

Description: One of the ways that readers determine that a writer is "reliable" and "educated" is through grammatically correct writing. This workshop will provide methods for proofreading your work to find and correct these kinds of errors in your writing.

Study Skills with Patrick

When: Wednesday, October 26th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: Daniel Ferry at 708 - 235 - 3962

Description: A workshop on study skills and test taking strategies. Especially helpful to those preparing for multiple choice and standardized exams.

The Research Paper: Finishing Touches

When: Wednesday, October 26, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Almost finished with your research paper, but not quite? This workshop will show you what to look for to make certain that you submit a winning paper; an editing checklist to show you what to look for and resources to provide knowledgeable revision suggestions will be offered.

Save My Semester

When: Monday, October 31st, 2016 from 3:15 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: Save My Semester is designed to assist GSU students who may not meet his or her academic goals by midterm. The workshop focuses on helping students' self-identify distractions and challenges, develop an action

plan to get back on track, set goals, and learn about GSU policies. Students will be provided with additional resources to help achieve their newly created goals. Please email to reserve a seat.

November

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Save My Semester

When: Tuesday, November 1st, 2016 from 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

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Interviewing Like a Star – Wednesday, November 2, 2016 – Hall of Honors – 3:30-4:30pm

Save My Semester

When: Wednesday, November 2nd, 2016 from 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

Where: Prairie Place Classroom

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Description: Save My Semester is designed to assist GSU students who may not meet his or her academic goals by midterm. The workshop focuses on helping students' self-identify distractions and challenges, develop an action plan to get back on track, set goals, and learn about GSU policies. Students will be provided with additional resources to help achieve their newly created goals. Please email to reserve a seat.

Save My Semester

When: Thursday, November 3rd, 2016 from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Where: Academic Resource Center, B1215

Contact: Marcin Kuruc at mkuruc@student.govst.edu

Description: Save My Semester is designed to assist GSU students who may not meet his or her academic goals by midterm. The workshop focuses on helping students' self-identify distractions and challenges, develop an action plan to get back on track, set goals, and learn about GSU policies. Students will be provided with additional resources to help achieve their newly created goals. Please email to reserve a seat.

APA Workshop Series:

The Research Paper: Getting Started

When: Thursday, November 3, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Required:** Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Make a plan and make the grade! This workshop will show you how to find the resources that you need to write an almost stress-free research paper. Included will be discussions of analyzing the assignment to make

certain your paper is on target; APA documentation styles and where to find the templates and information that make it so much easier; and the importance of developing a focus statement to make organizing the paper a snap.

Mastering APA Documentation Style

When: Thursday November 10, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: From templates to make formatting a snap, crediting sources in your paper, to following rules about contractions, this workshop will help you navigate APA formatting and style. If APA makes you nervous, come to this workshop!

Career Fair Prep Talk/Resume Lab

When: Wednesday, November 16th from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Where: Room B2201

Contact: Cynthia Staples at cstaples@govst.edu or Dartina Dunlap at ddunlap@govst.edu

Description: The Career Fair Prep Talk/Resume Lab combines a presentation and hands-on practice in how to properly prepare for the career fair as well as write a professional resume.

For additional questions, please call the Office of Career Services at 708-235-3974.

Study Skills with Patrick

When: Thursday, November 17th from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: Daniel Ferry at 708 - 235 - 3962

Description: A workshop on study skills and test taking strategies. Especially helpful to those preparing for multiple choice and standardized exams.

The Research Paper: How to Use Your Sources without Plagiarizing: Paraphrasing without Pain

When: Thursday, November 17, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: No Registration Necessary; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Paraphrase your sources so that you don't plagiarize, as well as show you how to credit each source properly. Included will be a discussion of plagiarism and ways to make certain that you avoid it, and the easiest way to properly format your Reference Page.

Health and Human Services Career and Internship Fair

When: Tuesday, November 22nd from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Where: Center for Performing Arts Theatre Lobbies and Hall of Governors

Contact: Cynthia Staples at cstaples@govst.edu

Description: The Health and Human Services Career and Internship Fair is an opportunity for students, alumni and community members to look for internships and job opportunities in the health-related fields.

For additional questions, please call the Office of Career Services at 708-235-3974.

Future Educators Career Workshop (time/date TBD)

When: Coming in November 2016

Where: TBD

Contact: Cynthia Staples at cstaples@govst.edu

Description: The Future Educators Career Workshop is designed with future teachers in mind to help students design a resume and cover letter specifically for the Education field.

For additional questions, please call the Office of Career Services at 708-235-3974.

December

The Research Paper: Finishing Touches

When: Thursday, December 1, 2016 from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Almost finished with your research paper, but not quite? This workshop will show you what to look for to make certain that you submit a winning paper; an editing checklist to show you what to look for and resources to provide knowledgeable revision suggestions will be offered.

Winning Essays for Scholarships and Graduate School Admission

When: Wednesday, December 7, 2016 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: ARC Workshop Room, B1215

Contact: **No Registration Necessary**; Danielle Gilmore (708) 235-7337

Description: Are you thinking about applying for a scholarship? Need to write an essay for admission to graduate school? Boost your chances with a winning essay. Showcase your strengths and talents so the selection committee will be certain that you are the best choice. This workshop will offer the “dos and don’ts” for writing a good essay, help you develop a plan, and provide sources for further one-on-one help during the process.

Writing Responses, Reflections, Essays, and Strong Discussion Board Posts

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