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Academic Information

UDID

All students now have new UD ID numbers as part of the conversion to UD's new student record system, UDSIS.

Students need to know their new UD IDs for conducting some University business, such as:

- Purchasing books and supplies from the UD Bookstore using financial aid;
- Flex transactions; and
- Identification for courses using [clickers](#).

Students also will need to know their UDeINet ID and password. The UDeINet ID [www.udel.edu/help/udelacct.html] is the name chosen by each student for his/her UD e-mail account.

Students can get their new UD ID numbers and their UDeINet IDs by going to [www.udel.edu/network] and logging on.

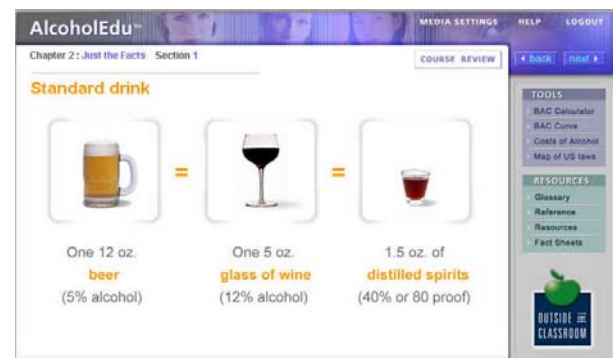
For additional information, visit the IT Help Center web site at [www.udel.edu/help] or telephone (302) 831-6000.



AlcoholEdu®

Attention Freshmen!!

Have you logged onto AlcoholEdu® for College yet? All first year UD students must complete this online alcohol education program.



Go to: <http://www.udel.edu/network> and log in using your UDeINet ID and password. Click on "Go to AlcoholEdu".

YOU MUST COMPLETE THIS PROGRAM BY NOVEMBER 17, 2006 OR YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REGISTER FOR SPRING SEMESTER 2007 CLASSES.

Questions? Please send them to alcoholedu@udel.edu.

Excused Absence Policy

Students are expected to attend all classes regularly. In the event of necessary absences, students are responsible for contacting all instructors as soon as possible. If an absence is for a recognized religious holiday or short-term illness (cold, flu, etc.), students should work directly with instructors to make up any missed assignments or exams. In the event

of a more serious medical condition or death of an immediate family member, students should contact the Academic Programs office to document the situation (831-2508 or kra@udel.edu). In this case, instructors will receive notice from our office informing them of an extended absence. It is still the responsibility of the student to contact instructors for missed work. For a full description of the University's excused absence policy, please visit <http://www.udcatalog.udel.edu/general/undergrad/ugregs.html#best>.

Academic Workshops

The Academic Enrichment Center has released its Fall schedule of workshops, which are available at no cost. These are one-hour workshops designed to help you be a better student. No pre-registration is needed; simply show up at the AEC at 148 S. College Avenue. For a full schedule, as well as information on their other services, go to: <http://www.aec.udel.edu>.



End of Free Drop/Add

The last day to register or add courses was **Tuesday, September 12**. From this point forward, tuition and a \$20 processing fee will be charged for any change of registration, including withdrawals. Students withdrawing from a course will receive a "W" on their permanent record.

If you still need to withdraw from a course, you have until **October 24** to do so; after that date, withdrawals will only be allowed for documented, non-academic extenuating circumstances and with permission from the Asst. Dean. See your catalog for more details.

Spirit Ambassadors



The Fall Semester search for new Spirit Ambassadors has begun. Through September 20th, the Office of Alumni and

University Relations will accept applications from students interested in joining the Spirit Ambassador team. Additional information about the selection process, including a link to the application, can be viewed online at <http://www.udel.edu/PR/UDaily/2007/aug/ambassadors083106.html>.

Resources to Help!

CANR Office of Academic Programs & Student Services

Advisement questions; scholarship support; internships; general information.

104 Townsend Hall, 302-831-2508, cbrower@udel.edu

Academic Enrichment Center

Tutoring, study groups, learning-disability services, and study-skills workshops.

148-150 South College Avenue
831-2805, www.udel.edu/AEC

Center for Counseling and Student Development

Personal, educational and career counseling.

261 Perkins Student Center
831-2141, www.ude.edu/Counseling/

Study Abroad News

If you are contacted about the possibility of volunteering abroad for college credit through an organization called ISV, please be cautious. UD does not accept credit from these programs. Similarly, they will not count as transfer credits if the credits are earned at another institution. If you are looking into a program that promises college credit for service in another country, please check the validity of the program with the Office of Service Learning before you financially commit to the program.

There are opportunities for getting credit on international service-learning programs and you should visit with Sue Serra in the Office of Service Learning if you are interested. She can recommend a reputable organization and one which we have approved for credit.

For more information, visit <http://www.servicelearning.udel.edu/>.

Student Life

Club Information

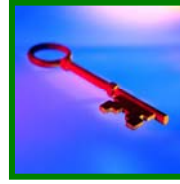
All clubs are invited to submit meeting times and locations, membership info, and descriptions of their clubs to *Talk of Townsend*. See end of newsletter for details.

Collegiate FFA

The Collegiate FFA will be having its next meeting on Thursday, September 21st at 6:30 pm in 233 Townsend. We have a lot of activities planned for this semester and all students are welcomed to attend. Refreshments, as always, will be served. We are a part of the state and national FFA organizations. Check us out at: <http://copland.udel.edu/stu-org/ffa/> or contact chapter president, Ashley Vent at: avent@udel.edu.

Career Information

JOB SEARCH WORKSHOP



*Unlock your potential
for your ideal career!*

Thursday, Sept. 21, 2006
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
233 Townsend Hall

The three keys to discovering the ideal internship or career →



NETWORKING
RESUMES
INTERVIEWING

This workshop will help you uncover how to...

- Talk to the right people when you start your search...
- Market yourself to potential employers...
- Dress for an interview...
- And much more!

The first step for anyone exploring career opportunities should be to get experience in the field. Internships provide a practical way of gaining exposure to different work environments. All of the information presented at this workshop can help you get an internship or a full-time job.

This program is valuable to ALL undergraduate students in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Sponsored by:

The University of Delaware's College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the Bank of America Career Services Center.

If you have any questions, please call 831-2508 or email kvanb@udel.edu.



Refreshments will be served.

Internship & Employment Opportunities

Please be sure to visit our Career Shelf in 104 Townsend Hall to view the full details of each posting.

Herr Angus Farms is seeking an intern on its beef farm. The internship would include gaining direct experience with the beef cattle, including feeding and processing. Farm maintenance and record keeping would also be a part of the position. Interested applicants should contact:

Dennis Byrne
25 Airport Rd.
Nottingham, PA 19362
(610) 932-5977

Select Sires Internship Opportunities



Select Sires Inc., Plain City, Ohio, is seeking two college students for internships at its headquarters facility for summer 2007, beginning in May or

early June.

Students majoring in communications who are familiar with the dairy industry are preferred. Strong writing and computer skills are essential. While juniors or seniors will be given preference, sophomores will be considered. Applicants must submit **cover letters and resumes with references** no later than November 24, 2006.

Students may e-mail inquiries, cover letters and resumes to tsmith@selectsires.com. Questions may be directed to the above e-mail address, or to Terri Smith at Select Sires Inc., 11740 US Hwy 42N, Plain City, OH 43064, (614) 733-3440. Additional information regarding these internships also can be found on Select's Web site at <http://www.selectsires.com/internship.html>.

The laboratory of Dr. Blake Meyers at the Delaware Biotechnology Institute is

seeking a motivated research assistant interested in the molecular biology and genetics of plants for a part-time position. Our lab focuses on understanding disease resistance as well as identifying the expression of genes across the genome of the model plant Arabidopsis. Successful candidates should be enrolled in a biology-related major. Prior lab or course experience in plant science, genetics, or molecular biology is helpful but not required. If interested, send your resume to Shail Kaushik, Kaushik@dbi.udel.edu.



New Castle County Cooperative Extension is looking for a junior or senior student who

- Is looking for part time employment at the university,
- Can conduct literature review and a mini report of findings
- Can work independently
- Takes responsibility for a project and can go with it (with direction from the project manager)

The project will entail conducting a literature review in the area of family communication of farm families. The project will also entail developing mini summaries or abstracts of findings. The student will be involved in developing a mini survey for farm families and compiling the survey information for a report.

If interested, please contact Maria Pippidis at 831-1239 or Pippidis@udel.edu.

Case Farms of Ohio, Inc. is a fully integrated poultry processing business in Winesburg, Ohio, near the home of the world's largest population of



Amish. They have been expanding their business, and as a result need to add a

Broiler Flock Supervisor to their Live Production Department. This position is designed as an entry level position, as an entrance to other parts of their live production, and/or processing business.

For all inquiries, contact:

Dale R Gharky
Director of Human Resources
Case Farms of Ohio, Inc.
1818 County Road 160
PO Box 185
Winesburg, Ohio 44690
330-359-7141 ext 133
dgharky@casefarms.com

PAID OVERSEAS INTERNSHIPS WITH THE FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE IN USDA

We are looking for a few outstanding senior and graduate level college and university students to work in our OVERSEAS offices to promote U.S. agricultural interests through the International Agricultural Internship Program (IAIP). The USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service, one of the U.S. government foreign service agencies, places about 10 students for each semester (fall, spring and summer) with excellent analysis, marketing, writing, language and organizational skills and experience to work on international agricultural trade policy issues, commodity and market analysis and organizing trade events in our overseas offices for a 10-16 week PAID INTERNSHIP. U.S. citizen students who are majoring in a business or science related agricultural field are eligible. The summer 2007 application deadline is January 9, 2007 and the fall 2007 application deadline is April 17, 2007.

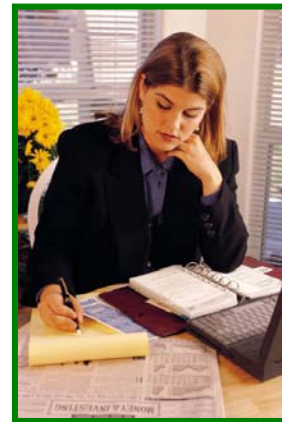
For more information on FAS internship programs, please go to:

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/admin/newjobs/newjobs.html>, or contact the internships coordinator at internships@fas.usda.gov.

Bank of America Career Services Center

New name, same great services!

For resume reviews, excellent career resources, guides to getting into graduate school, networking tips, interview techniques, and so much more, visit the BoA Career Services Center on Academy Street. For more information, visit the BoA Career Services website at www.udel.edu/CSC.



The 38th Annual Job Jamboree is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2006 1:00 - 4:30p.m. Bob Carpenter Center

Over 200 organizations will attend the 38th Annual Job Jamboree on Tuesday, September 26, 2006. Company representatives will be in attendance to provide you with information regarding their organization, hiring needs and requirements. This is an informational job fair - these organizations will return to campus during the fall or spring semesters to participate in the [Campus Interview Program](#) and conduct interviews at that time.

This program is for ALL majors and several of the companies are looking for Agriculture and Natural Resources students. See www.udel.edu/CSC/jamboree.html for a listing of all company participants. Please plan to attend.

Ask Aggie!



New this year! "Ask Aggie" provides an opportunity for you to ask any questions you might have about the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, UD, or just about being a student! Please submit all questions to kvanb@udel.edu. "Ask Aggie" will highlight questions that all students can benefit from.

"Can I park in the Townsend Hall lot if I have class in Townsend or Worrilow Hall?"

You can only park in the TNS parking lot if you have the appropriate parking pass. The spots around TNS are specifically gold lot parking. The area in front of the ice arena requires a red lot permit. You can get ticketed for parking in either of these lots if you do not have the right permit. Please check with Public Safety's Parking Services if you have any questions regarding your parking sticker and where you are permitted to park on campus.

Pat's Rich Advice for the Financially Challenged!

In each issue of Talk of Townsend, Dr. Pat Barber, faculty in FREC and genuine financial wiz, will be providing valuable financial tips. Students, faculty, and staff can all learn from Pat's Rich Advice!

Credit Cards: Use and Abuse

A recent News Journal article convinced me that I needed to talk about credit use and abuse this time. Credit is a good thing unless you over commit yourself. A good credit rating is one of your most valuable assets. This news article talked about students graduating and then having to go home and live with their parents for a few years until they get their debt under control. When student loan debt is added to credit card debt, students have a serious problem sometimes. There are things students can do to get control of their situation and things parents



should watch for if their child has credit cards. These same guidelines apply to adults as well. Below is a list of the danger signals of too much credit:

- think of credit as cash, not debt
- debts are greater than assets
- owe more than seven creditors
- impulsive or compulsive spender
- more than 20 percent of take-home pay is committed to credit payments
- do not know amount of monthly living expenses or how much total debt is owed
- cannot determine the difference between a "need" and a "want"
- expected income is already committed to paying off debts
- depend on income from extra jobs to make ends meet
- withdraw savings to pay bills
- skip payments
- pay only minimum amount due on credit card

Always pay more than the minimum payment. Below is a chart illustrating how much it will cost if you pay only the minimum payment on various debts:

| Item | Price | Annual % Rate | Interest Paid | How Much You Really Pay for the Item | Total Years to Pay Off Debt |
|-----------|---------|---------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| TV | \$500 | 18% | \$439 | \$939 | 8 |
| Computer | \$1,000 | 18% | \$1,899 | \$2,899 | 19 |
| Furniture | \$2,500 | 18% | \$6,281 | \$8,781 | 34 |

As you can see, saving for the item rather than using credit would save a great deal of money...money that could be used for other wants. Remember, the use of credit is not bad; the abuse of credit is bad. If you cannot wait to buy an item until you have saved the money, try to make as large a payment as possible each month. This rule will start you on the path to a sound financial future.

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<http://ag.udel.edu/aboutus/academicprog.htm>

Offering academic and support services to our undergraduates.

Dr. Tom Sims, Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Research

Karen Aniunas, Assistant Dean for Student Services

Karri Van Blarcom, General Advisor

Carol Brower, Staff Assistant

Come see us for help with:

- Junior Check-In and Senior Check-Out
- Good-Student Discounts for car insurance
- Approval for taking courses at other schools
- Changing advisors
- Late changes to registration
- Excused absence verification
- Personal situations affecting academics
- Scholarship support
- Problems with your transcript
- Questions about anything related to or impacting your academic life at UD!

We also have a career shelf with information on employment, summer jobs and internships.

Newsletter Submission Guidelines:

Talk of Townsend is produced **every other** Friday during the Fall, Winter and Spring terms, with occasional exceptions due to certain deadlines.

(Next issue will be September 29, 2006)

Submissions of timely and general interest are welcome. Please submit your copy in a *brief* statement, including dates, times, locations and contact information, via Email to kvanb@udel.edu by **5:00 p.m. on the Tuesday before publication.**

Do not format your email with bullets and fonts; they will be removed. Information received after that time will be posted in the NEXT newsletter.

The Office of Academic Programs reserves the right to refuse or edit announcements.

Talk of Townsend is archived on the Web at:
<http://ag.udel.edu/resources/talkoftownsend.htm>.

Tell A Friend...

One of the ways we build our college is through referrals from current CANR students.

If you know a HS student from home who might be interested in our programs or have a neighbor in your residence hall who is looking for a change of major, please feel free to pass on the information to Karri Van Blarcom at kvanb@udel.edu.

We will follow up and ensure that the person gets to talk with someone about his/her interests. You can also encourage friends to see our website at <http://ag.udel.edu>.

Thank you!