

Greetings Baylor Summer School Student -

For those of you only taking Summer II term, welcome and we anticipate that you will enjoy your classes and work diligently to achieve your academic goals. And to those students who are enrolled in the full summer semester, we hope your courses are progressing well for you.

No matter which summer semester you are attending, we realize classes are your first priority -- summer sessions are quite intense -- but you still need to take care of life's little details.

This "to-do" list will help you stay on top of things. It will tell you what Baylor deadlines are coming up and give you a few hints about succeeding in the classroom. This will be the final list for students enrolled in summer terms. We look forward to seeing you back at Baylor in the fall!

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JULY To-Do List:

To Do

- **Get some help (ASAP) from Academic Support Programs**, located on the ground-level of the Sid Richardson building, before your summer classes become "unbearable."

You can get **FREE** tutoring this summer in a variety of courses. Tutors are available in chemistry, biology, religion, several math courses, accounting, political science, and many other subjects. Please visit us on the web at www.baylor.edu/support_programs/tutoring if you have questions about other subjects or tutor availability.

Opening: Monday, July 13, 2009
Location: Sid Richardson, Ground Level
(on side closest to Moody Library), room #074
Days/Hours: Monday through Thursday, 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Also Available: One-on-one mentoring or academic counseling by a trained student or staff member for help with personal management strategies. Contact Trish Baum, Resource Coordinator at (254) 710-8771.

- **Check your Baylor E-mail account daily** – Your Baylor e-mail is THE official mode of communication from the University. Check it every day. This is extremely important, especially during the fast-paced summer months.
- **Check/update your contact information via Bear Web** – School officials will use the personal contact information that is in Bear Web to reach you with important information. Keep your contact information up to date. **Please include your cell phone number if that’s your main phone contact.** To update your personal information, log in to Bear Web (<http://bearweb.baylor.edu>) and choose “Personal information” to update your contact info.
- **New students, turn in your health form** - Hopefully you have already turned in a health form, but if you haven't, and this is your first semester at Baylor, you need to do so. You can find the form on-line at (<http://www3.baylor.edu/Admissions/pdf/health.pdf>). You will need to print the form, complete it and sign it (or have your parent(s) or family member(s) sign it if you are under 18.) If you are a full time undergraduate student, there is also a part for your doctor to complete when you get your physical.
- **Plan ahead for Fall payment** - If you are planning to use an alternative loan (PLUS, CAL, or private lender) to assist you with your bill for the 2009 fall semester, you need to complete the application process immediately. If Baylor has not received a certification request from your lender or if you are not approved for a loan, please be prepared to pay at least the first installment of your fall bill by the July 31st due date. (You will be reimbursed if you are later approved for a loan.) You can review the installment payment plan requirements and due dates at www.baylor.edu/cashiers/installment.
- **Review your options for alternative loans** at www.baylor.edu/finaid . Click on “Stafford and PLUS Loan Lender List” or “Alternative Loan Lender List” in the right hand Quick Links box. Baylor does not require students and their families to select a lender from the lists, nor does the university suggest which lenders families should use. You have the right to select any participating lender. Choose a lender and begin the application and approval process on the lender’s website. Once the lender receives the promissory note and completes the application process, Baylor will receive an electronic request from the lender to certify your loan. Funds will be sent to Baylor through the electronic funds transfer EFT process and automatically applied to your student tuition account. (You may use a lender who requires a paper application process, but mailing time will add to the time it takes to receive your funds.)
- **Freshmen students – are you expecting credit by exam from AP, IB or CLEP exams?** To verify that credit has been awarded, log in to BearWeb and review your degree audit (<http://bearweb.baylor.edu>). Scores from AP exams taken in May 2009 should be posted to your account by mid-July. IB scores are usually

received in mid- to late-July. Once your credit has been posted, you may need to make changes to your Fall class schedule via BearWeb. If you have any questions, please call Academic Advisement (254) 710-7280, Monday-Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm or email your questions to academic_advisement_office@baylor.edu. Baylor's credit by examination policies are available at www.baylor.edu/irt/testing.

Good things to know:

- **Make sure you understand concurrent enrollment** - Remember that the University does not allow students to be concurrently enrolled at another school while they are attending classes at Baylor. If you attend Baylor for the first summer session, for example, then you may enroll at another school for the second summer term if you wish. This policy is also in effect during the fall and spring terms. Credits you complete at another school while also enrolled at Baylor will not be transferred in for credit at Baylor.
- **15-hour limit on transfer credit** - Make sure ahead of time that any classes you plan to take away from Baylor during the second summer session (or any summer session in the future) will transfer in. Keep in mind that from the semester you enter Baylor until the time you graduate you may transfer in a total of only 15 hours. (This 15-hour total does not include any course credit you earned as dual credit or any other credit you earned before you entered Baylor.) If you have taken college courses somewhere other than Baylor, you need to have an official college transcript sent to the Baylor University, Office of Admission Services, One Bear Place #97056, Waco, TX, 76798-7056. The following website gives important information about transfer credit:
(www.baylor.edu/admissions/transfer_credit_policies)
- **Residence Hall Opening** – Residence halls open for all new students on August 19th -20th. For more information on the residence hall opening process, visit www.baylor.edu/CLL/Move2BU for specific move-in instructions and times.

Important Summer 2009 Dates

Full Summer Session

July 10	Courses dropped after this date will be recorded as failed.
August 12	Final examinations and last day of classes

Summer Session II

- July 9-10** 100% refund for dropped classes
- July 10** BearWeb closes at end of day for Session II
- July 13** Last day to register or add classes for Session II
- July 13-14** 75% refund for dropped classes
- July 15-16** 50% refund for dropped classes
- July 17** Last day to drop without grade assigned (25% refund)
- July 20** Classes dropped must be assigned grade of DP or DF by instructor of record.
- July 28** Courses dropped after this date will be recorded as failed.
- July 31** **Payments for fall financial settlement received after this date are subject to a late fee.** If you do not want to be charged the \$60 fee for the installment plan, you must pay the “Current Amount Due” as reflected on your bill. If you want to participate in the installment plan, you should pay the “Minimum Amount Due.”
- August 12** Final examinations and last day of classes
- August 12** Residence halls close for Session II residents
- August 18** Residence halls close for graduating seniors
- August 15** Summer Commencement

For more information regarding payment and refund policies, follow this path:
<http://www.baylor.edu/cashiers> > Payment Policies” > Refund policies”

Tip of the Month

Visit Career Counseling

Undecided about your major? Thinking of changing your major? Wondering what career possibilities might work best for you with your major? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, Career Counseling could be just what you are looking for. The

Career Counseling process involves three one-on-one meetings with a Career Counselor to help you determine what area of study and/or career might be the best fit for you. Career Counseling looks at the big picture of your life through the use of your insight, some helpful assessments (Myers-Briggs Type Indicator and Strong Interest Inventory) and valuable research to help you make this important decision with confidence. **This service is free to all currently enrolled Baylor students!** You can schedule an appointment on-line at www.baylor.edu/careercounseling or by calling (254) 710-8434.