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Greetings from the Dean

End-of-the-Semester To Do List

It's hard to believe but there is only a little more than a month left to spring semester. As you are already aware, this is a very busy time of the year packed full with many important matters and events. In this final edition of the newsletter for 2007-2008, I outline several policies, deadlines, and issues that you will be thinking about over the next couple of weeks. You will also find information about events on campus, final exams and events, and details about summer and fall course registration. Please take a few minutes to review the newsletter to get the scoop!

- Meet with your advisor to discuss summer and fall course registration.
- Declare your major(s) and minor(s) if you have a relatively strong interest in corresponding academic disciplines.
- If you plan to withdraw from any courses, please complete the *course withdrawal* process as soon as possible, but **before 5:00 p.m. on April 28**.
- Those interested in using the *Pass/No Pass Option* must complete the on-line form at <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/undstud.htm> **before 5:00 p.m. on April 28**.
- Verify your final exam schedule with your course syllabi and the final exam schedule on the Registrar's website at <http://www.case.edu/provost/registrar/exams/exam082.html> Adjust your time management plan to prepare for your final exams.
- Save the date – **APRIL 26** – to cheer on your fellow first-year students in the Hudson Relays!

Registration Raves

Advising & Registration Assistance in Your Residential College

April 8	Cedar	Smith	8:00 – 9:00 p.m.
	Mistletoe	Pierce	8:00 – 9:00 p.m.
	Cedar	Tyler	9:00 – 10:00 p.m.
	Mistletoe	Cutler	9:00 – 10:00 p.m.
April 14	Mistletoe	Storrs	8:00 – 9:00 p.m.
	Mistletoe	Hitchcock	9:00 – 10:00 p.m.
April 15	Juniper	Norton	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.
	Juniper	Raymond	8:00 – 9:00 p.m.
	Juniper	Sherman	8:00 – 9:00 p.m.
	Cedar	Taft	9:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Summer and Fall 2008 Course Registration Details

By now, you should have already met or scheduled a meeting with your advisor to discuss summer and/or fall course registration. Those of you who have not yet had your advising appointment, but who have declared your major, should contact your new departmental faculty advisor to set up an advising appointment as soon as possible. If you are not ready to declare a major at this point, you will meet with your SAGES advisor to prepare for summer and fall registration. **All undergraduates were able to register for Summer 2008 classes beginning March 31. First year students (regardless of credit hours earned) are able to register for Fall 2008 classes on April 18.** The Schedule of Classes for both Summer and Fall 2008 is available at <http://www.case.edu/provost/registrar/soc.html>

Tuition Holds

Prior to course registration be sure to verify that you do not have any tuition holds on your account that will prevent you from registering. **Note: Tuition holds are different than academic holds, which are explained in detail on page 2.**

SAGES University Seminars

Five University Seminars (two in Natural World, two in Social World, and one in Symbolic World) will be offered this summer. There will be 35-40 University Seminars offered in the Fall Semester. Only 15 are currently posted, so be sure to keep checking the Searchable Schedule over the next few weeks to review the new offerings. Remember, all students must complete two University Seminars from two different topical areas by the end of their fourth semester. (Students who took a topical First Seminar [FSNA, FSSO, FSSY] cannot take a University Seminar from the same topical area.)

****Turn to page 2 for detailed instructions on how to register for courses using the new Student Information System (SIS).**

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New Student Information System (SIS) Student Instructions

Logging In

Access to the Student Information System (SIS) is at the Registrar's website: <http://www.case.edu/provost/registrar/registrar.html>. You log in using your Case Network ID and password. Once you are logged in you will need to agree to the confidentiality agreement by clicking a check box. The Student Center (where you will see all of your information) will then appear.

New Student Identification Numbers (No more SSNs!)

The new system no longer uses social security numbers as primary identifiers. All students have been issued a student ID number. When you log into the system, you will see your new seven digit ID number. Those who work on campus, you may already know their student (or employee ID) number from the HCM system.

Advising Holds (No more PINs!)

As in the past, you need to meet with your advisor to discuss class selection. What will be different this time is that instead of your advisor giving you a PIN, he or she will **release the advising hold** that has been placed on your account. You can still meet with your advisor 1-2 weeks before you can register and the hold can be removed at that time. However, you will not be able to register until your **appointment time – the day you can register (i.e. April 18)**. You will see your appointment time listed in the Student Center when you log in. **Registration opens at 7:00 a.m. on the day of your appointment time.** (Note that appointment times replace the old SOLAR start dates, but work in exactly the same way. They are not specific times when you need to register, but rather the day on which you will first have access to the registration system.)

Permissions: Prerequisites and Overrides

Unlike in SOLAR, **you will not be able to register for a class for which you do not have the prerequisites.** It will be important to ensure that all of your AP or transfer credit has been posted (you can check this on your DPR or advising transcript on the my.case.edu portal) and to register for your summer courses at Case before you register for your fall courses. The instructor of the course can grant you permission to take a course if you have not met the prerequisites.

As with SOLAR, if a class is full, you must contact the instructor and they can **grant you permission** (i.e. give you an override) to enroll in the class. Just because you are granted permission to enroll for the class does not mean you are automatically enrolled. You still must go back and register for the course. You will be able to see in the Student Center when the instructor has issued any special permissions (overrides, prereqs, etc.).

DPR to be replaced by Academic Advising Report

In May 2008, there will be a new academic advisement report which will replace your DPR. Until then, you and your advisor should reference your DPR which is available through the my.case.edu portal. The new advisement report features a new look and has capabilities to integrate directly with the registration process and to allow you to see how the courses you have taken would satisfy some other major or degree program.

Other SIS Features

Although you will not be able to register until your appointment date arrives, you are able to search for classes and add them to the **Shopping Cart**. Your advisor will also be able to see what is in your shopping cart, so it may be a good way to let him or her know what you would like to take. You will also be able to validate the classes in your cart to see if you will have issues when your appointment date arrives. You can check for things like time conflicts, missing enforced prerequisites, and missing permissions. There are many other features to explore such as course history, cumulative grade report, and a grid view of your weekly schedule.

Financial Aid Application Deadline May 15, 2008 You Must Apply Each Year!

In order to receive need-based financial aid (grants and/or loans), you must apply for financial aid each year. If you are currently receiving need-based financial aid, or if you would like to be considered for need-based financial aid for academic year 2008-2009, you must apply for financial aid by May 15th, 2008 in order to receive the best possible Case Western Reserve University financial aid package. The application process can be reviewed at the Office of University Financial Aid website <http://finaid.case.edu/>. Please be certain to apply for financial aid by May 15th, 2008. Help us provide the best financial assistance possible.

You will be expected to submit the following document:

1. Renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online
2. Copies of the student's and parent's 2007 Federal Income Tax Returns and W-2's
3. Complete the Case Financial Aid Form online

Merit-Based Scholarship Opportunity Application Deadline—April 28, 2008

Case Western Reserve University will award a limited number of scholarships for the 2008-2009 and subsequent years to students who are currently enrolled at Case and who have compiled a record of achievement, participation, and leadership that distinguishes them from their peers.

The following scholarships will be available for the 2008-2009 academic year: One Trustees Scholarship, Two President's Scholarships, and Four Provost's Scholarships. The deadline to apply for these scholarships is **April 28, 2008**. Recipients will be selected in June by the University Undergraduate Faculty Committee on Academic Standing. For additional information regarding these merit-based scholarships, the application process, and other scholarship opportunities for current students go to <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/scholarships/S-caselist.htm>

Scholarship Retention

Case merit-based scholarship (Full-tuition, Trustees', President's and Provost's) renewal is based on two requirements: a minimum number of hours earned after enrolling at Case and a minimum cumulative scholarship grade point average**. The cumulative scholarship GPA requirement is **2.50 at the end of the first year** and 3.00 at the end of each succeeding year. Scholarship recipients will be required to have earned **at least 24 semester hours at Case in the first year**, 54 semester hours by the end of the second year, and 84 semester hours by the end of the third year. Recipients of **Provost's Special** Scholarships must maintain academic good standing to be eligible for continuation of their scholarships.

****Scholarship Grade Point Average:** *All courses completed for an evaluative grade at Case are included in the computation of the "scholarship g.p.a." The "scholarship g.p.a." matches the student's cumulative g.p.a., unless the student has used the Repeat Option. If a scholarship recipient has used the Repeat Option for any courses, the original grades in courses for which the final grade has been replaced by RPT will be included in the computation of the cumulative average for the purpose of determining eligibility for scholarship continuation.*

Watch Your Email!
Spring Semester Survey for First Year Students

As the semester comes to an end, please keep an eye on your inbox for an opportunity to complete a survey about your experiences this year. Your responses will help us to better understand our student population and to assess the success of programs, services, and curriculum.

OFF-CAMPUS STUDY REQUEST DEADLINE
APRIL 15, 2008

Students who plan to take a course(s) off-campus this summer must get prior approval by completing the Off-Campus Study Request form <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/forms.htm>. In order to complete the Off-Campus Study Request, you must collect course descriptions for the course(s) that you are interested in taking. The course(s) will be evaluated by Dean Claudia Anderson, Director of Advising and Evaluation of Off-Campus Study.

The deadline for submission of the request is **April 15**. Most universities and colleges begin to post summer schedules in February and March, and you need to submit the form when you have actual course offerings to review. However, the sooner you complete the form, the sooner you will be notified if the course you are interested in taking has been approved. For those of you who live in Cuyahoga County, please pay special attention to the specific residency restrictions listed in the *Handbook*.

Study Abroad

Study Abroad Information Meeting

Wednesday, April 9, 2008

1:00-2:00 p.m.

Nord 410

Information will be provided regarding Short Term, Semester, and Long Term Study Abroad Programs

Spring 2009 Study Abroad

Application Deadline: September 15, 2008



Writing Resource Center
Day and Evening Online Tutoring

The Writing Resource Center now offers day and evening online tutoring. To view online availabilities, go to the scheduling site <http://www.rich37.com/case> and select "Online Tutoring" from the drop down menu on either the login or the main scheduling screen. You will be asked to download the whiteboard/chat software, which will enable you and your consultant to view and modify your paper online. Please note that online tutoring sessions are designed to be as interactive as possible and that appointments must be made at least one day in advance.

For more information, visit <http://www.case.edu/artsci/engl/writing/writingcenter.html> or email writingcenter@case.edu.

MAJOR DECLARATION

At this point, many of you have declared, many more have a major in mind but have not completed the declaration process, and finally a smaller number of you are unsure of your academic interests. Most students declare a major by the end of their first year. However, students still in the process of exploring academic options are not required to declare within this time frame. It is important to recognize that in order to have a successful and engaged first year experience, all first year students should work toward the clarification of academic interests.

YOUR MAJOR CAN BE CHANGED IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND LATER. If you change majors later on, that's fine -- many students do change (or add) majors as they discover new interests. It's also OK to change your mind later and "undeclare." **IF YOU'RE TRULY UNDECIDED**, continue to explore, to talk with your advisor and other faculty members, and to use the resources of the Career Center (Sears 206, <http://studentaffairs.case.edu/careers/>). Steven Scherger and I would also be happy to discuss your interests and this process. So long as you are actively engaged in exploring your interests and in making a decision, you can declare your major in the future. You should not be concerned about making a "wrong" decision about declaring a major. However, the best decision to make is an informed decision, so be intentional about talking to people, reviewing information, and understanding requirements before you make a decision. The advantage of declaring a major is the close and formal connection that is established between students and academic departments.

Those of you who have not declared yet, but are ready to do so should follow the steps listed below as soon as possible.

1. Obtain the Major Declaration Form* in the Office of Undergraduate Studies, Sears 357 (also available in the 24-Hour Study Rooms in Wade and Fribley). Take the form to the department representative in your intended major for his/her signature and assignment of a major advisor. A list of representatives is posted outside of Sears 357 and may be found at <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/resources.htm>.
2. Students interested in Pre-Medicine/Pre-Dentistry and/or Pre-Law should be sure to mark the respective boxes on the declaration form.
3. Once completed, bring the yellow form to the Office of Undergraduate Studies, Sears 357. **The declaration of major is not official unless it is submitted to the Office of Undergraduate Studies.**

R.U.S.S.
Residential Undergraduate Studies Satellite

Have a quick question? Need to withdraw from a class? Wondering about how to get connected to academic opportunities? Come visit the Deans from the Office of Undergraduate Studies at R.U.S.S. Offices in Wade and Fribley, Mondays – Wednesday from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Contact the main Office of Undergraduate Studies at 368-2928 or <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/walkinhours.htm> to check about weekly walk-in availability.

R.U.S.S. will close for the spring semester on Wednesday, April 23, 2008. R.U.S.S. will reopen during the first week of classes in August.

**Withdrawing from a Course
DEADLINE – APRIL 28**

As a first year student subject to the First Year Student Withdrawal Policy, you may withdraw from course(s) up until the last day of classes - - this spring, that is **April 28, 2008**. In order to withdraw from a class, **you must complete a Drop/Add Form (available in Sears 357, 24-Hour Study Room in Wade, Fribley, or Yost 110) and get the signature of your advisor.** Once that is complete, **come see a Dean in the Office of Undergraduate Studies in Sears 357 or in a RUSS office to get their signature.** **After you secure a Dean's signature, you must take the form to the Registrar's Office in Yost 110 for processing.**

Before you seek approval for a withdrawal, please take the time to reflect and review the following issues:

- Why are you withdrawing from this course? How are the rest of your courses this semester? How do you feel about the withdrawal?
- Have you talked to your professor about your progress/ success in the course?
- Have you reviewed the syllabus? Do you know what your chances for improved success are in the course?
- Have you taken advantage of support resources: professors' office hours, tutoring through ESS, SI's, etc.
- Have you thought about how this withdrawal will impact your plans for next semester? Will this withdrawal have an impact on your degree completion?
- Have you considered if Pass/No Pass is an appropriate option?

First year students who withdraw from a course in their first two semesters of full time enrollment will not have the withdrawn course listed on their official transcript. However, the transcript will indicate all attempted hours, including those representing courses that were withdrawn. **This policy, unique to first year students, is at times referred to as "freshman forgiveness" although there is no real policy known by this name.** In previous years, grades of F were removed from the transcripts of first year students and those Fs were not calculated into cumulative GPA. That policy is no longer in existence. *Grades of F are calculated into cumulative GPA and are listed on the transcripts of all students.*

Pass/No Pass

If you are a full-time student (enrolled in 12 credit hours) in good academic standing, you have the option of electing to have **one course** graded on a Pass/No Pass basis. **In order to do this, the course must NOT:**

- Be a course required for your SAGES General Education/ Core Requirements
- Be a course required for an intended major or minor (i.e. the Pass/No Pass option may only be used for Open Electives.)

The Pass/No Pass option may be exercised by submitting the Pass/No Pass Ballot on-line at <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/undstud.htm>

Instructors are not notified of a student's use of this option. They are required to submit evaluative grades for all students and these are converted to Pass/No Pass in the Registrar's Office. Grades of P earn credit but are not calculated into the cumulative GPA. Grades of NP do not earn credit and are not calculated into the cumulative GPA.



Spring Final Exams Schedules

By now you should have reviewed your spring final exam schedule. It is important that you consult your course syllabi and the on-line final exam schedule. Final exams dates **will not** be altered to accommodate travel plans. You can find the Final Exam Schedule on the Registrar's website at <http://www.case.edu/provost/registrar/exams/exam082.html>. Make sure you confirm your exam schedule and make your travel, work or school plans accordingly.

4/28	Last Day of Classes
4/29 – 4/30	Reading Days
5/1	Final Exams Begin
5/10	Final Exams End

NOTE: No student will be required to take more than two final examinations on a single day. A student who has three final examinations scheduled for a single day should go to the Office of Undergraduate Studies and obtain the assistance of the Dean in arranging to take one of those examinations on an alternative day during the final examination period. Similarly, a student with conflicting examinations should seek the assistance of the Dean of Undergraduate Studies, Jeffrey Wolcowitz in arranging to have the time of one examination changed.



Maintaining Good Academic Standing

Academic standing comprises two elements: credit hours earned at Case and grade point average (GPA). In order to achieve good academic standing by the end of the spring semester, first year students must earn **a total of 21 credit hours and a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 1.75.**

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Overloads for Fall 2008

The Case faculty determined the full time course load for students to be between 12 and 19 credit hours in the fall and spring semesters. Any student wishing to enroll in more than 19 hours must seek permission from a Dean in the Office of Undergraduate Studies. Additionally, students must have a **minimum 3.20 cumulative grade point average (GPA) to register between 20 and 21 hours or a minimum 3.50 cumulative GPA to register between 22 and 23 hours** and a compelling reason as to why s/he wants to enroll in more than 19 credit hours. If you have at least a 3.20 GPA, you can come into the Office of Undergraduate Studies once you return to talk to a Dean about the possibility of overloading your spring semester schedule. These discussions are handled on a *walk-in basis*. Weekly walk-in schedules can be viewed at <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/walkinhours.htm>.

Course Repeat Option

If you are dissatisfied with a grade that you received, you may choose to repeat that course; however, you must notify the Office of Undergraduate Studies of your intention to do so by completing the **Course Repetition Form** found at <http://www.case.edu/provost/ugstudies/forms.htm>

Upon completion of the repeated course at Case for an evaluative grade (A, B, C, D or F), the first grade will remain visible on the transcript, but will be removed from the calculation of the cumulative grade point average and the original semester in which the grade was earned. The second grade will be used for calculation into the cumulative grade point average, even if it is not the better grade. If the Course Repeat Option is applied, the student's transcript will show the comment "GRADE NOT COUNTED. COURSE REPEATED." directly below the course.

The Course Repeat Option may be exercised subject to the following conditions:

1. A student may not use the Pass/No Pass Option on a course to which the Course Repeat Option is being applied.
2. An academic action that occurred under the earlier grade is neither reversed nor removed from the record as a result of a change in the semester or cumulative averages that results from the repetition of one or more courses.
3. All grades earned at Case Western Reserve University, including those grades removed as a result of the application of the Course Repeat Option Policy, will be applied to the Scholarship GPA that is reviewed in order to determine Case Western Reserve University merit-based scholarship retention.
4. The course repeat option may not be exercised after a degree has been awarded.



Second Year Student Dean Lynmarie Hamel

It's hard to believe that it's almost time to say goodbye to the 2007 – 2008 academic year and to the end of your first year here at Case. I've truly enjoyed getting to know you and I hope that your first year experience has been rewarding, enriching, and engaging. During your second year, you will continue to explore who you are, where you want to go, how you want to get there, and how you fit into the university community. During your second year, a new class dean will be working with you and other members of the university community to provide an environment that helps you answer those questions as well as helping you achieve your current academic and personal goals as well as your future endeavors.

Assistant Dean Lynmarie Hamel is the Second Year Dean and she will start communicating with you over the summer about opportunities to take advantage of in your second year at Case. Dean Hamel has been at Case for more than 15 years, first as a student then a staff member. She has served in a variety of roles on campus including Housing, Residence Life & Greek Life, and the ELS Language Center. And...she is a HUGE sports fan.

Please feel free to email Dean Hamel at lynmarie.hamel@case.edu or stop by the Undergraduate Studies Office in 357 Sears with any problems or questions, ideas or suggestions. And of course, you are free to keep in touch with both Dean Julie Amon and Steven Scherger.

Leadership Journey Series Transitioning to Your Second Year April 9, 5:00 p.m., Wade Fireside Lounge

Session will focus on opportunities available at Case to help second-year students be successful. During the session students will have an opportunity to learn more about the Second Year Institute (see below). If you are looking for a way to continue your leadership development through your second-year and want to know the resources available at Case to help your transition this workshop is perfect for you!

Presenters include Jacob Clemens, Coordinator for Second Year Residence Education; Kayla Imbrogno, Student Leadership Council, and Priya Sonty, Student Leadership Council.

The Second Year Institute at Case Western Reserve University August 2008

Case Western Reserve University will once again offer an opportunity reserved just for second year students - The Second Year Institute. This innovative and highly interactive two-day program will introduce the focus of the second year at Case - Exploration, Engagement and Personal Vision. All participants will gain a greater connection and understanding of themselves, the Case community and the greater Cleveland area through dynamic workshops, interaction with faculty and administrators and opportunities to socialize with fellow second year students.

For more information about the Second Year Institute, visit <http://studentaffairs.case.edu/programs/secondyear/>, which should be updated in the next month with registration instructions and a finalized schedule. Also look for more information from Dean Hamel and your Class Officers over the summer!

2008 Intersection: SOURCE Undergraduate Symposium and Poster Session
Friday, April 18, 2008
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Thwing Student Center

<http://www.case.edu/provost/source/symposium>

This is an opportunity for all undergraduate students to present their research and creative projects to the university community. The SOURCE Symposium and Poster Session also is an opportunity for students not yet engaged in undergraduate research or creative endeavors to see the broad and diverse work that is being done across campus and learn from students about the value of undergraduate research and creative endeavors and ways to get involved. Finally, the SOURCE symposium and poster session allows the university community: faculty, staff, students, and administrators, to come together and celebrate the work of our undergraduate students and see how undergraduate student involvement in research and creative endeavors contributes to and enhances the undergraduate educational experience and Case as a research university.

For more information regarding the SOURCE Undergraduate Symposium and Poster Session or if you have questions regarding how you can become involved in research and creative endeavors at Case, contact Dr. Sheila Pedigo at sheila.pedigo@case.edu or visit <http://www.case.edu/provost/source/index.html>.

Undergraduate Honors Assembly – April 25
12:30 – 1:45 p.m., Amasa Stone Chapel

On Friday, April 25, 2008, at 12:30 p.m., the University takes time to recognize its best and brightest undergraduates. Come join your friends and colleagues and show your support for your first, second and third year classmates who have achieved distinction in academics, leadership and service. The Undergraduate Honors Assembly will be held in Amasa Stone Chapel.

“Walk In My Shoes”
Wednesday, April 9, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Nord 310
Presented by Juniper Residential College



How do body image, socioeconomic status, and race and ethnicity affect Case Western University students and the Cleveland community? Join Juniper Residential College for its multimedia presentation called “Walk in my Shoes” to learn more about these issues and examine your own beliefs. The program will be held in Nord 310 on Wednesday, April 9, from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

24 Hour Play Production & Cedar Cabaret
Spring Semester Performances
Presented by Cedar Residential College



Be sure to join Cedar Residential College this April as it conducts two unique and exciting productions. The first is the Cedar 24 Hour Play Production, which will take place on **Saturday, April 12, 8:00 p.m. at The Spot**. Experience this unique event of a play being written, produced, and performed in 24 hours. The following week On **Friday, April 18, at 9:00 p.m. at The Spot** the Cedar Cabaret will be held.

Congratulations to First Seminar Faculty Nominated for the Carl F. Wittke Award
for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching!

2008 Wittke Award Nominees

Per Aage Brandt	William Deal
Christine Hudak	Bernard Jim
Daniel Melnick	Terri Mester
David Rothenberg	Gregory Tochtrop
Mark Turner	Sara Waller
Joanne Westin	

If you know these professors, be sure to congratulate them on being nominated for this prestigious award. The winner of the 2008 Wittke Award will be announced prior to Commencement Convocation in May 2008.

University Plan Open Forums
April 8 and 9

The Case Western Reserve University Plan Steering Committee will conduct its next series of strategic planning open forums in early April. Students are invited to discuss the university’s emerging goals, priorities and strategic initiatives and to offer suggestions on actions steps during the open forums. Before attending a meeting, it is recommended that you read the revised draft of the [university-wide planning document](#). The meetings will be held at the following times and locations:

Tuesday, April 8, 2008
 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 Ford Auditorium, Allen Memorial Library Building

Tuesday, April 8, 2008
 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 Ford Auditorium, Allen Memorial Library Building
**President Barbara Snyder will be in attendance*

Wednesday, April 9, 2008
 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Room 202, Peter B. Lewis Building

3rd Annual Celebrate Recovery at Case
Saturday, April 19, 2008, 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.
Dively Center, 11240 Bellflower Drive

Come to our 3rd Annual “Celebrate Recovery at Case” even on Saturday, April 19, 2008. The event will be held from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m., at the Dively Executive Education Center on Bellflower Drive. The event will benefit PRS, which includes the Recover House at Case, scholarships for recovering students, and PRS campus/ community programs and services. Guest speaker: Jane Eigner Mintz from Realite Intervention Solutions LLC, former women’s PGA professional and current Certified International Intervention Specialist.

Admission is free for students from local colleges and schools. For community, faculty, and staff, tickets in advance are \$25 each and \$35 each at the door. Event includes raffle, silent auction, and door prizes. For more information call 216-368-5872 or email recoveryhouse@case.edu.



Class Officer Announcements

Undergraduate Student Government & Class Officer Election Results

<http://usq.case.edu/spring-2008-general-election-results>

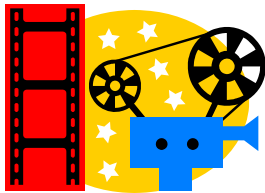
Congratulations to all students that participated in the class officer and USG election process. Your commitment to leadership and service is admirable and greatly needed. Please join me in offering congratulations to those who have been newly elected. I encourage you to connect with your representatives and let your own voice be heard so that you can have the most positive experience at Case Western Reserve University. For complete election results, please visit the election results website listed above.

Class of 2011 Class Officer Results

President	Zack Williams
Vice President	Hersh Varma
Treasurer	Katelyn Bush
Secretary	Melanie Worek

Undergraduate Student Government Officer Results

President	Miles Nickolich
Vice President of Public Relations	Bruce Douglas
Vice President of Academic Affairs	Jeffrey Zabinski
Vice President of Student Life	Ali Hasanali
Vice President of Finance	Michael Petrick
Vice President of Information Technology	Austin Bennett
Chief Judicial Officer/Parliamentarian	Matthew Gardner



Movies

All movies listed below will be shown at Strosacker Auditorium. For more information, go to <http://films.cwru.edu/>

4/11	The Golden Compass 7:00 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 12:00 a.m.
4/12	Tommy 7:00 p.m., 10:00 p.m.
4/18	Freedom Writers 7:00 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 12:00 a.m.
4/19	Kung Fu Hustle 7:00 p.m., 9:00 p.m.
4/25	Snakes On A Plane 7:00 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 12:00 a.m.
4/26	Dogma 7:00 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

Emerging Leaders Program Graduation Class of 2008

On March 19, 2008, seventy nine first-year students graduated from the Emerging Leaders Program (ELP). As participants in the program, their graduation marked the successful completion of a number of requirements that included engagement in social opportunities, meeting with upper-class peer mentors and ELP facilitators, learning the 5 practices of exemplary leadership, and engaging in a community service project. Please join us in congratulating the ELP Class of 2008!

Anna Bosch	Allyson Zeedrich
Ali Briggs	Ann Rebecca Wei
Alexander Pavloff	Akshita Agarwal
Alex Galante	Archana Kumar
Sasha Klyachkina	Andrew Stungys
Caitlin Cipicchio	Catherine Ko
Christopher Cunningham	Catherine Caponero
Catherine Gonsalves	Colin Downey
Claire Hamman	Chen Yan
Crystal Zhou	Diane Wisinski
David Schindler	David Rohlfing
Danielle Daoud	Devin Rodwell
Eileen Lai	Emily Hoffman
Eben Via	Elizabeth Eastman
Evan Malone	Emily Witte
Gabrielle Markoff	Hersh Varma
Ibukun Owoputi	Jared Mahler
Julia Jarrell	Kali Knolle
Katherine Bosche	Katherine Roberts
Jonathan (Max) Weber	Katherine Seymour
Katherine Wilkins	Kathryn McCabe
Kelsie Carson	Kevin White
Kristin Hageman	Lillian Zamecnik
Marcin Citak	Max Silverstein
Melanie Worek	Melissa Fenn
Michael Delibero	Michael Eichorn
Michelle Javier	Modupeore Shenbanjo
Nadia Kapper	Nadra Williams
Nandini Nallasivan	Natalie Collias
Nicole Irick	Nikhil Bansal
Olivia Mongeau	Parita Patel
Patrick Chang	Robert Grueninger
Rochelle Hudson	Sarah Alonso
Sasha Klyachkina	Sayako Kawashima
Silki Patel	Stephanie Wilson
Suhail Malhotra	Taylor Wolfram
Thomas Gulvezan	Rebecca Koplin
Timothy Coan	Tyler Petek
Valerie Jackson	Yashar Niknafs
Zachary Wilkins	

First-Year Student RAs for 2008-2009

Please join us in congratulating the following first-year students who have been selected to serve as RAs for the First-Year Residential Colleges in 2008-2009!

Melissa Barry	Alexi Dinerstein
Laura German	Laruen Geiser
Laura Hallstrom	Rishi Jain
Kelsey Klatka	Julie Murphey
Silki Patel	Lauren Scott
Ziyan Shi	Joshua Wunder

Hudson Relays...Case's Oldest Tradition
 April 26, 2008

<http://www.case.edu/alumni/events/hudsonsched.html>

**Time Trials**

We need some fast first years if we are to make an impact this year so come on out and give us your best. Time trials will take place on the **North Residential Village Track on Thursday, April 10th, at 7:30pm.**

Any questions? Contact your Class President, Jordan Foley, at jjf30@case.edu.

Race Day – Saturday, April 26

Get up early and come out to support the Class of 2011 runners!

Packet Pick up & Pre-Race Breakfast

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Case Quad (rain site -Tomlinson)

Packet Pick up along with bagels and juice will be available to all runners. Team pictures will be taken at approximately 8:30 a.m.

The Race

Approx. start time 10:15 a.m.

Adelbert Rock

The race will kick off behind Adelbert Hall as Provost John L. Anderson reads the annual message from the headmaster of Western Reserve Academy as delivered by the commemorative runners.

The Finish

Join us by 12:15 p.m. at the conclusion of the Race back at Adelbert Rocks to toast the winners of this year's event!

11th Annual Springfest
Saturday, April 26, 2008

After the Hudson Relays head over to Frierberger Field for some food, music, fun and more!

Springfest Mission Statement

"Springfest is a celebration of Case community, designed to foster campus unity among students, faculty, staff, administration, alumni, and friends of the University. This festival composed of live performances and novelty attractions aims to generate school spirit and carry on a tradition."

For a full list of the events and attractions that will be at Springfest 2008 visit <http://springfest.case.edu/>.



Spring 2008 Final Exam Study Sessions
 April 27 – May 3

CHEM FIESTA
Sunday, April 27, 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Schmitt Hall



Tuesday, April 29, 1:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Thwing Ballroom

THWING STUDY OVER
Tuesday, April 29, 9:00 p.m. – 3:00 a.m.
Thwing Student Center

PHYSICS PALOOZA
FINAL REVIEW SESSION
Saturday, May 3, 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Thwing Ballroom

Welcome to
Your 2nd Year
Celebration!
Sunday, April 27

It is time to celebrate the end of your first year at Case! Mix, mingle, relax, and enjoy with your fellow residential college members at the upcoming **Welcome to Your 2nd Year celebration at The Spot on Sunday, April 27, at 2:00 p.m.**

