The COSAM Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs (ODMA) staff is excited to have you back on campus and ready for a new semester! As you get acclimated back to our campus environment, we would like to encourage you to begin thinking of ways you can get more involved both academically and socially at Auburn University.

As you reflect on your fall semester experience, we hope you were pleased with your performance. However, if you were not satisfied, we know you will make the necessary adjustments and take full advantage of the many opportunities available to you. Visit our office in SCC 235 for additional advising, tutoring, counseling, and social support.

We wish all of you success and remind you that we are here to help you in whatever way we are able. Please let us know how we may better assist you! We look forward to a great semester!

War Eagle!!!

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Webs for Excellence: Tutoring began on Jan. 18, 2011. Study forums are in the mornings and tutoring in the afternoons. Please take advantage of this opportunity to receive additional tutoring in the following workshops:

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2011 Open House

COSAM's Office of Diversity and Multicultural Affairs held Open House on Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2011 in SCC 118. The purpose of Open House was to reintroduce students to the resources available to them including tutoring and counseling. Open House included an introduction to the Office of Diversity Staff, a community building activity, guest speakers, and a discussion of services offered to students.

Students arrived, signed in, and received the agenda and three handouts (Decoding Math Problems, General Tips for General Chemistry, and Tips for Success at Organic Chemistry). Eddrina Miller, Counseling Intern, discussed PASS Mentoring and Counseling Services. Announcements reminded students of Workshops for Excellence Tutoring and future events include Time Management and Test Anxiety seminars.

Cadavious Jones, COSAM Graduate Student, presented a 30 minute presentation entitled “Decoding Mathematics.” Cadavious' tips included: being prepared for class, taking notes, doing the homework assigned, using instructors office hours, getting help from tutors, and studying in small groups. The presentation included a question and answer session.

Refreshments followed the end of the program in SCC 239. Students and staff attended the AED Meeting featuring Neurosurgeon, Dr. Lee Warren in SCA following refreshments.

Secrets to Doing Better This Semester

Maybe your grades weren’t great last semester, and you want to make a change this semester. Here are some tips from other students who have been able to turn their grades points around.

1. Go to every class, every day, every week.
2. Don’t go out at night if you have classes the next day.
3. Increase your study time. (Is school your full time “job”? Do you spend 40 hours each week going to classes and doing school work?)
4. Get a study routine. Study something for each class, each day. Don’t procrastinate.
5. Read the textbook all semester, not just the night before the test.
6. Strive to get all the points possible on every test and paper, including extra credit.
7. Use a calendar to plan ahead for tests and papers.
8. When you don’t understand something, get help right away—talk to the instructor, get tutoring.

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Organizations Spotlight

AU Rhythm Dance Team
The purpose of AU Rhythm is to serve as a hip hop performance group and a community service outreach team in Auburn and the surrounding areas. http://www.auburn.edu/aurhythm

Black Graduate and Professional Student Association
This is an academic and professional organization of young, emerging scholars. The mission is to advance the scholarly activity of black students and to improve the status of African Americans in higher education by systematically identifying and addressing their needs and concerns. http://www.auburn.edu/student_info/bgpsa/

Auburn University Microbiology Club
The Microbiology Club helps to inform students about the microbiology major, and provides a community forum for students to learn about career opportunities and the latest news in microbiology. http://gump.auburn.edu/AUMicroClub/

Happy Valentine's Day
Stop by for a KISS on us!!!

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