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This newsletter is designed by your college advisers to keep you informed of important deadlines and alert you to programs and resources that may enhance your undergraduate academic experience.

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MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY: **MONDAY, MAY 26**
Monday, May 26th, no classes and UCSC campus office will be closed in observation of Memorial Day.

DEADLINE: **REMOVAL OF INCOMPLETE FROM WINTER 2014: THURSDAY, JUNE 12**
If you received a grade of "I" (Incomplete) in a winter 2014 course, it is time to finish your work if you haven't already done so! (Not sure if you have an Incomplete? Check your winter grades on your MyUCSC now.) Contact the instructor to clarify what is required to complete the course. You must complete the work for the course and file the "Petition for Removal of an Incomplete" before the last day of the quarter, Thursday, June 12th. (Your instructor can set an earlier deadline for work due to them.) The petition is available online at http://reg.ucsc.edu/forms.htm; a $10 fee will post to your student business account upon filing. Complete procedures can be found in Chapter 4 of The Navigator. If you do not complete the work by the end of spring quarter your Incomplete will lapse to a "No Pass" or an "F" depending on which grade option you selected.

SATISFYING YOUR C2 REQUIREMENT
Have you satisfied your C2 requirement? Your C2 requirement must be satisfied before the start of your 7th UCSC quarter. Writing 2 and 80B of your college core course (and Stevenson 81B) are the only UCSC courses that satisfy the C2 composition general education requirement for graduation. WRITING 2 COURSES FILL UP QUICKLY, so be sure to enroll at your first opportunity!

• Enrollment Procedures: You must satisfy the Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) and C1 before taking Writing 2. If you have not yet satisfied ELWR, click here for info. Not sure if you've satisfied ELWR? Visit your MyUCSC portal and go to your academic advisement report. Please see your college adviser for any questions or concerns.
• If fall is your 7th quarter, and you are not already C2 satisfied (or currently enrolled in Writing-2), you must enroll in (and pass with a P/C grade or better) Writing-2 during summer session, or enroll in (and pass with a P/C grade or better) a C2 transferable course at a California Community College. If you take a course elsewhere, promptly submit an official transcript to the Office of the Registrar AND contact your college as soon as you've passed the class.

SUMMER SESSION ENROLLMENT is still OPEN!

Enroll now for summer classes in your portal! UCSC Summer Session has 240+ classes, even 5 online! Most are 5 weeks, small class size, but intense and fast so plan to stay focused. Get caught up or get ahead in your progress toward graduation. Add Session 1 classes til Weds June 25; add Session 2 til Weds July 30.

Summer Aid and on-campus housing available. See Summer Session for fees, calendar, policies, and much more.
HOW TO DETERMINE IF A CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSE WILL TRANSFER TO UCSC

Many of you have been inquiring about taking classes over the summer at your local community college and how to determine if they will count for GE requirements or simply be transferable for credit. For those of you who started at UCSC before fall 2010, the website assist.org will be your best friend! This website will let you know what classes will count for GE's and be transferable at California Community Colleges. However, if you started as a first-year student in fall 2010 or later and are subject to the new GE requirements, it is important to know that the new GE's may not be available at some community colleges on assist.org. But you can still utilize assist.org to look for lower-division courses for your intended major and for general transferability of courses (credit for electives). Your college advisers are happy to answer any questions or concerns regarding this.

NEW MINOR FOR FALL 2014: SUSTAINABILITY STUDIES

Are you concerned about Earth's future? College Eight is pleased to announce the launch of a minor in Sustainability Studies starting Fall 2014. Launch your career in sustainability by enrolling in:

EE80S (Required Lower Division Gateway course, offered Fall Quarters Only)
CLEI 55 or CLEI 150A

For more information about the minor, go to: http://eight.ucsc.edu/academic-programs/Minor%20in%20Sustainability%20Studies.html Or contact Ronnie Lipschutz, rlipsch@ucsc.edu

SENIORS! DO YOU NEED TO CORRECT YOUR EGT (Expected Graduation Term)?

Your EGT (Expected Graduation Term) can be found in your Student Advising Summary on the Student Center page of your MyUCSC portal. Clicking on the "Degree" tab will reveal your final quarter at UCSC. If you need extra time beyond your EGT to complete your degree requirements (especially if your EGT is spring 2014), it is important to see your college adviser to petition extra quarters as soon as possible. It is very important to have an accurate EGT, especially if you hope to receive financial aid next year! If you plan to graduate before your EGT, no need to make a correction; it will update once you apply to graduate on the portal.

UCSC HONORS AT GRADUATION

UCSC awards several honors at graduation for outstanding academic achievement. These are some of the honors that UCSC undergraduates may receive upon graduation:

• University Honors: (Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Cum Laude) are based on a qualifying cumulative UC GPA for graduating seniors with at least 70 UC credits; the School of Engineering establishes separate GPA criteria. Click here to see qualifying GPA's for University Honors.
• Honors or Highest Honors in the Major: Most major departments award Honors or High Honors in the Major for excellent work in the major program.
• Phi Beta Kappa: Graduating seniors with an overall excellent academic record, that includes a second language, are considered for membership to the PHI BETA KAPPA SOCIETY. This prestigious organization has recognized scholastic achievement since 1776. If you are invited to membership of Phi Beta Kappa, we strongly encourage you to accept this honor! For more information, see https://www.pbk.org/home/index.aspx.

ADVISING TIP OF THE WEEK: SECURING A SUMMER JOB

Summer will be here before you know it! What do your summer plans entail? Are you traveling, taking summer classes, or working? If you are looking to earn a little extra money over the summer, now is the time to start trying to secure employment. Here are some tips to help you get a summer job:

• No previous work experience, no problem. If you haven't held a paying job, think about other experiences you might have that an employer would value. Make a list of volunteer work, student organizations you are involved in, and activities you partake in. All of these areas help you build leadership skills and the ability to work as a member of a team, which is what most employers are looking for.
• Maintain an open availability. If you are looking for a job in the service industry, then you will need to be able to work evenings and weekends. It is summer and you ideally want to be free to hang out with your friends on weekends and evenings, but the reality is you will not get hired if you aren't flexible. Most employers will allow you to request particular weekends off if you have an event or something special you need to be off for.
• The early bird catches the worm. You are not the only college student out there looking for a summer job, so the sooner you get out there and start pounding the pavement the better!
• **First impressions.** Look your best when you go out looking for a job and maintain a professional presence. The first impression you give a prospect employer can go a long way, so exude confidence through eye contact and a solid handshake, and you will be sure to leave a positive impression on your potential new boss.

• **Apply in person.** If you are looking for a retail or serving gig, applying in person with a professional resume is key. Many retail and restaurant managers don't have time to sift through online applications. If they see a bright, responsible college student walk through the door and shake their hand, they are liable to hire or at least set up an interview on the spot!