Support Areas: Updates and Spring/Summer Program Schedule

Accommodation Support: The Access Centre is transitioning to a new data management and test booking system, Clockwork, to improve the ease of use for both students and faculty. A full-scale roll-out is planned for the Fall term.

Incoming first-year students can register for SHIFT, the transition program for high school students who live with ADHD and Learning Disabilities. SHIFT is a week of on-campus daytime activities that includes exploring study strategies, funding opportunities, adaptive technology support, student services and orientation to the post-secondary environment.

English Language Support: Individual appointments are available from May 12 to August 15. Students can book an appointment to improve their English communication skills in writing, speaking and listening. Distance Education and off-campus students can book appointments using SKYPE. Group conversation circles will run throughout the summer.

Graduate Student Support: Individual appointments are available from May 12 to August 8. Distance education and off-campus students can book an Adobe Connect appointment to meet with a tutor online.

Math Support: The Math Centre is open May 12 to July 4, Monday to Friday 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Group study sessions for MTH240 will be offered in the Spring term.

Study Skills and Transition Support: Learning Success will facilitate workshops for Time Management on May 15 and June 3, Note-Taking on May 21 and Test and Exam Prep on May 29 and June 18. The Spring 2014 Fresh Start session starts May 13.

Test Centre: Make-up tests and exams will be offered on Mondays 9:00-12:00pm, Wednesdays 3:00-9:00pm, and Fridays 12:00-4:00pm.

Writing Support: The Writing Centre offers individual help from May 12 to August 8. The Writing Studio will run weekly on Tuesdays and the "How to Avoid Plagiarism" workshop will facilitate sessions on May 21 and June 26. Distance education and off-campus students can book an Adobe Connect appointment to meet with a tutor online.

SLS Moving to Student Learning Centre Update #1

At the start of the Winter 2015 term, SLS is moving to the new Student Learning Centre. A new website is being built over the summer that will replace individual sites. The site will also improve the student experience when registering for appointments and have accessible online resources and handouts. Students, faculty and staff can access information to any SLS program, study group schedule, workshop and book appointments through the main website.

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Staff Recognition and Awards

John Hannah, Assistant Director, is the first recipient of the new Larissa Allen, Employee Experience Award for contributions toward improving employee well-being at Ryerson by engaging and supporting employees in ways that have a positive impact on their experience. John was nominated by staff at the Writing Centre and Christina Halliday, Director of Student Learning Support.

Christopher Brierley, Senior English Language Specialist, is the recipient of the Best Experiential Work Study Experience Award. He was acknowledged for his efforts and dedication to providing experiential learning opportunities to students hired at English Language Support through the work-study program. Chris was nominated by his team of student staff.

Kaitlyn Taylor-Asquini, Student Accessibility Specialist, is the recipient of the Student Learning Support Educator Award. This is an internal award given to a current employee who demonstrates exemplary care, commitment to providing student support, and delivering programs that benefit the student experience. Kaitlyn was nominated by peers.

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