Islander Consultation, Advisement, Review and Evaluation Team

Texas A&M University- Corpus Christi seeks to provide a safe and secure environment for students to successfully pursue their academic and personal goals. Occasionally, a student will exhibit behavior or communicate in a fashion that raises concern. In order to best respond to such occurrences, Student Affairs has established the Islander Consultation, Advisement, Review and Evaluation (I-CARE) team. The purpose of the I-CARE team is twofold: first, to provide a centralized system for staff, faculty, and administrators to report concerns regarding students exhibiting disruptive, distressed, and/or high risk (suicidal/threatening) behaviors; and second, to ensure a timely and coordinated University response to these students. The centralization of information will allow for earlier intervention and support. The I-CARE team supplements, but does not replace existing University processes. Student behaviors to report include but are not limited to the following: suicidal attempts or threats; pre-occupation with suicide or death; alcohol/drug/medication overdose; self-inflicted injury; severe eating disturbances; repeated medical emergencies; or bizarre/threatening behavior, interaction or correspondence.

Faculty and staff with concerns regarding individual students may notify the I-CARE team by calling the Office of Student Affairs at 825-2612. When calling, be clear with the receptionist that you want to file an I-CARE report. You will be transferred to a designated full-time employee who will gather basic information regarding your concerns. This information will be forwarded to the I-CARE chair or designee. Those filing I-CARE reports will be contacted within one business day by an I-CARE team member. If you are not contacted within one business day, please follow-up with the Office of Student Affairs.

If you believe that there is an immediate threat to the safety of the individual student or others, you should notify the University Police Department right away at ext. 4444 or 825-4444. In these situations, there will be a coordinated response between the University Police Department, Student Affairs and other appropriate departments.

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Career Services

Career Services offers the "Don't Cancel Class" program which provides faculty with a series of career related presentation options designed to assist in preparing students for the world of work. The Don't Cancel Class series has been designed with today's student in mind. Presented in an interactive format, these programs utilize technology and today's student jargon to assist in student learning and participation. Most programs are adaptable to any student classification. If you do not see a topic that is conducive to your classroom needs we can customize a presentation to meet your students' needs. For contact Career Services at 825-2628.

**Topics include:**
- Introduction to the Job Search
- Writing a Resume & Cover Letter
- Interviewing 101: How to be a STAR in your interview
- Undecided 101: Career & Major Exploration
- Networking at a Career Fair: Getting the Most out of Career Day

**Fall 2008 Career Services Fairs:**
- All Major Career Fair - October 8, 10am-2pm, UC Ballroom
- Graduate School Fair - October 21, 10am-2pm, UC Ballroom
- Teacher Job Fair - November 12, 9:30am-12pm, UC Ballroom

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UCSA

University Center & Student Activities

**Faculty Advisors Needed**

Student organizations are forming and need your guidance this upcoming year. If you are interested in serving as a faculty advisor please contact Kim Duncan at x2706 or Kim.Duncan@tamucc.edu.

Reminder: Faculty/Staff Advisors meeting for UCSC Policies/Procedures (must attend one of the following meetings).
- Sept. 15, 2pm, Oso Room, UC 221
- Sept. 16, 10am, Bayview Room, UC 320
- Sept. 16, 5pm, Bayview Room, UC 320

**Scheduling Tips & Reminders**

- To request space in the UC or any outdoor event space on campus, visit us online at http://events.tamucc.edu or stop by the UC Information Desk to fill out a request form.
- Requests are not accepted via email or phone.
- For questions or help setting up your web account, please don't hesitate to contact us at ext. 5281.

**Events Planning Deadlines**

- Fall reservation requests are accepted after April 15th.
- Spring reservation requests are accepted after November 15th.
- Summer and interim dates are first-come, first-served.
- For events outside of these parameters, please contact us at 825-5281 for assistance.
Disruptive classroom behavior by students has become a major issue of concern to faculty at colleges and universities across the nation. In response to this growing concern, the Office of Judicial Affairs (OJA) offers several options for dealing with this issue, including disciplinary referrals, mediation, and informal discussions. Though most disruptive behavior can be handled by you, the faculty member, some may require consultation with the OJA, immediate intervention, or an emergency response by University Police Department. We can assist faculty in determining what appropriate course of action to take in individual cases of classroom disruption. It's better to report disruptive incidents promptly, even if they seem minor. A report can be filed by completing the Conduct Incident Report Form available online on the Judicial Affairs web site at: www.judicialaffairs.tamucc.edu.

For further assistance, you may contact Angela Walker, Assistant Dean of Students, at 825-2612, University Center 318.