ENGINEERING FUNDAMENTALS NEWSLETTER

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Important Advising Dates

- Mid-term grades: October 12
- Track A classes end: October 16
- Track B classes begin: October 19
- Last day to drop Track B classes with refund: October 22
- Last day to drop full semester classes with W: October 23
- Last day to drop Track B classes with no grade: October 28
- Spring & summer registration: November 1 - 15
- Last day to drop Track B classes with W: November 13
- Thanksgiving break: November 20 - 28
- Exam week: December 14 – 18

www.admin.mtu.edu/em/services/calendar

ADVISING

Mid-Term Grades

All first-year students will receive mid-term grades for their classes; mid-term grades are viewable on Banweb starting October 12, 2009. The purpose of mid-term grades is to help first-year students see how they are performing in their classes. If a student has questions regarding a mid-term grade for a class, they should meet with the instructor. Mid-term grades are defined as satisfactory (SA), unsatisfactory (UN), not applicable (NA), and missing (M). NA is used for courses where credit is not earned. M is used when an instructor does not submit a grade. Mid-term grades are temporary grades and will be replaced when the student has earned the final grade for the class. Therefore, no permanent record of the mid-term grade is kept.

Last Day to Drop with a “W”

October 23, 2009 (Friday, Week 8)

The last day to drop a class with a withdraw (W) grade is Friday of Week 8. All first-year students must meet with their academic advisor and instructor to drop a class. This allows the student to discuss the ramifications before dropping a class. After the last day to drop, students who have extenuating circumstances must appeal to the Student Affairs office for a Late Drop. The instructions for requesting a Late Drop can be found at: www.admin.mtu.edu/dos/latedrop.htm. More information regarding W grades can be found in the September 2009 Newsletter: www.geneng.mtu.edu/newsletter.html.

Registration

Spring and Summer registration will open November 1st, 10:00 pm through November 15th, midnight. If you have questions regarding what classes to take, you should make an appointment to meet with your academic advisor.

Registration typically opens each night at 10:00 pm. Due to the large number of sophomores, there will be two start times on Thursday, November 5, 10:00 pm and 11:00 pm. To find out what day and time you register go to: www.mtu.edu/registrar/students/registration/prepare/resources/priority/.

- Priority is based on the number of credits earned at the time of registration. This does not include the number of credits the student is currently taking.
- Students may register anytime on or after their scheduled day.
- The web will be unavailable for registration from 2:00–2:30 am each day.
- Registration closes at midnight Sunday, November 15 and reopens at 10:00 pm Sunday, November 22.
- Students with questions or problems should contact the Registrar's Office at 487-2319 or e-mail schedule@mtu.edu.

World Cultures versus Modern Language

All students are required to meet the World Cultures requirement. The requirement may be met in one of two ways:

WORLD CULTURES: Take UN1002 (4 credits). This is typically taken spring semester of the freshman year. If it is not transferred before a student gets to Michigan Tech, it cannot be transferred.

MODERN LANGUAGE: Take two semesters of a single modern language (French, German, Mandarin or Spanish) along with UN 1003 World Cultures Activities. UN1003 and a modern language class are typically taken spring semester of the freshman year. One semester of the modern language (3 credits) plus UN1003 (1 credit) count for World Cultures, the second semester of the modern language (3 credits) counts for HASS distribution requirements.

If you took French, German, or Spanish in high school and are going to take the same modern language at Michigan Tech, you should take the on-line placement test. To do this go to the Cashier’s Office in the Administration Building and pay the $5.00 fee. Once a week, the Humanities Department, will e-mail students a code so they can take the test on-line. If you want to get the code sooner, take your receipt to Ms. Sue Niemi in 319 Walker Arts Building.

After completing the test, you will receive your language placement on-line.

CAREER

Career Day 2009

The Michigan Tech Career Day was a great success. Attending the Career Day were 155 companies and approximately 3500 students. In addition, approximately 1700 formal interviews were conducted on-campus that week. If you missed Career Day, the Job Fair Guidebook is still available on-line at www.career.mtu.edu. Also, mark your calendars for the Winter 2010 Job Fair, February 16, 2010.

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