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# Student Success Workshop Series Fall 2020 Workshops

## **SEPTEMBER**

## **Résumé and Cover Letter Workshop**

Date: Tuesday, September 8th, 11:00am

Description: Part of student success means being prepared for the job force. It's always better to start early on your resume so that you don't miss any opportunities that arise during the year! This workshop will help students understand the basic format of a resume, along with all the information they should include in it. Additionally, we'll discuss the importance of a strong cover letter and how to write one. Finally, we'll conclude with some tips and tricks for making your resume and cover letters stand out!

#### Student Academic Progress (SAP) & Academic Standing Information

Date: Tuesday, September 15th, 11:00am

Description: Understanding your Academic Standing is very important. Academic standing is a formal notice of a student's academic progress. The rules for academic standing are intended to define what is expected of the students and give them an opportunity to meet the University's academic expectations. At the end of each semester (fall, spring, summer), each student's academic standing is reviewed for action.

## **Develop Effective Relationships with Faculty & Staff**

Date: Tuesday, September 22nd, 11:00am

Description: Students must be active participants in their learning. This workshop shares strategies on how to develop strong connections with faculty and staff that will ultimately contribute to their academic success.

## Understanding the Writing Process and Conquering the Blank Page

Date: Tuesday, September 29th, 11:00am

Description: Despite what many of us might believe, the writing process looks different for everyone, and it isn't as simple as sitting down and typing. This workshop tackles the daunting

writing process, providing a clear explanation of each step and dispelling writing myths like "Good writers don't need editors." Finally, we will work through some strategies for what is often the hardest part of the writing process: WRITING! We'll talk about how the face our fears and get some words on paper.

## **OCTOBER**

#### Student Academic Progress (SAP) & Academic Standing Information

Date: Tuesday, October 6th, 11:00am

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## **Understanding Your Credit Score**

Date: Tuesday, October 13th, at 11:00am

Description: Your credit score can save you (or cost you) thousands of dollars. In this seminar, we'll explain the difference between good credit, bad credit, and no credit. We'll also share tips to position yourself for the best possible rates, regardless of your credit score today.

## Your SAP Status Can Affect Your Financial Aid

Date: Tuesday, October 20th, 11:00am

Description: Satisfactory Academic Progress indicates the successful completion of coursework towards a degree. Federal Student Aid regulations state that any student who fails to make progress toward a degree will lose eligibility to receive federal financial aid. This regulation applies to all students applying for financial aid, including those that have not previously received financial aid.

## Cyberbullying

Date: Tuesday, October 27th, 11:00am

Description: Understanding and addressing cyberbullying is important. This workshop will increase the understanding of the language, skills, information, and challenges that are associated with cyberbullying.

## **NOVEMBER**

#### **Creative Writing for Mental Wellness**

Date: Tuesday, November 3rd, 11:00am

Description: Mental health is still a taboo subject in many communities. However, almost everyone experiences mental health struggles now and then. This workshop begins with a discussion of the different ways we might experience mental health struggles and then offers a possible outlet: creative writing. There is no pressure to create anything perfect in this workshop. Instead, we will talk about writing as an outlet, whether it's journaling, writing poetry and songs, or cartooning, the practice of writing as stress relief is one that can bring unexpected comfort to many people!

#### **Test Taking Strategies**

Date: Tuesday, November 10th, 11:00am

Description: How can I become a better test taker? Join us to discuss strategies for maximizing your test grade, including managing test-induced anxiety. Handouts will be available.

#### **Organizing Yourself for Academic Success**

Date: Tuesday, November 17th, 11:00am

Description: Being successful is something every college student envisions. This workshop outlines the habits of successful college students and explains how to incorporate them into your life. Students will be given powerful organization tips for their academic success.

For more information on Student Success Workshops, please contact the Center for Academic Excellence at cae@htu.edu.