

THE PERSISTENCE

The path to accelerating and enjoying the learning process requires us to see success and failure as equally instructive and valuable.

*-Michael Gelb and
Tony Buzan*

Source: <http://www.motivationalquotes.com/quotes/success--quotes.html>

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Happy Thanksgiving from TRiO!

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone! We hope you enjoy the holiday and the 4-day weekend.

The TRiO office will CLOSE at 12:00pm on Wednesday, November 26 and will reopen at 8:00am on Monday, December 1st. If you need help with anything before the holiday, stop by our office ahead of time.

The university will be closed from Thursday, November 27th to Sunday, November 30th.

If you'd like to have a free, home-cooked Thanksgiving dinner contact Steve Laing at 907-796-6543 or steve.laing@uas.alaska.edu. He and Ron Hulstein will be hosting a dinner at the Schaible house at 2pm.



Lucky TRiO Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to those who received a TRiO scholarship. We had a lot of applicants this semester and are sorry to those who didn't get one. We recommend that you keep applying!

The TRiO scholarship recipients this semester are:

- Erika Partlow
- Dustin Raymond
- Kari Dammerman
- Cory Grant
- Lorena Phillips

Once again, congratulations!

Successful Workshops

This semester, TRiO has worked with the Learning Center, the Native and Rural Student Center, PITAAS, Financial Aid, and Student Services to host a handful of workshops. Working together has been very successful and we will continue to co-sponsor workshops next semester. Stay tuned and look out for our Spring workshop schedule. Many thanks to all our partners. We look forward to working with you next semester!

IMPORTANT University Dates

November 10– Priority Registration began

November 20– Last day to withdraw

November 24– Registration open to *everyone*

November 27-30– Thanksgiving Break

December 8-13– FINALS Week

December 8-13- Used Book Buy Back at the Bookstore

December 16– Grades DUE

December 13– January 11– CHRISTMAS BREAK!!

December 24– January 4– *TRiO Office Closed*

Ask “See-See”

Have a problem and don't know what to do? Ask See-See! E-mail your questions to trio@uas.alaska.edu. Here are some of the questions that we received this month:

Dear See-See,

Q. I just met my boyfriend's family and I don't think they like me. What do I do?

A. It's fairly common for a family to take some time to warm up to the idea of a new relationship in their child's life. What did you do to let them know that you liked them?

Dear See-See,

Q. How do I get through a class when my professor is boring?

A. Pinch yourself. Make friends with another classmate so you can laugh afterwards. Tell yourself you can do anything for a few hours. Try thinking about how you would teach the same material to make it interesting and write it down instead of standard notes.

Dear See-See,

Q. After I graduate, how will I know what job/work environment is right for me?

A. You might volunteer where you think you might want to work, or try job shadowing. It might be more useful if you do this BEFORE you graduate!

Registration Tips

- MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR!
- Register as soon as possible because classes fill up quickly.
- Taking short courses? Be aware of the withdrawal dates because they differ from the normal withdrawal dates (more information can be found at www.uas.alaska.edu/admissions/records/shortcourse.html)
- Be aware of the drop dates and the normal withdrawal dates (specific dates can be found at <http://www.uas.alaska.edu/calendar/events/academic-calendar.html>)
- And MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR!

Creative Contest Opportunities

- **The Harold McCracken Award for Outstanding Fiction and Non-Fiction Writing About Alaska and the North Country**— \$150 award. Open to all students who are enrolled at the University of Alaska during the 2008-2009 school year. You can only submit one piece and the piece can be up to 30 pages long, double-spaced. Two coversheets need to be submitted with the entry. The **deadline** is Friday, March 6, 2009.
- **Northern Lights Essay Contest- \$100 award.** Open to all students who are enrolled at the University of Alaska during the 2008-2009 school year. You can only submit one piece and the piece can be up to 30 pages long, double-spaced. Two coversheets need to be submitted with the entry. The **deadline** is Friday, March 6, 2009.
- **The Harold McCracken Endowment Poetry Contest- \$100 award.** Open to all students who are enrolled at the University of Alaska during the 2008-2009 school year. You can only submit one piece and the piece can be up to 3 pages, double-spaced. Two coversheets need to be submitted with the entry. The **deadline** is Friday, March 6, 2009.
- All entries must be mailed to the Fairbanks campus. Please stop by our office for more information on these contests.