The Graduate School Coffee Talk

Thursday, September 19th, 2pm (till 3 or 3:30)

Sub Ballroom B

Agenda:

Student Accounts (Jennifer Huber):

How/when students confirm, what this means, how it affects their aid/account, fees and late fees, plus a Q & A for student accounts

Q’s that came up: Financial aid and the $50 fee for orientation – if that can be covered under financial aid…. The same with program of study fees and the like….

* *I checked with FA, and was told that how the fees are assessed are on a weighted average scale based on 8-9 credits.  However, if student costs are higher than this average, the student can appeal the process that determines the fees.  The student would do this through FA. This is a very basic run-down of what was told to me, so if you want to understand more about this – please contact the FA office!*
* *Josie asked about a residency change report and Mo said she could create one and place it on the Registrars KNOX drive.*

CollegeNET: updates

·      *We have the new CollegeNet applications back from the company and The GS are in the process of reviewing them for initial updates.*

·       *Meetings set up next week for departments/programs to review their applications for this initial round.  We have reserved Hamilton Hall, Tuesday/Wednesday and Friday next week (8-12noon) for people to drop in and review their application.  These appointments should not take too much time; you will not need the entire 4 hours – so drop in any time during this time frame.*

Any departmental news/updates (email me if you have an update that everyone should know); to date:

Fixing/Updating web pages

·         *OIP and URL and $$ for international students: update your webpage with the URL to the office of OIP and to their updated financial certificate.*

·         *Use URL links rather than re-writing an element that may come from a different office than your own (example from above: linking international students directly with the “forms” on the office of OIP rather than “re-writing” it in text on your own site).  This way, when that office updates information, it will automatically be updated on your site.*

·        *All webpages: updates should be ongoing. Please update your webpages regularly; I know we use your webpages for recruitment purposes – and therefore, are handing out URL links to interested students.  The quicker and easier and more up-to-date the information is on your site, the better. Think this: “what questions can I answer on my webpage that most students want to know”.  The top questions I’m asked every week by students all around the country and world:*

*1. Is there funding?  How do I get a scholarship or an assistantship?*

*2. What are the deadlines for application review?*

*3. What are the minimum GRE scores necessary for applying into this program?*

*4. “how do I know where I’m at in the review process?” –which CollegeNet will be helping out SOON!*

One-Pagers

*If a department would like to update their one-pager with more student relevant information (i.e., info to aid in student recruitment) or if there has been departmental changes, etc.  Contact Melis with updates/etc.* *Melisenda.edwards@montana.edu**.  One request: if you have a one-pager, please update your website with the PDF.*

GRE Search for Recruitment

·         *More departments/programs are taking advantage of this service…. If you are interested, contact Melis.*

New Graduate Student Orientation updates:

·         *Adding the following components to future orientations: Bill confirmation “How To”? (Melis is checking with Financial Aid on this)*

·         *ROTC for Graduate students*

**Some other points we thought we should let the group know about:**

* Currently, we have 2,030 graduate students enrolled this fall – that is up from 1,888 in fall of 2012!
* The following is where they are at, around campus:

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| 2 | Accounting Foundations |
| 7 | Addiction Counselor |
| 7 | Agricultural Education |
| 26 | American Studies |
| 16 | Animal and Range Sciences |
| 14 | Applied Economics |
| 1 | Applied Statistics Certificate |
| 61 | Architecture |
| 11 | Art |
| 4 | Art History |
| 31 | Biochemistry |
| 14 | Biological Sciences |
| 9 | Chemical Engineering |
| 48 | Chemistry |
| 3 | Chemistry Certificate |
| 14 | Civil Engineering |
| 1 | College Teaching Certificate |
| 47 | Computer Science |
| 1 | Construction Engineering Mgmt |
| 53 | Earth Sciences |
| 26 | Ecology & Environment Sciences |
| 9 | Ecology/Environmental Sciences |
| 221 | Education |
| 1 | Education Administration |
| 23 | Electrical Engineering |
| 1 | Elementary School Certificate |
| 50 | Engineering |
| 13 | English |
| 6 | Entomology |
| 12 | Environmental Engineering |
| 7 | Fish and Wildlife Biology |
| 22 | Fish and Wildlife Management |
| 14 | Health Sciences |
| 80 | Health and Human Development |
| 26 | History |
| 9 | Immunology & Infectious Diseases |
| 12 | Industrial & Management Engr |
| 4 | Land Rehabilitation |
| 45 | Land Resources Environmntl Sci |
| 20 | Library Media Certificate |
| 5 | Licensed Addiction Counseling |
| 3 | Life Science  Certificate |
| 63 | Mathematics |
| 24 | Mechanical Engineering |
| 20 | Microbiology |
| 18 | Molecular Biosciences |
| 17 | Montana Dietetic Internship |
| 9 | Native American Certificate |
| 17 | Native American Studies |
| 5 | Neuroscience |
| 103 | No Plains Trans to Teach |
| 205 | Non-Degree Graduate |
| 59 | Nursing |
| 23 | Nursing Practice |
| 56 | Physics |
| 2 | Physics Certificate |
| 22 | Plant Science |
| 21 | Pre-Medical Certificate |
| 18 | Prof Mstr of Sci and Engr Mgmt |
| 36 | Professional Accountancy |
| 11 | Psychological Science |
| 16 | Public Administration |
| 37 | Sci/Natl Hist Filmmaking |
| 191 | Science Education |
| 23 | Statistics |
| 25 | Teacher Certification |
|  | 30  WWAMI/Medical Science |