Session #1
Presenter: Mayo Clinic Human Resources: Guy Finne, Doug Halverson, Pauline Ptacke-Raishe
Room: Hill Theater
Time: 9:00 am
Target Audience: All Students

Description: This session will focus on some key basic concepts for interviewing such as professionalism, being on time and communication style. However, this session will also take us beyond the basics as we explore topics on passion, exploring who you are and culture.
HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS AND CREATE WEALTH

- Session #2 and #25
- Presenter: Jason Ferrie and Don Baldus
- Room: SH 110
- Time: 9:00 am and 6:20 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Come and learn what banks and insurance companies do not want you to know about money. This presentation will teach you the basics of finance with a focus on the importance of having a financial game plan to help you reach your goals and dreams.
Session #3
Presenter: Jonathon Holland
Room: SH 107
Time: 9:00 am
Target Audience: All Students

Description: The equine science session is for current or future equine science students who will be doing an internship. The topic of discussion will be how to get an internship placement that is right for you, what do you need to do to set it up, and tips on how to get the most out of your internship. Much of this information will apply to getting the right career in the horse industry as well.
Session #4
Presenter: Panel Discussion
Room: HS 131
Time: 9:00 am
Target Audience: All Students

Description: Come and hear from the Mayo School of Health Science Program Leaders about Histology Technician, Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist (CVIS), and Clinical Research Coordinator (CRC) programs. Learn how best to prepare for admission into these special admission programs and strategies to be successful in these programs. The presentation will conclude with descriptions of these career fields and a look at the future employment outlook and career opportunities within their respective fields.

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WANT THE EDGE IN AN INTERVIEW?

- Session #5
- Presenter: Lisa Baldus
- Room: HS 128
- Time: 9:00 am
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Topics include:
  - What to wear.
  - Why employers ask specific questions during an interview and how best to answer them.
  - Why too much sharing is counterproductive in an interview.
  - Subjects or things that are better left unsaid.
DISCOVER YOUR CAREER

- Session #6 and #18
- Presenter: Bob Ekstam and Gregg Wright
- Room: AT 210
- Time: 10:10 am and 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Start on the path to finding the right career for you using free online tools.

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Session #7 and online (#31)
Presenter: Ivonne TjoeFat
Room: HS 128 and online
Time: 10:10 am and available online between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
Target Audience: All Students

Description: To succeed in life, it is essential to know how to relate well and how to overcome communication barriers.

George Bernard Shaw: “Love is the most violent, most insane, most delusive, and most transient of all emotions”.

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Session: #8
Presenter: Panel Discussion
Room: CF 202
Time: 10:10 am
Target Audience: All Students

Description: Various Professionals will give a brief description of their past work experience, education, opportunities and challenges they have faced on their journey through life.
Session #9 and online (#29)
Presenter: Tom Kerr
Room: SH 110 and online
Time: 10:10 am and available online between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
Target Audience: All Students

Description: The most successful students take good notes. In this workshop, you will learn how they do it. Topics will include outlining, concept maps, and what you should do with your notes after class. Attending this workshop will help you to develop a note-taking system that works for YOU! (Note: This workshop is designed for students enrolled in the first-year experience course but all RCTC students are invited to attend.)

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Session #10 and #17
Presenter: Learning Center Staff
Room: AT 209
Time: 10:10 am and 11:20 am
Target Audience: All Students

Description: Maybe you’re looking for a new job or just want to be ready if something opens up. Applying can be a tedious process, requiring several different steps. One of these steps will surely be creating a resume to send to possible employers. The resume is the first impression that employer will have of you, and you want it to be a good (and positive) impression. Join us in the Comprehensive Learning Center on Student Success Day to discuss tips on how to create a resume that is fully-developed and appealing to prospective employers.

We will:
1) Look at different templates for resumes on Microsoft Word
2) Discuss what you should include in the resume, and what you should leave out
3) Discuss ways you can frame your past experience

Students should:
Bring a copy of a resume. We will have time to answer specific questions and take a look at resumes.
Session #11
Presenter: Shirley Wilson
Room: SH 103
Time: 10:10 am
Target Audience: All Students

Description: Students will be introduced to E-Folio Minnesota; showing the importance as to why E-Folio Minnesota should be used to showcase their education, employment history, activities, and goals to potential employers. Resources will be provided to students who would like to learn more about how to use E-Folio Minnesota.
Session #12 and #22
Presenter: Michelle Cochran
Room: HS 131
Time: 10:10 am and 1:00 pm
Target Audience: All Students

Description: College courses usually involve lots of reading! Not only is there MORE reading, but college reading will include many new ideas and unfamiliar words. Are you well prepared for reading in college? How do you know? Do your reading skills need a bit of work?
You will leave this session with a plan to tackle college reading!

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Description: Successful college students understand that attending class, developing good study habits, and managing time well are keys to their success in college. But, there is another key that often is unrecognized. This session will reveal findings from the College Student Health Survey (including RCTC student data) and describe how student health relates to academic success. Recommendations and ideas for improving health will be included.
How Service Learning Changed My Life

- Session #14
- Presenter: Panel Discussion
- Room: HS 128
- Time: 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Come and hear from RCTC students how their experiences with Service Learning is a powerful force for change. Some students change career paths, some stay the course. Some have seen the world! Come explore your options!

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ASK A PROFESSIONAL (WALK-INS WELCOME)

- Session #15
- Presenter: Meet and Greet/Student Senate
- Room: CF 206-8
- Time: 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: A time to sit down and ask any question to a professional in a career you are interested in. This will be a small group/one-on-one question and answer session with snacks and drinks.
Description: RCTC President Don Supalla will bring his monthly staff version of “Chat with the President” to students. Don will begin the session with a brief overview of current happenings at RCTC and Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. The vast majority of the time will be reserved for students to interact with Don on an informal basis, ask questions and share comments.
Session #19 and online (#32)
Presenter: Jennifer Rubin
Room: SH 105 and online
Time: 11:20 am and available online between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
Target Audience: All Students

Description: Come find out what the new A.S. degree program in Environmental Science and the field of environmental science have to offer.

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Session #20
Presenter: Mark Schnaedter
Room: Hill Theater
Time: 11:20 am
Target Audience: All Students

Description: Think of a test as a game: there are rules, strategies, and tricks you should learn in order to maximize your potential for success. In this session you'll walk away with lots of techniques to help you win those games.
WHAT CAN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DO FOR YOU?

- Session #21
- Presenter: Jody Schaber
- Room: HS 131
- Time: 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Come learn what Workforce Development can do for you. They offer assessment, career counseling, skills training, job search guidance, and much, much more!
COVER LETTER WRITING: WHY THEY ARE IMPORTANT, AND HOW TO MAKE YOURS STAND OUT

- Session #23
- Presenter: Katie Rudolph
- Room: HS 128
- Time: 1:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: In this session, we will discuss the purpose of cover letters, the different forms a cover letter can take, and most importantly – how to write a great one! Whether you have never written a cover letter before, or just need a refresher, this is a great session for you! Time-permitting, there will be an opportunity for critiques, so please feel free to bring a copy of your letter if you have one.
Description: Have you ever thought that you may have had real-life experiences outside of the classroom or training experiences in the workplace that might be recognized by colleges as the equivalent of classes that are offered for credit? In this session, Bob Sanborn, the faculty representative on the Credit for Prior Learning task force, will explain what kinds of experience may translate into college credit, and what RCTC is doing to make this process easier and more accessible for students.
ONLINE
ALLIED HEALTH CAREERS

- Presenter: Nirmala Kotagal
- Room: SH 202 and online
- Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: An overview of allied health and science-related programs at RCTC. This session discusses the academic and other preparation needed for these career pathways. Students will gain an understanding of the special admission process for these programs.

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CAREER RESOURCE ROOM: VIDEOS AND WEB SITES FOR CAREER EXPLORATION

- Presenter: Deb Vang
- Room: SH 202 and online
- Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description:

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GET ‘THERE’ INTERNATIONALY

- Presenter: Lori Halverson-Wente
- Room: SH 202 and online
- Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Study Abroad? Me? YES! During this session learn about the international travel opportunities at RCTC and within our MNSCU system.

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**ONLINE LEARNING STYLES**

- **Presenter:** Bret Fuller
- **Room:** SH 202 and online
- **Time:** Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- **Target Audience:** All Students

- **Description:** How do you learn best? This D2L presentation will give you an opportunity to find out by participating in a few learning style surveys.

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Presenter: Janell Holter
Room: SH 202 and online
Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm

Description: You have control over many things in your life. You have the power. Get ready to take control of your education and turn on the GREEN light To TURN YOUR EDUCATIONAL LIFE ON!

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ONLINE
PATH TO PURPLE

- Presenter: Paula Carlsen and Trent Derbach
- Room: SH 202 and online
- Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: The presentation will include staff from both schools. The goal is to share with our students a clear understanding of how the curriculum and transition works as well as all of the student services available to our Path to Purple students.

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ONLINE
TIME MANAGEMENT

- Presenter: Science Faculty
- Room: SH 202 and online
- Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

➢ Description: This online presentation will present tried and true tips for organizing your time and using it wisely.

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ONLINE
VIRTUAL ACADEMIC SUCCESS

- Presenter: Mary Dennison
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Come and visit Goddard Library, virtually! Participants will learn and about services and features of the physical space of Goddard Library. Interactive questions and a brief website overview will also be included in this session.

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ONLINE
WHAT YOU CAN DO WITH A DEGREE IN HORTICULTURE

- Presenter: Robin Fruth- Dugstad
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 12:01 am and 11:59 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Horticulture industries offer many career opportunities for smart, passionate and enthusiastic people like you. And luckily for you, this “field” is ripe for the picking. Look beyond the myths surrounding these careers to learn the truth about professions that offer variety, flexibility, competitive pay, opportunities to grow, and overall job satisfaction.

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SERVICE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

- Presenter: Colleen Landherr and Lynn Guenette
- Room: EA 103
- Time: 12:40 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Service Learning opportunities are available at:
  - Channel One Food Bank and Food Shelf
  - Salvation Army:
    - Castleview Apartments & Caring Partners Adult Day Building
  - Dental Clinic
  - Thrift Store
  - Habitat for Humanity:
    - House Building:
    - Home Show Set Up
    - Thank You Project

- Pre-registration is required - see www.rctc.edu/successday. If registrations online are full, please come to EA103 at 12:40 as there may be additional spots available.

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Room: Atrium check-in (pre-registration at www.rctc.edu/successday and attendance at 9 am Keynote session highly recommended)

Time: Available between 10 am and 2:20 pm

Target Audience: All Students

Description: A mock interview is a simulation of an interview used for training purposes. The interview tries to resemble a real interview as close as possible. This is one of the very best ways to prepare for an actual employment interview. It will help you to learn what is expected in a real interview, and how you can improve the way you present yourself. You will be provided constructive feedback on your interview. These interviews are a safe place to practice your interview skills and gain valuable feedback."