Keynote Speaker- Monster College Advantage

- Session #1 and #16
- Presenter: Monster
- Room: Hill Theater
- Time: 9:00 am and 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Want a real job when you graduate? Come get the inside scoop on what to do throughout college to make yourself the ideal candidate when you graduate.
How to Apply for Scholarships

- Session #2 and #10
- Presenter: Lisa Baldus
- Room: HS 128
- Time: 9:00 am and 10:10 am
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: RCTC Foundation will provide information on what kinds of scholarships are available, how they work, how to apply for them, when to apply, and what needs to be on every application.
Keys to Success

- Session #3
- Presenter: Kim Stanton and Steve Lewis
- Room: SH 210
- Time: 9:00 am
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Statistics reveal that many students never make it to their second year of college. If you want to complete your college education there are a number of changes that you can make now to improve your odds. These ten simple recommendations will significantly improve your probability of not only being successful in your courses, but will make your tenure at RCTC more valuable.
How to be a Great Math Student

- Session #4 and online
- Presenter: Priscilla Ruemping
- Room: SH 107 and online
- Time: 9:00 am and available online between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: This presentation covers strategies you can use to improve your performance in your math class.

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How Money Works

- Session #5
- Presenter: Jason Ferrie and Don Baldus
- Room: SH 110
- Time: 9:00 am
- 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.
Reading Success (FYEX)

- Session #6 and #19
- Presenter: Michelle Cochran
- Room: MH 223 and SH 110
- Time: 9:00 am and 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: So much reading, so little time! 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.
Relationship and Communication Barriers

- Session #8 and online
- Presenter: Ivonne TjoeFat
- Room: SH 110 and online
- Time: 10:10 am and available online 8:00 am and 10:00 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”.

Go to D2L for more information
Note Taking Success (FYEX)

- Session #9 and online
- Presenter: Tom Kerr
- Room: SH 210 and online
- Time: 10:10 am and available online 8:00 am to 10:00 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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Strategies for Taking Tests (FYEX)

- Session #11 and #17
- Presenter: Mark Schnaedter
- Room: MH 223
- Time: 10:10 am and 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.
Academic Success and the Library

- Session #12 and #27
- Presenter: Mary Dennison, Jen Bruce and Gwen Neville
- Room: Goddard Library
- Time: 10:10 am and 6:20 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Come and learn about some of the library’s new services and resources. We’re busy adding more resources, especially electronic resources like streaming videos and ebooks. Also, some of our article databases have enhancements and new features that we think you might like.

September 21, 2011
Learning Center Introduction

- Session #13
- Presenter: Don Baldus
- Room: AT 306
- Time: 10:10 am
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Want to improve your chances of success at RCTC? Well, the UCR Learning Center is the place to be! This interactive, student-centered, session will provide you an overview of the various aspects of the Learning Center and what you can do to improve your grades and learning.

September 21, 2011
Study Abroad Opportunities at RCTC

- Session #14
- Presenter: Lori Halverson-Wente, Robin Fruth-Dugstad, and Lillyam Arroyave
- Room: HS 136
- Time: 10:10 am
- 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.

September 21, 2011
Service Learning Opportunities

- Session #15
- Presenter: Lynn Guenette, Colleen Landherr Maddox and Guest Speakers
- Room: SH 107
- Time: 10:10 am
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Students will receive “Service Learning Etiquette” tips; review expectations from the agency’s point of view from two community partners; navigate RCTC Service Learning web site and address questions from participants.
Leadership Development

- Session #18
- Presenter: Bob Sanborn
- Room: HS 136
- Time: 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Are you a leader? Have you ever wondered if you might be qualified to lead or if you actually have been functioning as a leader without the recognition or self-awareness that usually comes with that position? Join Bob Sanborn and students from the current Phi Theta Kappa Leadership class to learn the basics of how studies in leadership is changing and evolving in our culture and here at the college.
Medical Office Careers at Mayo Clinic

- Session #20
- Presenter: Rebecca Valentine
- Room: SH 104
- Time: 11:20 am
- Target Audience: Students with an interest in Mayo office careers

Description: Come and explore the field of medical secretary and medical transcription at this session. You will be provided with information from a Mayo Clinic representative who will share information about this career, and how to become a medical secretary or medical transcriptionist at Mayo Clinic.
Path to Purple-RCTC to WSU: Come See Your Pathway to Success

- Session #21 and #26
- Presenter: Paula Carlsen, Pete Myszkowski, and Trent Dernbach
- Room: CF 202
- Time: 11:20 am and 5:20 pm
- Target Audience: This session is intended for both new and current students who are in one of the Path to Purple programs with RCTC / WSU-R.

Description: The presentation will include staff from both schools. The goal is to explain the curriculum and transition process, as well as the student services available for our Path to Purple students.
Phi Theta Kappa

- Session #22
- Presenter: Allan O’Bryan
- Room: SH 107
- Time: 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Phi Theta Kappa's mission is two-fold: 1) recognize and encourage the academic achievement of two-year college students and (2) provide opportunities for individual growth and development through participation in honors, leadership, service and fellowship programming. Come learn about RCTC’s local chapter and scheduled activities. Information will be presented on how to join (minimum GPA of 3.2), membership benefits, scholarships, and local leadership opportunities available to students.
A Taste of Art + Design

- Session #23
- Presenter: Art + Design Faculty
- Room: PH 300
- Time: 11:20 am
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: This presentation will engage students with an interactive tour of the Art + Design department here at RCTC. Participants will visit Drawing and Painting, Photography, Ceramics, and a Digital Studio. Brief hands-on demos will be available for participants to get a taste of what we have to offer. Instructors from each area will be available for questions related to the courses and programs we offer. A potluck will follow the tour in the PH 300 area.
Keynote- Ultimate Money Skills: College

- Session #24
- Presenter: Monster
- Room: Hill Theater
- Time: 1:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Come to the Ultimate Money Skills: College presentation to learn how to make the most of your money, including how to build a budget, manage credit wisely and help protect yourself from identity theft.
Opportunities for Credit for Prior Learning

- Session #25
- Presenter: Bob Sanborn
- Room: SH 110
- Time: 5:20 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

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.
Session #28
Presenter: Harry Kerr
Room: SH 110
Time: 6:20 pm
Target Audience: All Students

Description: If you or someone you know is or has been deployed with the military what resources are available to help with the transition to being a college student. How do you go from the battlefield to the classroom? How can I concentrate on school when someone I care about is currently in the military or overseas in a war zone? You are not alone. We can help.
Online
Life is On: Strategies for Success in College

- Session # 29

- 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!
Online
Virtual Academic Success

- Session #30
- Presenter: Jen Bruce
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 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

GPS Goals + Planning = Success

- Session #31
- Presenter: Deb Vang
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Learn how the GPS LifePlan web site can help you set goals and design plans that will lead you to the success you desire. Learn more about the 5 Plans (Career, Education, Finance, Leadership and Personal) and discover how they might help you.

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Online

What to Expect from your Academic Advisor and What your Advisor Expects from You

- Session #33
- Presenter: Nate Smith
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Academic advising is a two-way street. Your academic advisor has responsibilities to you, and you have expectations to fulfill to your academic advisor. Learn about the process and how it will help you succeed.

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Online Test Anxiety

- Session #34
- Presenter: Othelmo da Silva
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

- Description: Do tests or quizzes make you break out in a cold sweat? Do they make you so nervous you can’t even think? Come to this session to learn about techniques that can minimize test-associated anxiety and about resources for RCTC students.

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Online

Allied Health Careers

- Session #35
- Presenter: Nirmala Kotagal
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 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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Online

Time Management

- Session #36
- Presenter: Science Faculty
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 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

Get ‘There’ Internationally

- Session #37
- Presenter: Lori Halverson-Wente
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 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
Horticulture Program

- Session #38
- Presenter: Robin Fruth-Dugstad
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 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.

Go to D2L for more information
Online
Learning Styles

- Session #40
- Presenter: Bret Fuller
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 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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Online

How to Study for Science

- Session #42
- Presenter: Science Faculty
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: This session will present a variety of things you can do before, during, and after class as well as before and after exams to help your success in science classes. Most of the strategies will work for any class, but are presented in the context of science. A part of this session is reflection about what you do to study for your classes and what strategies would make the most sense for you to implement. The goal is to provide you a whole toolbox of ideas of which you can choose those that will work for you.

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Online Careers working with Children, Youth and Families

- Session #43
- Presenter: Stacey York
- Room: SH 206 and online
- Time: Available between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm
- Target Audience: All Students

Description: Have you ever considered a career working with children, youth, or families? Learn about many different degree and career options in education and social services that involve working with children, youth, and families.

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