

# KEYNOTE: MONSTER COLLEGE ADVANTAGE

- ✘ Session #1 and #17
  - ✘ Presenter: Monster
  - ✘ Room: Hill Theater
  - ✘ Time: 9:00 am and 11:20 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ 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.



# LEARNING OUTCOMES: JUST WHAT AM I LEARNING ?

- ✘ Session #2
- ✘ Presenter: Jamie Parkin
- ✘ Room: SH 108
- ✘ Time: 9:00 am
- ✘ Target Audience: All students



- ✘ Description: This session will provide an opportunity for students to learn about RCTC's six learning outcomes: Communication, Critical Thinking, Civic Responsibility, Personal & Professional Accountability, Global Awareness/Diversity, and Aesthetic Response. THESE are the six things we believe EVERY student should learn while at RCTC! We will discuss each outcome and help students recognize the relevance of these outcomes to their individual classes and personal goals for their education.

# TELL AN ADMINISTRATOR WHAT YOU WANT

- ✘ Session #3 and #31
- ✘ Presenter: Don Supalla, Mike Bequette, Marilyn Hansmann, Stan Cram, Scott Sahs
- ✘ Room: SH 104 and SH 110
- ✘ Time: 9:00 am and 6:20 pm
- ✘ Target Audience: All students



- Description: This is a great opportunity to ask questions directly of Don Supalla (President of RCTC), Marilyn Hansmann (Vice President of Finance and Facilities), Mike Bequette (Vice President of Teaching and Learning), Stan Cram (Vice President of Student Development and Services), and Scott Sahs (Chief Information Officer). Don't know any of these folks? This is a great chance to change that, and to get some answers too!

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# TRAVEL STUDY PANEL DISCUSSION

- ✘ Session #4
- ✘ Presenter: Lori Halverson-Wente and panel
- ✘ Room: SH 107
- ✘ Time: 9:00 am
- ✘ Target Audience: All students



- ✘ Description: Get There Internationally RCTC offers several opportunities for you to travel abroad to study as well as serve others. Learn more about our annual trips such as: the Winter Break Service Trip to Cambodia, Spring Nursing Trip to Ecuador and Summer Service Learning trip to Guatemala. Also, each year our Horticulture Club sponsors a trip to a new destination. This session will also share information about long-term travel abroad options you might pursue. Expect the Unexpected -- Internationally!

# TIME MANAGEMENT

- × Session #5 and #36
- × Presenter: Heather Sklenicka and Teresa Brown
- × Room: SH 110
- × Time: 9:00 am and available anytime online 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.



# RELATIONSHIPS AND COMMUNICATION BARRIERS

- ✘ Session #6
  - ✘ Presenter: Ivonne TjoeFat
  - ✘ Room: HS 131
  - ✘ Time: 9:00 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: Anyone who hasn't taken a psychology course yet but everyone is welcome.
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- ✘ Description: A brief introduction in the process of building relationships and some obstacles(i.e. culture+gender) in how we communicate in relationships.



# WHAT'S NEW IN THE LIBRARY

- ✘ Session #7 and #30
  - ✘ Presenter: Diane Pollock or Gwen Neville
  - ✘ Room: Goddard Library- Reference Desk
  - ✘ Time: 9:00 am and 6:20 pm
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ Description: The past year has been a busy one at Goddard Library. We have added new databases, streaming videos, designed a new webpage with brand new features, enhanced our research services, and of course new books are arriving every week! More students are using the library than ever, so stop in and see what all the excitement is about.



# HOW TO TAKE NOTES AND PREPARE FOR EXAMS

- ✘ Session #8
  - ✘ Presenter: Timothy Carter
  - ✘ Room: SH 210
  - ✘ Time: 9:00 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ Description: Learn how to take notes during class and while reading outside of class. Learn techniques for taking quick notes, then learn how to utilize your notes to prepare for an exam.



# KEYNOTE SPEAKER- THE GOLDEN PEARLY

- ✘ Session #9 and #29
- ✘ Presenter: Jerry Casper
- ✘ Room: Hill Theater
- ✘ Time: 10:10 am and 5:20 pm
- ✘ Target Audience: All Students



- ✘ Description: The jungle is a dangerous place, and there are rules to help you not only survive but come out on the other side with (dramatic drums) THE GOLDEN PEARLY! Stories, tips and using humor to survive the "jungles" of college.

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# HACKING YOUR WAY THROUGH THE POLITICAL JUNGLE

- × Session #10
  - × Presenter: Chad Israelson and Atef Dimian
  - × Room: SH 104
  - × Time: 10:10 am
  - × Target Audience: All Students
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- × Description: Warning! You are about to be barraged by millions of dollars worth of political campaign material. What does it all mean? Political Science Instructor Atef Dimian and History Instructor Chad Israelson will cover the upcoming election season, how to read between the political lines, what past elections tell us about the present, and most importantly why we all need to be engaged in the political process. They will discuss national and state races, political ads, and try to answer any question that you have.



# THE DO'S AND DON'TS OF ONLINE COLLEGE RESEARCH

- ✘ Session #11
- ✘ Presenter: Jennifer Bartels
- ✘ Room: SH 210
- ✘ Time: 10:10 am
- ✘ Target Audience: All Students



- ✘ Description: What's the difference between "search" and "research"? Is Google good enough? The answer, sadly, no. This session will help students understand how to go about identifying reliable sources, how to use Wikipedia the right way, how to use the library's database, and how to do MLA citations (briefly). The steps towards developing a solid research paper are also covered. Those taking ENGL 1117 would benefit from this session, as would anyone who wants to become a better, more efficient researcher.

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# HONORS PROGRAM

- × Session #12
- × Presenter: Tim O'Neill
- × Room: SH 107
- × Time: 10:10 am
- × Target Audience: All Students



- × Description: What's in the New Honors Program?  
Do you want more out of your two-year college experience than a degree? Are you looking for a way to set yourself apart from the crowd? Do you crave academic challenge? Want to join a community of inquisitive, talented, high-ability students? Then come to this informational session on RCTC's newly revamped honors program.

# PHI THETA KAPPA

- ✘ Session #13
  - ✘ Presenter: Allan O'Bryan
  - ✘ Room: SH 108
  - ✘ Time: 10:10 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ 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.



# SECRETS TO SUCCESS: GET SMART MINDSET

- ✘ Session #14 and # 21
- ✘ Presenter: Savita Katarya and Charles Johnson
- ✘ Room: HS 128
- ✘ Time: 10:10 am and 11:20 am
- ✘ Target Audience: All Students



- ✘ Description: What is the reason that some students achieve success in whatever they do while others fail? What is the secret behind? Is it brains, hard work or expectations? Come and find out how GET SMART mindset is the key to success and how you can develop it at any age? GET SMART Mindset.....secret to success!

# GLOBAL AWARENESS

- × Session #15
  - × Presenter: Chao Mwatela and guest panel
  - × Room: HS 131
  - × Time: 10:10 am
  - × Target Audience: All Students
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- × Description: Do you care about what is going on around the world? Do you know the general location of other countries in the world? Why should you care? It is important to know and understand global issues, including cultures and politics. This session will provide students with brief insights on why the rest of the world matters, and is geared towards all students; whether pursuing a career based on global issues, or have curiosities about other cultures and countries. Come and join us.



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# HOW MONEY WORKS

- ✘ Session #16
- ✘ Presenter: Jason Ferrie and Don Baldus
- ✘ Room: SH 110
- ✘ Time: 10:10 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.



# HOW TO SUCCEED WITH SERVICE LEARNING

- ✘ Session #18
- ✘ Presenter: Steve Bein
- ✘ Room: SH 107
- ✘ Time: 11:20 am
- ✘ Target Audience: Students in any class that has a service learning component.
  
- ✘ Description: Set yourself up for success with your service learning assignment! Learn how to make room in your busy schedule for volunteering, and learn how to choose the right organization for you. You even get a free water bottle and some other goodies, just for attending!



# NAVIGATING ONLINE CLASSES

- ✘ Session #19
  - ✘ Presenter: Dan West
  - ✘ Room: SH 104
  - ✘ Time: 11:20 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ Description: This session will cover the skills you need to be a successful online student. If you have never taken an online class before and are considering it, this session is for you.



# HOW TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

- ✘ Session #20
  - ✘ Presenter: Lisa Baldus
  - ✘ Room: HS 131
  - ✘ Time: 11:20 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ 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.



# MAKE A BRAND NEW START

- ✘ Session #22
  - ✘ Presenter: Peter Burton
  - ✘ Room: SH 210
  - ✘ Time: 11:20 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ Description: Are you ready to move beyond the limitations that you have accepted for yourself? Are you ready to begin to live the life you dream? Take a fresh look at who you are and what you can do. Your new tomorrow starts here and now!



# CHARTING A CAREER IN THE VISUAL ARTS

- ✘ Session #23
- ✘ Presenter: Brian Steele
- ✘ Room: SH 103
- ✘ Time: 11:20 am
- ✘ Target Audience: All Students



- ✘ Description: You'd be surprised at the number of unusual pathways people take to turn an art degree into gainful employment. Generally, you won't get rich with an art degree. But that doesn't mean you can't make a meaningful career with an art background. This talk will offer a brief, broad overview of some art related jobs you might not have expected, and talk about how RCTC can help you get there.

# USEFUL TOOLS: MENTORNET AND THE LEARNING CENTER

- ✘ Session #24
  - ✘ Presenter: Student panel discussion
  - ✘ Room: SH 108
  - ✘ Time: 11:20 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ Description: The focus of this session is student's experiences with two tools all RCTC students have access to, MentorNet and the UCR Comprehensive Learning Center. MentorNet is an online mentoring service that matches students with professionals in their field of study to help them build relationships and learn about the career. The UCR Comprehensive Learning Center is a service that provides RCTC and Winona State students tutoring. Both tools have the potential to be life changing for students. Each student panelist will share their story and there will be time for questions from attendees.



# JOB WAVE OF THE FUTURE

- ✘ Session #25
  - ✘ Presenter: Brent Pearson
  - ✘ Room: SH 102
  - ✘ Time: 11:20 am
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ Description: This session will overview how college graduates can improve their chances of succeeding in future career and the education that will lead to those jobs.



# STUDY SKILLS

- × Session #26
- × Presenter: Jennifer Bartels
- × Room: MH 223
- × Time: 11:20 am
- × Target Audience: All Students



- × Description: Why is studying in bed bad? Why are Post-it notes your best friend? Having good study skills is important. This session details how to work smarter, not harder, as students progress through college. Active reading, note-taking, and synthesizing material are some of the items covered, along with basic do's and do not's for effective learning and retention of information. This session is designed for students who are new to college, developing study skills, and who have developed bad study habits that need to be broken (such as studying in bed).

# EMPLOYMENT TRENDS IN ROCHESTER

- ✘ Session #27
- ✘ Presenter: Jess Ihrke and Randy Long
- ✘ Room: SH 110
- ✘ Time: 11:20 am
- ✘ Target Audience: All Students



- ✘ Description: Two members of the Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce will discuss the future workforce of Rochester. Topics will include global competition, technology advancements, job trends, job projections and education requirements.

# KEYNOTE - ULTIMATE MONEY SKILLS: COLLEGE

- ✘ Session #28
  - ✘ Presenter: Monster
  - ✘ Room: Hill Theater
  - ✘ Time: 1:00 pm
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ 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.



# ONLINE LEARNING STYLES

- ✘ Session #32
  - ✘ Presenter: Bret Fuller
  - ✘ Room: SH 206 and available online on any computer
  - ✘ Time: Available anytime online 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.



*Go to D2L for more information*

# ONLINE CAREERS WORKING WITH CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

- ✘ Session #33
- ✘ Presenter: Stacey York
- ✘ Room: SH 206 and available online on any computer
- ✘ Time: Available anytime online 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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# ONLINE TEST ANXIETY

- ✘ Session #34
- ✘ Presenter: Othelmo da Silva
- ✘ Room: SH 206 and available online on any computer
- ✘ Time: Available anytime online 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 available online on any computer
- ✘ Time: Available anytime online 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 GET 'THERE' INTERNATIONALLY

- ✘ Session #37
- ✘ Presenter: Lori Halverson-Wente
- ✘ Room: SH 206 and available online on any computer
- ✘ Time: Available anytime online 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.

Learn - Travel - Become a Changed Person!

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# ONLINE HORTICULTURE PROGRAM

- ✘ Session #38
  - ✘ Presenter: Robin Fruth-Dugstad
  - ✘ Room: SH 206 and available online on any computer
  - ✘ Time: Available anytime online between 8:00 am and 10:00 pm
  - ✘ Target Audience: All Students
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- ✘ Description: Nursery, landscape and garden 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. Participate in this on-line session to learn more.

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