Welcome! It is hard to believe that summer is over and we are starting the 2015 - 2016 academic year. I hope you enjoyed your summer break. I encourage you to take a few minutes to read this edition of our E-Newsletter which has important and relevant information to assist you throughout the semester and year.

Feel free to come by the DSS Office to say hello and let us know how you are doing. We are here to assist you.

Wishing you a successful semester!
Priscilla F. Levine, MSW, LCSW
Director

Fall 2015 Important Dates
- Aug. 31: Classes Begin
- Sept. 1-4: Please visit the DSS office to complete your accommodation forms
- Sept. 4: Last day to Add/Drop classes for 100% tuition refund
- Sept. 7: No Classes/Labor Day
- Oct. 16: No Classes/Autumn Day
- Nov. 13: Priority registration for Spring 2016
- Nov. 25-27: No Classes/Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 23– Dec. 4: Completed test proctoring forms for FINALS due!
- Dec. 14-18: Finals Week

Spring 2016 Important Dates
- Jan. 11: Classes Begin
- Jan. 11-15: Please visit the DSS office to complete your accommodation forms
- Jan. 15: Last day to Add/Drop classes for 100% tuition refund
- Jan. 18: No classes/Martin Luther King Jr.’s Birthday
- Feb. 29-Mar. 4: No classes/Spring Break
- Mar. 23-25: No Classes/Easter Break
- Mar. 31: No classes/Cesar Chavez Birthday
- Apr. 18-22: Completed test proctoring forms for FINALS due!
- May 2-6: Finals Week

President Timothy Law Snyder

President Timothy Law Snyder, Ph.D., began his term as LMU’s 16th president on June 1, 2015. He has four decades of experience as a teacher and a scholar and a deep commitment to Ignatian education grounded in his work at three Jesuit universities. President Snyder’s inauguration will take place on Oct. 6, 2015, will highlight the theme of global imagination.
**LMU Student Psychological Service (SPS)**

LMU SPS offers individual therapy sessions or the following group therapy sessions:

- *Beat the Blues*
- *Living with Chronic Illness*
- *Break Free From Your Anxiety*
- *Love Lessons: Building Healthy Love Relationships*
- *Body Beautiful*
- *The Circle*
- *Grief & Loss Support Group*
- *Meditation 101*
- *Mental CrossFit*

Contact SPS 310-338-2868 for more information.

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**Fall 2015 Campus Parking Updates**

Campus parking has made changes effective September 1, 2015:

— Free short-term temporary parking on campus will be available in designated marked spaces only, parking stalls are indicated by green curbs and/or signage. The 20 minute free parking option will no longer be available on Parkmobile or the Pay Stations.

— Students with valid permits will be allowed to park in faculty/staff areas after 5pm during the week. Visitors must still park in visitor areas from 8am through 8pm, or on weekends.

— Hannon field is being restored so valet services will no longer be offered. Hannon Lot (Lot A) and Drollinger valet will close at 6pm.

— The new Life Sciences Building’s Parking Garage will be available to faculty, staff, commuter students and visitors Monday through Friday, 8am until 8pm. Refer to posted signs for designated parking areas.

— University Hall Levels P2 and P3 will be open to any valid permit type. All other rules and regulations still apply. All students (residents and commuters) with current sector permits may park on P2 and P3 of University Hall any time of day.

Contact the Parking Office parking@lmu.edu or (310) 338-1681 with questions or concerns.

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**LMU Lion Express**

The Lion Express is a free shuttle service offered to Loyola Marymount University students. The minivan shuttles allow LMU students without a car a chance to get off campus and enjoy some of the activities, restaurants, shops and services in the local area. The shuttle operates like a bus system, running a set schedule to popular destinations close to Loyola Marymount, including Playa Vista, Venice Beach, Santa Monica 3rd Street Promenade, Westfield Mall and many more! The Lion Express also offers shuttle service to LAX for students who are traveling and offer extended schedule hours around student breaks. Reservations are required any time you would like Lion Express to take you to a destination or pick you up from one.

Call for reservations or information 310-338-4560, phone lines open 30 minutes prior to the beginning of each day of operation. View the Lion Express Schedule [www.LMU.edu/lionexpress](http://www.LMU.edu/lionexpress)
Central Ticket Agency

Central Ticket Agency sells more than tickets for LMU sporting events, theatre, dance and choir productions. You can purchase tickets to movie theaters, amusement parks, plane, train and automobile reservations as well as travel package deals.

To order online, log into your MyLMU account and go to quick links at the top of the page and then click Central Ticket Agency.

Log on to view prices at:
http://studentaffairs.lmu.edu/activitiesservice/studententertainment/centralticketagency/

LMU Ticket office is located at the Lion Athletic Center next to Sullivan Field and the hours are Monday—Friday 9am—4pm. They can be reached by phone at 310-338-5466.

New DSS Graduate Assistants

The DSS Office would like to introduce you to our new graduate and undergraduate assistants.

Kaivon Simab, an LMU undergraduate, sophomore, studying Sociology and will be graduating in 2018. He is a California native from Los Angeles. Kaivon is looking forward to working at DSS because he enjoys helping others and he wants to be a valuable part of the team assisting as many people as possible.

Jasmine Jafari, an LMU graduate student who received her B.A. in Theory and Practice in Cinema from CSU Long Beach, and is now pursuing an M.F.A. in Feature Film Screenwriting; she will complete her studies in 2018. Jasmine is from Anaheim and is looking forward to working at DSS because she will have the privilege of interacting with students and faculty at LMU on a regular basis, and because she is excited to assist passionate and driven students on their path through their studies.

Crystal Peralta, an LMU graduate student who received her B.A. in Psychology, in 2015, from CSU Northridge, and is now in her first year in the School Psychology Graduate Program. Crystal is originally from the San Fernando Valley. Crystal is looking forward to working at DSS because she is excited to work with a different population of students and wants to learn from the DSS and LMU communities. Crystal wanted to find a way to contribute to LMU and she thinks this will be the perfect opportunity to do so.

Kate Meisel, a first year LMU graduate student in the Reading Instruction Master’s program. Kate received her B.A. in Child Development from Tufts University in 2012 and anticipates completing her graduate studies in 2017. She is originally from Austin, Texas and has been teaching for the past three years. Kate is looking forward to working at DSS because it will give her the chance to continue working with students, even though she is no longer working in a classroom.

If you have not yet had the chance to introduce yourself to the DSS staff, please make some time to stop by and say hello.

Pictured Left to right: Crystal Peralta, Jasmine Jafari, Kate Meisel, & Kaivon Simab.
LMU Among Top 10 Colleges Nationwide in Community Service

Loyola Marymount University was ranked #7 among 380 Colleges nationwide for having “Students Most Engaged in Community Service” in the Princeton Review’s *The Best 380 Colleges: 2016 Edition.* Last year, LMU students volunteered 199,167 hours at numerous nonprofit organizations and schools in Los Angeles, including homeless shelters, after-school and mentoring programs and legal aid clinics.

To volunteer contact Center for Service & Action (CSA): St Rob’s Annex, (310)-338-2959 or lmu.edu/CSA

Announcements

Parking Fees in PROWL

Students need to opt out of parking each semester or the fees will stay on their account.

All students registered in 7 or more semester hours will automatically be charged for parking via their student account on a semester basis. Students planning on parking at LMU must still register their vehicle regardless of being automatically billed, visit parking@lmu.edu.

*Check deadlines at http://admin.lmu.edu/studentfacultyandstaffparking/rulesandpolicies/

Accommodation Forms Reminder

Accommodation forms must be completed for each class that you plan on using accommodations. DSS must approve your accommodation forms before you present them to your professors. Once your professor has signed your forms, it is your responsibility to return them to the DSS Office. You are encouraged to complete your accommodation forms every semester and as early in the semester as possible.

Educational Testing Services (ETS)

Many of you will be taking the GRE, GMAT, PRAXIS, TOEFL, or some other high-stakes examination this year. To help you prepare more effectively, the Office of Disability Policy at Educational Testing Services (ETS) has developed a brochure, “Tips for Test Takers with Disabilities.” This brochure can be found on the ETS Office of Disability Policy website.

http://www.ets.org/disabilities

Know Your CAPP Report

The CAPP Report is the formal record of your progress on your graduation requirements. It shows the classes you’ve taken, AND those you still need to take. To view your CAPP Report logon to PROWL, click “Student Services,” click “Student Records” and click “CAPP Report”. If you have questions understanding your CAPP Report, e-mail one of the University Advisors for an appointment: advising@lmu.edu.

DSS MISSION & GOALS:

Loyola Marymount University's Disability Support Services (DSS) Office provides specialized assistance and
resources to enable students with physical, perceptual, learning, ADHD/or psychological disabilities to achieve maximum independence while pursuing their educational goals. Services are offered to students who have established disabilities under federal and state law.

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