

Education: you paid for it, so get the most out of it

Greetings Broncos,

As we move into *The Voice's* second issue this year, we also approach midterm exams. Soon we'll receive measurements on our progress thus far, and it is important that we take them seriously. In many instances, we formulate clear goals in the beginning of the year, start off strong and consistent, and somewhere between the first day of fall and Homecoming, we get lazy. I am human, therefore not exempt from this behavior. As a matter of fact, I have the attention span of a two-year-old child. By the end of September my notebooks are all doodled out and I have to call my mom or dad to vent about how it's taking too long to graduate. It happens to the best of us, but it is by no means an excuse to let your grades fall through.

Most students pay for their tuition through loans, scholarships, or their own hard-earned money. The point is, we pay for our education. Ladies, would you walk into Saks Fifth Avenue, pick up the latest pair of \$2,450 leopard-print thigh high Cesare Paciottis, take them to the register, pay, and walk out the store without those gorgeous Italian boots? Gentlemen, would you walk into Best Buy, choose the latest 42-inch edge-lit LED HDTV, haul it to the register, pay and leave the TV at the store to go home to watch Sunday night football on an old 19-inch? No, nobody would pay thousands for a much-wanted item and then abandon it. So why do that to your education?

Let's say you're considering buying an eternal service package for that device you own called

life. When you arrive at the register known as high school graduation, you have the choice to purchase the service package. You are warned that if you don't, nobody will be responsible for your device if it malfunctions. If you do purchase the package, you'll have repair and upgrade options that will allow you to take full advantage of your product.

But there's a catch. The service product isn't activated until you've completed the necessary tasks and paid your dues. This service package is your education, and you've paid too much to drop the ball now.

Somewhere deep inside us lies the willpower to push through and remain accountable to ourselves. At times we may feel buried by restlessness, financial issues, family problems, lack of motivation, and peer pressure to do everything but go to class, but we must realize that not much of what we do today, is for the betterment of today, yet, it is so that we may be prosperous and without worry tomorrow.

Until now, only my closest friends have known that I can count on one hand the number of times I've been to a club or party since I came to FSU as a freshman in August 2007. I've just never felt that I had much time to dedicate towards an event that couldn't make me a better writer, communicator, student, business-woman, airman, friend, daughter, or sister.

I'm not saying don't go out and have the fun you deserve to have, but be absolutely positive that you've got those Paciottis in the bag before you hit the party.



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FROM THE EDITOR

New programs abound for interested students

By Camellia Sansberry
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With the introduction of the new departments to the campus, students may also wonder what kind of classes are available coming up in the second fall eight-week term.

Along with the modern technology, dedicated faculty and staff, and smaller, more focused working environments, there are also courses that students will be able to enroll into that add on to a better experience of being in a part of these departments.

In the Department of Biological Sciences, two of the courses that are offered during the second fall 8 week term are Modern Biology (NSCI 120; CRN: 7504) which is an online course that utilizes Fayetteville State University email and blackboard, and also Research in Plant Genomics (BIOL 430; CRN: 7503).

English Composition II (ENG 110) and English Composition II (ENG 120) are the classes being offered in the English Department. Both of these courses focus more on advancing students written communication skills. English Composition II is already a closed course, but English Composition I (ENG 120; CRN: 7383) is still open.

The Department of Communication offers an additional Introduc-

tion to Speech (SPEE 200) course. Taking the Introduction to Speech course would enable a student to improve their public speaking skills, information analysis ability, and verbal and written communication. This course is the prerequisite for many other speech, theater and communication courses. Fundamentals in Journalism (JOUR 210; CRN: 7498) will also be offered for the first time here at FSU.

The Department of Chemistry & Physics and the Department of World Languages and Cultures, are currently engaged in an on-going process to get courses approved or requested for the second fall 8 week term. If requested, both departments are reviewing prospective courses that will be yet another step in making each new department more innovative and independent.

With the excitement of the new departments still fresh in the minds of students and faculty, these courses, will help cater to the ever-improving atmosphere at FSU.

For a complete list of courses being offered during the second fall eight-week term, log-on to banner, and choose 'Student and Financial Aid.' Under this option, choose 'Registration', which will give you the option to 'Look Up Classes' for the 'Fall Semester 2010.'

THE BLUE WORLD ORDER: IT'S HOMECOMING TIME AGAIN

Monday, Oct. 18	Tuesday, Oct. 19	Wednesday, Oct. 20	Thursday, Oct. 21	Friday, Oct. 22	Saturday, Oct. 23
FSU Comedy Jam featuring Arnez J and Tony Roberts	"Show Me What You Got" featuring special guest!	Cultural Event: Philadanco Dance Company	Homecoming Coronation: Casino Royale	"Dancin' with No Hands" Homecoming Dance featuring special guest!	"Divine 9 Red Carpet" Step Show
Seabrook Auditorium 8:00pm	Seabrook Auditorium 8:00pm	Seabrook Auditorium 8:00pm	Capel Arena 8:00pm	Capel Arena 10:00pm-1:00am	Capel Arena
\$5 FSU Students; \$10 General Admission	\$5 FSU Students; \$10 General Admission	Free for FSU Students; \$5 General Admission	Free for Everyone *Formal Attire	\$5 FSU Students w/ Bronco ID; \$10 Other College Students w/ College ID	Show Begins at 8:00pm; Doors Open at 7:00pm
					\$11 FSU Students In Advance (2 ticket max) \$16 General Admission in Advance

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