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Happy End-of-Fall Semester!

You're in the home stretch! The last day of fall classes is Friday, December 15, 2017 and a final exam schedule can be found here: www.hcc.edu/finals. Please read on for some important end-of-semester announcements.

You've just got to hang in there for three more weeks, and then we hope you enjoy a well-deserved break over the holidays. We'll see you back here for STRIVE Program Day on January 12, 2018 and then when spring classes begin on January 22, 2018!

FINALS WEEK REMINDERS

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① you got this! this is where your hard work pays off.



② sleep is just as important as studying



③ take care of your mental & physical health



④ do your best and keep worry and stress in check



SAVE THE DATE

- **STRIVE Social Hours Friday, Dec. 1 from 2-3pm in DON 368, and Thursday, Dec. 7, from 2-3pm in DON 250.** Come to unwind and join us for a Hot Chocolate Study Break. We will have a limited supply of Finals Survival Kits.
- **Credit Info Session with Kim Downing of Luso Federal Credit Union. Wednesday, Dec. 6 from 11:15-12:15.**
- **The last day to meet with writing tutors, math tutors, and learning coaches is Friday, December 15.**
- **Follow this link to find the Fall 2017 final exam schedule: www.hcc.edu/finals**
- **STRIVE Program Day (a mandatory meeting for new Fall 2017 STRIVE students!) will be held on Friday, Jan. 12, 2018 from 9am-2pm, in KC303**
- **Spring 2018 classes begin on January 22, 2018. If you haven't already registered, please do so ASAP!**



The Financial Aid Office and the THRIVE Center have teamed up to bring information on credit to you

CREDIT INFO SESSION: Please join us!

These days, its hard to go through life without taking on a little debt. Borrowing money is a financial tool, but when it isn't used properly it can cause more harm than good. **Please join the conversation** (with the assistance of Kim Downing from Luso Federal Credit Union) on how to utilize credit and when to take on debt to help you keep your finances in good order.

Wednesday, December 6 from 11:15-12:15 in DON 248. Light refreshments will be served.



**KEEP
CALM
AND
FILE
FAFSA**

Here is your friendly reminder that you can file your **2018-2019 FAFSA** anytime between now and May 1, 2018. And remember: the Financial Aid Office is offering Financial Aid Labs to help you. **The last dates for the labs this semester are:**

**Friday 12/8, 9-10:30am
Thursday, 12/14, 12-1:30pm, and
Tuesday, 12/19, 9-10:30am.**
All Labs will be held in FR151.



If you create a vision for your life,
DOORS WILL OPEN.

CHECK OUT THESE GREAT VISION BOARDS THAT STRIVE STUDENTS CREATED AT THE NOVEMBER SOCIAL HOUR!



A vision board is a tool used to help clarify, concentrate and maintain focus on your goals and intentions.

STRIVE students created vision boards that reflected their own

personalities and specific goals. Visualization is one of the most powerful mind exercises that we can do. Creating a space that displays what we are striving for helps to bring that vision to life. These inspirational collages are an image of the future: a visual representation of our dreams, our goals, and our best selves.

Vision boards are fun to make, and are daily reminders to work towards your dreams! Great job, everyone!

