



Parents @ DU e-newsletter

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Dear DU Families:

Parents at DU is developed by the Office of Parent Relations. Our office requests articles from several departments on campus that may be of interest to families. Please let us know what you would like to see in upcoming issues.

Most of the articles you will find in our newsletter have links to give you more information on the content found within that article or contact information for the department which submitted the article.

For general questions about the content of our newsletter, you may contact [Laura Stevens](#) or [Sharon Bond](#).

Past issues may be found on the [Parents website](#).

One of the main goals of the Office of Parent Relations is to facilitate communication between the University and families. We hope you find this newsletter useful and informative.

Sincerely,

Laura Stevens and Sharon Bond
DU Office of Parent Relations

DU "Dads" & Granddads Weekend

February 24th & 25th

Registration is now open. Please visit our [schedule of weekend events](#) or [register now](#).

The 21st Century Education

"The digital age has changed more than how we teach. It's changed what we need to learn." Lawrence H. Summers

Read the article [What You \(Really\) Need to Know](#) By Lawrence H. Summers, published in the January 22, 2012 edition of The New York Times.

Visit the [Informing Page](#) of the DU Parents Program website to find book reviews and articles for parents of college students.

The Office of Parent Relations invites you to recommend an article or book review that may be of interest to parents of college students. Contact sharon.bond@du.edu.

University Ski Bus Announces a Trip to Breckenridge for "Dads" & Granddads Weekend, Saturday February 25th

DU sophomore George Cooper launched University Ski Bus, a convenient, environmentally responsible way for students to ride to the mountains and hit the ski slopes.

Cost is \$24 per passenger and includes roundtrip motor coach transportation and complementary breakfast onboard. University Ski Bus has a 48 hour cancellation/refund policy.

Departure times:

JMAC 7:00am

Halls 7:15am

The bus drops off at the base of the gondola. Lift tickets and ski rentals are readily available at the resort.

The bus will leave Breckenridge at 4:30pm. Remember that Saturday night hockey starts at 7:07pm. If you are going to the hockey game, you may want to be prepared to go directly to the Ritchie Center when the bus returns to campus.

To purchase tickets, [visit the University Ski Bus website](#).

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Commencement is Right Around the Corner

Find information and FAQ on the [Commencement Website](#).

Digital Textbooks

Michigan Technological University gives information on a new study at Daytona State College about [digital textbooks](#). This article was published on LinkedIn Today, January 6th, 2012.

Emergency Notifications

Students can add your email address to MyWeb under the Personal Information tab. This will allow you to receive emergency notices and other official communication that your student receives from DU. Please ask your student to login to MyWeb, go to the Personal Information tab, then click on Notification Preferences.

Summer Internship Grant Program

Did you know the Career Center has a competitive Summer Internship Grant Program which pays your son or daughter \$2500 for an unpaid internship this coming Summer?

Please check out the Career Center Website www.du.edu/career and click on the Summer Internship Grant Program for more details. You may also reach Ruth Prochnow, rprochno@du.edu, or 303-871-4705 for any questions you may have.

Office of Student Conduct

The 2nd Annual Honor Code Celebration Week occurred during the fall quarter, involving many programs, activities, and opportunities for student and faculty collaboration. Of particular note, student volunteers on the committee planned an "Honor Code in Action" video contest, encouraging other students to submit videos on how they Honor the Code.

The two finalist videos can be seen at <http://www.youtube.com/user/duhonorcode?feature=watch>. With over 1,700 views, we were happy to see students engage in this way! For more information about the Honor Code at DU, please visit www.du.edu/honorcode.

Career Center

Parents is your student "Dazed and Confused"? Perhaps they should attend the following workshop from the Career Center:

Dazed and Confused Over Deciding on a Major and/or Career Direction? Tuesday, February 15th, 5pm-6pm, Career Center Library

An interactive workshop to assist students who need assistance in figuring out what to major in and with researching career direction; it includes a discussion of resources, some activities, and goal setting.

RSVP Contact: Pat O'Keefe, pokeefe@du.edu

Gender Violence Education and Support Services (GVESS)

The Gender Violence Education and Support Services (GVESS) office believes that everyone has the right to live without abuse, fear, and violence. We recognize that gender violence is a community problem and that women and men must work together to eradicate it from our society. The GVESS office believes that by providing educational resources, endorsing healthy relationships, promoting bystander interventions, and advocating for victim and survivor rights, we can help change the

societal conditions that cause gender violence. Please visit the [GVESS website](#) where you will find a variety of information and resources.

Summer 2012: 13 Day Business Program For Non-Business Majors

Is your son or daughter a non-business student who wants to be more prepared for their first job after college? Our Summer Business Institute is a 13-day program that will run June 13 - June 29. It is an intensive [business program for non-business students](#) to focus on the professional and leadership skills they will need to be a strong employee and be recognized as an emerging leader in their organization. Register by March 30, 2012 for the discounted rate!

If you know anyone who may be interested in the program, please let us know! Please contact Becca Mahoney at 303-871-4833 or Becca.Mahoney@du.edu. Find us on facebook!

Summer School at DU

DU is committed to making summer school more flexible and affordable than ever. Summer financial aid awards will be readily available; similar to the merit scholarship and DU Educational Grant your student receives during the academic year.

DU summer session includes both on-line and in-class options. Students can take classes in their major or minor, or choose from common curriculum courses to complete requirements for graduation.

Another reason to be at DU this summer...students can prepare for the 2012 presidential election by brushing up on important issues. Many courses will focus on the pressing issues and challenges of our time - everything from social problems to the environment.

Look for more information in the March issue of Parents@DU.

Career Center

Parents and Families,

Join the Career Center's Professional Network and agree to talk to DU students and alumni about your career path and the industry in which you work. It's a great way to give back to other students or alumni and allow them to find out more about your career to see if it is a direction they might want to take in the future.



Also encourage your student to take advantage of the Professional Network to contact up to 1000+ people who already belong. Just go to the Career Center at www.du.edu/career and then DU Careers Online to join as a parent, or ask your student to access the database to conduct informational interviews.

Health & Counseling Center

Get free, quick, one-on-one time with a counselor at various campus locations:

Law School

Tuesdays, 12-1pm
Law School Conference Room

Driscoll South

Wednesdays, 12-1pm
Room 3C (next to the Pioneer Card Office)

Katherine A. Ruffatto Hall, 4th Floor

Mondays, 3-4pm
LEP Office

For more information about Winter Counseling Groups, please visit the [Health and Counseling Center website](#).



The University of Denver's Lamont School of Music is recognized widely as a premiere university music school with a long-standing tradition of excellence.

This month, the Lamont Wind Ensemble, lead by [Dr. Joseph Martin](#), will be joined by trumpeter Vincent DiMartino, one of the most sought after trumpet performers and educators. DiMartino will perform the Aria for Solo Trumpet and Band by Flor Peeters. The Wind Ensemble will also perform music by a number of the great composers, including Berlioz, Beethoven, and Copland.

The concert is on Wednesday, January 25th at 7:30 pm in Gates Concert Hall in the Newman Center for the Performing Arts. Admission is free, no tickets are necessary.

Parking will be free in the Newman Center parking garage.

Please visit the [Lamont Web Calendar](#) or call the Lamont Concert Line, 303-871-6412, for information on upcoming concerts and events.

Financial Aid Update for the 2012-13 Year

Now is the time to apply for financial aid for the 2012-2013 academic year! The priority deadline for continuing students to apply is March 15, 2012.

The FAFSA is required for all students applying for financial aid, and should be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. We strongly encourage you to use the new IRS data retrieval process when completing the FAFSA. Using this process will quickly transfer your 2011 tax return data directly into your application, and may prevent you from having to submit additional documentation from the IRS. If you plan to submit the FAFSA using estimates before filing your 2011 return, please revisit www.fafsa.ed.gov to correct your FAFSA using the data retrieval process once your tax return has been accepted.

The CSS PROFILE is also required for consideration of University of Denver need based grants, and should be completed online at <http://profileonline.collegeboard.com>. If your child is looking to maintain or receive academic or merit-based scholarships only, neither application is necessary. Assuming all applications and subsequent documentation have been submitted in full, students will receive notice of their award packages via email in May.

Please contact the Office of financial Aid at 303-871-4020 or finaid@du.edu if you have questions.

Daniels College of Business

Happy New Year from the Daniels College of Business! We are excited to start the winter quarter and have the students back on campus. A few highlights from the fall quarter include a successful City Treks program to both New York and San Francisco. The students who participated in this program had the opportunity to attend corporate site visits as well as network with DU alumni.

In kicking off the winter quarter, we will have several Backpacks to Briefcases events including resume and cover letter workshops for the students who will be going through the secondary admissions process in the fall 2012 quarter.

We also held our second annual Daniels Undergrads on Ice, with our students, faculty and staff having the opportunity to ice skate at Magness Arena where the DU basketball and hockey teams play. We were excited to have over 90 attendees!

At the end of January, the Backpacks to Briefcases program will include a Business Etiquette Dinner hosted by Marcel Pitton, Managing Director of The Brown Palace.

On behalf of Daniels, we wish you a wonderful 2012! If you would like any further information on our programs, or how to get involved, please contact us at 303.871.6910 or DCBundergrad@du.edu

For a complete list of programs and speakers, visit:

<http://daniels.du.edu/degreesmajors/undergraduate/studentlife/backbacksbriefcase.html>

Study Abroad

Over 600 students have returned to campus this quarter - students who only recently were touring museums in Europe, hiking in South America, and learning Swahili in Africa. Research has shown that there is a need for a period of reflection during this time, as the process of adjusting back to life at home can be more difficult than adjusting to a new culture. The Study Abroad Office at DU has organized activities and made [resources available to our returning students](#) in order to help them through the readjustment phase and equip them for whatever international experiences they wish to pursue next. These activities and resources include the following:

Crimson & Gold Global Gala

DUPB, AUSA Senate, Study Abroad, and Campus Activities have joined forces to bring you the second annual Crimson & Gold Global Gala! The Gala is scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, January 25th 2012, 7:30 pm at Mile High Station.

Reservations can be made at:

<http://www.du.edu/studentlife/campusactivities/cggg.html>

Photo Contest

A chance for students to display their best work and earn recognition and prizes!

Anyone can vote to choose the [Facebook Favorites](#)!

Students who plan to study abroad during the 2012-13 academic year are already in the midst of the application process.

The deadline for programs has changed to February 8th. This deadline is for all terms of the 2012-2013 school year (Fall, Winter, and Spring). Students should NOT procrastinate! General application information

(<http://www.du.edu/intl/abroad/apply.html>) may be found on our website.

Policy & Procedures for Students

with Temporary Disabling Conditions

Policy

Illness or injuries that are temporary in nature are NOT covered under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); however the University of Denver is committed to supporting the needs of students with temporary disabling conditions. On-campus housing relocations, temporary "accessible/handicap" parking permits, and academic related services for students whose injuries or other temporary conditions impact ability to participate in classes are available. The University will work to provide these services in a timely manner. Medical documentation may be required. Personal care and assistance with out of class assignments/activities is not provided by the University.

Procedures

- Students who need medical care and/or follow-up for their condition can contact the DU Health Center to schedule an appointment with a health care provider. The Health Center also has information on other health care and home care resources in the area. The Health Center is located on the third floor of the Ritchie Center (north side); the phone number is 303-871-2205.
- If academic services are needed, students should contact the Disability Services Program (DSP) by calling 303-871-2278 / 7432 / 2372, or dsp@du.edu. These services are arranged on an individual basis according to need. Examples may include assistance with arranging scribes for tests, relocation of classrooms, and information on external resources. It is important to note that prolonged absences from classes are not considered to be appropriate since attendance is an integral part of DU classes.
- If a student requires the use of "accessible/handicap" parking, a 90 day permit is available through the State of Colorado at no charge. Colorado Applications for Persons with Disabilities Parking Privileges are available online at http://www.revenue.state.co.us/mv_dir/wrap.asp?incl=registrations/plateindex. Go to "Select plate application to download" and scroll to Parking Privileges for the Disabled. The application must be signed by a physician and either mailed or taken to a Colorado Motor Vehicle Office. The DU Office of Parking Services will provide an interim handicap permit for a period of 2 weeks while the state

application is being processed.

- If minor changes in a DU residence hall room or apartment are needed to accommodate a temporary disability, students should contact the Department of Residence at 303-871-2246. If a student with a severe mobility limitation is living in a residence hall or apartment that does not have an elevator, temporary re-assignment to another hall/apartment may be requested, but cannot be guaranteed.
- DSP will provide information about external transportation option resources

For more information, please contact the following DU offices:

Disability Services Program
303-871-2278 or 871-7432

DU Student Health Center
303-871-2205

Department of Residence
303-871-2246

Parking Services
303-871-3210

**Remember to renew your 1-year membership with the
Parents Association:**

If you have a 4-year membership, or upgrade your 1-year membership, you will continue to receive benefits which include the Parent & Family Calendar, 10% off gifts and apparel at the DU Bookstore, early registration for Moms & Dads Weekends, and entry in a drawing for a \$250 gift certificate for one student for each quarter of the academic year.

To read more about the Parents Association, please visit our website:

www.du.edu/studentlife/parents.

If you would like to verify your membership, please contact [Sharon Bond](#).

Parents Association membership dues support Homecoming and Family Weekend, Parent and Family Orientation, "Moms" and "Dads" Weekends, and Parents@DU e-newsletter.



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