

January 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
17	18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day No Classes All Campuses	19	20 First Day of Spring Semester Classes	21 Kick Off Event 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. North Café	22	23
24	25	26 Last Day to Add/Drop with 100 % Refund	27	28	29	30

February 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1 Last Day to Withdraw with 50% Refund	2	3 Scholarship Workshop 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. W11	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 President's Day No Classes All Campuses	16	17	18 Family Movie Night 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. North Café	19 Cycle 1: Last Day to Withdraw	20
21	22	23	24	25 Living Frugally Part II 12:30 – 1:30 p.m. W11	26	27
28	29 Happy Leap Year Day!					

Read your weekly eletter every Thursday for information on additional events.

Check your email daily for the most up-to-date information about college and program happenings.

If you have a disability and require accommodations in order to participate fully in program activities, please contact Joyce Kulig at 978-630-9185 or j_kulig@mwcc.mass.edu to discuss your specific needs.

Visions Newsletter



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Spring Semester Check List

After a restful break, we are ready to rock'n'roll and have lots of fun events planned for the spring semester. Find out about these events by doing the following:

1. Complete your **spring semester check-in** within the first 2 weeks of the semester.
2. Read your **Visions Program Weekly eletter** every Thursday for the most up-to-date information.
3. Sign up for Text Alerts by texting the **@visionspr** to **81010**.

You will need to complete your **FAFSA** for the 2016-2017 academic year. A "How To" sheet with more information will be attached to the weekly eletter.

Steps to Success at MWCC

1. Attend all classes.
2. Participate in all classes.
3. Complete the work for all classes.

From Skip Downing's *On Course* (2014)

Set a Plan and Stick to It!

By now, your New Year's resolutions may have fallen to the wayside, but spring semester is just beginning.

- Resolve to use resources like tutoring and advising throughout the semester.
- Commit to a realistic schedule that fits your lifestyle.
- Make sure to come ask us for help with all of your academic needs!

Top Transfer Tips

Now is a great time to think about transferring to a four-year college or university. Check out these tips to help start and complete your search.

- **Work hard.** Colleges love to accept students who have demonstrated that they are capable of succeeding in their college work. Many colleges report that their accepted transfer students perform better than their admitted freshman.
- **Explore early.** Start exploring early so you can be sure to take the most appropriate classes for the college you hope to attend. Meet with Todd to discuss the options and utilize web resources.
- **Visit.** One of the great benefits of being in the Visions Program is the ability to participate in our free transfer trips. Trip locations and dates are posted on Todd's door.
- **Apply.** Some students don't apply because they are concerned about costs or their credits transferring. Remember, you have nothing to lose by applying. Todd can provide fee waivers for low income students so you will not have out of pocket application costs. Once admitted, you will find out how much aid you will receive and how your credits will transfer before you need to decide if you will attend. So go ahead and apply!

