First Generation Student Newsletter
November 2012

Upcoming Events

- **BU’s Road to Washington: An Election Year Series**: November 8th from 12:30-1:30 p.m. in the GSU Auditorium (7th floor)
- **First Gen Thanksgiving**: November 13th from 5 – 6 p.m. at the USC
- **Roadtrip Nation: Screening and Discussion**: November 26th from 6-7 p.m. in the Student Support Center (100 Bay State Road, room 101)

Important Dates

- November 4: Registration begins for seniors and juniors
- November 9: Last day to drop classes (with a ‘W’ grade)
- November 11: Registration begins for sophomores
- November 18: Registration begins for freshmen
- November 21-26: Thanksgiving Recess
- November 28: Spring 2013 work study job listings posted to Student Link

First Gen Thanksgiving

Start the Thanksgiving season with your fellow first gen students on Tuesday, November 13th, from 5-6 p.m. at the University Service Center. Meet other students while enjoying delicious pumpkin pie, apple cider, and other Thanksgiving-themed foods. Also, compete for a prize in Qwirkle. Let us know if you’ll be stopping by via our RSVP form. We hope to see you there!

First Gen Student Spotlight

Read about our second spotlighted student, Camlinh To, by visiting our website! We’re looking for first gen students to feature in upcoming months, so please email Stephanie at uscgradi@bu.edu if you’d like to suggest someone—or to be featured yourself!

Visit the USC’s website for events and workshops happening this month around campus!

Like the USC’s First Gen Facebook page to stay up-to-date on USC news, information, and events.

Improve your Motivation with Tips from the ERC

- Identify one thing about each class that makes it relevant to your goals.
- Tackle projects in small steps. Map out each stage of a large project, and assign small due dates to each one. Set a time limit for each stage. If you let it, work will expand to take up all of your available time. Be sure to minimize interruptions; every time you check your email or Facebook, you break your concentration.
- Determine which things you can and cannot change. Knowing which things are beyond your control will make your workload feel much more manageable.
- Do unpleasant tasks first and save the best for last, and at the end reward yourself!

Internship and Career Resources

If you haven’t already done so, you should look into BU’s CareerLink, which can be found on its brand new website (http://www.bu.edu/careers/). The site is an online hub for career resources, including internship and job listings around the world. Many recruiters come to campus to hold interviews, so take advantage of their desire to hire BU students! You don’t have to be looking for a job right now to take advantage of CareerLink. Get a jump start on your future through internships and attending the Center for Career Service’s informative workshops. See the full calendar of events here.