Announcing!

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY…

Emergency notifications for students, faculty and staff will be handled by mass email, Channel 19, WURC 88.1 FM, RC-TV 2, and campus loudspeakers. If you would like to receive emergency notifications by text message, please submit your cell phone number to Ms. Hymon, Dean of Students. The numbers will be used for emergencies ONLY and will not be distributed.

THINK PINK—SUPPORT THE CURE!

The Rust College Human Growth & Development Class of 2009 will be holding a walk-a-thon for breast cancer on October 3, 2009 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The Edna B. and Joyce Fay Washington Breast Cancer Foundation, Inc. will be working with students for the walk. The organization was founded in 1993 as a burning desire to celebrate life. The community is invited to participate in a health fair to be held during the walk-a-thon in front of the David L. Beckley Conference Center on Rust Avenue. At this event, you will be provided with life-saving breast health materials and other health-related information. This fundraiser will help support the Sisters Network-Memphis Chapter, an African American Breast Cancer Survivorship Organization.

Academic Calendar: First Semester

Faculty Report to Work: August 13
Pre-Planning Conference (faculty/staff): August 13
Pre-Planning Conference (academic affairs): August 14
Department open for new Students: August 14
New Student Orientation Week: August 15-19
Parents Day: August 16
Testing and Assessment: August 17-18
Registration for New Students: August 30-21
Rust Auditorium Open for Returning Students: August 23
Registration for Spring Students: August 30-25
FIRST MODULE: September 24 - October 11
Class Test: September 25
Last Registration with final grade: August 28
Last day to withdraw: September 30
Labor Day: September 7
Opening Convocation: September 10
Last day to drop course (1st Module): September 11
Nile G. Smith Graduation: August 26
LECTURE SERIES:
- October 1-2
- Doctors Week: October 16-26
- Fall Extravaganza (1st Module): October 14-15
- Module Break: October 19
- SECOND MODULE: October 19 - December 18
- Registrations due after Thanksgiving: October 19
- Class Test: October 26
- Last day to add classes: October 29
- Last day to Remove 5th Grade of previous semester: November 9
- Last day to drop course (2nd Module): November 13
- Board of Trustees Meeting: November 13-14
- Foundation’s Weekend: November 15-17
- Academic Convening and Grounds Convocation: November 16-18
- Thanksgiving Break (after Last Class): November 25
- Reopen Registration Halls open at 12:00 noon: November 29
- Classes resume after Thanksgiving: November 30
- Last day to apply for Spring Graduation: December 7
- Christmas Break (all classes): December 8
- Spring Week - no activities: December 14-18
- Final Exams (2nd Module): December 15-16
- Christmas Vacation begins for students after finals.
- Christmas Break (2nd Semester): December 16
- Thanksgiving Break (after Last Class): December 25
- Reopen Registration Halls open at 12:00 noon: December 29
- Classes resume after Thanksgiving: December 30
- Last day to apply for Spring Graduation: December 7
- Christmas Break (all classes): December 8
- Spring Week - no activities: December 14-18
- Final Exams (2nd Module): December 15-16
- Christmas Vacation begins for students after finals.
- Last day of classes no later than 11:00 a.m.: December 16
- Christmas Holiday begins for faculty after classes released: December 16

Rust Kicks Off 2009-10 Lyceum Series

The 2009-2010 season of the Lyceum Series began with a bang…or more like a snare drum. Motivational speaker and author Mark Tabron jumpstarted the season—using powerful words, a drum set and interaction from students. Mr. Tabron, of Cheverly, Maryland, received his Bachelor of Science degree from Howard University School of Fine Arts, with Jazz Studies as a major. He is the founder and CEO of In Season Publishing Company and Tabron & Associates Financial Services. His latest accomplishment is a book titled You Are a Winner.

The second performance of this year’s Lyceum series was classical pianist Teresa Walters. Known as the “International First Lady of Piano”, Mrs. Walters has performed as recitalist and orchestral soloist on six continents and in most of the 50 United States at venues including Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center in New York, Wigmore Hall in London, the Salle Cortot in Paris, Moscow’s Great Hall, Australia’s International Conservatorium and Jerusalem’s Concert Hall.

Mrs. Walters is noted for her commitment to music as the ultimate universal language, and for her vision of music as ministry. She is equally at home in the world’s major concert halls or in campus and community settings. Mrs. Walters lives with her husband and two cats in the New York City area.
Rust Faculty Doctorates Steadily Increasing
28 of 49 Faculty Members Have Earned Ph.D.

Recent statistics show a steady increase in Rust College faculty members earning their doctorate degrees. According to Dr. Sheila Flemming-Hunter, Vice President of Academic Affairs, 57 percent of faculty have earned their Ph.D.s. Dr. Mahmudul Sheikh is the latest to receive his doctorate, having earned a Ph.D. in Business Administration from the University of Mississippi during the summer of 2009. Dr. Flemming-Hunter says a five-year goal is in place to have at least 60 percent of Rust College faculty members with doctorates.

The following is required for students who desire a grade for Academic Enrichment:

1. To receive a grade for Academic Enrichment, you must be registered. Please check the class list in the Dean of Students Office to make sure you are registered for the course. If your name does not appear on the class list, please go to the Registrar’s Office to register. Students earn AEP points by attending assemblies and participating in other AEP approved events.

2. Assembly is held each Thursday beginning at 2:40 p.m. AEP cards are not issued to students after 2:50 p.m. If you are late due to a conference with an instructor, a statement from the instructor is required.

3. Students are not permitted to stand in the doorway or sit in the aisles or on the steps.

4. Sleeping is not allowed during assembly and other AEP events. Students must sit up and be attentive.

5. DRESS CODE FOR ATTENDING ASSEMBLY: Males should wear suits with shirt and tie or slacks with a shirt and tie. Females should wear business attire (suits, dresses or pantsuits). Blue jeans, jogging suits, hot pants, short-shorts, sneakers, or halter tops should not be worn by females or males. Males should remove their hats/head rags before entering the auditorium. Students who are not properly dressed with not be given an AEP card, nor will they be permitted to enter the auditorium while assembly is being conducted. This policy will be strictly enforced. NO EXCEPTIONS.

6. Loitering in the lobby is not allowed. If you are not attending the program, you must vacate the venue. Cards will only be accepted from students in attendance. Each student should turn in his or her own card. If two cards are turned in, neither card will be accepted.

7. If you are a participant in an AEP program, you must pick up your card before the event begins. Cards will not be issued after the program is over. Please print your name on your card.

8. If you leave before the program is over, you will not be given credit for that date. Students leaving the program for practice of any kind without prior approval will not be given credit.

9. The grading system is as follows:

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Students who register for the second module or fourth module must accumulate the required points to be given credit for the semester.

If you miss assembly due to illness, please submit a doctor’s statement to the Dean of Students Office. All excuses must be in before grades are computed.

Academic Enrichment is a requirement. All students must complete and pass six semesters of Academic Enrichment to graduate. If you receive an “F” for any semester, you must repeat that semester. If you are unsure of the number of semesters of AEP you have complete, please check your transcript in the Registrar’s Office.