Sullivan University System

LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

We’re first!

LEXINGTON serves as test campus for student self-registration

Associate Dean, Juanta Carpenter assists student Niki Thomas with self-registration. Niki enjoys the new process because “it’s nice to be able to schedule classes and get ready for the next quarter on your own time.”

Using the Student Portal, students can now sign up for classes without having to wait for Academic Services to receive their schedule card. The Lexington Campus was tapped as the first Sullivan location to roll out self-registration. This convenient new process was well received by students because it allowed them to do the majority of the scheduling process on their own time.

Students are still encouraged to see their advisor prior to using the portal to register and are also advised to sign up for classes early to ensure that they get the class schedule they want. However, the flexibility of the new system means that students instantly see their future schedule on the Student Portal rather than wait the two or three days it used to take when the process involved getting a schedule card to Academic Services and waiting for someone to input it.

Associate Dean Juanta Carpenter stated that they “hope this new process really empowers our students to take their education in their own hands. In order to get the classes they need each quarter, the student will have to be proactive about registering.”

Sullivan = Business!

College of Business Administration receives prestigious accreditation

Provost Dr. Ken Miller recently announced that the College of Business Administration was recently recognized and accredited by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education (IACBE). The IACBE’s mission is “to promote and recognize excellence in business education in institutions of higher education worldwide.”

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New online master’s degree can ‘protect’ your career

Sullivan University’s Graduate School has always been the leader in providing career advancement and enhanced job security in today’s highly competitive and ever-changing work environment. Recent cyber attacks on U.S. banks, the oil industry and others, point to one fact: cyber security experts are in high demand. The Graduate School now offers a Master of Science in Cyber Security (MSCS). The MSCS is offered entirely online, and will prepare graduates to lead and work in various capacities to protect information infrastructures of different organizations.

The degree hones analytical and research skills as it provides technical knowledge to understand information security with theoretical and practical experience. Graduates develop core competencies in information security assessments, monitoring and auditing of computer implementation and networks. This extends to investigating operating systems security, distributed systems, database security, security policies and protocols, cryptography and applications security.

By gaining practical skills combatting real and simulated cyberattacks, the MSCS degree leads toward a cyber security career. Some of the career paths in cyber security include: cyber policy analyst, chief security officer, cyber-security software engineer, digital forensics expert, information systems security administrator and many more.

Please contact Marika Adams, madams@sullivan.edu for more information on this degree.

“CHANGING HER LIFE”

Samantha Johnson has overcome a difficult childhood, determined to have a brighter future for herself and her daughter, Neveah. See story on page 2.

Sullivan named a 2014 winner of Best Places to Work in Kentucky

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Created in 2005, the awards program is a project of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, the Kentucky Society for Human Resource Management, and the Best Companies Group. This statewide survey and awards program is designed to identify, recognize and honor the best places of employment in Kentucky, benefiting the state’s economy, workforce and business.

Rigorous selection process

Organizations that participate in the Best Places to Work in Kentucky program are evaluated in a two-part process to determine the winners. The first part consists of evaluating each nominated organizations’ workplace policies, practices, and demographics, which is worth approximately 25 percent of the total evaluation.

The second part is an employee survey to measure the employee experience at the companies. This part of the process is worth approximately 75 percent of the total evaluation. The Best Companies Group then sorts and interprets the data, determines the rankings, and produces Employee Feedback Reports.

Reaction on campus

Lexington faculty member, Dr. Carol Tuning said, “We have all played a role in making Sullivan a great place to work. I have certainly enjoyed being here since 2006.”

“As a new employee here at Sullivan University in Lexington, I am impressed by what I have experienced...” stated Carole Schochler, High School Admissions Officer. “From the minute I began, there was never a time when I felt like I was not a valued member of the staff... It is no surprise to me that Sullivan University is one of the top organizations to work for in Kentucky.”

The Sullivan University System will be recognized and honored at the Best Places to Work in Kentucky 10th Annual Awards Dinner on April 24, 2014, at the Lexington Convention Center in Lexington. The final winner rankings will be announced at the event. A magazine recognizing the winners and their final rankings will be released for statewide distribution at that time.