



Dear Student,

You are receiving this correspondence from the Bellevue College Disability Resource Center in partnership with the Disabilities, Opportunities, Internetworking, and Technology (DO-IT) Center. The purpose is to inform you about many opportunities that are available. We invite you to review these opportunities and participate in activities that interest you.

On page two, you will find information about **AccessSTEM Activities**, an **Autism Acceptance Event**, and **career preparation events**. Page three has information about *AccessSTEM's* **Scholarship Website** and the **National Center for Women in Information Technology**. Page four has information about **student services**, the **Autism Spectrum Navigators Program**, **Career Connections Events**, the **Disability Resource Center**, and **DO-IT**.

Bellevue College and DO-IT staff wish you a successful and enjoyable college experience.

Sincerely,

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Join Projects for Students Pursuing Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM) Fields

Funded by the National Science Foundation, the *AccessSTEM* and *AccessComputing* projects are recruiting students in STEM fields such as the sciences, math, computing, engineering, psychology and many other social science disciplines.

Tutors - Get help finding STEM tutors when struggling in a class.

Internships - Receive assistance finding and applying for great internships.

Career Building - Learn about careers, resumes, job fairs, and networking.

Mentoring - Get support from other students, faculty, staff, & professionals.

Free USB Flash Drive - Given to new *AccessSTEM* students. Get yours today!

For more information about *AccessSTEM* and *AccessComputing*, contact Tami Tidwell at 206-685-3648 (voice/TTY) or tamitha@uw.edu. Student applications are at www.uw.edu/doit/Stem/team_app.html and www.uw.edu/accesscomputing/team_app.html, respectively.

AccessSTEM Activities & Bellevue College Events

Watch for other upcoming *AccessSTEM* activities at www.uw.edu/doit/Stem/stem_events.html.

AccessSTEM Staying Connected at the Burke Cafe

Friday, April 25, 2014, 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Join us every month for our AccessSTEM Staying Connected Friday at the Burke Cafe at the University of Washington. Come and socialize with other *AccessSTEM* students and project staff! Share your stories and bring your questions about STEM careers, academic programs, and accommodations. Please RSVP to Scott Bellman at swb3@uw.edu or 206-685-3648 (voice/TTY).

3rd Annual Autism Acceptance Video Game Tournament

Saturday, April 26, 2014, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The Bellevue College cafeteria is the place to be on April 26th from 11am to 4pm. An all-ages Mario Kart tournament will join autism vendors, special speakers, a student panel, an amazing silent auction, and more! Admission is free, but there is a \$10 fee to participate in the tournament.

Job and Networking Fair

Wednesday, May 8, 2014, 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Location: Cafeteria-Student Union Building "C"
Come to the Student Union Building for the Job and Networking Fair. This will be a great way to network with local employers and compete for full- or part-time temporary or contractual jobs in a variety of different fields. Attendees should wear business casual attire and bring polished resumes. To learn about this event and how to improve your resume, visit <http://depts.bellevuecollege.edu/careers/the-job-fair-tips-that-get-you-in-the-center-of-the-attention/>. Please contact Tami Tidwell at tamitha@uw.edu or call 206-685-3648 (voice/TTY) if you would like someone to attend the fair with you.



Bellevue College Ability Experience

Thursday, May 15, 2014, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

The Bellevue College Rotoract club is hosting the 2014 Ability Experience, an event that is intended to promote disability awareness in the community. Students and volunteers will relate their experiences as individuals with disabilities.

Pizza and Networking Night

Friday, May 30, 2014, 6 - 9 p.m.

Mark your calendars for the Upcoming Spring Pizza Gathering, hosted at the University of Washington. Please RSVP to Tami Tidwell at tamitha@uw.edu or call 206-685-3648 (voice/TTY). When you RSVP, please let us know if you have any food restrictions, accommodation requests, or need parking for an over-height accessible vehicle.

University of Washington Transfer Thursdays

Spring 2014, Every Thursday

This Spring Quarter, visit the University of Washington every Thursday for transfer information sessions, advising, and financial aid guidance. Business, psychology, and various STEM programs at the University of Washington host information sessions and drop-in advising. Visit the Transfer Thursday website at uw.edu/uaa/advising/at-the-uw/for-transfer-students/.



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Facebook: ow.ly/hYm50

Twitter: [@doituw](https://twitter.com/doituw)

National Center for Women & Information Technology

NCWIT works to correct the imbalance of gender diversity in technology and computing. Increasing the number of women in technology and computing fields has the potential to improve the design of products and services to better serve a more diverse population. NCWIT is partnered with the National Science Foundation, Microsoft, Google, and a number of other organizations. The program helps organizations recruit, retain, and advance women from K-12 and higher education through industry and entrepreneurial careers by providing community, evidence, and action. Visit the NCWIT website at www.ncwit.org/ to see the many resources, campaigns, and events sponsored that are intended to increase the representation of women in computing and technology fields.

33% of all UW students transfer from Washington community colleges.

College Funding: Upcoming Scholarships Website

Check out the exciting page that contains scholarships for all types of students, disabilities, and interests! Using an interactive sorting tool, you can filter scholarships by disability. Information includes scholarship name, deadline, description, eligibility, and links to individual sponsors. Over sixty scholarships are included. To see this page in action, visit www.uw.edu/doi/student/scholarships.html. Send suggestions for scholarships that benefit students with disabilities to Sean Marihugh at marihs@uw.edu.



Upcoming Scholarships: Spring & Summer 2014

National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program, Application Due: March 31st, 2014
Thirty awards ranging from \$3,000 to \$12,000 will be given to qualifying students who are legally blind in both eyes. Full-time students enrolled in post-secondary institutions are eligible.
<https://nfb.org/scholarships>

Organization for Autism Research Scholarship Program, Application Due: April 25th, 2014
This \$3,000 scholarship is intended for any qualifying student at a two- or four-year university who has a diagnosis on the autism spectrum.
<http://researchautism.org/news/otherevents/scholarship.asp>

Friends in Art Scholarship Program, Application Due: May 15th, 2014
This \$1,000 scholarship is intended for blind or visually impaired students who plan on majoring in art. Any college student is eligible.
<http://www.friendsinart.com/drupal/scholarship-application>

Martin Family Foundation Honors Scholarship Program, Application Due: July 8th, 2014
This \$10,000 award is intended for 2-4 qualifying students who plan on transferring from a Washington community college to the University of Washington.
http://expd.uw.edu/scholarships/search/search-results-public.html?page_stub=martinfamily

Autism Spectrum Navigators Program

The Autism Spectrum Navigators program offers individualized support for Bellevue College students who have an Autism Spectrum Condition. Students who have met the College admission requirements can apply for services at the Disability Resource Center. The program serves as a reference for Bellevue College faculty and staff, offering information and training in Autism Spectrum related issues and promoting inclusion in academics, the workplace, and in the community. Visit the program's website at www.bellevuecollege.edu/autismspectrumnavigators/ to find information on upcoming events and how to apply.



Disability Resource Center at Bellevue College

Spring hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Location: D125

Phone: 425-564-2498 (V), 425-564-4110 (TTY)

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) is dedicated to service excellence in the provision of comprehensive and flexible accommodation plans, which contribute to the successful academic endeavors of qualified students who have disabilities. For more information, visit bellevuecollege.edu/drc/.

Student Services at Bellevue College

Educational Planning Advising Center, B232

Advisors, counselors, and resources are available for students who wish to transfer to a four-year university, pursue a career, or are undecided about their major.

Computer Labs

Many academic learning labs and nearly 1,300 computers are dedicated for student use. View the complete list of labs, including those located in the library and across campus.

Find links to these and more at:
bellevuecollege.edu/resources/services/

Center for Career Connections Events

Bellevue College offers informational sessions that provide career-related information. To register, call 425-564-2279 or come by B231 during business hours. For more information, including workshops, visit depts.bellevuecollege.edu/careers/students-alumni-and-community-members/classes-and-workshops/.

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