DATES TO REMEMBER

The complete academic calendar is available online: https://www.south.edu/academics/catalog-calendars/

Below are a few reminders of important dates and deadlines in 2021:

September 3-10
Summer 2021 Final Examinations

October 6
Fall Quarter Begins

October 12
Last Day for Registration Drop/Add

October 30
Last Day to Drop with "W" for 1st 5-week courses

November 10
Fall-Mid Quarter Begins

November 23
Last Day to Drop with "W" for 10-week courses

November 27
Last Day to Drop with "W" for 2nd 5-week courses

SEPTEMBER 11
A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE

9/11, a Day to Remember
September 11 is a Day of Remembrance in which we reflect on the lives lost during the September 11, 2001, attacks. This day has been named Patriot Day in honor of those lives. We ask that the students and faculty/staff join us in wearing a flag pin in honor of those lives taken. The pins will be provided on a first-come basis and will be located at the check-in areas. We also will hold a moment of silence at 9:00 a.m. On behalf of South College, we honor the memory of those lost, and we salute those who fought faithfully to assist those in need.

Constitution Day
Constitution Day is on September 17 and is celebrated for the recognition of the adoption of the U.S. Constitution and those who have become U.S. citizens. Why do we celebrate on September 17? That is the day in 1787 that delegates to the Constitutional Convention signed the document in Philadelphia. South College will hold a constitution scavenger hunt! Students will be able to go to different areas within the institution, answer questions about the Constitution and receive clues to the next question. This will give you a chance to learn more about the Constitution and meet more of the staff here at South College.

South College QEP is Underway
What is a QEP? The South College Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) is part of the institution’s accrediting process. The institution identifies an area for improvement and creates a five-year plan to improve in that area. The title of the South College QEP is Starting from the Beginning: Quest for Progression Improvement (QPi).

What is the QEP focus area? At South College, we want our students to graduate. Undergraduate students seem to struggle the most in the first quarters of enrollment. The South College QEP focuses on improving the percentage of undergraduate, degree-seeking students progressing from the first to second term of their academic program.

Why was this QEP focus area chosen? Transition can be hard. The undergraduate students in their first term seem to struggle the most. We feel if students are successful in the first term, then their confidence, sense of belonging, and academic outcomes will increase, and they also will know more about resources available to help them in future quarters.

Where can I learn more about the QEP? If you are interested in learning more about the South College QEP, please reach out to your advisor or a member of the student services staff.

Federal Work Study Opportunities
Federal Work-Study provides part-time jobs for students with demonstrated financial need. This
is a great way to earn money to help pay your educational expenses and gain valuable work experience. South College seeks work-study opportunities that serve the local community. Every effort is made to match students with work-study opportunities related to their course of study. For more information and to apply, contact June Sparks (jsparks@southcollege.edu), Jeanne Stewart (jstewart@southcollege.edu), or call 865-251-1813.

Career Success
Career Services would like to remind students and pending graduates that a job listing service is now available in the Student Portal. Go to the Student Portal; My Career; Job Search. New jobs are posted daily, so if you are looking for a position in your field of study be sure to check out this listing service. Also, your Career Services team of Ben Landers (blanders@south.edu) and Jaime Limbaugh (jlimbaugh@south.edu) are always available to help with your job search strategy.

Student Counseling Services
As a student at South College, you have access to counseling services through ComPsych. Counselors are available 24/7 and can assist with any issue, such as anxiety, depression, stress, grief, and life adjustments. After the initial intake, you will be referred to a counselor in your area. In addition to counseling, you also have access to GuidanceResources, a website that contains articles, podcast, videos, slideshows, and “ask the expert” personal responses to your wellness questions. The number and website are:

Phone-based Counselors: 844-268-5855
Website: guidanceresources.com
(Web ID: SouthCollege)

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

1. Free COVID-19 Vaccines!
   Where can you get them?
   • Knox County Health Department, located on Dameron Avenue
   • Walgreens
   • CVS Pharmacy
   • Kroger Pharmacy
   • Volunteer Pharmacy

2. COVID-19 Testing: Here are places that you can go for testing.
   • CVS Pharmacy
   • Knox County Health Department
   • AFC Urgent Care: rapid test available
   • Walgreens: drive-through testing
   • Urgent Team

3. Flu Vaccines: It is that time of the year. Here are places that give flu vaccinations.
   • Kroger Pharmacy
   • Walgreens
   • Publix Pharmacy
   • Well-Key
   • CVS
   • AFC Urgent Care
   • Knox County Health Department

4. Free exercise classes for YMCA members: Wanting to get back in shape, or just want to get into an exercise routine? Try the local YMCA! They have classes for all your needs – cardio, strength training, full body, aquatics, mind wellness and even classes for the youth. If interested, visit ymca knoxville.org/programs/group-exercise.
First-year Physician Assistant Student Taylor Williamson Wins First Place in CrossFit Competition

Taylor Williamson, a first-year physician assistant student, won first place in the Worldwide CrossFit Mayhem. Taylor competed with other teams from more than 50 countries. Since February, Taylor has traveled to Cookeville, Tennessee, to train at facilities with other full-time athletes. Taylor trained for about six to eight hours a day on weekends, and during the week averaged around two to five hours a day on top of completing coursework. Taylor’s team won by the largest point margin in the history of the event. South College congratulates Taylor and his team on a job well done.

Did You Know?
You can find your advisor in the student portal, located within the academics tab.

Quote of the Month:
“Try not to become a man of success, but rather try to become a man of value.”
-Albert Einstein