

Chapter 12

Going Back to School

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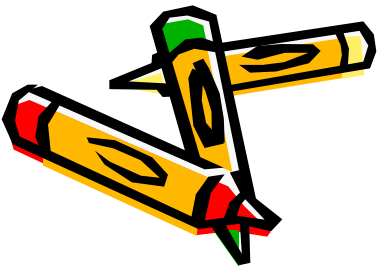
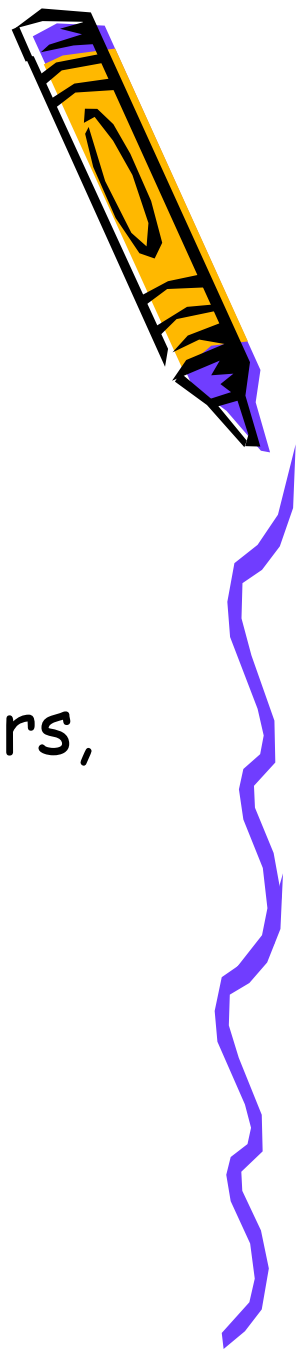
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Do You Belong in College?

- Going back to school is scary.
- Some questions that can be running through your mind:
- Will you be able to take test, write papers, study new information- especially if you hated school before?
- Will College just take too long- and is it worth it?



Changing Student Populations

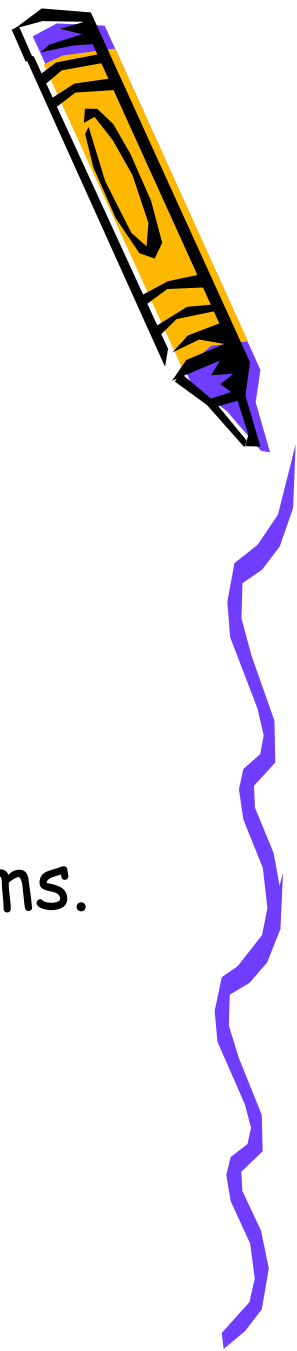


- According to the Census Bureau and the Department of Education, 40% of all college students are over 25 years old.
- More than 70% of part-time college students are 25 or older; and 80% of all college students are commuters.



Succeeding in College

- Because adults come to college with a background of experiences they often take crises in stride better than young students do./
- They look for solutions to problems, and apply what they learn beyond school - to personal problems and workplace problems.
- Adults have learned to be more independent



Will College Take Too Long?



- Many traditional and nontraditional students now take more than four years to complete college.
- Many colleges accommodate these students by introducing accelerated courses, where students learn a semester's worth of information in a shorter, but more academically intense, time period.



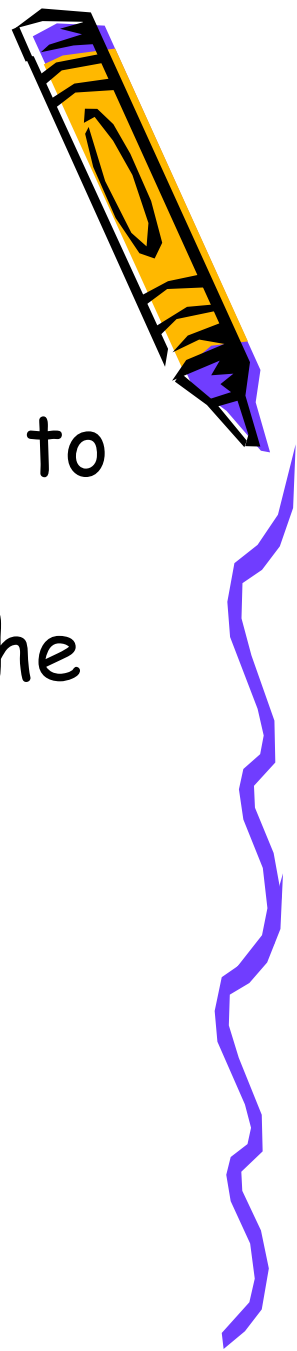
Is College Worth The Effort?

- In today's changing economy, more jobs require more skills.
- Some studies indicate that most jobs will require at least 2 years of post-secondary education.
- There are new technologies, and newly created jobs to meet the needs of these technologies.
- Further, you're more likely to be considered for promotions if you have a college degree.

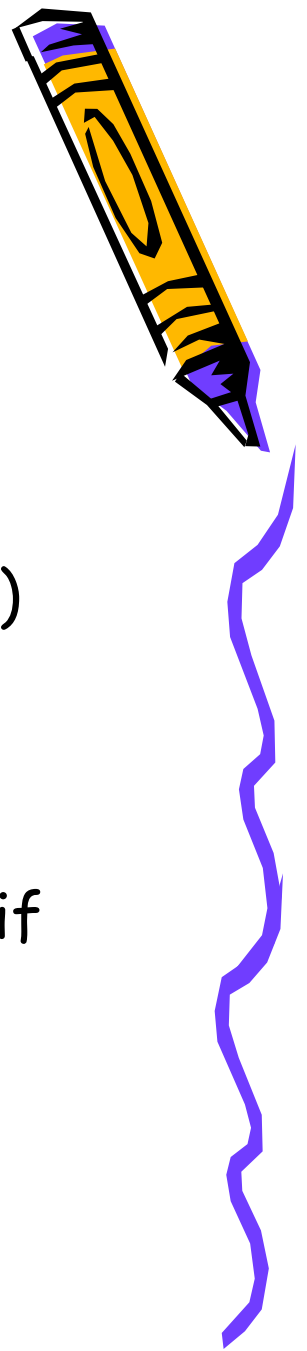


Campus Services For Adults Returning to School

- With increasing numbers of adults to school, many colleges have made special accommodations to serve the needs of these students.
- Does your college these service?



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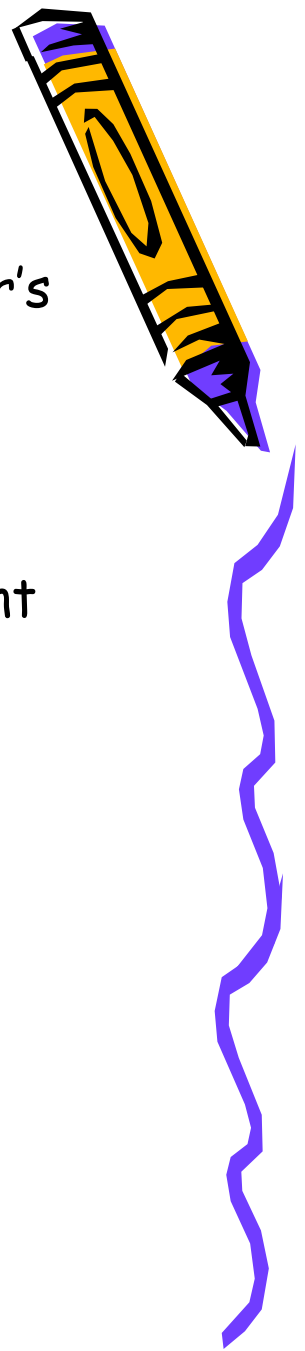


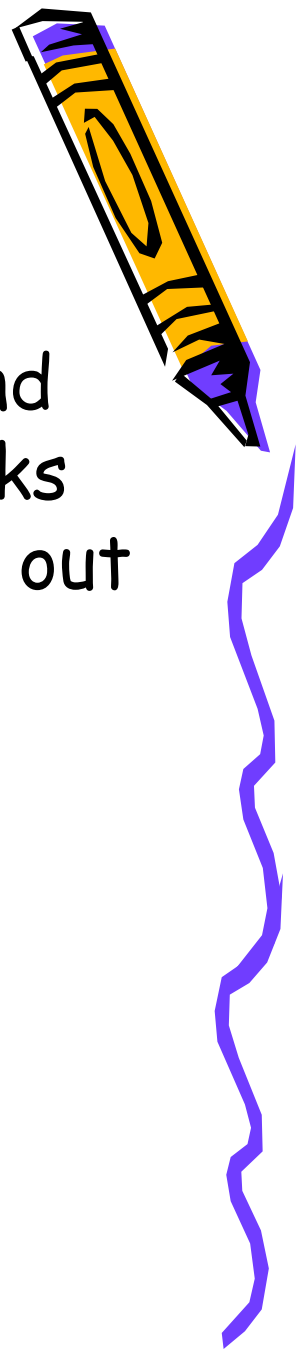
- Registration:
- Student are able to register for classes on-line through Eagle Links.
- Each student has their enrollment appointment based on the status (freshman, sophomore, etc.) according to the amount of credits they have.
- If additional help is needed they can make an appointment with their academic advisor. Each student should be appointed to an advisor even if they have not declared a major.
- Over rides can be acquired in the Admissions building and they can provide more information from there



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- Parking:
 - Student can purchase parking passes from the cashier's office 2nd floor Admission Building.
 - There are also off campus parking sites.
- Office Hours:
 - Student can call 410-951-3000 ask for the department you are looking to obtain the information on.
- Off-campus student Facilities and services:
 - In the Tawes center there are many services for off campus students such as:
 - Student Affairs Office
 - Student Activities Office
 - Commuter Student Lounge
 - Quite Lounge (for studying and relaxing; no food allowed)
 - Student Life Center
 - Subway
 - Rathskeller
 - Pool Room





- Library Services:

- works with the University of Maryland Systems allowing you to retrieve books from other colleges in Maryland with out having to travel to them.

- Hours:

- Mon-Thursday: 8am-2am

- Fri- 8am-4:30pm

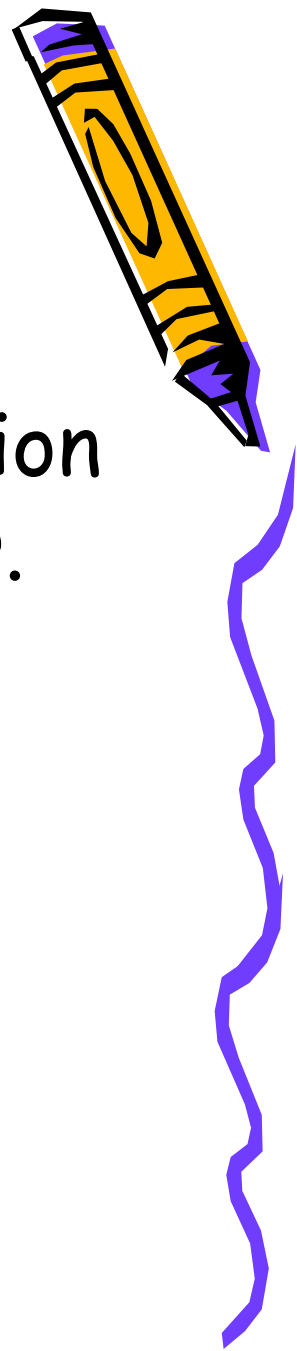
- Sat-sun and holidays:

- call the library for more information

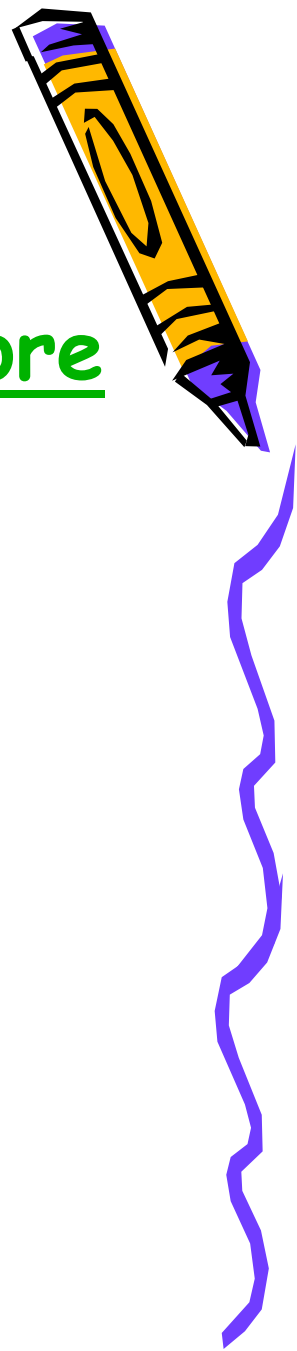


Career Services

- Tawes Center 1st floor is the location of the Career Development Center.
 - Obtain help on work study.
 - Internships.
 - Locate job after graduation.
 - Job placement.



Child Care



- Contact the Interim Dean for more information.
- Dr. Susan Arisman

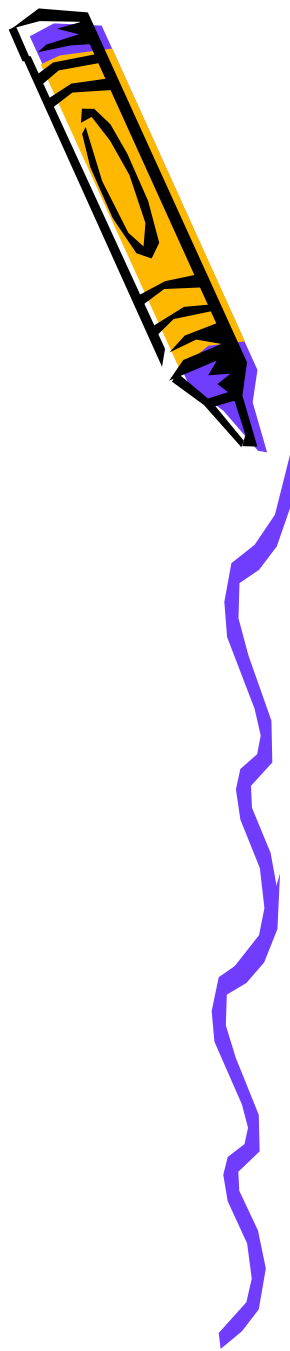
Ph.: 410-951-3082

Bldg: GJ Room# 736



Relationships

- At home
- Work
- Personal
- With your children
- Friends
- Co-workers





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