

# ONE HOP SHOP

A monthly newsletter brought to you by the SUNY Canton Student Service Center.

## Who's in the One Hop Shop?

- ⇒ Financial Aid
- ⇒ Meal Plans & ID Cards
- ⇒ Registrar
- ⇒ Student Accounts

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## Did you know?

Over 2,500 students have already received their financial aid packages for the upcoming 2016-2017 aid year. Are you one of them?

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## Important Dates!

Time to wrap up the semester and prepare for finals.

**Remember to always monitor your UCanWeb account and SUNY Canton email for important notices!**

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| Monday, March 28    | • 2016-17: Advising Period Begins for Fall 2016                        |
| Friday, April 1     | • Financial Aid Friday   |
| Friday, April 8     | • Financial Aid Friday   |
| Monday, April 11    | • 2016-17: Registration Period Begins Fall 2016 for returning students |
| Wednesday, April 13 | • Specialty Student Awards Ceremony                                    |
| Friday, April 15    | • Last Day to Withdraw (4 PM)  |
|                     | • Financial Aid Friday   |
| Wednesday, April 20 | • Honors Convocation   |
| Friday, April 22    | • Financial Aid Friday   |
| Monday, April 25    | • 2016-17: Registration Period Begins Fall 2016 for transfer students  |
| Friday, April 29    | • Spring 2016 Classes End  |
|                     | • Financial Aid Friday   |
| Monday, May 2       | • Spring 2016 Final Exam Week  |

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## Financial Aid Friday's

Every Friday in April there will be a table located in the Chaney lobby from 12 noon to 1 pm for students to stop and check on their financial aid status.

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## Last day to withdraw

The last day to withdraw from Spring 2016 coursework is Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> by 4 PM. **Withdrawing from any or all courses may impact your eligibility for financial aid in current or future semesters.** Be sure to ask questions before submitting any paperwork. When dropping individual courses you will be charge a \$20 fee.

If you are considering withdrawing from all coursework, please view the basic information on the withdrawal process and our brochure at [http://www.canton.edu/student\\_accounts/withdraw.html](http://www.canton.edu/student_accounts/withdraw.html). It is highly recommended that you sit down and discuss your options with both your Academic Advisor and your Financial Aid Advisor prior to withdrawing to fully understand the impact on your student record. It may also impact your eligibility at another school should you decide to transfer.

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## Summer enrollment

If you have decided to attend summer classes be sure to add them to your summer schedule in UCanWeb after speaking with your Academic Advisor using your Summer Registration Code. You will receive a bill by email within approximately 48 hours of adding your summer coursework.

**Summer financial assistance may be available.** If you would like to receive summer aid, then complete and submit a [summer financial aid application](#) to the One Hop Shop for processing. We will review your account and notify you by email of your summer aid offers. Beware that use of summer aid can impact the amount of aid you can receive during the fall and spring semesters. More detailed information on summer financial assistance can be found at [http://www.canton.edu/fin\\_aid/summer\\_aid.html](http://www.canton.edu/fin_aid/summer_aid.html) including the cost of attendance and payment options. **The first two Summer Sessions begin on Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>!**

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## Graduation

Congratulations to all those graduating in May! Any information you need regarding the commencement activities can be found online at <http://www.canton.edu/commencement/>. Here are some key dates you will not want to forget:

- ✓ April 18 Pick up your regalia at the Campus Store (payment due).
- ✓ April 20 Last day to make program changes. Check the commencement program for accuracy
- ✓ May 6 Commencement Rehearsal
- ✓ May 7 Commencement. Doors open at 8:30 am and guest must be seated by 10 am. Graduates will line up in the Ice Arena at 9:15 am. The ceremony is expected to begin at 10:30 am. Reception to follow.

Any student who borrowed a federal student loan must complete exit counseling for the loan at [studentloans.gov](http://studentloans.gov). We will be mailing a reminder letter to all students who have not completed the requirement after graduation. We have created a new webpage for graduating students at [http://www.canton.edu/fin\\_aid/graduation.html](http://www.canton.edu/fin_aid/graduation.html). An information session on The Basics of Student Loan Repayment was held in March and we will be conducting another one in April. Watch your email for details. For those who are unable to attend, a copy of the presentation and the Student Loan Repayment workbook are available on this new webpage.

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## Are you guilty of fraud?

Do any of the following situations apply to you? If so, then you are likely guilty of fraud.

- You completed the FAFSA without your parent present and used your parent's FSA ID to sign the form electronically.
- You completed an online parent loan application at [studentloans.gov](http://studentloans.gov) for your parent using the parent's FSA ID.
- You completed and online parent loan Master Promissory Note at [studentloans.gov](http://studentloans.gov) using your parent's FSA ID.
- You signed any financial aid paper document on the parent signature line falsely.

Has your parent or spouse completed any applications for you? If so, they likely signed them electronically using your secure information and would be considered guilty of fraud. Here are some examples:

- Accepted or declined any financial aid offers in your UCanWeb account.
- Completed Entrance Counselling at [studentloans.gov](http://studentloans.gov) (required if you have a student loan).
- Completed a student loan Master Promissory Note at [studentloans.gov](http://studentloans.gov) (required if you have a student loan).
- Your parent signed any financial aid paper document on the student signature line falsely.

With the ease of entering information online the potential for fraud has increased. We may refuse to accept any documentation we believe is fraudulent. Students may be referred for disciplinary action in these cases.

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## Are you ready for next year? (2016-2017)

We started sending out award notices for the 2016-2017 academic year in March. Check your SUNY Canton email and UCanWeb account for notices including any updates to your account. Our priority deadline for limited campus based aid was March 1<sup>st</sup> but you still have plenty of time to apply. How many of the following items can you check off your to do list?

- I know my FSA ID login information.
- My FAFSA application has been filed at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov).
- My New York State application has been filed at [www.tapweb.org](http://www.tapweb.org).
- I have applied for any scholarships that I qualified for.
- I have filed my taxes. (IRS Deadline is April 15<sup>th</sup>)
- I have received my financial aid offers and viewed them in UCanWeb. *Be sure to accept or decline them.*
- I have scheduled my Fall 2016 classes in UCanWeb.
- I have submitted all of my required financial aid paperwork to the One Hop Shop.
- I submitted a summer aid application to the One Hop Shop (only if you will enroll for the summer).

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## Staff Spotlight



### **Kerrie Cooper, Director of Financial Aid**

Kerrie began working as Director of Financial Aid at SUNY Canton in 1992 after spending 5 years as Asst. Director of FA at Monroe Community College in Rochester. She is from Madrid and received her BA from SUNY Potsdam and M.S.Ed from SUNY Brockport. Kerrie resides in Madrid with her husband, Tony and cat children, Calvin and Hobbes. Kerrie handles most of the Satisfactory Academic Progress questions and issues regarding course eligibility for financial aid in addition to general financial aid policy.

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**Satisfaction Survey:** Please take the time to complete our [short online customer satisfaction survey](#) for the One Hop Shop based on your experience this semester. [Click here](#) for more information on the One Hop Shop and to view previous issues of this newsletter.

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