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Ridgeback Report

 Student Course Feedback Surveys for Spring graduate, undergraduate and Bachelor of Education courses are available June 6 to June 20. Do you have comments or concerns about your courses? <u>Share your feedback with us</u> and help improve your student experience. You will be entered into a draw for a chance to win 1 of 5 \$75 gift cards.

Academic Support

- Laptop standards for the 2022-2023 academic year are now available. Visit the IT Services website to view minimum recommendations per your program.
- The Student Learning centre is offering writing support for all students enrolled in the Spring / Summer semester. Find the <u>support</u> that is best for you and book a virtual or in-person appointment.

Career Readiness



- The Employment Readiness Program is a series of workshops designed to teach students practical job readiness skills for navigating the workplace with success. Students who attend the workshop series will have access to additional one-on-one peer support with an Employment Peer Coach who can help address career-related concerns. Tuesdays from 1 to 3 p.m. from July 5 to Aug 2. Register before July 5!
- Summer is a great time to learn new skills! TALENT is excited to offer selfpaced microcredentials. With flexible start and completion dates, and any-time access to assignments, you're in full control of your learning. Use this down time to sharpen and enhance your skills! Follow TALENT on Instagram, Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn to learn more.

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• The Career Centre and Devant have joined together to provide career supports for international students. <u>Check out</u>, and register for all the great workshops that are happening in June; including Finding a Job in Canada: Live interactive workshop and a Networking Café with a Career Coach!

Community



- Complete the voluntary Ontario Tech Student Communication Survey and be entered into a draw for a chance to win 1 of 5 \$50 Amazon eGift cards The survey will take approximately 10 minutes to complete. The answers collected will be used to ensure future communication planning at the university is meeting the needs of our students!
- Bannock and Books is an Indigenous book club series designed to explore Indigenous culture and ways of knowing. This month's featured book is 21 Things You May Not Know About the Indian Act, by Bob Joseph. It acts as an essential guide to the Indian Act, and its repercussions on generations of Indigenous Peoples. The book club will be followed by the sharing circle, which is hosted on June 27. Reserve your copy the book while you register for the Sharing Circle
- safeTALK is a suicide alertness program that prepares community members to be suicide alert helpers. <u>Register</u> for this single day, three-hour training session that must be attended in-person. safeTALK participants will learn that opportunities to help a person with thoughts of suicide are sometimes missed, dismissed and avoided and will learn the TALK steps - Tell, Ask, Listen and Keep Safe.
- Applications for Peer Leader positions are still open! At the end of the year, your involvement in these roles is eligible to add to your <u>Student Experience</u> Record.
- Recovery College is a collaboration between the university and Ontario Shores Centre for Mental Health Sciences. Three courses will be held over the Spring / Summer semester, and will provide education about mental health and wellness, and will help you discover or rediscover passion, hope, and meaning. To view the course descriptions and register, visit the mental health groups' web page.

Equity and Inclusion

- Join us for Community Night! On Wednesday, June 29 from 5 to 7 p.m. for a pride themed movie and games event. Register now!
- #Let's Talk Sex Workshop Series. In response to student feedback provided to the Student Sexual Violence Prevention and Support Committee, Student Life has invited the AIDS Committee of Durham Region to deliver a variety of workshops to provide education and destigmatization around topics of sex and sexuality. Part of building a culture of consent and respect on campus is providing space for conversations like these.

Athletics and Wellness

• Yoga in the Commons is happening each Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. until September 1. Visit Campus Recreation for full details.

Money Matters

Ontario Student Assistance Program (OSAP)

2021/2022 OSAP Extension Form is available on the <u>MyOntarioTech</u> website under OSAP forms.

- If you are an OSAP student planning to take full time classes in the Spring/Summer term, you will need to complete an OSAP Extension Form once you are officially registered for your classes. *Do not* apply through the OSAP website.
- If you're planning to study part time during the summer term, please apply for part time OSAP funding via the OSAP website prior to the deadline date of June 15, 2022.

2022/2023 Fall OSAP Now Available!

 Apply now to OSAP for this upcoming fall and winter terms to avoid delays when classes start.

Student Awards

 If you are a registered Spring/Summer student, there are bursary application opportunities for you within <u>MyOntarioTech</u>. Check for spring/summer term payment deadlines while you are there.

