from Multicultural Student Services!
SUB Building 17, Room 131

Pam Austin—Multicultural Specialist/Counselor 533-3546
Tuesday—Friday 10:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

Jane Gong —Multicultural Program Assistant 533-4331
Monday—Friday 8 a.m. — 4:30 p.m.

Our offices are located in the SFCC SUB, Building 17, Room 131 across from the REC Center. Our program assists students of color at SFCC. Some of the services offered are:

* Academic and personal counseling
* Tutorial assistance referral
* Career planning
* Multicultural Club advising
* Coordination of club activities
* Provide cultural diversity speakers
* Assistance with financial aid applications
* Job and scholarship information
* Community resource referrals
* Emergency assistance (limited)

Person(s) with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids, services, or accommodations, should contact the college. For TTY service, call 533-3292. The Community Colleges of Spokane does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender or age.

A Word from
Multicultural Specialist
Pam Austin

I hope you’re enjoying your holiday break! I look forward to having you back at SFCC for 2014. You are all so special!

REMEMBER, YOU NEED TO COMPLETE A NEW FINANCIAL AID FORM IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2014-15.

Now is the time to do this. Please do not delay as it’s first-come, first-served for work-study and other grants! I can help you with this. Look on page 5 for a hands-on financial aid workshop I will offer January 8 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

This quarter goes by fast, so if you need assistance with tutorial services or have counseling and advising needs, please call and make an appointment to talk with me during my office hours. I am available for drop-in appointments. If you are in need of anything, please call 533-4331 or stop by!

This also is the time of year to think about scholarships for the coming year. We are getting new information on a regular basis regarding what’s available for students in the way of scholarships. There is money out there, students just need to look for it and follow through with the necessary paperwork. Watch for CCS Foundation applications soon.

We have several multicultural events planned this quarter. Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate. They’re fun, interesting and educational. Have a great winter quarter and don’t forget to come and see me for assistance if you need it.
Morris K. Udall Foundation Information

The Foundation expects to award 50 scholarships of up to $5000 and 50 honorable mentions to sophomore and junior level college students committed to careers related to the environment, tribal public policy, or Native American health care.

Scholarships are offered in any of three categories:

- To students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to the **environment** including policy, engineering, science, education, urban planning and renewal, business, health, justice, economics, and other related fields; or

- To Native American and Alaska Native students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to **tribal public policy**, including fields related to tribal sovereignty, tribal governance, tribal law, Native American education, Native American justice, natural resource management, cultural preservation and revitalization, Native American economic development, and other areas affecting Native American communities; or

- To Native American and Alaska Native students who have demonstrated commitment to careers related to **Native health care**, including health care administration, social work, medicine, dentistry, counseling, and research into health conditions affecting Native American communities, and other related fields.


FINANCIAL AID FORMS ARE DUE!

Financial Aid forms for the 2014-2015 school year are ready to pick up. If you plan to attend college next year and need financial aid, you must complete it online. Pam Austin is available to assist you in filling out these forms. Please call and make an appointment with Pam Austin at 533-4331. The hours are 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays each week. The Financial Aid form is used to determine eligibility for different types of financial aid including the PELL Grant. Your form must be mailed as soon after January 1, 2014, as possible in order to receive the most aid available for the 2014-2015 academic year.

**DON'T FORGET TO FILL OUT A DATA SHEET.**

Financial Aid/Scholarship workshop for multicultural students, January 8, 1—2:30 p.m.
Details in page 6

Bright Promise Scholarships

The Associated Industries Bright Promise Scholarship program has up to $40,000 available to pay half your tuition for an entire academic year if you are enrolled in a program of study for health sciences, business, technology or manufacturing. A special application is required along with several attachments. Applications are due Monday, April 16. Visit www.ccs.spokane.edu/Foundation/Scholarships.aspx for details.

The Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund application is now available. For more information and to apply, click here. The deadline is January 10, 2014 at 11:59 p.m. EST.

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program application is now available. For more information and to apply, click here. The deadline is January 15, 2014 at 11:59 p.m. EST.
**Washington State Need Grant**

The State Need Grant program helps the state’s lowest-income undergraduate students pursue degrees, hone skills, or retrain for new careers. Students can use the grants at public two-year and four-year colleges and universities and many accredited independent colleges, universities, and career schools in Washington.

**Eligibility**

To be eligible, you must meet the following criteria:

* Have a family income of equal to or less than 65 percent of the state median (see chart below);
* Be a Washington State resident;
* Enroll as an undergraduate student at least half-time in an eligible program; and
* Be pursuing a certificate, bachelor’s degree, or first associate degree; and
* Not be pursuing a degree in theology.

For more information, please visit:

http://www.hecb.wa.gov/paying/waaidprgm/sng.asp

**American Indian Endowed Scholarship**

The Higher Education Coordinating Board (HECB) is accepting applications for the 2014-15 American Indian Endowed Scholarship (AIES) awards. Applications must be mailed to the HECB postmarked by February 1, 2014.

http://www.wsac.wa.gov/PayingForCollege/StateAid/AmericanIndian

**Who is eligible?**

To be eligible, you must meet the following criteria:

- Have close social and cultural ties to an American Indian tribe or American Indian community in WA.
- Agree to use your education to benefit other American Indians.
- Have demonstrated financial need (as determined by the college financial aid office).
- Be a Washington State resident.
- Be enrolled or intend to enroll as a full-time student at an eligible Washington college or university by the next fall term (Selection priority is given to upper division and graduate students, but all applicants are considered.)
- Not be pursuing a degree in theology. Have not received five years of this scholarship in total.

**CHECK OUT THESE SCHOLARSHIP WEB SITES:**

FastWeb - A searchable database of more than 180,000 private sector scholarships and grants.
http://www.fastweb.com

WFAA—Ethnic Awareness Committee Scholarship. A list of scholarships for students of color.
http://www.wfaa.org/docs/students/finaid_resources.html

U of W—http://www.washington.edu/students/ugrad/scholar

WSU—http://www.finaid.wsu.edu/scholar

EWU—www.ewu.edu/Admissions/Financial-Aid/Scholarships.xml

Washington website for Scholarships -Create a profile and let us do the rest. We will match you with scholarships you are most likely to qualify for and applying online is easy.
http://www.thewashboard.org/login.aspx
## Calendar of Upcoming Multicultural Events

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### MLK Speaker—Chuck D. (PUBLIC ENEMY)
Wednesday, January 15, 10 a.m.
Music Building

As one of the trailblazers of the rap movement, Chuck D was promoting New York hip-hop acts as early as 1979. The son of political activists, he was studying graphic design when he was drawn into the music scene, which had formerly been just a hobby. The turning point came when he saw Dick Gregory, the activist, comedian, and health nut, give a speech that stressed education through entertainment. This would become the basic principle of Public Enemy, which he formed in 1986 with friend Hank Shocklee. When Flavor Flav, Professor Griff, and Terminator X came on board, writers dubbed them the “Black Panthers of rap,” and their influence on the burgeoning rap music scene was unrivaled through the remainder of the decade.

### Financial Aid Forms and Scholarship

**“Hands-On Workshop”**
1–2:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 8, Building 30, Room 101, Testing Center

With the current economy the way it is, funding for financial aid has been cut and will continue to decrease until the economy stabilizes. Financial aid/scholarships are limited and many are on a first-come, first-served basis. You may have noticed that the Financial Aid Office has not been able to get your financial aid to you at the beginning of each quarter if you do not make the financial aid cut-off date. You need to apply EARLY! So, let’s do it together at this “Hands-On” workshop. Pam Austin also will have some scholarship resources and applications for you to take with you.

Please RSVP to Pam Austin at 533-4331, as we only have limited computers available for your use.
Latino United Association (LUA):

Our club welcomes anyone with the desire to learn and share in the diverse cultures of Latin communities of the world, represented in the community and on campus. We hold fundraisers, charity events, and celebrate Latin holidays. This quarter, we will hold a Latin Flavor Carnival, attending committee meetings for the Spokane Latino Heritage Celebration, and picking a Latina princess for the upcoming St. Patrick’s Day Parade on March 17. Come and share in the Latin Flavor with us.

Far East Coast Club:

The special activity for fall quarter was cooking the dumplings for our campus. There were many students who came to learn to make dumplings. It was a very fun and successful event. Winter quarter, we plan to learn to cook different Asian food, like Korean rice boll, Chinese moon cake, and Vietnam spring roll. After all, we did a very good job in the fall quarter. We hope we can keep doing well winter quarter!

Message from Black Student Union (BSU):

We, the members of the BSU at SFCC strive to celebrate African American heritage as well as educate about our history and promote togetherness. We host some of SFCC’s most amazing and fun events, such as our MLK Celebration, talent show, and end-of-the-year boat cruise. This quarter we will host our annual MLK Celebration as well as a Rap Battle, and an educational black History Month Event. All are welcome to attend our meetings every 1st and 3rd Friday of each at 12:30 p.m. in the VIP Room in the cafeteria.

The Red Nations Student Association (RNSA):

We had some great events with the Native American History Month celebration fall quarter 2013. It was incredible! During winter quarter, we will prepare and sponsor the following activities:

- Indian Taco Sales
- Discussions for our 16th Annual SFCC Red Nation Student Association Pow wow!

Winter quarter, the RNSA begins planning the SFCC Powwow for May of 2014. Committees are being formed for planning and fundraising. Now is the time to get involved! Please call Pam at 533-3546, as soon as possible to get involved.
TUTORS AVAILABLE in the multicultural center

During winter quarter, we will have tutors for math and English available in the Multicultural Center. Please take advantage of this opportunity to improve your grades in the above subjects.

FYI—free bus pass

CCS is participating in a federal grant the STA received. This is a two-year grant. This grant enables the majority of our students to get a free quarterly bus pass.

To be eligible for the free quarterly bus pass, the students must carry at least one credit or be an ABE, ESL, College Prep or GED student. Continuing education DOES NOT QUALIFY. The bus passes are valid for the dates printed on the front of the pass. Each student is allowed one free bus pass a quarter. If they lose or misplace their bus pass then they will have to pay $20 for a replacement pass and their old bus pass number will be deactivated. Also, if they withdraw from all their classes their card will be deactivated.

Help Students Find Money for College or Career School

Order Federal Student Aid Forms and Publication

Step One: Join our mailing list
If you do not have a mailing list (ML) number, call the Federal Student Aid Publications Ordering System (FSAPubs) at 1-800-394-7084 to get one.

Step Two: Order forms and publications
Using your ML number as identification, you can order the following free items (and more) from FSAPubs at www.fsapubs.org or by e-mailing orders@fsapubs.org
- FAFSA on the Web Worksheet
- Funding Education Beyond high School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid
- Looking for Student Aid and Spanish version
- Need Money for College?

Note: students may read most of these publications at www.studentaid.ed.gov/pubs or order single copies from the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-FED-AID.

Limited help on textbook, drop by our office for information.

STUDENT SUCCESS WORKSHOP Winter 2013

All workshops will be held in Bldg.24, Rm.103, 30-minute sessions begin at noon

Wed, January 8  Quick Start Checklist Workshop, Presenter: Christie Anderson
Wed, January 15 Taking Notes, Presenter: Lori Monnastes
Wed, January 22 Understanding Canvas, Presenter: Francesca Bush
Wed, January 29 Overcoming Math Anxiety, Presenter: Peter Wildman
Wed, February 5 Understanding The AA Degree and Plan My Schedule, Presenter: Ryan Poortinga
Wed, February 12 Test Taking, Presenter: Katella DeBolt
Wed, February 19 Planning for Success, Presenter: Cindy Havko & Denise Osei
Wed, February 26 SALT: Student Loan Advise, Presenter: Alex Allred
Wed, March 5 Anger Management, Presenter: Cindy Havko
Wed, March 12 Time Management, Presenter: Pam Austin

No Registration Required, Call 533-3768, for more information!
Sponsored by the SFCC Counseling Department & Humanities Division
Multicultural club members served holiday dinner

Making dumplings — Far East Coast Club

Halloween costume contest
Sponsored by Black Student Union

Day of the Dead celebration
Sponsored by Latinos club

Red Nations sponsored Native American Heritage Month Celebration
Multicultural Clubs:

Black Student Union
Meets every other Friday
12:30 p.m.
VIP room, Building 17

Latinos Unidos Association
Meets every Wednesday
Noon, Multicultural Center

Red Nation’s Student Association
Meets every Wednesday
12:30 p.m.
Multicultural Center

Far East Coast Club
Meets every Thursday
12:30 p.m.
Room 101, Building 5

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