



Newsletter

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An Education Stimulus Package

Invest in yourself

Sioux Falls – Soon (if not already) virtually every student attending University Center will receive an “economic stimulus” payment. You’ve heard all the news - \$600 for single, \$1,200 for family, \$300 for eligible children, etc. There has been much speculation on the national level about how you will use this money. Will you spend it, save it, pay down

some debt, or something else. Clearly, there are a number of good uses for this one-time money, but have you considered investing in yourself? Your education will, when you succeed, do so much more for you than this single payment that the sooner you earn your degree the better. How about taking an extra class or two this coming year and paying cash? This moves

you faster toward your degree, but you do not have to come up with the extra money or borrow additional funds.

The greatest economic stimulus package for you personally is not this check – it’s your education. These funds could help you achieve your goals sooner.

The University Center Value Proposition

A great value

Sioux Falls – According to Wikipedia (so it has to be right), a value proposition is defined as “the sum total of benefits which a vendor promises that a customer will receive in return for the customer's associated payment.” So what value proposition does University Center bring to the market place?

First, the institutions who deliver their programs here have, for over 125 years, demonstrated measurable track records of success. They have produced leaders for the state, region and na-

tion. Their programs maintain the highest level of accreditation and the faculty have outstanding credentials. Next, we organize and deliver these programs at University Center in a unique way plus we provide onsite student services to help students on their educational journey.

Finally, there is the “customer’s associated payment” for what we deliver here at UC. No, it is not inexpensive to attend here. This is a fact we realize. However, our tuition price point has historically been or near the

lowest in the local Sioux Falls market.

So what is the University Center value proposition?

- Quality programs from highly regarded universities
- A delivery and service model dedicated to meeting student needs
- A tuition rate that is quite affordable as compared to the other institutions

That makes for a very strong value proposition for University Center.

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Summer Class Expectations

Are you thinking about taking a summer class for the first time but are unsure of what to expect?

Summer classes are a great way to get ahead in your academics and many students take advantage of this. The main

reason students take advantage of summer school is because of the accelerated format. Summer classes are divided into “sessions” which typically run for six weeks or twelve weeks. This format allows students the freedom to take classes in the first six week session, last six week session, the full twelve week session or all of the above.

Sometimes students think accelerated means easier and less work, but that’s not true. Summer classes have the same expectation for student participation and students will cover the same material that

would have been covered in a regular semester schedule. So, all in all, you are getting the same great education, in a shorter amount of time. And in the end you are closer to reaching the academic goals you have set for yourself.

If you are still not convinced about the great opportunity summer classes provide, stop by and talk to a UC Advisor today!



There’s Still Time...

...to register for summer classes! The second summer session begins on Monday, June 30th, and many summer class offerings are still

available. For the most current, up-to-date schedule of classes and their availability, please log onto www.SDUniversityCenter.org and click

on the WebAdvisor link. From there, select a link to one of the universities, click on Web Advisor for Students and then click on Search for Sections. Current students may register for their classes on Web Advisor while new students may complete a registration form at University Center.

While you’re at it—don’t forget to check out our fall class schedule! The fall semester begins on September 2nd.

Web Advisor

Current students who use WebAdvisor to drop or add semester classes are advised to look at “My Class Schedule” after altering class schedules. By checking “My Class Schedule” this will verify correct changes were made.

Also, students who have a hold on their account, cannot make changes to their schedule until the hold is rectified.

Please note, students cannot withdraw from **all** of classes on WebAdvisor; a withdrawal form must be completed prior to withdrawing from classes.

Summer 2008 Tutor Schedule

Summer tutoring will be offered in room 280D. The following tutors will be available to assist students:

Math

Timothee Bryan
Monday-Friday
11:00 am-5:00 pm

Math Walk-In Tutoring

Raymond Tieszen
Wednesday and Thursday
10:00 am-12:00 pm

ELL & Basic Computer Skills, Kurzweil and Zoom Text

Don Myer
Monday and Wednesday
5:00-8:00 pm

CHEM 106 Tutoring

June 2; 1-4 pm (Room 270)
June 11; 9- 12 noon (Room 269)
June 16; 8-10 am (Room 269)
June 18; 9-12 noon (Room 269)
June 23; 1-4 pm (Room 270)
June 25; 8-10 am (Room 269)

College Students: How to Live on a Ramen Noodle Budget

Eating steak on a ramen noodle budget is a great way to get into serious financial trouble. College isn't the time to splurge. Being poor now will make you richer later.

Here are some ideas for ways to slash your living expenses, so that you can start making ends meet:

- Save gas money: walk, share rides with friends, and use your bike. This can work wonders on your budget and your waistline.
- Keep applying for scholarships throughout college! Why pay for school if you can go for free?
- Be smart with your cash. Don't buy what you don't need, and you'll have the cash available when you really need it.
- Protect your health. Taking care of your teeth, eating healthily, and exercising will save you from expensive health problems.
- Rent movies instead of going to the theater.
- When you buy clothes or shoes, make sure they won't look outdated in just a few months.
- Don't let bounced checks and late fees drag you down. Stay on top of your bills.
- Ask for help! Maybe your parents are great money managers. Maybe your best friend always has money left at the end of the pay period. Ask them what you can do differently.

Employee Spotlight



Greetings everyone! My name is Taryn Petersen, and as the new Secretary of Academic Coordination and Student Services I am excited to permanently become part of the UC team. Before accepting my current position, I was a student secretary in the main office at UC. I have been at UC since October 2007, so many of you are familiar faces, but please introduce yourself if I have not yet met you.

After graduating high school in 2003 from Mitchell, SD, I moved to Sioux Falls and began my post secondary educa-

tion here at UC. After a year of attending UC, I moved to main campus in Vermillion to experience campus life. Unfortunately, campus life was not for me and I returned to Sioux Falls. After commuting for two years I was fortunate enough and because of UC's growth, I was able to finish my last year here at UC! I graduated this past May with a B.S. in Psychology from University of South Dakota.

My parents both reside in Mitchell, SD and I have two older brothers. One brother will be graduating from USD Law School next year and lives with my sister-in-law and niece in Vermillion, SD. My eldest brother is working on a B.A. in Political Science, also from USD, and lives here in Sioux Falls. Since I am the first to attend and graduate from USD, out of the three of us, it is one "first" that I have on my brothers and am very proud of this accomplishment.

Apart from my UC life, I like to spend a majority of my time with friends and family. I am part of a close family and we enjoy getting together every chance we get. My niece is quite the little entertainer and loves to put on variety shows for all of us. I love hearing the new songs she has learned and helping to build her library, even though she doesn't know how to read yet, she loves to pretend. I live here in Sioux Falls, with two of my best friends and our puppy, Gracie, who is a handful, but is much happier now that we have a big back yard for her to dig holes in. In the past, I have enjoyed volunteering and coaching Special Olympics and hope now, that I have my degree finished, I will be able to devote more time to the things I enjoy.

Dates to Remember:

- June 30-Aug 8 Summer Session 2 (2nd 6 weeks, standard courses)
- July 3 Last day to add a class or drop a class with a full tuition refund
 - July 28 Last day to drop a class or withdraw from ALL classes and receive a “W” – **NO REFUND**
- July 4 Independence Day Holiday – **NO CLASSES / OFFICES CLOSED**
- August 8 Summer 2008 Semester Ends
- September 1 Labor Day Holiday—Offices Closed
- September 2 Fall 2008 Semester Begins
- All Tuesday classes will meet regardless of time.
- **Exceptions to Tuesday Classes:**
 - Science labs will not meet
 - DDN classes between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm will not meet
- September 11 Last day to drop a full semester class and receive a full tuition refund
- Last day to add a full semester class

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