Welcome ROAR Scholars 2011!

Competition to Name ROAR Scholars News!

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Welcome the new class of ROAR Scholars for the 2010-2011 school year!

The following students are a part of the ROAR Scholars Program (a federally funded Student Support Services program here at the College of Charleston.)

Qualification for ROAR Scholars

In terms of the program you have to be either
- First Generation (neither parent or guardian has graduated from a four year college or university),
- Low-Income (based on federal guidelines)
- Or have a documented physical and/or learning disability.

We currently have an open enrollment for the program, but are asking all applicants to get their completed applications in as soon as possible by no later than August 2011.

Dear ROAR Scholars,

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our program, as a participant in the first official cohort of the ROAR Scholars here at the College of Charleston. You are about to embark on a journey with a support system that spreads not only from our campus, but across the United States creating a global network of support, guidance, advocacy to thousands of first generation, low-income and disabled students across the US.

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Sincerely,

Tom F. Holcomb Jr., Director

Staff Bio
Murray, KY
Murray State University
Anything outdoors; hiking, camping, rafting, kayaking, movies, board games, cooking dinner and entertaining friends and family. Volunteering and helping people.

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What should we call it?

ROAR hosts student competition to name newsletter?

Do you have creative energy and want to help bring exposure to the ROAR Scholars program at the College of Charleston? If you answered “Yes,” we are currently starting a competition to name the ROAR Scholars newsletter. A flyer regarding the upcoming competition will be posted soon.

Benefits

1. Individualized prescription: Utilize an iROAR Action Plan for Success
2. Financial Assistance Available
3. Utilize a Holistic Model for Success,
Program Services Include:
Academic Advising, Peer Mentoring Counseling and Enrichment Programs
Manale Patel a Junior CofC student and a ROAR Scholar had the opportunity of a lifetime, she traveled to Kenya, Africa with a group of students and their mentor Dr. Mutindi Ndunda, to experience poverty first hand, see the culture and how HIV/AIDS has effective its people. Over a 4-month period, our group successfully fundraised a total of $40,000 that enabled us to provide 730 people with medical assistance and to bring a water harvesting facility and self contained drip system to a drought stricken region of the Kitui District. The entire experience is worth living over and over again and I can surely say I will be going back to Kenya again. For the Kenyan people have helped me grow as a woman and as a student seeking cultural enrichment. ~Manale Patel

MANALE PATEL
JUNIOR: Sophomore
Major: Undeclared
Interest: Health Care Administration

Student Spotlight

For additional details please check out the following: web link and take the learning style inventory; visual, auditory and tactile (kinesthetic) http://www.personal.psu.edu/bxb11/LSI/LSI.htm

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Resilient Me Workshop: March 14, 2011. Maybank Room 322, 5:00-6:00 pm
- ROAR Scholars Open House: March 15, 2010, 229 Robert Scott Small Building, CofC campus. 10:00 am -1:00 pm.
- Choosing a Major Workshop: March 22nd or March 23rd — All students April 4th — freshmen only Career Center • 4:00—5:00 PM (Lightsey Center 2nd floor) Sponsored by Academic Advising & Planning Center and Career Center.