Upcoming Events:

**Tuesday, November 7th OR Wednesday, November 8th:** Résumé Writing Workshop for 2nd-Year Thompson Scholars; students must attend one of the two sessions and come prepared with a current résumé. 6:30-8:00 PM in Copeland Hall 130.

**Sunday, November 19th-Thursday, November 23rd:** No TSLC Study Hours due to Thanksgiving Break

**Wednesday, November 22nd-Friday, November 24th:** No UNK Classes due to Thanksgiving Break. UNK Offices are also closed on November 23rd and 24th.

**Wednesday, December 6th:** Bowling Night for 1st-Year Thompson Scholars. 7:00 PM at the Big Apple Fun Center.

**Sunday, December 10th:** Deadline for 2nd-Year Thompson Scholars to complete 3 required Financial Avenue Courses.

**December 11th-December 14th:** Finals Week for Fall 2017.

**Thursday, December 14th:** UNK TSLC Graduation Reception for Fall 2017 TSLC graduates from 1:30 –2:30 PM in the NSU Ponderosa Rooms C & D. All Thompson Scholars are welcome to attend!

Study Abroad and National Student Exchanged Request for Spring 2018: Due by December 1, 2017

The deadline to request the use of Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation Scholarship funding towards study abroad or National Student Exchange for Spring 2018 is coming up quickly. The deadline to request funding is December 1, 2017.

To request that scholarship funds be applied towards one of these educational opportunities off-campus, Thompson Scholars must complete an online form which is located on the UNK TSLC website under Special Request Forms. Students should read all of the eligibility information and complete the form, then submit it to the Buffett Foundation for consideration. Students will be notified by the NU Scholarship Director on behalf of the Buffett Foundation when/if approved for funding support. Students can link to the online form at: https://app.buffettscholarships.org/request/StudyAbroad

To learn more about Study Abroad Programs offered at UNK, contact Anne Marie Park at UNK Study Abroad at 865-8944, or visit their website at: http://www.unk.edu/international/study_abroad/index.php

If you are interested in learning more about National Student Exchange Program, you can contact the UNK NSE Coordinator, Lee Ann Amm at the UNK Admissions Office at 865-8526 to set up an appointment, or learn more information about the program at the website: http://www.nse.org/

Tools/Tips for Students: Whenever Possible, Communicate Face-to-Face.

As a society, it has become very easy to communicate using electronic means for convenience sake. While there are appropriate times to use available technology to communicate, there are certain instances where face-to-face communication is best.

If there is a situation to discuss that is multi-layered, such as academic decision making or conflict resolution, it is best to set up a time to talk face-to-face. In-person communication shows respect for others and allows non-verbal communication to play a vital role. This type of communication also provides the opportunity to have authentic discussions that may develop relationships, which will be of key importance when you need personal references or a trusted advisor.

Your social skills, network, and confidence grow when you learn how to communicate well, so think about how you communicate and seek out opportunities for personal development.
Student of the Week
Name: Katelyn Becker
Hometown: Central City, NE
Major: Elementary Education

What is the best part about being a Thompson Scholar? The best part of being a Thompson Scholar is getting to be a part of such a tight knit community.

Who inspires you most and why? The one that inspires me most is one of my past teachers. She has always pushed me to do my best and has been through pretty much everything a woman could go through and has come out even stronger than before.

What would you like to be doing in twenty years? In 20 years, I hope to be an Elementary school principal and have a family.

What is your favorite song? Right now, my favorite song is Fall Apart by Post Malone and that whole album is just really awesome.

Where is your favorite place to be? My favorite place to be is at the river close to home with my closest friends and family. Whenever I’m there I feel very carefree and just at peace being in nature with the people I care about most.

What are you obsessed with? Something I am “obsessed” with is water bottles/cups. Like it’s super weird, but I have a collection of them at home. I just love cool cups and water bottles.

If you had $1 million to donate to one cause/organization, what would it be? If I had $1 million I would donate it to PKS Kids. It is an education and research program for children with Pallister Killian Syndrome, a very rare chromosomal syndrome. A little boy I have the opportunity to know has this syndrome and I think it is something that definitely needs more funding for research and social awareness.

Your academic progress as a student is your responsibility; with only six weeks left of the semester to reach your academic goals, it is important to be proactive and seek out resources if necessary.

√ Talk with your instructors about your goals and what is attainable at this point in time. They can help you figure out what you need to do for the rest of the semester to reach academic goals; there is no one more familiar with the syllabus and the points you have left for the rest of the term.

√ Use free resources. Form productive study groups with other students in your academic classes if you haven’t already done so. The Learning Commons is a great place to seek out specific assistance, whether it be from the Writing Center or the tutors. Success Coaches at the Learning Commons and Student Counseling and Health can provide support regarding test anxiety, time management, note taking, and more academic skills. Advisors at Academic and Career Services are also available to assist. Free online academic support tools such as khanacademy.org or academic lectures on YouTube may also provide additional lectures or practice options for active learning outside the classroom.

√ If you feel unsure about material in a class, figure out at what point you last understood the material, and write questions about what you find confusing. This will help others, such as professors and tutors, to be able to quickly identify how to help you and what concepts to focus on as you review class material.

√ Seek out your advisors. Academic advisors are great sounding boards as you consider your current classes in relation to your future goals. If you are thinking of a change in major/minor, the Office of Academic and Career Services has advisors who are available to meet with you to discuss your options. Alterations in majors & minors after you have registered for Spring classes may necessitate additional schedule changes to keep you on track academically.

√ Talk with a TSLC Staff Member about your concerns. We will work to help you refocus and get to the right resources; sometimes setting up a game plan helps students feel more in control of their academic progress.

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