



CAS TODAY

Message from the Director

As the Director of the Center for Academic Success, it is my pleasure to work with Dr. Wyatt and the dedicated staff and faculty in this department and across the university community. CAS focuses on the development, implementation and enhancement of strategies and services for the purpose of improving students' academic success.

This newsletter and many of the services provided by CAS would not be possible without the assistance of federal funding through the SSU Title III Grant.

A special thanks goes to Mrs. Dedra Andrews, Director of Title III Programs for her interest, support and guidance regarding the rules and regulations pertaining to Title III funding.

The CAS staff and faculty are some of the most dedicated, committed and supportive professionals I've worked with during my 20 years in the field of education. They are the ones who make CAS work day in and day out. Their commitment to our students is evident in everything they do.



CAS Today will be one of the communication tools used to disseminate information to students, faculty, and staff. We are also in the process of developing our webpage for the SSU website. Please come by and visit us any time.

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CAS Introduces Tutorial Services

The Center for Academic Success (CAS) now offers **free tutorial services** to assist students needing help with their core curriculum courses. Students can also get help in some of their major courses.

Our goals are simple:

- To provide academic support through individualized peer tutoring sessions
- To help students reach their fullest academic potential
- To help students gain an understanding of the subject to obtain passing grades



Peer tutors are required to have a minimum GPA of 3.0. Tutors are available every day, evenings and weekends in Whiting Hall. Students can call or come by to schedule an appointment.

If help is needed in a specialty area, CAS works with the academic colleges to find a tutor for that subject. Please let us know if you need help in an area that is not listed on the schedule. Stop by our office anytime or contact Lloyd McCray, at 912-356-2239.

CAS Supports Student Academic Achievement

CAS serves to advance the mission of Savannah State University by providing services designed to enhance students' academic achievement and success. CAS provides information and services to students on advisement and registration, core curriculum requirements, and course planning.

A dedicated team of professional academic advisors, administrators and faculty comprise the department. These caring individuals help students develop a roadmap for success as they pursue their personal and academic goals at Savannah State

University. The following services and resources are offered:

- Academic Tutoring
- Academic Advisement/Course Planning and Scheduling
- Testing Services
- Fundamental Skill Building Classes
- Regents' Test Preparation Classes



Academic Advisement is the Key to Success

Good academic advising is a prerequisite to course selection. CAS advises select groups of students regarding institutional core curriculum requirements and assists with transitioning students to their major areas of study. All advisors are in the process of becoming nationally certified through the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) certificate program.

CAS is committed to helping students achieve their academic goals by:

- Ensuring enrollment in the appropriate classes
- Assisting with declaring a major
- Assisting with developing course schedules
- Maintaining a high degree of confidentiality
- Informing students of university resources and services

The Academic Advisement Unit is staffed with four full-time advisors to serve our students. They are located in Whiting Hall, Room 203. For additional information, please contact our Advisement Coordinator, Mary Ann Goldwire or any member of our advisement team at 912-356-2239 or advise@savannahstate.edu.



Faculty/Staff Highlight



SSU Assistant Professor Phat Hong shines as he prepares students who are currently taking Fundamental Math to excel and pass the COMPASS Math Exit exam.

From 1990 to 2009 the largest number of students passing the COMPASS Math Exit Exam were enrolled in Professor Hong's class.

He attributes this success rate to his passion for teaching and the students'

willingness to study. He makes complex math easy and fun to learn.

Professor Hong is committed to the future and success of our students. His energy and enthusiasm sparks confidence and encourages students to believe they are capable of achieving in the area of math as well as other academic subjects.

Thank you Professor Hong for your hard work.

Student's Corner



→ DON'T FORGET!

COMPASS Exit Exam Schedule SPRING SEMESTER, 2010	
TEST and INFORMATION	DATES
Exam Sign-Up (to reserve preferred test time)	April 15-16, 2010
Essay Exam (ENG 099 Only)	April 19, 2010
Math (MATH 099 Only)	April 27, 2010
Reading	April 28, 2010
English	April 29, 2010



**EARLY
REGISTRATION
UNDECLARED
MAJORS
APRIL 1, 2010
APRIL 5-7, 2010
Whiting Hall
Room 203**

Put To The Test

The CAS Testing Office provides a quality testing environment to support academic success at Savannah State University.

The Testing Office administers various types of tests including college admissions, placement, exit, departmental, graduation, certification, and graduate school admissions.

Some of the most frequent tests

administered are: COMPASS Placement and Exit exams, Regents' test, CLEP, Chemistry Placement, GTREP and Legislative tests.

Recently, the Testing Office administered the Regents' exam to over 1000 students.

A clear, recognizable photo ID is required for all tests. To learn more about our services and tests provided through this office, please contact us

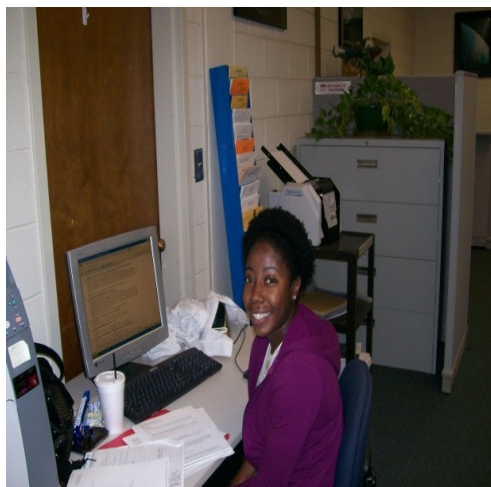
at 912-353-3112 or testing@savannahstate.edu, or visit us in Whiting Hall, room 259.



Tutor Spotlight

Shaletha Holmes is one of our stellar tutors. She specializes in Chemistry. In addition to her tutoring responsibilities, she participates in many collegiate activities including Golden Key National Honor Society where she serves as secretary.

She co-chairs the American Chemical Society's (ACS) Community Service Project, and serves as a mentor for Females Striving for Success.



Shaletha maintains a solid 3.5 GPA and is a Peach State Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (PSLSAMP) scholar. She is also a member of Alpha Kappa Mu.

She has served as a tutor with CAS since September 2009. We are excited to have her on board assisting our students.

GET HELP NOW! BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

FREE TUTORING SERVICES

**WHITING HALL
ROOM 203
FOR INFORMATION CALL
356 -2239**

Hours of Operation

Monday - Thursday - 10 am – 9 pm

Friday – 10 am – 2 pm

Saturday - 11 am – 2 pm

Sunday - 3 pm – 6 pm

TIME	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
10:00 - 11:00	MATH ,ENG, ACCT, FINC	MATH, ACCT, ENG	MATH, ACCT, ENG,FINC	MATH, ACCT,ENG	MATH,ENG	Closed	Closed
11:00 - 12:00	MATH, POLS, FINC, HIST, ENG,	MATH, POLS,	MATH, POLS, FINC,HIST, ACCT,	MATH, CHEM, ACCT, HIST,	HIST, ENG, POLS	MATH, HIST, ENG, FINC	Closed
12:00 - 1:00	ENG, ACCT, FINC	ACCT, FINC	ACCT,ENG, FINC	CHEM, ACCT	ENG	MATH, HIST, ENG, FINC	Closed
1:00 - 2:00	MATH, POLS,H IST, ENG, ACCT, FINC	MATH, ACCT, FINC	MATH, ENG, FINC,ACCT, HIST,	MATH, CHEM, ACCT, FINC	MATH,FINC, ENG, ACC	MATH,HIST, ENG, FINC	Closed
2:00 - 3:00	MATH, POLS, FINC, HIST, ENG, ACCT,	MATH, ACCT,FINC	MATH, ENG,FINC, ACCT, HIST,	MATH, CHEM, ACCT, FINC	Closed	Closed	Closed
3:00 - 4:00	MATH, POLS, FINC, ACCT, HIST, CHEM.	MATH, ACCT, HIST, FINC	MATH, HIST, POLS, FINC	MATH, CHEM, ACCT,FINC	Closed	Closed	MATH, ENG, HIST, FINC
4:00 - 5:00	MATH, POLS, FINC, HIST, ACCT, CHEM	MATH, POLS, HIST, ACCT,FINC	MATH, FINC	MATH, CHEM, POLS, HIST, FINC	Closed	Closed	MATH,ENG, HIST, FINC
5:00 - 6:00	MATH, POLS, FINC, HIST, ACCT, CHEM	MATH, POLS, HIST, ACCT,FINC	MATH,FINC	MATH, CHEM, POLS, HIST, FINC	Closed	Closed	MATH,ENG, HIST, FINC
6:00 - 7:00	MATH, POLS, FINC HIST , ACCT	MATH, CHEM , FINC	MATH, CHEM HIST, FINC	MATH, POLS, HIST, FINC	Closed	Closed	Closed
7:00 - 8:00	MATH, ACCT, FINC	MATH, CHEM,FINC	MATH, CHEM, FINC	MATH, FINC	Closed	Closed	Closed
8:00 - 9:00	ACCT, ENG, FINC, MATH	ACCT, ENG, MATH ,FINC	CHEM, ENG, MATH,FINC	ACCT, ENG, MATH, FINC	Closed	Closed	Closed