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| cid:image003.jpg@01D38BC1.1D623240 | **IGNITE EMPLOYER NEWSLETTER**  **January 12, 2018** |

**Reminder: Student Midpoint Check-Ins Due This Month!**

Welcome back Ignite employers! I hope you all enjoyed your holiday break.

Best of luck with your student hires this term. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns about the Ignite program.


Now that your students are halfway done their work placement, it’s time to have your midpoint check-in with them. Students will complete the first half of the form their own, and the second half at an in-person meeting with you. The form is attached to this email, and is also available on mySuccess. Students are responsible for uploading their own Check-In forms; you do not have to do it on their behalf.

Many students have still not submitted their Initial Check-In form, which was due in October. Please complete this with your student and have them submit it ASAP.

Please keep in mind that the Check-Ins are a mandatory component of the Ignite program. All participants agreed to the Check-In process when they signed the Placement Confirmation Form.

**Looking to Hire a Summer Student? Canada Summer Jobs Program Now Accepting Applications!**

Do you plan on hiring a student for the summer 2018? The federal government’s Canada Summer Jobs program provides funding to help employers create summer job opportunities for students.

As a public sector employer, the University of Windsor is eligible to receive funding for up to 50% of minimum hourly wage for positions between 30 and 40 hours per week for 6 to 16 weeks over the summer.

The Office of Career Development and Experiential Learning will work in partnership with the Department of Finance to coordinate one Canada Summer Jobs application on behalf of the University of Windsor to include all of the individual job proposals received by the internal deadline.

The deadline to submit a proposal and have it included in the University of Windsor application is Friday, January 26. [Find out more here!](http://www.uwindsor.ca/cces/785/canada-summer-jobs-2018)

**UWindsor Job Fair – Wednesday, January 24**



The University of Windsor, in partnership with St. Clair College, will be holding it’s annual Job Fair on **Wednesday, January 24 from 10:00am to 3:00pm in the St. Denis Centre**. Over 120 employers will be in attendance; this is our biggest Job Fair yet! Full-time, part-time, and summer positions are available.

Students can visit our [website](uwindsor.ca/jobfair) for a full list of employers. Please encourage your student(s) to attend the Job Fair if they are looking for employment. This is a great opportunity for them to network with industry professionals and market their skills.

The Office of Career Development & Experiential Learning is offering free “Preparing for the Job Fair” workshops in January. Interested students can register online on [mySuccess.](success.uwindsor.ca)

**Student Lifecycle Needs: January**

With a new year and semester, student energy is often high in January. They are excited to begin new classes, see their peers back on campus after winter break, and are looking forward to a fresh start.

Common issues or potential stressors faced by students in January are:

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| **Issue/Stressor** | **Who Can Help?** |
| Feelings of homesickness (especially for residence students) | [Student Counseling Services](http://www1.uwindsor.ca/scc/) - provides free, confidential, professional counselling  [Peer Support Centre](http://www.uwsa.ca/uwsa-services/psc/) – trained peer support volunteers offer peer counselling to students |
| Thoughts about housing for next year | [Residence Services](http://www.uwindsor.ca/residence/) – for students who want to live on-campus  [UWSA](http://www.uwsa.ca/resources/housing-info/) or [International Student Centre](http://www1.uwindsor.ca/internationalstudentcentre/off-campus-housing) – provides information about off-campus housing |
| Need for summer employment | [Career Development & Experiential Learning](experience.uwindsor.ca) – offers assistance with resume writing, interview preparation, job search strategies & more!  [Job Fair](uwindsor.ca/jobfair) – Southwestern Ontario’s largest employer-to-student career building event |
| Considering a change in their major or career track | [Academic Advising](http://www1.uwindsor.ca/advising/) – can assist students with changing their major and understanding their degree requirements  [Career Development & Experiential Learning](experience.uwindsor.ca) – students can meet with a Career Advisor to discuss their career plan |
| Pressure to do better in the Winter term, especially if they didn’t do as well as they hoped in the Fall | [Student Success and Leadership Centre](uwindsor.ca/success) - offers a variety of programs to enhance students’ academic learning, personal success and leadership skills  [Writing Support Desk](http://leddy.uwindsor.ca/writing-help-services) – offers appointments and workshops to help students with various aspects of their academic writing, including citing, referencing, grammar, punctuation, and constructing theses and arguments  [S.T.E.P.S (Skills to Enhance Personal Success)](http://www1.uwindsor.ca/lifeline/) – offers free learning and study skills workshops related to time management, exam preparation, note taking & more |

Students may struggle this month with getting back into a work and academic routine, but are oftentimes more engaged because of few academic deadlines. Overall, ensure your student(s) are well supported by communicating with them about any challenges they may be facing.