



FAMILY AND FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2019

Welcome in the spring season soon!

WHAT IS CLEP?

Students can earn credit for what they already know without taking a course!

Ferris State University offers students the opportunity to earn course credit for prior learning through our College Credit-by-Exam Program. We offer 30 national College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) tests to provide students with the possibility of earning credit in academic areas commonly studied by college freshmen.

No matter where, or when, or how the student learned, they may participate in the program. If they perform well enough, there are many benefits to the tests. Students can:

- Receive credit for certain courses
- Pay no tuition for credits earned; only a \$110 (subject to change) per test fee
- Avoid duplication of previous academic work
- Reduce the length of an academic program; therefore, reduce overall college expenses
- Advance their class standing and register for classes earlier

The only risk taken is one of not earning credits. Of course, *Ferris cannot guarantee success*. But, if your student has a 3.00 (B) high school grade point average, an ACT Composite score of 24 or above, or an SAT score of 1200, their chance of earning some credit is good.

The College-Level Examination Program and CLEP are registered trademarks of the College Entrance Examination Board.

Questions can be sent to TestingOffice@ferris.edu, Institutional Research & Testing.



IMPORTANT DATES

- MARCH 9 –** Spring Recess
MARCH 17
- MARCH 25** Fall Registration Live
MARCH 26 Spring Graduation Fair 11:00 A.M.
- APRIL 19 –** Mid-Term Recess
APRIL 21
- MAY 6 –** Exam Week
MAY 10

FRIDAY, MAY 10 COMMENCEMENT

- 3:30 Michigan College of Optometry
College of Health Professions
- 7:00 College of Pharmacy
Doctorate in Community
College Leadership
College of Arts & Sciences
University College

SATURDAY, MAY 11 COMMENCEMENT

- 9:00 College of Business
- 12:30 College of Education and
Human Services
- 4:00 College of Engineering
Technology
- Graduating students are allotted 6 tickets each for the ceremony.

Reminders:

Summer registration is live. Have your student login to MyFSU and find MyRegistration under the Student tab.

New Students - Don't forget to sign up for orientation online. Your student can find the sign-up process near the bottom of Ferris' homepage.

SPRING GRADUATION FAIR FOR STUDENTS

The Spring Graduation Fair will be held on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm in the University Center.

Graduating students will enjoy refreshments, fun and the opportunity for "one-stop" shopping for their graduation needs:

- Receive information how to register and login for Commencement [E-Tickets](#)
- Purchase their cap and gown
- Have any graduation questions answered
- Discuss Exit Counseling and loan repayment options with Financial Aid if they have received student loans
- Check out the graduate degree programs offered at Ferris State University
- Have their resume critiqued by Career Services
- Receive great deals on business cards and resume paper from the Copy Center
- Order a class ring
- Order graduation announcements
- Check out the great products for graduates from the Ferris State University Bookstore
- Have a free digital photo taken by the University Photographer
- Create a video message for parents, friends, and family members - the message will be played prior to the start of the ceremony.
- Pick up benefit information from the FSU Alumni Association

Students do not have to attend the Graduation Fair in order to receive information about tickets or to purchase their cap and gown. Students will be able to register and login for E-Tickets anytime between March 26 and May 9, 2019. Students may also purchase their cap and gown from the Ferris State University Bookstore any time between March 26 and May 3, 2019. To ensure they get the proper gown size, students are encouraged to purchase a gown early. After May 3rd gown sizes may be limited.

REMINDER: Tickets are required for guests. Children 2 years and younger do not need a ticket. Lost tickets will not be replaced.

The Graduation Fair is sponsored by Ferris State University Bookstore, a division of Barnes and Noble, the Alumni office, and the Commencement office.

SPRING BREAK

Spring break for students begins March 9 and lasts until March 17. All residence halls close at 5:00 pm on Friday, March 8 and reopen at 10:00 am on Sunday, March 17.

Bond Hall, East Campus Suites, and West Campus Apartments are open throughout break. Bond residents must sign up through their Hall Director in advance.

Enjoy the break!



CONNECT WITH US!

In addition to the Family and Friends Newsletter, there are a number of ways for parents to stay connected with Ferris and be updated on what's happening on campus.



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