Welcome back to the second semester of your sophomore year! This spring is the perfect time to start considering new opportunities. Take the time to schedule a meeting with the Career Management Center to discuss internships or the Study Abroad office to learn about possible trips. Is there an organization you have wanted to get involved with? Or is there something you want to learn more about? Or do you just have questions regarding your sophomore year? Let the Sophomore Success Program help you. Contact Liz Boyd to set up a meeting today and start your new year off right!

**A New Year**

**Important Spring Dates— Mark Your Calendar!**

**Tuition Deadline**— **Monday, January 14**
**Last day to drop a class with no grade or financial penalty**— **Tuesday, January 22**
**Last day to add a course**— **Tuesday, January 22**
**Spring Holiday**— **Monday, March 11— Saturday, March 16**
**Summer and Fall 2013 pre-registration**— **Monday, April 15— Friday, April 19**
**Classes End**— **Tuesday, April 30**
**Reading Day**— **Wednesday, May 1**
**Exams Begin**— **Thursday, May 2**
**Exams End**— **Thursday, May 9**
**Spring 2013 Commencement**— **Friday, May 10 & Saturday, May 11**

**A Few Seconds**

**Second Rose Bowl Game**— January 1, 1916 Washington State (14) v Brown (0)
**Second Highest Scoring Super Bowl Games**— tied at 69 points XXXVII & XXVII
**Second Most Common Food Allergy**— Milk
**Second Tournament of Roses Parade**— January 1, 1891
**Second Presidential Term for Barack Obama**— January 2013

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The Sophomore Success Program is a collaborative effort between Student Transition and Family Programs and Academic Enhancement.
**SophoMORE Madness**

Do you know about all the on campus programs and resources available to you? The Sophomore Success Program is offering a new challenge to help you learn about opportunities and get involved on campus. Follow these easy steps and be on your way to success:

1. Pick up your bracket in SSC 1006 today.
2. Attend programs in the following areas between now and April 25:
   - Academic (2)
   - Leadership & Service (2)
   - Diversity (1)
   - Career (2)
   - Health & Wellness (1)
3. Return your completed bracket to SSC 1006 by April 25.
4. Attend the end of the year sophomore celebration (date TBA) to receive recognition and a prize for completing SophoMORE Madness.

A detailed list of programs and events can be found on the Sophomore Success Events [website](https://www.odu.edu/preview). There are many events on campus that are beneficial to sophomores, so if you are interested in receiving credit for something not listed contact Liz Boyd (683-7099 or beboyd@odu.edu).

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**Share Your Monarch Pride**

**Apply to be a Preview Counselor**

◊ Meet new people
◊ Lead and mentor
◊ Receive summer housing and $8.50 per hour

More information and online applications can be found [here](https://www.odu.edu/preview).

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on January 22, 2013.

Questions? Contact Kate Griffin.

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**Are You a Sophomore Looking to Get Involved?**

The Sophomore Success Program is looking for a few students to help create and implement sophomore specific programs. This is a great way to get involved on campus! Contact Liz for more information.

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**Sneak Peek into February:**

- **Study Abroad Fair**— Feb. 5
- **Majors Fair**— Feb. 6
- **Undergraduate Research Symposium**— Feb. 9
- **Sophomore Success Luncheon with the Darden College of Education**— Feb. 19
- **Exploratory Student Reception**— Feb. 26
- **Celebration of Excellence**— Feb. 27

*More details to come in the February newsletter.*