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*Xavier University*

*Commuter Services*

Commuter Services aims to serve the commuter population, defined as any student living off campus. This office seeks to serve as a resource for commuter students and advocate for the unique needs and challenges of this student population. We are committed to providing services and programs that will enhance commuter involvement and connections to the Xavier community.

Our staff consists of Angie Kneflin, Assistant Director of Residence Life for Apartments and Off Campus Living and Graduate Assistant Keri Shryock. We are located in Commons Apartments.

Along with monthly newsletters, we will continue to host several programs monthly for commuter students. If you have any suggestions as to activities you would like to see hosted by Commuter Services, please contact us!

We are excited to continue to get to know all of our commuters and are working hard to advocate for your needs here on Xavier's campus.

If there is anything we can do for you, feel free to call us at (513) 745-3824 or e-mail us at [commuterservices@xavier.edu](mailto:commuterservices@xavier.edu).



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### **Bicycle Mania!**

A presentation will be conducted by a bicycle expert from Oakley Cycles. The event is **Thursday, November 20th from 6-7pm** in the **Fitness Studio** located on the second floor of the **O'Connor Sports Center**.



### *Commuter Council*

Commuter council is made up of all and any commuter students who are interested in supporting and advocating for all commuter students and their needs on campus. We are meeting on a bi-weekly basis. Our meetings consist of discussing commuter needs, planning social events for commuter and off campus students,

and of course, having fun. We might begin attending student senate meetings next semester to act as representatives for the commuting body here at Xavier. Any ideas for programs, events, or activities are welcome. Your opinion is valued and what a better way to be heard than at Commuter Council.

Our next meeting will be this Wednesday, November 5 at 1:30pm in 304 Gallagher. If anyone cannot attend at 1:30 or would like to relax and talk before meetings, I will be at Coffee Emporium at 1:00pm before each meeting. Please e-mail Keri at [commuterservices@xavier.edu](mailto:commuterservices@xavier.edu) with any questions.

## Learning Assistance Center

### Achieving Academic Success

Midterm grades are out, finals are around the corner, and you might be wondering how you can achieve higher academic success. As you receive your midterm grades, reflect on your experiences thus far, and prepare for the end of the semester, you may be interested in learning about the services that the Learning Assistance Center provides that can help you achieve your academic goals.

If you need to have extra help with study skills or time management, the LAC has trained tutors that can assist you with these skills. If you need help with understanding the content of a course (or multiple courses), the LAC can help

with individualized, subject-specific tutoring. We have over 60 tutors on staff, who can tutor almost all subjects on campus, from Spanish to Math, Business to Nursing. The LAC also has drop in tutoring for certain courses, and Supplemental Instruction for General Biology, General Chemistry, and Organic Chemistry.

Additionally, if you are a student who has a documented disability, you will want to register in the LAC to receive your appropriate accommodations. Just provide the LAC with your documentation, sign a release form to allow us to communicate with your professors, and we can provide the support you need to be successful at Xavier. The

LAC staff is also happy to meet with you to discuss our services as they relate to your particular needs.

All services provided by the LAC are free to Xavier students. All you need to do is come in and inquire about what type of services would best fit your needs. We are open Monday through Friday 8:30AM to 5:00PM, Saturday 11:00AM to 1:00PM, and our office is located on the first floor of Kuhlman Hall. The Learning Assistance Center is here to help students at all levels in their academic careers.

*Stephanie Mosier*  
Assistant Director  
Learning Assistance Center

*“Learning is not a spectator sport”*

*D. Blocher*

Drop-in tutoring schedule for the Fall 2008 semester

| Subject      | Anatomy & Phys.   | Accounting 200/201 | Physics              | Spanish              | Spanish             | Music Theory                |
|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| Day and Time | Mondays 7:30-8:30 | Tuesdays 5:00-5:50 | Wednesdays 5:00-6:00 | Wednesdays 5:30-6:30 | Thursdays 5:00-6:00 | Wednesdays 5:00-7:30        |
| Location     | LAC               | LAC                | LAC                  | LAC                  | LAC                 | Music Theory Lab, Edgecliff |

## Dining Services Update

Hoff Marketplace (Cafeteria) has **new continuous food dining hours!!** Food is now served between the hours of:

**7:30am - 8pm Monday - Friday and**

**11am - 8pm Saturday & Sunday.**



Commuters can select various types of block meal plans.

Visit the Dining Services website at <http://www.dineoncampus.com> for more information. You can view all of the options for commuters and provide comments and suggestions for the types of food options you really want!