Welcome to Fall 2021 Semester, Lumberjacks

Look for a new Splinter every week of the semester - it contains information about all things ACC: processes, deadlines, department information, club activities, policies, and other items that are of interest to students. A link is posted on our website www.alpenacc.edu in the Calendar & Events section and sent to all ACC email addresses. Several copies are distributed around campus. Please take a few minutes during the week to review it.

Drop/Refund Deadline for a full-semester (16 week) class was Friday, September 10 at 4:30pm.

Fall Graduation Applications are due to the Registrar’s Office by Friday, October 8. Graduation applications are available in the Registrar’s Office or on Self-Service.

The FAFSA for the 2022-2023 school year will be available October 1, 2021.

Fall 2021 Semester Student Account Balance Checks will be available for pick-up from the cashier between 9am-2pm on the following dates.
- Loan amounts for 1st time borrowers on Friday, October 1
- 2nd disbursements of one semester loans on Wednesday, October 27
Checks may be picked up ONLY by student whose name is on the check. You must have a picture ID. All checks not picked up by 2pm on these dates will be mailed.

NEED A JOB WHILE IN SCHOOL - WORK STUDY POSITIONS AVAILABLE ON CAMPUS

Are you interested in working while attending classes at Alpena Community College? If so, stop by the Financial Aid office (VLH 107) to inquire about work study employment opportunities and eligibility for the work study program. There are many work study positions posted on the Van Lare bulletin board, next to the Financial Aid office.

ACC Bookstore In Store HUGE Clearance Sale is September 27 through October 8, 8:30am-5pm Monday-Thursday and 8:30am-2pm on Friday. LOTS of Clearance Items!

ACC Bookstore is open Monday through Thursday 8:30am–5pm, Friday 8:30am–2pm.

Western Governors University - Register for WGU “These Transfer Shoes” webinar series beginning at 1pm on Monday, October 18: Transfer Pathways; Tuesday, October 19: They Didn’t Tell Me That: Things Transfer Students Need to Know; Wednesday, October 20: Early Engagement: Impact on Student Success; Thursday, October 21: All Things Online Learning: Best Practices and Misconceptions; and Friday, October 22: Show Me the Money: Scholarship Strategies to Fund Your Education. In conjunction with this year’s National Transfer Student Week, WGU is hosting the “These Transfer Shoes” webinar series to help prepare transfer students to take the next step in their education. WGU’s flexible and affordable online programs are perfect for community college students wanting to earn their bachelor’s degree. Register at wgu.edu/ntsw.

Grand Valley State University Virtual Transfer Office Hour is Tuesday, November 9 from 2-3pm. Register in advance at https://apply.gvsu.edu/register/alpenacc. Facilitated by Mike Eichberger, Assistant Director of Admissions.

Michigan Transfer Network – www.mitransfer.org - For ACC listing of equivalencies, other college’s equivalencies, and college information check out the Michigan Transfer Network website.

ACC Testing Center, Student Success Center in VLH 101
Monday 9:30am-noon and 1pm-4:30pm, Tuesday 1pm-6pm, Wednesday 8am–noon and 1pm-4pm, Thursday 10am-2pm and 3pm-7pm, and Friday 9am–1pm. Hours are subject to change. Appointments are mandatory. Photo ID is required for testing. Contact Beth Matzke at 989-358-7209 or matzkeb@alpenacc.edu.
ACC Oscoda Campus Student Success Center, Testing Center, Computer Lab Room 206
Monday 9am–3pm, Tuesday noon-5:30pm, Wednesday 2pm-7pm, Thursday 2pm-7pm and Friday 9am-2pm. Schedule testing appointments as computer space is limited and hours may occasionally vary. Photo ID is required prior to testing. Contact Patrice Billiel at (989) 358-7445 or billielp@alpenacc.edu.

Student Success Center VLH 101
Your place for free tutoring, proofreading, workshops, and general question-answering. Also, get help with Self-Service, BlackBoard, and Microsoft Office 365. We are always looking for good tutors and we pay! Stop by the Student Success Center or call Colleen Jacobs at 989-358-7270 or Morgan Hardies at 989-358-7408.

Fredrick T. Johnston Wellness Center is open Monday-Thursday 6:30am-6:30pm; Friday 6:30am-2pm; Saturday 8am-noon. Please feel free to contact at 989-358-7391 with any questions or best times to meet your fitness needs.

Stephen H. Fletcher Library, Newport Center Building Room 111
Monday-Wednesday 7:30am-8pm; Thursday 7:30am-5pm; Friday 7:30am-4pm; Saturday & Sunday noon-4pm. Contact the library for information on requesting special hours or sessions.

@myacc.alpenacc.edu All ACC students receive a college email address and Office 365®. Official communication will be sent to this email account. Be sure to get yours set up and check it regularly.

ACC Photo ID Card Stop in the Student Success Center VLH 101 with photo identification and get your ACC ID card. Then flash it around town to receive your special discounts!

Self-Service is an online tool to perform the majority of your essential college tasks: registering for classes, viewing grades or the course catalog, applying for graduation, retrieving financial information, and more. Follow the link on the college home page or go directly to https://selfservice.alpenacc.edu/. Contact the Help Desk for assistance at helpdesk@alpenacc.edu, (989) 358-7374, or stop in CTR 108.

Parking Permits are free – but required. Be sure to get yours from the Facilities Office BTC 101. Parking permits are now mandatory at the Oscoda Campus. Students can get their student IDs and parking permits in Room 206 at the Oscoda Campus, and they are valid at both campuses.

Class Cancellation & Campus Closure Information - Get the scoop on communication methods, notice locations, and more at http://discover.alpenacc.edu/calendar/cancellations.php.

The Splinter is posted to the college website www.alpenacc.edu weekly during the semester.
WELCOME BACK LUMBERJACKS!

This first FALL 2021 semester What Next newsletter will highlight the “Super 5” items/activities to pay special attention to during September.

#1: Covid Considerations

Masks will be required as we begin the semester. Please check out the posted ACC safeguard requirements for more details.

#2: Course 100% Refunds

Sometimes the course you signed up for is NOT a great fit. So remember the deadline for getting a 100% refund is Friday, September 10, 2021.

#3: S-2-S TIME/Academic Planning

Join a special roundtable of local students in a unique, facilitated session on planning your academic future around regular life obligations and activities.

DATE: Wednesday, September 22, 2021
TIME: 1-2:15 pm
LOCATION: Oscoda Campus, Room 213
RSVP: Email whatnext@alpenacc.edu or call 989.358.7295

Julie Baker from Central Michigan University’s Isabella Bank Institute for Entrepreneurship will be the guest facilitator of this ACADEMIC PLANNING session.
#4: Regional HR Cooperative

On Tuesday, September 14 at 8 a.m. a group of Human Resource professionals will be meeting in Room 309 to share and discuss modern-day personnel management issues. Call 989-358-7295 for more information.

#5: ACC TALKS!...Are Back! Don’t miss out.

**TOPIC:** Medical Research & Pharmacokinetics

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Dr. Thomas Dowling (FSU)

The field of medicine has many areas of specialty and career opportunities. Whether the focus is on drug research, undergraduate or graduate level instruction or maybe even specialty grant application and implementation; the options to contribute to the medical field are almost endless.

ACC TALKS is honored and privileged to have a special guest presenter that has excelled in all of these career areas. Dr. Thomas Dowling, who is now working at Ferris State University, is joining us to tell his career story and the importance of his current employment priorities. But most importantly, Dr. Dowling started his college work at Alpena Community College!

**DATE:** Thursday, September 30, 2021  
**TIME:** Doors open at 5:30pm, presentation from 6:00pm - 7:30pm  
**RSVP:** Please email whatnext@alpenacc.edu  
*Note: There is no fee to attend, however space is limited and registration is required.

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