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Increasing the quality of your education both in the classroom and through the services we provide. Do your part and become engaged in your college experience!



New Technology

Vernon College utilizes technology in many ways to assist you both in and out of the classroom. The following are a few examples:

- Clickers— many courses such as algebra and Spanish are using clickers to engage and motivate you in the classroom.
- Wimba Live Classroom—allows students taking online classes to participate in real time discussions, chat with classmates, and review for tests with instructor and classmates from your personal computer.
- Video Projects—classes such as biology

- and government have students create videos to explain and present an assigned topic.
- Multimedia Message Boards—these flat screen TV's can be found on all 3 campuses and give important updates from new services available to free lunch!
- Video Tutorials— when working on your next project, visit the Library website to view a video tutorial on how to research using our online databases.
- Facebook—using Facebook in the class-

- room, instructors can publish notes and tag students . For example, they can post assignments or notify you of their online office hours.
- Twitter— allows you to follow news, post discussions, updates, communicate with your instructors and classmates, and stay connected with alumni.

Follow Vernon College on Facebook and Twitter by visiting our homepage at www.vernoncollege.edu for updates, news, and activities!

QEP GOALS

Increase student learning through improved engagement:

- * Transform curriculum and instruction.
- Participate in professional development opportunities.
- * Create a technology rich environment.

Engagement Methods

Vernon College has a variety of teaching methods and services to assist you in communicating and collaborating with your instructors, staff members, and classmates. Here are a few:

- Group Study Room in the Library—this room provides a private, quiet area for you or your group to study, work on an assignment, or practice a presentation.
- Group Projects in Class these projects encourage participation with other students and your instructors.
- Office Hours—for your convenience, instructors offer in person and/or online office hours. Connect with your instructor—ask about your next test or a question about today's lecture!







Coming to <u>your</u> classroom September 12-23.

Are we doing everything to connect you to Vernon College?

Complete the SENSE survey and help us connect you to your future!

Past Connections include: WiFi access; Chap Assistance TV; increased communication tools: Facebook, Twitter, VC Student Emails; CSA's course schedule advising & the CSA Center!



CSA's-Course Schedule Advisors











DID YOU KNOW?

The primary source of communication for Vernon College is your student email account. Vernon College email accounts may be forwarded to your existing email account such as gmail, yahoo, hotmail, etc. Follow these instructions and stay connected today!

All returning students are encouraged to meet with a Course Schedule Advisor (CSA) prior to registering each semester? Faculty members (CSA's) are available to meet with students during their posted office hours. Students may also meet with a CSA in the CSA Center located on the Vernon Campus in the Sumner Applied Arts Center room 419 and at Century City Center in room 100. CSA Center hours are published each semester in the Class Schedule and reminders are posted on the Vernon College

website, Facebook, and Twitter. NOTE: Students who are "Not College Readiness Clear" must continue to meet with a Counselor located in the Student Services Office on the Vernon Campus or Century City Center.

You may also follow Vernon College on Facebook and Twitter for daily announcements.

Vernon College has an online scholarship application called STARS.

The deadline is March 1, 2012 and you may email STARSAdmin@vernoncollege.edu with specific questions.

The Financial Aid Office also uses
Facebook to communicate important
information and help answer your questions!
Additionally, most commonly asked questions
may be answered by checking out our new
Chap Assistance TV!

The CSA Referral Guide is your resource for all services Vernon College has to offer. From Housing to ADA Accommodations and Continuing Education to the Library...we have you covered!

The Chap is a student newsletter to educate you and update you on our Vernon College Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP), VConnected, and the resources available to assist you while you are a student at Vernon College!

If you have any suggestions on topics for this newsletter or have any questions on VConnected and how Vernon College can engage you please email Criquett Lehman at

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