

Connecting today's women to tomorrow's opportunities

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

Residence hall check-in will resume on Tuesday, August 30th at 10:00 AM.

Parent Orientation will not occur on Tuesday and will be re-scheduled.

Please check NJIT.ed for any additional updates.

### Mark Your Calendars!

**Murray Center Special Events For First Year** Women Students:

#### Friday, September 9th

Murray Center Welcome Luncheon for First Year Women Students

Connect with your Ambassadors, meet department chairs

Invitation only 11:30am- 1:00pm **Campus Center Atrium**  Welcome to the start of a new academic year at your new university, NJIT! As you probably already know, doing new things is exciting and also a little scary-- like climbing aboard a roller coaster for the first time. Which is why we created the Murray Center Ambassadors program: to make sure you have a great ride.

The Ambassadors are a group of 18 NJIT women students (sophomores, juniors, and seniors) who have successfully navigated their first academic year and have volunteered to help you do the same. Working in pairs, they'll show you where the ups and downs are, the twists and turns -- how to build your network of friends and mentors, how to find answers to your



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Each pair of Ambassadors works with a team of 6-8 first year women students. You'll be assigned to a team, based on your major, and will have a chance to meet your Ambassadors before school even begins. They have a welcome gift for you and some important information about the new Ambassadors Fall 2011 "Got Game!" program.

questions and to get the resources you need, not just to survive but to thrive.

The NJIT curriculum is challenging. (That's what makes the degree you'll earn so valuable.) And some of the biggest challenges start right at the beginning of the year, before you've even had a chance get your footing--daily homework problems in all your courses, major exams virtually every week, one right after the other. The Ambassadors Got Game! program uses two proven strategies to help you maximize your success and minimize your stress: 1) providing you with study partners in your own major. Working together as a team, you and your partners-- with guidance from vour Ambassadors-- will be able to master course content much more efficiently than you could on your own...and you'll be able to share, and compare, your experiences with other women who will understand, empathize, and support you.

the key university officials, faculty, and that you really enjoy what you're doing--is a fundamental secret of success, not only in school but in life. The Ambassadors Got Game! Program allows you and your teammates to win prizes and reputation points by solving homework-related puzzles and challenges. You can get points by beating other teams to a solution...but you can also win by sharing -- teaching other teams how to get the right answer.

> Your Ambassadors will tell you more when they meet you to deliver their welcome gift and give you an invitation to the Got Game! Kickoff event: Friday, September 9 at 11:30am in the Campus Center Atrium. There'll be food, prizes, and surprises.

See you on September 9, if not before!



### **Murray Center** Calendar

#### Tuesday, August 30th

- Kick-off: Highlander Welcome Days 2011
- Join the fun, plug into the action and get to know the **NJIT** community
- schedule

#### Thursday, September 1st

Classes begin -**Fall Semester** 

- **University Convocation**
- 3:00pm
- Naimoli Family Athletic and Recreational Facility

#### Common Exam Schedule

- Wednesday, September 21st
- First Math Common Exam
- Monday, September 26th
- **First Physics Common Exam**
- **Monday October 3rd**
- **First Chemistry Common** Exam

### Catch Up On Our Past E-Newsletters!

**April 2011** 

May 2011

**Summer 2011** 

### NJIT Confidential

Advice, encouragement and invaluable tips from NJIT insiders -students, faculty and staff -- to put you on the right track starting on Day One.

Go to class, do the homework. Sure, that sounds pretty obvious, but research shows that students who attend class regularly and complete assignments on time are far more likely to excel academically than their peers. So like the ad says, just do it!

Making a smooth transition to life at **NJIT.** Whether you're moving into the residence halls or commuting to campus, Highlander Welcome Days provide a wide range of activities to get you acquainted with the NJIT community -tours, games, food, prizes and lots more! Don't miss this opportunity to



Wednesday, September 14th meet the rest of the class of 2015, Connect with returning NJIT students and get to know NJIT's faculty and staff.

More is more. Study groups work. Noodling through tough calculus equations, physics problems and chemistry conundrums in a group can be a lot more productive than trying to fly solo -- that is why we've created the GOT GAME program. GOT GAME will give you the opportunity to succeed academically, while meeting new people, forging life-long friendships, and giving you and your team the opportunity to score points and win prizes.

Get to know your professors. NJIT's faculty is accomplished, generous and accessible. On the first day of class, find out how your professor availability -- does he or she have regular office hours? Are they accessible online? These folks are invested in your success -- so don't hesitate to reach out if you need extra help or have questions.

Lean on us. Your Murray Center Ambassadors are here to help -- so don't be shy about reaching out for advice, encouragement and perspective. Remember, your Ambassadors stood exactly where you are standing now -- and they're here to share their experiences and expertise.

**Don't be a stranger.** The Murray Center for Women in Technology is an amazing resource -- it's a place to hang out, study, socialize and it is the nerve-center for a variety of organizations, clubs, sororities and scholarship and intern opportunities. Our monthly newsletter will keep you plugged in to a wide variety of resources and our doors are open from Monday to Friday.

**Be realistic.** Don't overload your course schedule and leave a little room for campus activities. Getting involved in student organizations, clubs or athletics provides a great way to get to know other students and can provide great learning and friendship opportunities.

The Murray Center is your home-away-from-home, whether you are a commuting student or living on campus. Amenities like our mini-kitchen and a comfy lounge area make it a great place to hang out between classes, meet new people and connect with academic and career opportunities. We are centrally located on the second floor of the Campus Center and our conference rooms are available for meetings and study groups. So don't be a stranger, come check us out -- we look forward to meeting you.

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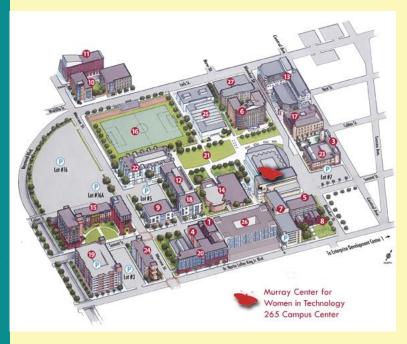
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