



THE SENTINEL NEWSLETTER

UNIVERSITY NEWS

New Year Brings New Student Site - and Better Service

American Sentinel is proud to announce that, in early 2012, a new, friendlier student services website will debut. Called MyPortal, this new student site will offer you lots of great new features that you'll love – including online course registration, online payments, and visibility into finances and credit hours.

Take a peek at some of the great new features that MyPortal offers you:

- Single-sign-on service to all your American Sentinel destinations: online classroom, MyCampus, and your account.
- 24/7 access to your financial information, including credit hours and balance due.
- 24/7 course registration.
- 24/7 online payments.

“My Portal will replace MyAmericanSentinel in the latter part of the first quarter,” says Mark Cobb, director, student success and retention. “We’ve listened to our students’ feedback, and I know they will be extremely pleased to have a faster system that gives them more control and insight over their accounts and grades.”

You will receive more detailed information on the launch of MyPortal via email and future The Sentinel newsletters. Stay tuned!

Congratulations to our recent graduates!

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MESSAGE FROM STUDENT SERVICES



In January, the student success team will present four webinars to start the New Year right! Don't miss these “Jazzy January” webinars:

Jazzy January

January 4 Library Recordings
Trevor Rasmusson

January 11 Getting into the Rhythm of Writing in APA Format - Dave Marshall

January 18 A Basic Guide to Making Your Academic Writing Sing - Devon Erlich

	Science Nursing	
Krishna Clopton	RN to Bachelor of Science Nursing	10/31/2011
Robin Finkbeiner	RN to Bachelor of Science Nursing	11/30/2011
Jeeva Retnam Charles	RN to Bachelor of Science Nursing	11/30/2011
Orin Rollins	RN to Bachelor of Science Nursing	11/30/2011
Michael Walsh	RN to Master of Science Nursing	10/31/2011
Victoria Choate	Master of Science Nursing	10/31/2011
BeaJay Laughton	Master of Science Nursing	10/31/2011
Carmen Haley	Master of Science Nursing	10/31/2011
Denise Goings	Master of Science Nursing	11/30/2011
Timothy Campaign	Master of Science Nursing	11/30/2011
Paula Griffin	Master of Science Nursing	11/30/2011
Alison Kams	Master of Business Administration	11/30/2011
Abran Rivera	Master of Science Computer Science	11/30/2011
Satnam Singh	Master of Science Information Systems	10/31/2011
Brock Ritchey	Master of Science Information Systems	10/31/2011

to let them know if you are able to attend, these sessions fill up fast!

A couple of days prior to the webinar, you will receive an invitation to register from our partner, GoToWebinar.

Click on the registration button to enter your information. You will then be sent a confirmation email containing a link to attend the webinar. At 6 p.m. MST/8 p.m. EST, follow the link sent to you by GoToWebinar to attend.

There is no password required.

CAREER CORNER

Performance review coming up? Ace it.

As working adults we must deal with employee performance reviews, also called employee appraisals or performance evaluations. Whatever you call them; employee reviews evaluate our performance on the job. They often determine raises, promotions, and sometimes whether we get to keep our jobs. That can explain, why even as adults, these performance reviews often make us feel uneasy.

The best way to deal with performance review anxiety? Exactly what you do to succeed in school, do your homework! Check out this article to learn how to prepare for and ace your next professional evaluation. [Learn more](#)

TECHNOLOGY NEWS

GIS technology cameras hot on holiday lists this year

Since the advent of the digital camera, photographers have watched their equipment technology transform from 256-megabyte flashcards to impressive GPS-tagging technology inside their cameras. Today, photographers, who once carried large quantities of film, can now shoot thousands of images within one session and know exactly where they took each photo. With

REGISTRATION

[Registration](#) is open for courses beginning in January and February!

Plan your nursing career for health care reform

Succession planning starts with leadership, but nurses at all levels need to do their part to prepare and plan their own futures. With the current full employment economy, nurse executives have an opportunity to plan and forecast hiring needs for the next five-to-10 years. "A new kind of nurse is going to be needed for a different kind of health care system," says Catherine Garner, DrPH, MSN, RN, FAAN, dean, health sciences and nursing, at American Sentinel University. "There will be a great need for more case managers, for more nurses who are smarter about finance and stewardship of resources."

To learn more, [view Dr. Garner's webinar](#), "Surviving the Next Wave," which she presented at the recent ADVANCE for Nurses' virtual online education fair.

BUSINESS NEWS

Intellectual property - The new strategic weapon

Microsoft has focused on persuading companies that use Android on their hardware to pay for the privilege. Pretty ironic for a mobile operating system that is supposed to be free. But it's an example of how intellectual property patents have become offensive weapons. [Read more](#).

American Sentinel Intellectual Property Policy

Speaking of intellectual property, are you familiar with American Sentinel's Intellectual Property Policy? At American Sentinel, intellectual property rights in scholarly works belong to the faculty member or student who created the work, unless an agreement provides otherwise.

MILITARY NEWS

Military students - Don't miss out on your free

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