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For accurate class availability log onto Bulldog Connection	
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In classes.	
All forms, applications, and instructions are available on line at:	
www.bowiestate.edu	
www.bulldogconnect.bowiestate.edu	

For Your Information

Winter Session 2017

January 3 -24, 2017

January 25, 2017

Spring 2017 classes begin

Late Registration Dates and a \$50.00 late fee applies beginning 1/25/2017 – 1/29/2017 for all students who register late.

Payment or pay arrangements must be made before attending classes.

Currently enrolled students must see an advisor before they can register. Get connected with Bull Dog Connection.

It is your responsibility to drop your classes should you decide not to attend Bowie State University. **EFFECTIVE** in Fall 2009 student's' must petition for removal of a class or term **before the end** of the effective term. Request after the close of the term will not be honored.

English Proficiency Examination

If you have not completed ENGL 101 and 102 with at least the grade of C or better, you cannot register for ENGL/PRO. **This is a graduation requirement for undergraduate students.**

Emergency Closings

In the case of inclement weather, notification of school closing will be available on Baltimore/Washington television channels and radio stations. Closings and delays will be recorded on the campus information line 301-860-4000.

AUGUST 2016

August 2016 Degrees Conferred	19
First Day of Classes (Regular and 1 st Eight Week Session)	29
Late Registration	August 29- September 2

SEPTEMBER 2016

Last Day to Add/Drop, or Register for Class	2
Labor Day (University Closed)	5
Matriculation Convocation	14
English Proficiency Examination	15,16
Last Day to Withdraw 1 st Eight Week Courses	23

Graduate & Undergraduate Class Schedules

All class/course information is available by logging into Bulldog Connection. The PDF schedule on the webpage is not the most accurate copy of the schedule of classes and is subject to change.

Get connected with Bulldog Connection –On line student services for enrollment, check grades, making payment or applying for graduation.

Withdrawals and Audits

If you are a student receiving financial aid prior to Withdrawing (WD) or Auditing (AU) a course check with the Office of Financial Aid to make sure that your financial aid status will not be affected by the decision to Withdraw or Audit a course.

Advisement for Spring Classes Advisement Period for Student with <59 credits November 7-11 Academic Advisement Center

Academic Advising begins for spring semester 2017 for students with <59 credits on November 7, 2016. Students **must** sign up to see an Academic Advisor in the Advising Center prior to registration to have the Academic Advisement hold removed. Students should be advised and ready to register when registration opens on November 14th.

OCTOBER 2016

Last Day to Remove Spring 2016 Grades of "I" (Incomplete)	7
Graduate Comprehensive Examination	8
Last Day to Apply for December 2016 Graduation	14
Mid Term Exams for Undergraduate Students	17 - 21
End of 1 st Eight Week Classes	21
Second Eight Week Classes Begin	24
Mid Term Grades for Undergraduates Due	25
Last Day to Add/Drop for 2 nd Eight Week Session	28

NOVEMBER 2016

English Proficiency Examination	3,4,5
Last Day to Change from Credit to Audit	18
Last Day to Drop Course With a Grade of "W"	
Advisement Week (Undergraduates)	7 - 11
Winter/Spring 2017 Registration Opens	14
Last Day to Withdraw / Audit 2 nd Eight Week Session	18
Thanksgiving Recess (University Closed)	24 - 25
Classes Resume	28

DECEMBER 2016

Final Examinations for Dec 2016 Candidates	2 - 8
Grades for ALL Graduating Students due Noon	9
Last Day of Classes	12
Reading Day	13
Final Exams for Non Graduating Students	14- 21
2nd Eight Week Classes End	15
Graduation Clearance	12 - 15
Mandatory Commencement Rehearsal	15
Last Day to Remove Fall 2015 Incomplete Grades Graduate Students Only	15
December 2016 Commencement	16
Final Grades Due by 5:00 P.M.	23
End of Semester	23

DECEMBER 2016 GRADUATION

Friday, December 16

All students must be both financially and academically cleared to participate in the Commencement ceremony.

Campus Information	301-860-4000
Academic Affairs	301-860-3460
Academic Advisement Center	301-860-4072
Admissions	
Undergraduate.....	301-860-3415
Graduate	301-860-3415
Alumni Relations	301-860-3939
Athletics.....	301-860-3570
Bookstore/Follett	301-860-4350
Bowie Card – Student Identification Card.....	301-860-3792
Career Development Center	301-860-3826
Campus Safety/Police.....	301-860-4040
Commuter Affairs & Community Services.....	301-860-3844
D.I.T. Help Desk.....	301-860-4357
Disability Support Services.....	301-860-4067
Financial Aid.....	301-860-3540
Health and Wellness Center	301-860-4170
Honors Program	301-860-4090
Housing and Residence Life.....	301-860-5000
Intramural & Recreational Sports Program.....	301-860-3812
Library	301-860-3850
Media Operations	301-860-3900
New Student Orientation.....	301-860-4406
Office of the Registrar/FERPA.....	301-860-3430
Veteran Services.....	301-860-3432
Office of Student Life.....	301-860-3835
Student Government Association	SGA@bowiestate.edu
Student Accounts	301-860-3490
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University Relations & Marketing.....	301-860-4311

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Monday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

Henry Administration Building, 1st Floor Suite 1200
301-860-3730 - Fax 301-860-3438

SERVICE HOURS

Monday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

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301-860-3540 - Fax 301-860-3549

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Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

OFFICE OF STUDENT ACCOUNTS

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SERVICE HOURS

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Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
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Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

CASHIER

Monday 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
Wednesday 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT CENTER

Thurgood Marshall Library Suite #082
301-860-4072 - Fax 301-860-4086

SERVICE HOURS

Monday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Tuesday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Wednesday 8:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Thursday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION PROGRAM

Wiseman Centre-Room 137
301-860-3835 - Fax 301-860-3838

BOOKSTORE-FOLLETT

Student Center
301-860-4350
Fax 301-805-4628

SERVICE HOURS

Monday & Thursday 8:30 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Friday 8:30 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Saturday 12:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

BOWIECARD-STUDENT IDENTIFICATION Card

Student Center
301-860-3793

SERVICE HOURS

Monday –Friday 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

COMPUTER CENTER (STUDENT LABS)

Thurgood Marshall Library, Basement
Computer Science Building
301-860-4357

SERVICE HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M.
Saturday-Sunday 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

THURGOOD MARSHALL LIBRARY

Reference & Special Collections, 2nd Floor
301-860-3850 - Fax 301-860-3848

SERVICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 A.M.
Friday 8:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
Saturday 9:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Sunday 1:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.

A passing score on the Bowie State University
English Proficiency Examination
is a **GRADUATION REQUIREMENT**
for all
undergraduate students, all transfer, and all
second-degree and certification students.

What must you do to take this examination?

You must register for the examination in the Office of the Registrar by the last day of the *Add/Drop* period and you must bring to the examination two #2 pencils, two 8 1/2 x 11" blue books (available in most college bookstores and not sold at the test site), and a form of identification with a photograph. You must have received a "C" or better in ENGL 101 and ENGL 102 (or transferred equivalent to BSU) to sit for this examination.

You will have two hours* to complete the handwritten examination and will be prohibited from using a dictionary, thesaurus, or prepared materials or aides. You will be provided several topics and asked to write a well-developed essay with an introductory paragraph, which includes a thesis, *at least* two to four paragraphs of support, and a concluding paragraph. The elements of the five-paragraph essay you were required to write for English 102 will suffice.

What support services are available to you?

If you anticipate difficulty, please visit the Computer-Assisted Writing Center in the Department of English and Modern Languages or Student Support Services in the Student Success and Retention Center to seek assistance.

*You will, however, be asked to set aside three hours for the examination, an hour of which is required to seat students.

Check the academic calendar for dates, times and locations
of the English Proficiency Test

September 15 – 16th

November 3, 7, 5th

The EPE Exam will not be given during the mini-semester.

Institutional Placement Testing and Academic Advisement are services provided to assist students in transitioning to college.

All first-year undergraduate and transfer students who are required to take the Placement Examination must do so prior to attending The New Student Orientation Conference.

Prepare for Life

INSTITUTIONAL PLACEMENT TESTING

All first-year undergraduate students are required to take the Reading, English, and Mathematics Placement Examination.

All transfer students who do not transfer English composition with a "C" or better must take the English Placement Examination.

All transfer students whose transfer evaluation does not indicate credits for MATH 127 or a higher mathematics course must take the Mathematics Placement Examination.

In-state transfer students who have an associate degree are not required to take a placement test.

For additional information, please contact the Office of Testing Services at 301-860-3295.

ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT

All first-year students are required to meet with an Academic Advisor to develop a two-year educational plan and select courses. Students majoring in Nursing, Social Work, Computer Science and English are not advised in the Academic Advisement Center, and must go directly to their respective academic department for advisement, after placement testing and academic orientation.

The Academic Advisement Center advises all new, transfer and returning students with less than (<) 60 credits, except Nursing, Social Work, Computer Science and English majors.

The Academic Advisement Center staff will assist students with the completion of General Education and Institutional Requirements in preparation for a seamless transition to the major department at the completion of 59 credits.

Undergraduate students must declare a major by the start of the sophomore year, or completion of 30 credits.

For additional information, please contact the Academic Advisement Center at **301-860-4072**.

ADV HOLD – SERVICE INDICATOR

You will not be allowed to register if you have not met with your advisor to have your schedule approved and to have the Advising Hold removed.

ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Before registering for any classes, students with <60 credits must report to the Academic Advising Center for advisement. Academic holds will not be removed by the Academic Advisor until students are advised each semester. The Advising Center is located in the Center for Business and Graduate Studies.

All transfer and returning students who have declared a major must report to their respective academic department for advising. Each Department Chair will direct his/her majors to assigned faculty advisors who will ensure that their advisees are following prescribed programs of study.

More detailed information about academic advisement can be obtained in the academic departments and unknown majors can contact OTS at 301-860-3295.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

All new graduate students should schedule a meeting with their advisor prior to registration.

DECLARATION OF MAJOR

Bowie State University requires that every undergraduate student declare a major by the beginning of his/her sophomore year. To declare a major, each student must obtain a Declaration of Major Form from the Office of the Registrar. He/she completes, secures the appropriate signatures, and returns the completed form for processing to the Office of the Registrar.

ASSIGNMENT OF ACADEMIC ADVISOR

Once a student officially declares a major, he/she must verify with the academic departmental chairperson that the major and advisor assignments are correctly recorded.

Spring 2017 REGISTRATION

Currently Enrolled Fall 2016 students:

Make sure to check your Personal Portfolio prior to registering for classes.

Payment is due before attending classes at BSU

Winter 2017 payment is due upon registration.

NEW TO BSU?

Newly Admitted Spring 2017 Students: New undergraduates and transfer students must attend an orientation program and, if necessary and take a placement examination, where they will be advised, then register for Spring 2017 courses.

Accepted graduate students will receive advisors and registration information in the mail.

Re-admitted Students: Submit an application to be readmitted to BSU. After receiving acceptance letter, view academic calendar for registration dates and times.

Housing: Contact the Housing Office, to request and complete all housing transactions to reside on-campus. 301-860-5000.

HEALTH and WELLNESS CENTER

BSU requires all students to provide documentation of measles, mumps, rubella and tetanus/diphtheria. It is your responsibility to provide information to the University Health and Wellness Center prior to the beginning of the semester.

This requirement is mandatory. To learn more about the services available and for further information call 301-860-4170.

All International students must show proof of a negative TB skin test or a normal chest x-ray. Without these registration will not be permitted.

STEP 1:

PLAN YOUR SCHEDULE

Read course listings carefully and pay special attention to course descriptions for prerequisites and notes associated with each course for restrictions or locations and days/times.

STEP 2:

MEET WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR

Advising is mandatory prior to registering. Your academic major department assigns your academic advisor. Discuss your schedule, receive approval and pin number to register on-line.

STEP 3:

RESOLVE REGISTRATION HOLDS

Registration blocks must be resolved before your registration will be processed. If you owe money to the University, you are not eligible to register you clear your accounts.

STEP 4:

OBTAIN SPECIAL PERMISSION

Some courses may have specific requirements, prerequisites or require special permission. You must meet all special permission and advising requirements before registering. Obtain a PERMISSION NUMBER which allows you to register for the course from the specific department chair.

Course restrictions are listed with the individual course listing. Some courses are open to honor students only; majors only; others have GPA or cumulative credit requirements or may require permission.

Actions requiring a dean's approval are exceptions to any of the restrictions listed below that require approval prior to registering. Remember to register for the course after obtaining any special permission.

Maximum Credit Limit: Full-time undergraduate students are generally limited to registering for 18 credits. Graduate students are generally limited to 9 credits. If you desire to register for additional credits, you must have written approval from the dean. You must maintain a minimum of six hours for financial aid.

Request/situations that would require special permission: Closed course/oversubscribe (**Dean only**)

- Studying at a different school/Permission to Enroll or inter-institution registration with other MD schools
- Academic difficulties, Independent study,
- consortium agreements, special populations/services

STEP 5:

REGISTER FOR CLASSES USING BULLDOG CONNECTION

Prior to course entry, make sure all special permissions and advising requirements have been met. Be prepared to have an alternate class schedule. After completing steps 1 through 4, you may register for your classes. Make sure you have obtained confirmation of your registration transaction.

STEP 6:

PAYMENT OF TUITION AND FEES

Billing Information: Tuition and fees must be paid before attending classes.

STEP 7:

BowieCard-Student Identification Card: All students are required to have a student identification card. After registering, apply for the BowieCard. You can receive financial aid credit for the purchase of books and supplies, along with library, copying, and computer lab privileges on your BowieCard. The BowieCard Office is located in the Wiseman Centre, 118. 301-860-3793.

STEP 8:

Parking: All students/visitors are required to display a valid parking permit. You must pay for your parking permit at Student Accounts and pick-up the permit from Campus Safety, Robinson Hall to avoid being ticketed.

Health Services: BSU requires all students to provide documentation of measles, mumps and rubella and tetanus/diphtheria. This requirement is mandatory. Contact Health Services at 301-860-4170 for details.

SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT AFTER REGISTERING

**The last day to ADD or DROP
is
Friday, September 2, 2016**

ADDING AND DROPPING COURSES

You must use the **Schedule Adjustment Form** to add or drop courses during the schedule adjustment period. If you desire schedule changes you must complete the following steps:

- Contact your advisor for approval to change your schedule.
- Submit the **Schedule Adjustment Form** to the Office of the Registrar. You can adjust your schedule on-line.

Call or visit the Office of Student Accounts for payment or adjustments of tuition/fees at 301-860-3490.

WITHDRAWAL AFTER SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT (New Policy)

**The last day to WITHDRAW or AUDIT
(receive the grade of W or AU)
is
November 18, 2016**

COURSE WITHDRAWAL or AUDIT (New Policy)

To withdraw (**W**) from a course, you must log-in to Bulldog Connection and select the drop option to withdraw from a class. It is recommended that you consult your academic advisor and **financial aid counselor** prior to making this decision as it could have a negative impact on your educational objectives. Auditing (**AU**) courses will affect student's fulltime/part-time status, **check with the Office of Financial Aid prior to withdrawing or auditing a course.**

Special Note: Graduate students cannot Audit after late registration closes.

WITHDRAWAL FROM THE UNIVERSITY

To officially notify Bowie State University that you will stop attending or not return to BSU, you must meet with your advisor to officially withdraw official from Bowie State University.

Withdrawal from BSU does not eliminate your financial obligation. This process cannot be completed on-line. If you never attend but do not officially drop the classes you are responsible for tuition and fees.

It is *your* responsibility to ensure proper registration and to drop all classes prior to the beginning of the term to avoid being charged.

Bowie State University

Compliance Statement

It is the policy of Bowie State University to provide equal opportunity for all persons and to prohibit discrimination for reasons of race, color, religion, age, ancestry or national origin, gender, sexual preference, physical or mental disability, marital status, or veteran status. All policies, programs, and activities of Bowie State University are and shall be in conformity with all pertinent federal and state laws on nondiscrimination. Inquiries or complaints concerning this policy may be directed to the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity at 301-860-3450.

Disclosure Statement

The University reserves the right to make changes without prior notice to the information contained in this publication, including the alteration of various fee schedules and the revision or cancellation of particular courses due to low enrollment and other unforeseen circumstances. Consequently, course offerings are not guaranteed and are subject to change (times, days, cancellations, etc).

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974

Bowie State University adheres to a policy of compliance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act.

Directory Information is defined as:

Student's name, address, telephone listing, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, and most recent and/or previous educational agency or institution attended may be released by the University without prior consent of the student. A student may request, in writing, that this information not be released.

Therefore, it is the University's policy to permit students to inspect their education records; limit disclosure to others of personally identifiable information from education records without student's prior written consent; and provide students with the opportunity to seek correction to their education records, where appropriate.

Questions concerning FERPA may be referred to the University Registrar, located in the Henry Administration Bldg. 301-860-3430..

The Office of Financial Aid strives to provide BSU students with up-to-date and accurate information on financial aid services and to facilitate the acquisition of financial aid in the form of grants, scholarships, loans, and the federal work-study program. These services will be provided to alleviate financial barriers.

IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID DEADLINES

June 1 The Financial Aid Office must receive your Official FAFSA in order to determine your anticipated Financial Aid and extend an offer prior to the start of Fall 2016 semester. If you are selected for verification, you are highly advised to submit all required documentation by this date for early review and processing.

FINANCIAL AID PROCEDURES CHECKLIST

(THIS CHECKLIST WILL HELP YOU WITH YOUR FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION PROCESS)

Complete the FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA) for 2016-2017. You must complete and submit the FAFSA online at fafsa.ed.gov. Be as accurate as possible. Inaccurate information could change financial aid award amounts and delay timely processing. Bowie State University highly recommends that you utilize the option of IRS Data Retrieval Tool during the initial filing or when subsequent corrections are made to your FAFSA. This option provides the fastest, easiest and most secure solution for meeting certain Income Statement verification requirements.

Review your Student Aid Report (SAR). Provide accurate email address on your FAFSA application. Department of Education will email Student Aid Report for your review via a link through the email. Self-reported information on the FAFSA is cross-referenced with several databases including the Social Security Administration, Selective Service Administration, and the National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS). The SAR will include the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) and indicate any missing or inconsistent information. You are responsible for making any necessary corrections. If a student submits an incomplete application, the US Department of Education will be unable to determine financial aid eligibility. You will not be eligible until financial aid eligibility is determined. You can make corrections to your FAFSA online at fafsa.ed.gov.

Report all expected scholarship funds. Scholarship checks must be forwarded to the Office of Financial Aid and should include the student's name and student ID number.

Complete verification if necessary. If Department of Education or Financial Aid Office selects your FAFSA for verification you must submit additional verification information to the Office of the Financial Aid upon request. Requests are communicated via Bulldog Connection account and mailed letters. The documents include but are not limited to, federal tax documents, verification worksheets, and proof of citizenship.

Complete the online entrance interview if you are a first time borrower at BSU. You can log on at www.studentloans.gov.

Receive a Financial Aid Award Notification. The Financial Aid Award notification will direct you to go on line via self-service to review your offer of assistance. The award is subject to change pending verification of enrollment status, and other changes in status. Review your offers and decide which awards to accept and/or decline. Complete the Master Promissory Note (MPN) if you are a first-time loan borrower at BSU at www.studentloans.gov.

Enrollment Requirements and Award Adjustments

Students must be enrolled at least half time (6 credits) to be eligible to receive financial aid. Students eligible for a Federal Pell Grant must be enrolled in at least three credit hours. Adjustments will be made to student accounts pending any change in the student's status. Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP), the Office of Financial Aid is required by federal regulations to monitor the progress of financial aid recipients. Financial aid recipients must comply with the standards for Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) as a condition of continued eligibility for financial aid. Student's academic records will be reviewed at the end of each academic year to determine whether the student has maintained SAP. Please note that financial aid SAP requirements differ from University academic satisfactory progress policies. See "Academic Regulations".

BOWIE CARD INFORMATION

If you have a credit balance on your validated bill, you may cover book expense with your Bowie Card up to \$1000.00 per semester. Students will be allowed to have monies added to their Bowie Card only once per semester. Additional information on the procedure for applying funds to your card can be found on line via Bulldog Connection.

Common Errors-Students can easily avoid by using these few helpful hints:

1. Complete the correct application. Students must apply for financial aid every year. They often complete the application for the wrong year. Complete the **2016-2017 FAFSA**.
2. Complete the FAFSA by March 1 deadline to be eligible for valuable scholarships and grants.
3. Inadvertently omitting or reversing numbers, such as your Social Security number, or date of birth, will cause an error and delay the processing of your FAFSA.
4. Review your Student Aid Report (SAR) for any missing or incomplete information that caused your application to be rejected. Follow the directions on the SAR to update or correct information.
5. Include BSU as one of the schools you would like to receive your application.

BSU school code is 002062

Loan Borrower Entrance Interview:

All Perkins and Direct Loan recipients must complete an entrance interview prior to receiving their loans. Perkins Loan recipients must schedule an entrance interview with the Perkins Loan Coordinator located in the Controller's Office. The entrance interview for Direct Loan Borrowers is available online at www.studentloans.gov. The entrance interview will include information on loan interest rates, grace periods, penalty charges and fees, borrowers' rights and responsibilities, deferments and cancellation or postponement procedures, consolidation issues, and any other items or conditions of the loan. Return of Title IV Financial Aid Policies.

Financial aid is awarded under the assumption that the student will attend school for the entire period for which the assistance is awarded. When a student withdraws, the student may no longer be eligible for the full amount of the financial aid funds that the student was originally awarded. Up through the 60% point in each payment period, a pro rata schedule is used to determine the amount of financial aid funds the student has earned at the time of withdrawal. After the 60% point in the payment period, a student has earned 100% of the financial aid funds.

Fall 2016 SCHEDULE BULLETIN

Final Examination Schedule for Fall 2016

(December 14 – 21 2016)

MWF CLASSES	EXAMINATION DATE		TIME
8:00 a.m.	Wednesday (W)	December 14, 2016	10:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
9:00 a.m.	Wednesday (W)	December 21, 2016	10:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
10:00 a.m.	Monday (M)	December 19, 2016	10:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
11:00 a.m.	Wednesday (W)	December 14, 2016	1:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.
12:00 p.m.	Wednesday (W)	December 21, 2016	1:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.
1:00 p.m.	Monday (M)	December 19, 2016	1:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.
2:00 p.m.	Wednesday (W)	December 14, 2016	3:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
3:00 p.m.	Wednesday (W)	December 21, 2016	3:00 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.
4:00 p.m.	Monday (M)	December 19, 2016	3:00 p.m. – 4:50 p.m.
TR CLASSES	EXAMINATION DATE		TIME
8:00 a.m.	Thursday (R)	December 15, 2016	10:00 a.m. – 11:50a.m.
9:30 a.m.	Tuesday (T)	December 20, 2016	10:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
11:00 a.m.	Thursday (R)	December 15, 2016	1:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.
12:30 p.m.	Tuesday (T)	December 20, 2016	1:00 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.
2:00 p.m.	Thursday (R)	December 15, 2016	3:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
3:30 p.m.	Tuesday (T)	December 20, 2016	3:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.
SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS	EXAMINATION DATE		TIME
MATH	Wednesday (W)	December 14, 2016	8:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.
ENGL	Thursday (R)	December 15, 2016	8:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.
BIOL	Monday (M)	December 19, 2016	8:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.
MATH	Tuesday (T)	December 20, 2016	8:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.
COSC	Wednesday (W)	December 21, 2016	8:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.

Due to Commencement, ALL Friday examinations are scheduled on Wednesday, December 21st and indicated in RED on the final examination schedule.

December Graduation candidate's final exams: **December 2-8, 2016**

Evening and 2nd 8 week class final examinations are scheduled during regular class time.

Saturday & Sunday final examinations are scheduled during regular class time.

Graduate School final examination period for continuing students is **December 14 – 21, 2016**
Examinations are given in the same classroom used during the semester.

Academic departments will announce special location for examinations. The professor must arrange examinations for all applied music, TBA, independent study, T.V. courses, and other special courses.

ATTENTION 2016 FACULTY

FINAL GRADES ARE DUE 72 HOURS AFTER EXAMINATION

ATTENTION STUDENTS:

Check your grades on line – www.bowiestate.edu

ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Undergraduate Students

GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

Requirements for satisfactory academic progress are based solely upon grade point average. This is computed by dividing the total number of quality points accumulated in courses for which a grade of A, B, C, D, or F has been assigned by the total number of credits attempted in those courses. Each letter grade has a numerical value: A = 4; B = 3; C = 2; D = 1; F = 0, FN = 0. Courses for which a grade of "P", "US", "W", "I", has been assigned are not included in computing the G.P.A. Students who fail to attend a class will be given grades of FN.

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE

A student whose cumulative grade point average is at least 2.0 will be considered to be making satisfactory academic progress at Bowie State University. Within any given semester, a student who completes 12 or more credits (excluding grades of "P" and "NG") with a semester grade point average of 3.5 or higher will be awarded academic honors.

Students with a cumulative grade point average of less than 2.0 will be placed into one of three categories: **unsatisfactory performance, academic warning, or academic dismissal**. Their academic progress will be monitored during the semester.

Students displaying less than satisfactory academic progress will be advised to seek tutorial assistance and/or academic or personal counseling services.

Mid-semester examination results are provided to all undergraduate students and are available for academic advisors and departments as an indicator of academic progress.

The cumulative grade point average that defines each of these categories varies according to the credit level, as noted:

UNSATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE

Students within this category at the end of any semester will be urged, in writing, to seek additional assistance from an academic advisor.

ACADEMIC WARNING

Students will be notified in writing to consult with an academic advisor prior to the beginning of the next semester. Students who do not meet with an advisor will not be allowed to drop or add courses, or to register for the following semester. In addition, students receiving an academic warning will be required to report to the Academic Advisement Center, located in the lower level of the Library.

ACADEMIC DISMISSAL

Depending on the credit level attempted, students will be academically dismissed at the end of any semester when their cumulative grade point average falls into the academic dismissal range.

Graduate Students

STANDARDS OF ACADEMIC WORK

In order to remain in good standing, candidates for the master's degree must maintain a 3.00 GPA after being advanced to candidacy. If the cumulative average falls below 3.00, the student will be placed on probation. After completing nine additional hours of work, if the cumulative average returns to the acceptable level of 3.00, the student will be restored to good standing. A student on probation will not be permitted to take the Comprehensive Examination, Seminar, or Practicum. Required courses in which the candidate earns a grade of "F" must be repeated. Students who lack sufficient academic aptitude or who fail to show evidence of serious purpose may be requested by the Graduate Dean to withdraw from the Graduate School.

DISMISSAL POLICY

A graduate student whose cumulative grade point average falls below 3.0 is placed on academic probation; any student on academic probation is permitted to take a maximum of nine credit hours to raise the GPA to 3.0; **failure to obtain a 3.0 GPA will result in academic dismissal**.

The duration of the dismissal is one semester. The period of dismissal for a graduate nursing student is one year. In order to be considered for re-admission, the student must petition the Dean of the School of Graduate Studies. The seven-year time limitation for degree completion shall include the period of dismissal. A student dismissed for academic dishonesty may not re-apply.

Visit www.bowiestate.edu to view the on-line catalog.



HONORS PROGRAM

Thurgood Marshall Library, 279.....301-860-4090

The major benefit of any honors program is the intellectual growth that results from meeting rigorous intellectual challenges. The goals of Bowie State University's Honors College are to provide to well-motivated and highly talented students additional academic challenges and appropriate rewards for meeting the challenges; and to foster excellence in scholarship during the entire four-year college experience. Also the Honors College seeks to develop a group of students from the freshman to senior year levels who can serve as academic models for BSU. Thus, the Honors College has three major components: academic, cultural enhancement, and community service.

DIVISION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (D.I.T.)

Thurgood Marshall Library Basement.....301-860-4357

The Office of Information Technology (OIT) provides technological services and training to the University community. Training sessions are available for currently enrolled BSU students, faculty and staff throughout the academic year. Internet connectivity from residence hall rooms is available for students with properly configured computers.

JUDICIAL AFFAIRS

Henry Administration, 0230.....301-860-3394

The Judicial Affairs Officer (JAO) administers and enforces the Student Code of Conduct. The JAO is primarily responsible for the overall coordination of all disciplinary proceedings on campus and the recommendation of sanctions offered to students for infraction of the University's policies and procedures. The JAO conducts student hearings; ensures standards of due process; and consults with faculty, staff and students regarding student conduct issues.

MILITARY SCIENCE/ROTC

L. James Physical Education Complex.....301-860-3560

The Army ROTC program has been developed to give college men and women training and experience in the art of organizing, motivating, and leading others. This program includes instruction to develop self-discipline, physical stamina, and bearing qualities that are important parts of leadership and that contribute to success in any career.

OFFICE OF TESTING SERVICES

Center for Learning and Technology, 312301-860-3295
Academic advisement is mandatory for all undergraduate students enrolled at Bowie State University. Therefore, upon acceptance to Bowie State University, each student is assigned an Academic Advisor(s) who guides the student regarding educational and career goals and assists the student in developing long range academic plans.

SCIENCE, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS

Computer Science BLDG, 1st floor.....301-860-3999

FREE tutoring services are available to **ANY** Bowie State University student taking a course within the SEM domain (biology, chemistry, computer science, computer technology, mathematics, physical science, and physics) from trained tutors. Tutoring may be by appointment but walk-ins are welcome.

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Student Center..... SGA@bowiestate.edu

The Graduate Student Association (GSA) serves as a vehicle to communicate the interests and concerns of the graduate students. It also provides graduate students with an opportunity to participate in social, academic, and professional pursuits. The Association membership consists of all non-degree and degree seeking graduate students.

ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT CENTER

Thurgood Marshall Library Basement.....301-860-4072

Academic Advisement is mandatory for all undergraduate students enrolled at Bowie State University. Therefore, upon acceptance to BSU, each student is required to follow the outlined steps for Placement Testing, Advising and Registration, which are located on the Bowie state University webpage at www.bowiestate.edu. Immediately after Placement Testing, students are advised by the Academic Advisement Center staff. Advisors guide the student through the process of developing a graduation plan, a two year educational plan based on career goals, and assist with the selection of courses.

CAMPUS SAFETY

Robinson Hall 301-860-4040

The Bowie State University Police Department (BSUPD) is available to serve the University community. Its jurisdiction is the Bowie State University campus. Its law enforcement officers are charged with the responsibility of enforcing state, county and local laws, including the rules and regulations of the University.

To report a crime, suspicious activity or a motor vehicle accident, call the BSUPD at (301) 860-4040. An officer will be dispatched to the location of the campus incident, or a report can be made in person at the duty desk of the BSUPD.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Student Center 301-860-3826

For each semester that a Cooperative Education student is on an assignment, he/she must register for cooperative education credits and pay the appropriate fees. Students who apply for internships must also register for the internship prior to reporting to the assigned agency. Failure to register properly may result in a loss of the assignment.

COUNSELING SERVICES

MLK 3rd Floor 301-860-4164

The Counseling and Student Development Center at Bowie State University is a vital component of the University community. A comprehensive center serving the entire campus populations, it places its major focus on the retention activities that are critical to the needs of freshman students, emphasizing this group as a target group that is vulnerable to the effects of attrition as it relates to the University-at-large. Generally, the Center provides counseling services in the academic, social/personal psychological and career areas.

OFFICE OF EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS/LEGAL COUNSEL

Thurgood Marshall Library, 301-860-3442

The Office of Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Programs/Legal Counsel ensures fair practices throughout the University community for students, faculty, and staff. The office is authorized to investigate when an employee, student, parent, or interested third party alleges a violation of any state or Federal laws or regulations. Finally, the office monitors actions that could result in potential litigation, with the express mandate of the President to take any and all measures to prevent litigation or minimize or eliminate the impact such litigation would have on the University.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

BOWIE STATE UNIVERSITY PORTFOLIO PROGRAM

The Portfolio Program is designed to assist adults who have been out of school for several years and who wish to pursue an undergraduate degree, assess their life experiences, and seek undergraduate credit for appropriate experiential learning. Experiential learning may result from work, volunteer experiences, travel, recreational activities, hobbies, non-credit workshops, training, independent reading, licenses, special certification, and military experience. Students may earn up to 30 undergraduate credit hours by developing a Portfolio that describes and documents learning acquired through life experiences and relating it to degree requirements.

The Portfolio student must register for the program with the School of Continuing Education and Extended Studies and has up to one year from the date of registration to complete and submit the portfolio. The student must have applied to and been accepted by the undergraduate school prior to the submission of the portfolio.

Program Charges

Portfolio Fee: \$55.00 (includes workbook)

Portfolio Assessment Fee: \$55.00

Students are charged the current tuition rate for credits earned through the Program.



The Computer Science Certificate Program is designed to strengthen the expertise of professionals in key computer science areas. The certificate program is especially valuable to individuals already in the workforce who seek to advance or redefine their careers by updating a particular area or exploring a new career direction. Students acquire direct experience with state-of-the-art hardware and software. This Certificate Program provides an excellent opportunity to explore post-baccalaureate study. The Certificate is earned by completing 12 credits in one of the following tracks: Data Base Management; Networks and Distributed Systems; Scientific Software Development; Software Engineering; Graphic and User Interfaces, and Geographical Information Systems and Image Processing. For information contact the Department of Computer Science at 301-860-3961.

The Applied and Computational Mathematics Certificate Program is designed to prepare individuals for careers as mathematical scientists engaged in the technical work in complex computer-driven industries. The Certificate Program consists of the following six courses (18 credits): MATH 300 Real Analysis; MATH 525 Ordinary Differential Equations; MATH 540 Operations Research I; MATH 544 Applied Statistics; COSC 304 Data and Information Structures; and, COSC 541 Numerical Analysis I. The Certificate is awarded to those students who successfully complete the required courses and pass a comprehensive examination. For information call the Department of Mathematics at 301-860-3352.

The Information Analyst Certificate Program prepares management professionals to serve as liaisons between functional units and the information processing/computer operations unit in organizations. The program emphasizes the assessment of information management needs and designing systems to meet those needs. Twelve (12) credits are required to earn the certificate: INSS Software Structures; INSS 530 Information Systems in Organizations; INSS 540 Information Management Analysis and Design, and INSS Data Base Management and Decision Systems. For information call the Department of Business, Economics and Public Administration at 301-860-3621.

The Department of Counseling offer certificate programs designed to meet the needs of mental health practitioners for professional development. Certificate programs tailored to assist students to function effectively in a specific mental health setting, include: **Family Counseling**; and **Human Services** which may be earned congruently with a master's degree or taken as a stand-alone program. The **Psychotherapy Certificate Program** is a post-master's degree program consisting of 30 credits. This program provides a means of securing either 48-hours for the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC) Examination or Maryland Professional Counselor Certification at the 60-hour level. All certificate programs may be taken with an Adlerian or Eclectic focus.

For information call the Counseling Department at 301-860-3239 or 3230.