



ACCESS SUCCESS

Access: (n.) a means of approaching

Success: (n.) the accomplishment of an aim or purpose

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Welcome to **AccessSuccess**,
the official newsletter of the
Montana's Own, 1893, and *Return-to-Learn*
Scholars Programs.

This is YOUR newsletter so [email Deb](#) if you have ideas for future issues.

Upcoming Workshops... Just for YOU!



Know Your NACE... And Be Career Ready

The [National Association of Colleges and Employers, NACE](#), have identified eight competencies that employers look for in new college graduates. The competencies are Communication, Career & Self-Development, Critical Thinking, Equity & Inclusion, Leadership, Professionalism, Technology, and Teamwork.

Research shows there is a mismatch in the NACE Competencies employers observe in new graduates versus which competencies graduates believe they have. This workshop is designed to narrow that gap so you are confident that YOU are giving future employers what they need!

In this interactive workshop, you will rank your eight NACE Competencies and identify the transferable skills needed to improve your lower ranked competencies to become the best job candidate. In addition, you will practice identifying NACE competencies in a resume, cover letter, and a job listing, so you can recognize these during your job search. Each attendee will take home a NACE Competencies card deck, useful for crafting resumes, cover letters, and prepping for a job interviews. Don't miss out on "Knowing your NACE!"

Dates and times for the NACE and VALUES workshops are being finalized RIGHT NOW!
Keep a look out for a special email from
us with the registration links.

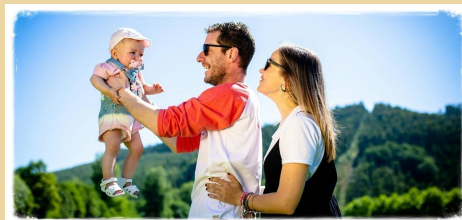
Personal Values and Principles: An Exploration

Values are empowering. You can be much more in control of your life when you are clear about your values. Values are guides, supplying you with an internal compass by which to navigate the course of your daily life. **The clearer you are about your values, the easier it is to stay on your chosen path.** This kind of guidance is especially important in volatile and uncertain times. When daily challenges can throw you off course, it's crucial to have the means to tell which way is north, south, east, and west.

In this interactive workshop, you will explore your personal values and principles and discover how to let them guide your time at MSU and beyond. You will be given copies of your top five values so you can keep them close as you maneuver through all aspects of your life.



Are You Caring for Kiddos While Attending Classes? Check Out This New MSU Resource



MSU Bozeman has received a **Child Care Access Means Parents in School Program (CCAMPIS)** grant. Part of the funds are to be used to support student parents by helping pay a portion of their childcare expenses. If awarded, the dollars are directly sent on the student's behalf to the licensed childcare program. This way, the award does not impact the student's financial aid package. All applicants will be asked to submit a FAFSA, which will be used for the income eligibility.

Applications will be reviewed in the order they are received to determine eligibility. Awards will be made for the current semester only, beginning in the month you apply. Award amounts will be made as funds allow.

- Childcare can be center or home-based, but must be licensed through the State of Montana.
- Child must be under the age of 5.
- The student must be enrolled in classes, and Pell eligible as determined by the FAFSA.
- For questions about the CCAMPIS grant, please [email Molly Barrow](mailto:molly.barrow@msu.edu).

Apply NOW for the Current Semester!

How Well Do You Operate Under Pressure?

TELL ME MORE...

**+ 4 TIPS TO CONFIDENTLY ENGAGE
IN HIGH PRESSURE CONVERSATIONS**

JOIN US FOR AN INTERACTIVE
WORKSHOP AND LECTURE

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MARCH 27
4:30- 6PM
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AND CONFLICT
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FREE! RSVP required

MONTANA Leadership
STATE UNIVERSITY Institute

**Think about all the
high-pressure situations you have right now...**

Job or internship interview.

Talk with your professor about an issue in class.

Talk to your roommate or partner about a situation at home.

Group project or class presentation.

High-pressure situations are everywhere; **check out this FREE workshop to learn all the important tools and tricks to boost your confidence!** RSVP at the QR code on the right or [click here](#).

The SUCCESS Questionnaire

We want to feature YOU in upcoming newsletters!

Answer the Questionnaire

Jerry Bowman
Biotechnology
Montana's Own Scholar



What is the most important reason you decided to attend MSU? I wanted to attend MSU because I had the chance to explore more of Montana and take advantage of the undergraduate research opportunities MSU offers.

What is your most treasured possession? Certainly my motorcycle. It is a 2019 Husqvarna Svartpilen 401 and I am stoked for it to warm up so I can ride it again!

If time and money were not a consideration, what hobby would you take up? I've become really interested in Formula 1 racing lately and I think it would be like nothing else to race one of those cars. MotoGP looks almost too scary

What Montanan do you most identify with or admire? Norman Maclean. He is the author of *A River Runs Through It* and for anyone who grew up or lives in Montana and/or fishes, they should give it a read.

What is your current state of mind? It feels easy to be distracted from my goals right now when weighing so many future opportunities. To stay focused on success I am relying on myself to be disciplined in all parts of my life.

If you had one piece of advice for MSU students, what would it be? Work hard in school but be sure to build strong relationships while you are here.

What is your motto? Give it your best.

What is the most important reason you decided to attend MSU ? I've grown up coming to MSU football games and a number of family members also attend/ed MSU!

What is your most treasured possession? My dogs.

If time and money were not a consideration, what hobby would you take up? Traveling the world.

What Montanan do you most identify with or admire? Unsure.

What is your current state of mind? Happy.

If you had one piece of advice for MSU students, what would it be? Enjoy it! College goes by way to fast and the "big" things really aren't that big!

What is your motto? Live life while you can!

Elizabeth Sampson
Exercise Science
Montana's Own Scholar



Jovany Guillen Castillo
Graphic Design
Montana's Own Scholar



What is the most important reason you decided to attend MSU? Proximity to home and affordability.

What is your most treasured possession? My time.

If time and money were not a consideration, what hobby would you take up? Back to singing and playing the piano.

What Montanan do you most identify with or admire? The Adventure Montanan probably the cowboy Montanan as well.

What is your current state of mind? Stressed, and questioning my future.

If you had one piece of advice for MSU students, what would it be? It's the idea or concept that matters, the design or question will answer and create itself with ideation and time.

What is your motto? *It's a Sunday Kind of Love* by Etta James.

What is the most important reason you decided to attend MSU? I grew up in Montana and don't want to leave. Additionally I wanted to go for architecture and they have a great program!

What is your most treasured possession? Old photos of me and my first dog I got when I was 3.

If time and money were not a consideration, what hobby would you take up? Drawing and painting. If I didn't need to have a job I would just be creating.

What Montanan do you most identify with or admire? I enjoy the families and friends the best. I have met such welcoming and kind families that are willing to treat you like their own!

What is your current state of mind? School is a long process to finish. But to finish you have to keep working at it. Baby steps

If you had one piece of advice for MSU students, what would it be? I would say that don't go for classes that are just an easy A. Go for classes that you actually have an interest in and your work will be better than any class you don't care about.

What is your motto? Dream big, and trust the people that believe in you that you can do it.

Arianna Cline
Architecture
Montana's Own Scholar



Asking for help is one of the smartest things a student can do!
Your Scholar program has amazing resources - use them soon and often.

All Scholars have free tutoring through Smarty Cats Tutoring
[Book your tutor today.](#)

Your Scholar Program success team is here to visit with you any time
[Email Jen](#) at Return-to-Learn
[Email John](#) at Return-to-Learn

Online Tech Help Desk

Every Wednesday during
the semester
(except holidays and Spring Break)
11am-1pm

Our tech consultants provide help with:

- Microsoft Office, Google Workspace, Adobe programs, and more
- Formatting documents, analyzing data, building presentations, etc.
- Organizing research, files, applying citation tools
- Any academic software programs or tech tools

Join via WebEx at <https://montana.webex.com/meet/john.pantano>.

There is no limit on participants. First-come, first-served assistance with any academic tech question.

Students can also email john.pantano@montana.edu to request an alternative day/time for sessions if unable to attend during standard Wednesday hours.



Always Be In-The-Know

New events and opportunities are always being added to the **calendar** - check it often!

[See the Events Calendar](#)

Access Success **back issues** are now online!

[See the Newsletter Archive](#)

Discord is a place where you can chat anytime with your fellow Montana's Own/1893/R2L Scholars. **This is an opt-in opportunity so if you want to start networking click on the button below.**

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