CAREER CONNECTION Workshops



Thursday, March 19 3:45-4:45 PM

An opportunity for youth leaders to learn more about themselves, the workplace, and careers to inspire pathways to future success. Workshops are led by Montana State University faculty, students, and community partners.



All students should register to attend a Career Connection workshop or plan on attending a Resilient Leader Workshop that is occurring at this time.

Limit 2 students per chapter per Career Connection workshop. Workshop space is limited.



WORKSHOPS TARGETED AT STUDENTS GRADES 7-9

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The Leader in You

Hali Kapperud, Montana FCCLA State President 2017-18

All members have leadership potential whether or not they hold formal chapter leadership positions. It often comes down to exploring abilities, taking risks, and developing a personal leadership style. This interactive workshop will guide students through leadership activities to explore their leadership potential.

Resilient Leadership

MSU FCS Education Students

Interested in learning more about your personal leadership style? In this session, students will explore the things that influence our ability to manage aspects of life, and how that impacts you in becoming the best leader you can be.

WORKSHOPS TARGETED AT STUDENTS GRADES 7-12

Behind the Scenes: Rendezvous Dining Pavilion Tour

Mike Kosevich, Director

We will take an in-depth tour of our new facility on campus showing both front of the house and back of the house. We will show how the flow of food that is received daily moves through the building and ends with the customers' experience.

MSU Campus Tour

MSU Advocats

Campus tours are led by our student AdvoCats and encompass the main areas of campus with a narration of the academics, student life and history of MSU.

Becoming Tomorrow's Teachers

Dr. Virginia Mohr and Cyndi Meldahl, Montana State University Field Placement

This workshop is designed to provide a real-world picture of the education profession and what it means to be a P-12 teacher in today's educational environment. Through interactive discussions and scenarios, we will explore with interested individuals the benefits and challenges of becoming a teacher. Presenters and participants will share educational experiences and perspectives with the goal of helping participants see education through the lens of today's educators.



WORKSHOPS TARGETED AT STUDENTS GRADES 10-12

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Explore Academics with the Department of Health & Human Development

Sara Heller, MSU Health & Human Development Advising

Discover how your interests align with careers and majors available in the Department of Health and Human Development.

Can't Stop, Won't Stop Communicating

J. Mitchell Vaterlaus, PhD, LMFT

Thinking about a future career in mental health (e.g., Counselor, Marriage and Family Therapist, Psychologist, Social Worker)? In this session we will do a hands-on activity related to communication. Participants will explore some of the major components of communication with a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. The conclusion of the session will focus on the different career options within mental health and what it takes to enter a career in this field.

Gaming the Transition for High School to College

Dr. Tricia Seifert, Adult & Higher Education

Social events, the start of classes, and the litany of questions: What's your name? What's your major? Where are you from? Figuring out what to do and with whom can be bewildering for students in their first year of post-secondary study.

Players confront all of this and more in this college transition board game. The object of the game is for players to manage time strategically with the goal of maximizing GPA and social connections while earning enough money to pay tuition and managing life events and stress. Simulating students' first semester, it's a lot to manage in a game. But it's also a lot to manage in real life.

Food & Nutrition

Melody Anacker, MS, RD, LN

The Department of Health and Human Development offers a major in the study of food and nutrition. Students who choose the nutrition science option intend to pursue a health profession or research-related career, for example, medicine, dentistry, industry, academia, etc.



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Say YES to FCS Education

MSU FCS Education Students

There is an established and growing shortage of family and consumer sciences professionals to serve in educator positions. This shortage increasingly results in educator positions going unfilled or filled with unqualified individuals. Shortages of family and consumer sciences educators and those enrolled in family and consumer sciences educator preparation programs too often result in program and FCCLA Chapter closures.

What Does it Mean to be an Early Childhood Professional?

Dr. Kalli Decker, MSU Early Childhood Education & Child Services Program This workshop will focus on students who have been part of MSU's Early Childhood Education & Child Services program. What types of careers do students have as early childhood professionals? What do their day-to-day lives look like? What types of experiences did they get to have during their program to help them prepare for their careers? Join us as we learn about MSU early childhood college students!

