

# Adviser Newsletter

Division of Student Services

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Hello! Here are some quick advising tips to help prepare you for the end of the semester.

[Adviser Toolkit](#)—The Adviser Toolkit provides new and experienced advisors with practical information and campus resources which help prepare you for your advising role.

[Course Catalogues](#)— 2017—2018

## **Upcoming Events:**

- \* December 5—Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony  
University Green, 5pm
- \* December 12—SHU Tutopia  
Main Lounge, 3-6pm

## **Six Strategies for Effective Learning:**

### **The Learning Scientists**

1. **Spaced Practice:** space out your studying over time
2. **Retrieval Practice:** practice bringing information to mind
3. **Elaboration:** explain & describe ideas with many details
4. **Interleaving:** switch between ideas while you study
5. **Concrete Examples:** use specific examples to understand abstract ideas
6. **Dual Coding:** combine words & visuals

For more information and different materials regarding these effective learning strategies, please visit  
<http://www.learningscientists.org/>

## **Spring 2018 Admitted Students:**

- **Freshman Studies will advise all new students starting December 4, 2017.**
- **Academic advisers campus wide should be prepared to advise transfer students as of December 4, 2017.**

## **Important Dates:**

### **Fall 2017**

- December 11—Last day of classes
- December 12—Reading Day
- December 13-19—Final Examinations

### **Spring 2018**

- January 16—New Student Orientation
- January 17—Classes begin
- January 24—Add/drop ends

## **Final Examination Notes:**

- Students who are taking piano or studio art courses are to make arrangements with the instructor for final exams.
- Final exams for all sections of MATH 0012 will be administered on December 13, Examination Period 1, at 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
- Final exams for all sections of MATH 1014 will be administered on December 13, Examination Period 1, at 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
- Final exams for all sections of MATH 1205 will be administered on December 13, at 7:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
- Final exams for undergraduate courses that begin 4:30 p.m. or later and for those which meet on Saturdays are to be given during the regular class periods from December 13 to December 29, 2017. (Two sixty minute exams are to be given during this period for three credit courses that meet twice a week.)

**This schedule is subject to change.**