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MEET OUR NEW COUNSELING INTERN

Adam Harris is the Counseling Intern for the Center for Multicultural Initiatives. His primary role includes meeting weekly with and monitoring the scholarship requirements for 40 scholarship students (OUTAS, McCree, and Compact). Adam graduated from the University of Michigan-Dearborn with a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Business Administration and a minor in African & African American Studies. Currently, he is finishing his Master's of Arts in Counseling at the University of Detroit Mercy. With his internship through the Center for Multicultural Initiatives, Adam will be completing his graduate degree. In the future, Adam hopes to work in higher education, as a counselor/advisor for undergraduate students. He also has a passion to be of service to students in any possible way that he can.

**CMI CORE SUMMER BRIDGE STUDENTS 2013-2014**

The CMI CORE Summer Bridge program provides a comprehensive orientation to college life and academic support. The program is designed to ease the transition from high school to college while building on a strong academic foundation. As part of the **CORE program** (<http://www.oakland.edu/aboutcore>) students spend one week during the summer receiving college math and reading instruction. During the

freshmen year students meet weekly with CMI staff and Peer Ambassadors for academic and social support.

Congratulations to our 2013-2014 CORE Ambassadors: Asia Anderson, Brenda Brown, Shaqela Chapman, Zaynah Echols, Alaysha Horne, Habura Johnson, Klaira Kindell, Desha Phillips, Rob'Asha Robinson, Janay Rucker and Megan VanSparrentak.

UPCOMING CMI EVENTS**CMI WELCOME BBQ**

Join us at the annual CMI Welcome BBQ from 6pm-9pm between O'Dowd Hall and Bear Lake on Wednesday, September 4, 2013. There will be **free food** and music! This event is co-sponsored by the Association of Black Students (ABS) and will be followed by a Greek Yard Show. All Oakland University students, staff, and faculty welcome!

HISPANIC CELEBRATION 2013

Join CMI in celebrating Hispanic Celebration Month at Oakland University from **September 13-October 15, 2013**. This year we are excited to have a number of events including an appearance by Alina Fernandez (Fidel Castro's Daughter), a performance by poet Mayda Del Valle, our annual Salsa Night and community service project at the Hispanic Outreach center in Pontiac! Please see the **Hispanic Celebration Month website** (<http://www.oakland.edu/hcmevents>) for the complete schedule of Hispanic Celebration Month events.

3rd ANNUAL CMI MEN'S RETREAT

The **3rd Annual CMI Men's Retreat** and 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament will take place on September 27-28, 2013. The retreat provides recreation and workshops on topics relevant to achieving personal and academic success in college and in life after graduation. Please call the office today to sign up at (248) 370-4404. **See a video from the 2011 CMI Men's Retreat!** (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pYRoUNv6z9Q&feature=share&list=UU_onS5u1i98NCiC8QqfN5jQ)

1st ANNUAL CMI WOMEN'S RETREAT

The **1st Annual CMI Women's Retreat** will take place October 11-12, 2013. This retreat will offer interactive workshops and provide tools to assist them in taking an active leadership role on campus as well as to begin taking steps in preparation for life after college. Please call the office for more information at (248) 370-4404.

SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIESOU HOME (<http://www.oakland.edu/>)CMI HOME (<http://www.oakland.edu/cmi>)CALENDAR OF EVENTS (<http://www.oakland.edu/Events/?sid=271>)**IMPORTANT SEMESTER DATES**

September 3
CMI Scholars
Meet & Greet
9:00 am – 10:00 am
Oakland Room, OC
(Mandatory)

Orientation Part Two
11:30 am - 3:00 pm
Check-in will begin in parking lot P-16.

New Student Convocation
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Recreation Center

Classes begin at
5:00 pm

September 3-13
Welcome Week (<https://www.oakland.edu/upload/docs/CMI/Welcome%20Week/WELCOME%20WEEK%20-%20FALL%20SEMESTER%202013%20V>)

September 4
CMI/ABS Welcome BBQ
6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Between O'Dowd and Bear Lake

September 5
North Foundation Hall Open House
11:30 am – 1:00 pm

September 13
Hispanic Celebration Month (<http://www.oakland.edu/hcm>) begins.

September 17
Last day for:
-100% tuition refund
-Late registration
-Add a class

September 27-28
CMI Male Retreat
Contact the CMI office at (248) 370-4404 for details.

October 11-12
CMI Women's Retreat
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Keeper of the Dream (KOD) applications are now available to students who possess all of the following attributes: current cumulative grade-point average of 3.0, demonstrated campus involvement, record of responsible citizenship, scholarship and leadership in breaking down cultural stereotypes and in promoting interracial understanding, and must be a continuing full time student for fall 2014 and winter 2015 semesters. **Applications** (<http://www.oakland.edu/kodapplication>) are due by 5:00 pm **Friday, October 11.**

NEED ASSISTANCE BUYING BOOKS?

The CMI provides an interest free book loan to students with at least 24 credit hours earned and a minimum 2.5 GPA. The loan provides up to \$250 per semester and may be redeemed at the OU bookstore. If you are interested in the Sharp Emergency Book Loan, download our **online application** (<https://www.oakland.edu/upload/docs/CMI/SRF%20and%20Sharp%20Loan%20Application/BookLoan&RetScholarshipApp.pdf>).



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