



Gabelli School of Business
Freshman Advising Program
Large Group Meeting

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Put Distractions Away!

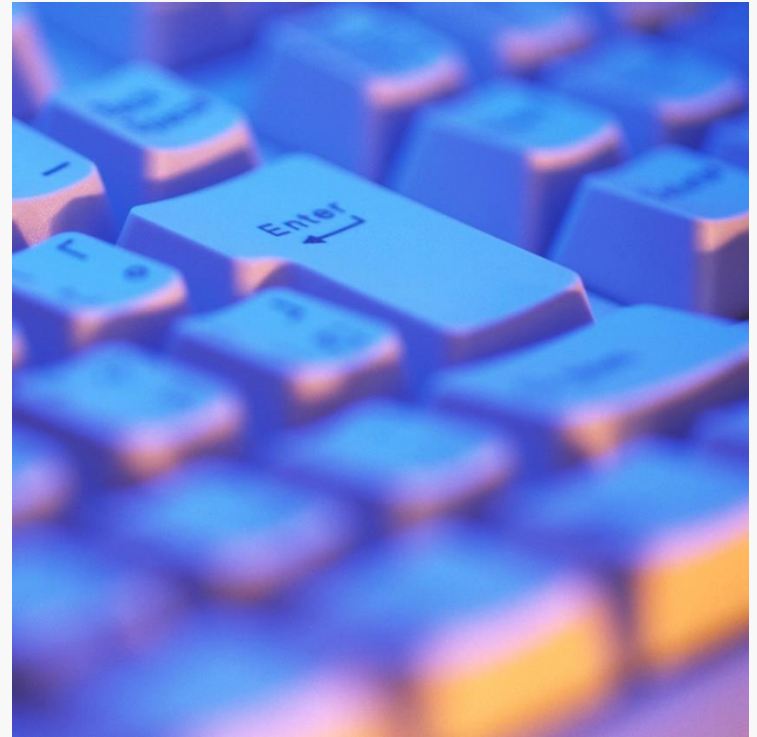


- Put away all cell phones and other electronic devices
- Put away homework
- Take headphones out of your ears
- Finish any snacks
- Sit up straight
- Remain alert and awake

Today's Topics



- Guest Speaker – Lindsey Pollak
- Spring 2015 Dates
- Final Grades, Calculating GPA, and Academic Standards
- Tutoring Information
- Summer 2015 Information
Reminder
- Freshman Advising Dates
- Upcoming Events



Lindsey Pollak



- **Bestselling Author**
 - *Getting from College to Career: Your Essential Guide to Succeeding in the Real World* – Required Reading Summer 2014
- **Keynote Speaker and Consultant; clients include:**
 - Barclays
 - Citi
 - GE
 - IBM
 - Liz Claiborne
 - PwC
 - Merrill Lynch



Spring 2015 Dates



January 19	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – University Closed
January 20	Tuesday	Deadline for Add/Drop of courses
January 23	Friday	Deadline for removal of INC, ABS, NGR from Fall
February 16	Monday	President's Day - University Closed
February 17	Tuesday	Classes resume following a Monday academic schedule
February 18	Wednesday	Classes follow a Wednesday academic schedule
February 19-26	Thursday- Thursday	Midterm Examinations (Approximate Dates)
March 16-22	Monday- Sunday	Spring Recess - No Classes
March 24	Tuesday	Last day to withdraw from a class without incurring a WF
April 2-6	Thursday- Monday	Easter Recess - University Closed
April 29	Wednesday	Last day of Classes for Gabelli DAY
April 30-May 1	Thursday-Friday	Reading Days
May 4	Monday	Last day of Classes for Gabelli EVENING
May 4-11	Monday-Monday	Final Examinations
June 12	Friday	Deadline for removal of INC, ABS, NGR from Spring

Final Grades & Calculating GPA



- University Grading System

A=4.0=93-100

A-=3.67=90-92

B+=3.33=87-89

B=3.0=83-86

B-=2.67=80-82

C+=2.33=77-79

C=2.0=73-76

C-=1.67=70-72

D=1.0=60-70

F=0.0=<59

- A passing grade is a D or better.

- At GSB only; classes at other institutions require C or better.

- “WF”, or withdrawal failure, is the numerical equivalent of an F and is counted towards GPA hours.

	Numerical		Quality
Grade	Value	Hours	Points
B	3.00	3	9
A-	3.67	3	11.01
C+	2.33	3	6.99
B-	2.67	4	10.68
C	2.00	3	6
	Totals:	16	43.68

- $GPA = \text{Quality Points} / \text{Hours}$
- $43.68 / 16 = 2.73$

Final Fall Grades



- How did you do?
 - If your final grades were strong, congratulations!
 - ✦ Be proud, but don't relax too much this semester and lose your momentum.
 - If your final grades were moderate, good job.
 - ✦ Try to identify areas of slight improvement.
 - If your final grades were poor, reflect on improvement.
 - ✦ What can you do to strengthen your grades this semester?
 - ✦ Have you visited Professor Office Hours yet this semester?
 - ✦ Have you visited the Help rooms for Math, Economics, Writing, etc., or gotten a tutor yet this semester?
 - If you received failing final grades, strategize.
 - ✦ What is your plan to succeed this semester?
 - ✦ How have you changed your study habits? Lifestyle habits?
- **All students are strongly encouraged to attend the upcoming Academic Skills Workshop for GSB Freshmen: 2/9/15, 1-2:15pm, Hughes 307. RSVP by emailing me TODAY! Pizza will be served!**
- Midterm Progress Reports will be sent home to parents again for Spring.

Academic Standards



	Minimum GPA Acceptable	Academic Probation	Suspension 2 Semesters	Dismissal
Freshman Year Spring	1.600	1.500 - 1.599	1.450 - 1.499	1.449 + below

- Standards applied at the end of each semester, not for Midterm Progress Reports.
- **Grade requirements are often higher for retaining scholarships and other types of aid; contact the Financial Aid Office (Thebaud Hall, financialaid@fordham.edu, 718-817-3800) with any questions.**
- Academic Probation
 - Academic probation is a serious warning that a student must improve his/her academic performance.
 - May continue to study at Fordham & be awarded financial aid.
 - Not automatically acquired by the student but must be granted by the dean; restricted to two consecutive semesters.
 - Subject to dismissal if judged not to be making satisfactory progress.
 - May be prohibited from participating in extracurricular activities, being an RA, or representing the University in intervarsity athletic competition.
- Academic Suspension
 - In addition to GPA, a student who has three failures in any semester may be subject to suspension or dismissal.
 - Enforced termination of formal studies; only granted once in career for minimum of 2 semesters.
 - If after a period of suspension a student wished to continue his/her studies in the Gabelli School, he/she must formally apply for readmission. Need a 2.750 GPA at an approved baccalaureate institution.
- Academic Dismissal
 - Once dismissed, may no longer take courses.

Tutoring



• **GSB STUDY CENTER: BUSINESS**

- Tutoring is provided for Math, Economics, and many other Business courses Monday-Thursday 9am-5pm and Friday 9am-4pm in 207 Hughes Hall. Sign-up on Gabelli Access.

• **THE WRITING CENTER**

- Tutors address logical, rhetorical, and grammatical concerns in your writing. The Writing Center can assist with any type of writing, from conception, to composition, to completion. Monday through Thursday 9:00 am-8:00 pm; Fridays 10:00am-3:00pm on the East side of Dealy Hall's 5th floor, in the Economics Dept. Students can sign-up at www.fordham.edu/writingcenter or by phone at 718-817-4032. Walk-ins are welcome whenever space is available. Students should be on time, bring the assignment, and expect to do work.

• **OFFICE OF DISABILITY SERVICES**

- Accommodations for students with disabilities
- Academic coaching for all students

• **COUNSELING & PSYCHOLOGICAL**

SERVICES and CAMPUS MINISTRY

- Assistance for students having difficulty adjusting

• **PHILOSOPHY**

- Graduate students in the department can provide tutorial assistance. Students should contact Dr. Samir Haddad, the Associate Chair in Collins Hall 101 for tutorial referrals.

• **ECONOMICS**

- Students can go to the Economics Tutoring Center in Dealy Hall E-533 or email ecotutor@fordham.edu for an appointment.

• **MODERN LANGUAGES**

- Free tutoring, practice, and conversation in all of the languages taught in the department is available. Contact the department for tutoring schedules. The Language Lab in Keating B25 also assists students with Modern Languages.

• **MATHEMATICS**

- The Math Help Room is located in JMH 410. Math Room Hours: M- F 10:00-4:00. No appointment is necessary.

• **GABELLI DEANS/DIRECTORS**

- Appointments and walk-ins

• **PROFESSORS**

- Appointments and office hours

Advising Tip Reminders



- Communicate with your Professors
 - Go to Class
 - Read your Syllabi thoroughly & map out assignments and exams
 - Attend Office Hours
 - Check Blackboard Often
 - Notify immediately of issues with Attendance and Sickness
- Utilize the time management and study skills guide provided in fall advising session
- GabelliConnect.com
- Gabelli Access
 - Schedule appointments with me
 - ✦ Log into My.Fordham.edu, go to Student Tab, click on the link for Gabelli Access - you will go directly into system
 - ✦ Go to www.GabelliConnect.com, click on link for Gabelli Access, and you will have to login. Your username and password are the same for My.Fordham.edu.
- ATTEND CLASS and pay attention to Attendance Policies

Who MUST take summer courses?



- Must fulfill following requirements prior to sophomore core curriculum in fall:
 - Ground Floor
 - Composition II
 - ✦ Exception: assigned ESL or Comp I by IALC for Spring 2015 are strongly recommended, but not required, to take in Summer
 - ✦ If you do not take in summer, MUST TAKE Spring 2016
 - Macroeconomics
 - Microeconomics
 - Math for Business: Finite
 - ✦ Exception: assigned Pre-Calculus for Fall 2014 are strongly recommended, but not required, to take Calc/Finite in Summer
 - ✦ If you do not take in summer, MUST TAKE Spring 2016
 - Math for Business: Calculus
 - ✦ Exception: assigned Pre-Calculus for Fall 2014 are strongly recommended, but not required, to take Calc/Finite in Summer
 - ✦ If you do not take in summer, MUST TAKE Spring 2016
 - Statistics I (ECON 2140)

Summer Session at Fordham



- Information re: classes, fees, registration at:

www.fordham.edu/summer

- summerschool@fordham.edu
- 718-817-4665
- 315 Keating Hall
- ONLINE CLASS SELECTION STARTS IN MARCH or APRIL

- Housing information:

- Commuters and Residents sign up through Residential Life later in Spring
- RH or LC housing available, first come, first served

- Meet with me regarding fulfilling requirements, etc.

- If you are taking a core liberal art requirement, foreign language, or upper level Econ/Math for a minor, you do not need my prior permission
- If you are taking anything else, you do need my permission – schedule an appointment to meet with me



Summer Courses at other Schools



- Find a class at a four year college or university. No community college classes or online classes will be accepted.
- Ensure the class meets for at least 37.5 total hours (be sure to account for holidays, etc.).
- Check that it is a class that is offered at Fordham University; you will only get credit for a class that would be also taught at Fordham.
- **Print out the information for the class from the official website. This information should include:**
 - **Course description**
 - **Course meeting days/times**
 - **Term dates of course**
 - **Proof it is offered at a four year college or university**
- Bring this information to a meeting with me (schedule on Gabelli Access) for my review.
- If I approve the course, bring the information to the relevant academic department for their approval.
- If they also approve the course, bring the signed approval form with the other course information and leave in my mailbox on the 4th floor of Hughes Hall.
- Register for the course.
- Pass the course with a grade of C or better.
- Send the academic transcript to the GSB Sophomore Dean, Hanaa Fawzy. The credits will be posted on your academic transcript and the grade will be listed, but not factored into your GPA.

Freshman Advising Calendar



- Included in your handout provided at orientation, on your detail academic schedule, and at the first large group meeting
- Look at your schedule to determine your section
- Remaining Spring Advising Sessions, all 1-2:15pm in Keating 1st Auditorium:
 - Second Spring Advising Session: Thursday, 2/12
 - Third Spring Advising Session: Thursday, 3/5
 - Fourth Spring Advising Session: Monday, 3/26

Upcoming Gabelli Events



January 2015

25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	<p>(U) London Info. Session</p> <hr/> <p>(U) JP Morgan Operations Analyst Development Prgm: Info Session</p>	<p>(G) Graduate Business Webinar for MS in Quantitative Finance</p> <hr/> <p>(U) KPMG Leadership Program: Info Session</p> <hr/> <p>(G) Graduate Business Admissions Information Session</p>	<p>(U) LC Career and Internship Fair: Arts & Media</p> <hr/> <p>(U) OEC Group: Info Session</p> <hr/> <p>(U/G) Win the Battle for Share of Customers' Hearts, Minds, and Wallets!</p>	<p>(U) PwC Team Building Event – Ascend/ALPFA</p> <hr/> <p>(U) London Info. Session</p> <hr/> <p>(U) FTI Consulting: Info Session</p>		

Spring Career and Internship Fair

- Wednesday, February 4th, 1pm-4pm, McGinley 2nd Floor