Northern Network News
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Graduation Applications Due Today
Students completing their degrees at the end of Spring Semester 2007 or Summer Semester 2007 must have their graduation applications turned in by today. This deadline applies to students at all Northern sites.

Graduation Application deadlines apply to ALL graduates, regardless of whether they intend on participating in Commencement activities.

Contact the Registrar's Office at 265-3703 or e-mail them at registrar@msun.edu if you have any questions.

Book Buy Back
Book buy back starts Monday the 11th and ends Friday the 15th and it goes from 8 AM to 1 PM. Students must bring receipts for their books along with any supplemental material that came with their books. We have a list of prices posted in the entry to the SUB if they want to find out the prices ahead of time.

Scholarship Applications
2007-2008 Scholarships Applications are now available at the Financial Aid Office.

Cooperative Education
Students interested in a Cooperative Education Experience for spring semester 2007 should make an appointment to see Gail or Terry as soon as possible.

Minimum Wage
As of 1/1/07, the minimum wage increases to $6.15 per hour. If you have anyone that needs to be increased, please send Jennifer Henderson an email so she can make new time sheets. It is important that this get taken care of over break.

24 Hour Programming Competition
Northern’s IEEE club competed in a national 24 hour programming competition. IEEE students from across the globe including Europe and Asia presented teams who were given 24 hours to write a programming solution to several problems. Overall there were 8 original problems and three extras. The Raptor Kangaroo team turned in solutions to six of the regular problems and one extra problem. The problems called for a computer programming solution to be written in C, C++, C# or Java. Solutions were turned in via the Internet.

The Northern’s teams were
  Team 1: Whitey & the Nerd (Adam Webeke & Matthew Bolland)
  Team 2: Raptor Kangaroo (Andrew Swallows, Matt Bliwernitz, & Jason Cech)

One team gave up relatively early, but 'Raptor Kangaroo' fought on for the whole 24 hours - turning in one solution as the final bell tolled (we still don't know whether it was in time to be counted).
It will be a couple weeks before we find out the results, but the guys seemed to have a great time. The competition took place last Friday from midnight GMT (5pm local) to midnight Saturday.

The grand prize is an all expenses paid trip to any IEEE conference held in the next year (there are 500 possibilities, also throughout the world), with other prizes being in the Geek Cool category.

**Finals Schedule**

Finals Exams are December 11-15 and should be held during the following times:

Class is on M W F at: Final is:
8:00 - 8:50   Wednesday  1:00 - 2:50
9:00 - 9:50   Thursday    1:00 - 2:50
10:00 - 10:50 Monday    3:00-4:50
11:00 - 11:50 Tuesday   3:00-4:50
12:00 - 12:50 Wednesday  3:00-4:50
1:00 - 1:50   Monday    8:00 - 9:50
2:00 - 2:50   Tuesday   8:00 - 9:50
3:00 - 3:50   Wednesday  8:00 - 9:50
4:00 - 4:50   Thursday  8:00 - 9:50

Class is on T Th at: Final is:
8:00 - 9:15   Monday  10:00 - 11:50
9:30 - 10:45  Tuesday  10:00 - 11:50
11:00 - 12:15 Wednesday  10:00 - 11:50
12:30 - 1:45  Thursday  10:00 - 11:50
2:00 - 3:15   Monday  1:00 - 2:50
3:30 - 4:45   Tuesday  1:00 - 2:50

Final Exams for Evening Classes are given during their regular class meeting times. Alternate Final Times are on Friday, 8:00 - 9:50 and 10:00 - 11:50

**Upcoming Dates**

**Dec. 8**
Graduation Application Deadline
Skylights Basketball vs. Simon Fraser 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
In Lewiston ID at the L-C Tourney

**Dec. 9**
Skylights Basketball vs. George Fox 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM
In Lewiston ID at the L-C Tourney

**Dec. 11**
Finals Week

**Dec. 12**
Finals Week

**Dec. 13**
Finals Week

**Dec. 14**
Finals Week

**Dec. 15**
Fall Semester Ends
Last Day of Finals
Residence Halls Close at Noon
Lights Basketball vs. Dixie College 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM