United States Senator Charles Schumer (D-NY) has created a new proposal called the University Transit Rider Innovation Program or “UTRIP.” This program would offer college students discounts for commuting by train or bus. On October 16, 2015 the Senator announced his proposal in front of Performing Arts Center with fellow Adelphi commuter students. One of our CA’s Victoria Khaimova mentioned how most of her earning towards work goes to the cost of travel and not books or other necessities. Schumer believes this proposal will not only make commuting more affordable for college students but also create a more “greener” transit by using less cars. Schumer hopes that UTRIP passes so the young people of the country can worry just about getting an education and not the stress or budgeting of travel.

Both the MTA and LIRR already offer small discounts to college students depending on the deal options. Both believe this new proposal will create a new financial dilemma and suggest buying tickets in bulk as a University and then issuing them to students.

The federal funding for the Program and the debate on college transportation will be discussed in Congress later in the year. As commuter students, it is important to look at different discounts available and how members of Congress are trying to help us.

Keep track of Schumer’s progress with UTRIP and other programs on his website: www.schumer.senate.gov

By CA Danielle
Commuter Appreciation Week!

Presented by: The Commuter Student Organization
with Sponsorships from the Commuter Assistant Program, Lackmann Culinary Services, Student Activities Board and Residential Life

Are you ready for the best week of the semester? I hope you are because I know I am! Now that midterms are done, get excited for Commuter Appreciation Week from Monday, November 2nd to Friday, November 6th. The entire week is planned by the wonderful Commuter Student Organization. Commuter Appreciation Week is Adelphi’s opportunity to show that commuters are valued and appreciated on-campus. Every commuter should take advantage of these awesome events. The full schedule is listed below. For more information and details, go to CSO’s weekly meetings on Mondays at 1pm in the University Center and follow CSO on Facebook @CSO Adelphi, on Instagram Cocoa, Cookies & Giveaways ~ 11am-1pm (UC Lobby)

Monday, November 2nd
Commuter Stop: Cookies & Coffee: 11am-1pm UC Lobby
CSO Letter Writing to soldiers for Operation Gratitude ~ 1pm-2pm (CRS Campbell Lounge Room 2)

Tuesday, November 3rd
Dippin Dots: 11am-1pm (UC Plaza)
N.Y. Rangers Ice Hockey Game: Bus departs from in front of the UC at 5pm Game starts at 7pm Tickets were presold - Co-Sponsored with SAB

Wednesday, November 4th
Crazy Cakes Food Truck: 11am-1pm (UC Plaza)
Commuter Stop: Coffee/Tea, Cookies & Giveaways~3pm-5pm (UC Lobby)

Thursday, November 5th
Traffic Jamz: Commuter Breakfast ~ 9am-10am (Commuter Lounge)- Sponsored by Lackmann Culinary Services
CA Event: Fiesta con los CAs ~ 12:30pm-2:30pm (UC Lobby)
Finding Neverland on Broadway: Bus departs from in front of the UC at 4:30pm Show starts at 7:30pm Tickets were presold

Friday, November 6th
Ice Skating in Central Park ~ Bus departs from in front of the UC at 1:30pmTickets were presold - Co-Sponsored with Residential Life & Housing
Are you at that point in the semester where you can’t wait for a break? Relax, de-stress and get ready to party at our sizzling hot fiesta during Commuter Appreciation Week. “Fiesta con los CAs” will be the fourth Commuter Assistant event of the semester and will be on Thursday, November 5th from 12:30pm to 2:30pm in the University Center Lobby. The lobby will be transformed into a festive and fun Fiesta. We will be having FREE quesadillas, guacamole and chips, churros and drinks. There will also be FREE necklace and sombrero giveaways, wooden maracas to decorate and candy-filled piñatas to fill your sweet tooth! Plus, we will have a photo booth area where you can get dressed up into a poncho costume. You will definitely need a siesta after our sizzling hot fiesta. Bring your friends because this is one event you don’t want to miss.

Every semester the Commuter Assistants host numerous free and fun events for the Adelphi commuter community. There is always free food and fun so that you have the chance to de-stress throughout the year.

This festive spectacle will be hosted by CAs Matthew, Ayia and Bishal. Make sure to spread the news about our event to all of your friends: https://www.facebook.com/events/1471659903163635/. We hope you are as excited as we are that “Fiesta con los CAs” is almost here and we look forward to seeing you there.
Tips for Registration

It’s that time of the semester, when we all panic as we start planning and registering for the spring semester. Have no fear, I have some helpful tips for registration that will put you at ease!

Before you start putting your schedule together, make sure to visit “Degree Audit” on your Ecampus homepage. This will allow you to see what requirements you must fulfill in order to graduate on time!

When making your schedule, make sure to select alternate classes in case you get locked out of a course.

Before you press submit on your assigned date and time which is listed under the schedule you made on “class”, make sure to meet with your adviser to ensure that your schedule fits your needs.

When the day comes to submit your schedule to be approved, it is best that you use either a laptop or a desk top.

If you are in class during your assigned time to press submit, let your professor know in advance, they are usually very understanding and will allow you to take out your laptop or phone in order to register.

Don’t panic, due to the great amount of students registering at once, the system may fail but just keep pressing submit until your courses are approved.

You may get locked out of a course but that’s ok because you followed these tips, which means you have alternates!

The Commuter Assistant program would like to wish you all the best of luck during Registration!
Adelphi University’s South Asian Student Association aims to spread awareness of the South Asian culture and increase diversity through the execution of various events. The South Asian Student Association (SASA) is one of Adelphi’s most popular cultural clubs, and they are known for putting on several large events on campus.

As mentioned previously, SASA is known for hosting several annual events open to the community. They are known for their annual Fashion Show which showcases various fashion pieces from around the world, in addition to an open dance floor. They are also planning an Adelphi Formal, which is an event that other SASAs at other universities host for their schools – there will be performances and an open dance floor. There is also their popular Adelphi’s Best Dance Crew, which is by far my personal favorite as well.

This month, SASA will be hosting their most popular event of the school year, called “Adelphi’s Best Dance Crew” (ABDC)! On November 22 from 7PM-11PM in the University Center Ballroom, support SASA by attending. ABDC brings together various Bollywood Fusion dance teams from schools in the area to compete for the title of “Adelphi’s Best Dance Crew”. This year, we are featuring competitors from not only our very own Adelphi, but we will also have competitors from NYIT, Pace University, Queens College, and Hunter College just to name a few. There will be food, games, and at the end, there will even be (you guessed it) an open dance floor to dance up a storm ~

Make sure to mark your calendars for this awesome event, and join SASA on Wednesdays at 1PM in the University Center.
Upcoming Events

As we come into the final weeks of the semester, Adelphi is still buzzing with special on and off campus events and excitement! Here are a few things you should all be on the lookout for!

Every Wednesday: #AUWearItWednesdays: Show your Adelphi Pride and wear brown and gold, or AU gear on Wednesday

November 4th: Cycle for a Cure: 7pm-9pm Woodruff Hall Studio 4. Suggested $5 donation for 30 minutes of cycling. Help raise money for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital

November 8th: UC Ballroom 7pm Free showing of Magic Mike—Everyone is welcome to attend plus outside guests.

Thursday, November 12th come to the UC Ballroom from 7:00-10:00 for C.A.L.I.B.E.R.’s Talent Show. Student’s pay $3 and your friends only pay $5, and all proceeds go to charity for Cystic Fibrosis. See how talented Adelphi is! Questions? Contact CA Brittany at brittanywilloughby@mail.adelphi.edu

November 18th: UC Lobby 11-am-2pm—Bring a NEW toy for Toys for Tots and receive FREE Fried Oreos. Don’t have a toy that day, donate $3 and get free fried Oreos.

November 18th—Greek Sing PAC Concert Hall 7pm-9pm $5 entrance fee all proceeds go to Relay for Life

November 19th—Dinner & Dialogue 6pm, Free dinner and conversation with a faculty member to RSVP please email multicultural@adelphi.edu

November 21st—UC Ballroom 7pm—We Are Your Friends movie showing. Everyone is welcome plus outside guests.

November 22nd: 7pm-11pm UC Ballroom-Adelphi’s Best Dance Crew: an intercollegiate Bollywood dance competition to showcase talent with dinner and an open dance floor

Tuesday, December 15th Finals begin! It seems far away, but you’ll thank yourself if you start organizing and studying now!
Commuter Appreciation Week 2015
November 2nd-6th

Monday 11/2/15
Commuter Stop
11am-1pm UC Lobby
CSO Community Service
1pm - 2pm CRS Campbell Lounge Room 2

Tuesday 11/3/15
Dippin’ Dots
11am-1pm UC Plaza
Off Campus Trip: Rangers vs. Capitals
Game at 7pm (Bus leaves UC at 5pm)
Cosponsored by SAB

Wednesday 11/4/15
Crazy Cakes Food Truck
11am-1pm UC Plaza
Commuter Stop
3pm-5pm Commuter Lounge

Thursday 11/5/15
Traffic Jamz
9am-10am Commuter Lounge
Fiesta con los CA’s
12:30pm-2:30pm UC Lobby
Off Campus Trip: Broadway Show Finding Neverland
at 7:30pm (Bus leaves UC at 4:30pm)

Friday 11/6/15
Off Campus Trip: Central Park Ice Skating: Wollman Rink
at 3pm-5pm
(Bus leaves UC at 1:30pm) Cosponsored by Residential Life

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Fiesta con los CAs
You'll need a siesta after our sizzling hot fiesta!

Join CAs Ayia, Bishal, and Matthew for...

Food, giveaways, and even candy in a pinata plus much more!

On Thursday, Nov. 5th from 12:30pm - 2:30pm in the UC Lobby

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