Week Before Texas Tech: August 21 – August 27

August 21, Sunday
Welcome to Texas Tech University!

Residence Halls open for occupancy. Students may move in.

Questions may be directed to Housing and Residence Life at 806-742-2661.

August 22, Monday
This is the last day to make full payment of tuition and fees or make payment arrangements. You may contact Student Business Services (SBS) in 163 Drane Hall or call them at 806-742-3272.

This is also the week to make transportation plans for the semester, especially Thanksgiving and when your family travels to TTU for Parent Weekend. Plan with your family when trips will happen, and make transportation and lodging reservations this week if reservations are required.

August 25 – 26, Thursday – Friday
It is a good idea to locate your classes before you begin – physically walk through your schedule as soon as possible so that you will know where to go on the first day of class. Note that buildings are often closed on the weekend.

It is also helpful to print a few copies of your schedule so that you have your class information in several places. Be sure that the listing prints the whole page and is not cut off on the right side where the class numbers and buildings are printed out.

First Generation College (FGC) students: note the date below for a Welcoming Event.

Students, remember that you will not be getting daily and weekly feedback from your professors in college like you did in high school. You may not have an opportunity to know where you stand or perform (test, paper, etc.) the first month or even the first two months - until mid-term exams. It is imperative to stay up with your classes even though you do not have specific assignments. This is your opportunity to develop your independence and become an intentional, independent learner.

Some students treat college like an 8 to 5 job. It is a great time to begin your professional lifestyle. It leaves your evenings for play and allows you to study with a fresh mind.
Get your eRaider information all set. Design your TTU portal site. Remember: never (and we rarely say never) share your password and username.

Plan for 2-3 hours of study time outside of class for every hour spent in class. Class schedules should add up to 40-50 hour weeks. Yes, college is a fulltime job. Use a pencil in your planner; things change.

The Rec Center is a great place to work out as well as meet new people. From the climbing wall to the indoor track to the Aquatics Center, the Rec Center is a good place to hang out.

**August 27, Saturday**
FGC Welcome Event: 11am-1pm. Check with 79 Holden Hall or 742-2189 for details.

**Week 1: August 29 – September 4**

**August 29, Monday**
Classes begin for fall 2004. Hooray! This is the day you have been waiting for, and we have been preparing for you!

For every class you will receive a syllabus on your first day. This is your ‘contract’ with your instructor.
1) Read through each syllabus.
2) Log the assignments and tests in your planner.
3) Then, working backwards, log in the specific time that you will work on each assignment and study for each test.

Also, from Monday (August 29) through Thursday (September 1) this week, students may add a class on the web by logging onto TechSIS at [http://techsis.tosm.ttu.edu/student/](http://techsis.tosm.ttu.edu/student/).

First time students should contact their academic advisors for assistance before changing their schedules. Students may drop a class beginning Monday, August 30.

If you do not know who your advisor is, contact the Advising Center at Texas Tech, and we will assist you. ACTT is located in 79 Holden Hall or 806-742-2189.

**August 30, Tuesday**
FGC Workshop: Understanding Course Syllabi 2-3 pm, 106 Holden Hall

**September 1, Thursday**
FGC Workshop: The Most for Your Money 3:30-4:30 pm, 127 Holden Hall

**September 4, Saturday**
If you are a First Generation College (FGC) student, join the PEGASUS program. You need to RSVP at ACTT by calling 742-2189.
Week 2: September 5 – 11

September 5, Monday
TTU is closed to observe the Labor Day Holiday.

Classes just started, and we have a university holiday already? Yes, classes will not be held on Monday in observance of Labor Day.

ACTT students, schedule appointments with your advisors for Weeks 3-8 if you have not already done so.

September 6, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Diet & Exercise, 3:30-4:30 pm, 127 Holden Hall

September 7, Wednesday
FGC Workshop: Learning Styles, (90 minutes) 6-7:30 pm, 127 Holden Hall

September 8, Thursday
Prelaw Workshop 1: All classifications for a Guest Speaker on the 7 Habits of Highly Effective College Students

FGC Workshop: Understanding Your Course Syllabi, 11 am-12 pm

September 9, Friday
FGC Workshop: Getting Involved, 2-3 pm, 233 Holden Hall

Week 3: September 12 – 18

September 12, Monday
FGC-Getting the Most for Your Money 6-7 pm, Holden Hall 127

September 13, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Diet & Exercise, 10-11 am

Prelaw Workshop: SILO for Junior and Senior Students, 3:30-5pm

September 14, Wednesday
FGC Workshops: Learning Styles, (90 minutes) 3-4:30 pm, 233 Holden Hall

If you feel a class is not working for you, this is your last chance to make changes to your schedule. Drop online ends on Wednesday, September 15. Check with your academic advisor.

This is the last day students can drop a course and receive a partial refund. However, this does not apply to students who drop to zero hours. Students who drop to zero hours will need to visit the Office of the Registrar located in 103 West Hall.
September 15, Thursday
FGC Workshop: Understanding Your Course Syllabi, 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

September 16, Friday
FGC Workshop: Getting Involved, 11am-12pm, 255 Holden Hall

September 17, Saturday
FGC Workshop: 7 Habits of Highly Effective College Students, part 1 9am-3pm-ish, 001 Education Building

Week 4: September 19 – 25

September 19, Monday
Classes continue.

FGC Workshop: Getting the Most for Your Money 10-11 am, Holden Hall 127

DISCOVERY! Workshop I: 05 Holden Hall, 2-3pm

If you are beginning to feel a bit behind, it is not too late at this point to buckle under, re-arrange your schedule to support academic success versus social success, and come out a winner. Remember your goals. Walk your talk.

Check-in with your academic advisor. Your academic advisor can be a good resource and provide answers to many of your questions.

September 20, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Diet & Exercise, 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

September 21, Wednesday
DISCOVERY! Workshop II: 282 MCOM, 2-3pm

September 22, Thursday
Prelaw Workshop II: All Classifications for Guest Speaker from TTU School of Law

FGC Workshop: Learning Styles, 11am-12:30pm (90 minutes)

September 23, Friday
FGC Workshop: Goal Setting 2-3pm, 226 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop III: 282 MCOM, 2-3pm

September 24, Saturday
FGC Workshop: 7 Habits of Highly Effective College Students, Part 2, 9am-3pm-ish, 001 Education Building
Week 5: September 26 – October 2

September 26, Monday
FGC Workshop: Seasons of the Semester, 10-11am, 127 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop: 2-3pm, 05 Holden Hall

By now you have gotten into the groove and are feeling more at home. Call your family and let them know how it feels to be a RED RAIDER!

Your first exams may be held during this week, the week before, or the week after. Be sure to stay up with and ahead of your classes.

September 27, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Money Management, 6-7:30pm (90 minutes), 127 Holden Hall

Prelaw Workshop: SILO for Freshman and Sophomore students, 3:30-5pm

DISCOVERY! Workshop II: 05 Holden Hall, 4-5pm

September 28, Wednesday
FGC Workshop: Communication Skills 3-4 pm, 233 Holden Hall

September 29, Thursday
DISCOVERY! Workshop III, 05 Holden Hall, 4-5pm

FGC Workshop: DISCOVERY! for FGC Students, 6-7pm, 127 Holden Hall

September 30, Friday
FGC Workshop: Setting Goals, 11am-12pm, 255 Holden Hall

Week 6: October 3 – 9

October 3 Monday
FGC Workshop: Seasons of the Semester 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop I: 05 Holden Hall, 2-3pm

Classes continue.

Mid terms are just around the corner.

October 4, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Money Management, 10-11:30am (90 minutes)

Prelaw Workshop III: All Classification, Guest Speaker will be a Practicing Attorney
Week 7: October 10 – 16

October 10, Monday
Last day to declare Pass/Fail intentions. The Office of the Registrar is located in 103 West Hall.

ACTT students, if you have not already learned about the registration process, check in with your advisor. Registration for Spring Semester at TTU is coming up.

University Day in the United Spirit Arena. Several thousand prospective students and their families visit the campus.

October 11, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Communication Skills, 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

Prelaw Workshop: SILO for Junior and Senior students from 3:30-5pm

October 12, Wednesday
FGC Workshop: DISCOVERY! for First Generation College Students, 11am-12pm, 155 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop II: 2-3pm, 282 MCOM

October 13, Thursday
FGC Workshop: Goal Setting, 6-7pm, 127 Holden Hall

October 14, Friday
FGC Workshop: Seasons of the Semester 2-3 pm, 226 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop II: 282 MCOM, 2-3pm

Week 8: October 17 – 23

October 17, Monday
WOW, mid-semester has arrived! Many classes hold mid-semester exams. Check with each of your instructors to determine if they plan on giving a test. Some instructors post grades in the classroom or at the instructors’ offices while others put grades online via TechSIS.

Plan your week differently than a week when you are just attending classes.

FGC Workshop: Money Management, 3-4:30pm (90 minutes), 127 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop I: 2-3pm, 05 Holden Hall

October 18, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Communication Skills, 10-11am
DISCOVERY! Workshop I: 05 Holden Hall, 4-5pm

**October 19, Wednesday**
FGC Workshop: DISCOVERY! for First Generation College Students, 2-3 pm, 233 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop II: 2-3pm, 282 MCOM

**October 20, Thursday**
FGC Workshop: Study Skills, 11am-12pm

Prelaw Workshop IV: All Classifications with a Law Student Guest Speaker from the TTU School of Law

DISCOVERY! Workshop III: 4-5pm, 05 Holden Hall

**October 21, Friday**
DISCOVERY! Workshop II: 282 MCOM, 2-3pm

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**Week 9: October 24 – 30**

**October 24, Monday**
Mid-semester grade rolls are due to the Office of the Registrar. Students can check to see how they are doing academically by logging onto TechSIS web for students at [http://techsis.tosm.ttu.edu/student/](http://techsis.tosm.ttu.edu/student/) Instructors are not required to list mid-semester grade rolls, only freshmen students may have grades posted.

FGC Workshop: The Campus Community, 10-11am, 127 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop I: 2-3pm, 05 Holden Hall

**October 25, Tuesday**
Prelaw Workshop: SILO for Freshman and Sophomore students, 3:30-5pm

DISCOVERY! Workshop II: 4-5pm, 05 Holden Hall

**October 26, Wednesday**
FGC Workshop: Financial Aid for FGC Students, 11am-12pm, 155 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop III: 2-3pm, 282 MCOM

**October 27, Thursday**
FGC Workshop: Stress Management, 6-7pm, 127 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop I: 4-5pm, 05 Holden Hall
October 28, Friday
FGC Workshop: Transitioning from college student to entry level jobs, 3-4 pm, 233 Holden Hall

DISCOVERY! Workshop III: 2-3pm, 282 MCOM

Week 10: October 31 – November 6
Classes continue.

October 31, Monday
Last day to drop a course, transfer between colleges, or withdraw from the university.

Regroup from mid terms. Refocus. Use your advisor to help you plan your last 4 weeks to even better support your last month of classes. Live differently the last 4 weeks of the semester.

FGC Workshop: Study Skills 6-7 pm Holden Hall 127

November 1, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: The Campus Community, 3-4pm, 155 Holden Hall

November 2, Wednesday
FGC Workshop: Financial Aid for FGC Students, 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

November 3, Thursday
Prelaw Workshop V: All Classifications for a professional with a Law Degree

November 4, Friday
FGC Workshop: Stress Management 2-3 pm, 233 Holden Hall

Week 11: November 7 – 13
November 7, Monday – November 22, Tuesday
Registration for Spring 2006 begins for currently enrolled students. Students should take this opportunity to register early for their best class selections. Students should contact their academic advisor for assistance. Parents can mark your calendars for this date to remind their student to register for Spring before they go home for the Thanksgiving holiday.

November 7, Monday
FGC Workshop: Transitioning from college student to entry level jobs, 10-11am, 127 Holden Hall

November 8, Tuesday
Prelaw Workshop Special: SILO, the LAST Preparation
November 9, Wednesday
FGC Workshop: Study Skills, 3-4 pm, 233 Holden Hall

November 10, Thursday
FGC Workshop: The Campus Community, 6-7pm, 127 Holden Hall

November 11, Friday
FGC Workshop: Financial Aid for FGC Students, 2-3 pm, 233 Holden Hall

Week 12: November 14 – 20

November 14, Monday
Classes continue.

Students, remember about the Success Center is open 2pm-midnight most nights. The staff members are good resources, and some tutoring is available.

FGC Workshop: Stress Management, 11am-12pm, 155 Holden Hall

Prelaw Workshop Special: SILO, the Law School Application Process

November 15, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Resumes and Cover Letters for Summer Internships, 6-7pm

November 16, Wednesday
FGC Workshop: Conflict Mediation 3-4 pm, 233 Holden Hall

Prelaw Workshop VI: All Classifications for a Guest Speaker on What to Expect as a Law Student and as a Lawyer

November 18, Friday
FGC Workshop: Scholarship Search, 10-11 am, 255 Holden Hall

Week 13: November 21 – 27

November 21, Monday
FGC Workshop: Scholarship Search, 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

Prelaw Workshop Special: SILO, Financing Law School

November 23 – 27, Wednesday – Sunday
Students go home for the holiday.

Students, if you are driving home for the holidays, remember to pick up the TTU guide that lists parents and alums from across the state. These folks are eager to help you if you have car trouble between campus and home.
Week 14: November 28 – December 3

November 28, Monday
Classes resume after the Thanksgiving holiday.

Open registration begins.

FGC Workshop: Barnga, 2-3 pm, 001 Education Building

November 29, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Reality Store, 3-5:30 pm (2.5 hours), 001 Education Building

November 30, Wednesday
FGC Workshop: Conflict Mediation, 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

December 1, Thursday
FGC Workshop: Reality Store, 10:30 am-1 pm (2.5 hours), 001 Education Building

Prelaw Workshop VII: All Classifications for Guest Speakers on Financial Aid and filling out the FAFSA for next year

December 2, Friday
FGC Workshop: Barnga, 10-11 am, 001 Education Building

Week 15: December 5 – 11

December 5, Monday, 6 Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Gear Up for Finals 11 am-12 pm Holden Hall 155

December 6, Tuesday
FGC Workshop: Gear Up for Finals, 6-7 pm, 127 Holden Hall

December 7, Wednesday
Last day of classes.

FGC Workshop: Gear Up for Finals, 2-3 pm, 233 Holden Hall

December 8, Thursday
STUDY DAY!!

Students will be studying for final exams. Students should confirm when and where their finals for each class will be. The exam schedule is available on the TechSIS website at http://techsis.tosm.ttu.edu/student/

December 9-14, Friday – Saturday and Monday – Wednesday
Final examinations begin. Good luck to our students!
Remember to talk with your professors if you have questions about what is on your finals or how to study for them. Your academic advisors are also good resources.

**Week 16: December 12 – 18**

**December 15, Thursday**

Fall semester ends. Good job, Students!.

Have a wonderful break, and we will see you January 11, 2006, for the beginning of the spring semester!