


Team Trivia: College Classroom Survival 101



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International Student Orientation – Spring 2017

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9. True or False?

Please explain.



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Turn in your answer sheets!




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Courses: 1-4 Credit Hours – Most courses are 3 credit hours

****Remember****

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Graduates are are required to enroll in a minimum of 9 credits.

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6. **False!**



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And... double check your visa. If it's expired, you cannot re-enter the US with it!

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isso@appstate.edu

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9. True AND False... it depends!



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Spring Break – March 13-17

State Holidays – April 17-18

Big exams and projects are often due right before breaks. Check your assignments before planning vacation!

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14. False!

This is NOT an appropriate way to communicate with faculty and staff. Here is a better example:



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missing GER 1010-102 this Friday

Lindsay Pepper <pepperla@appstate.edu>
To: Alexandra Sterling-Hellenbrand <hellenbranda@appstate.edu>

Thu, Jul 21, 2016 at 1:47 PM

Dear Professor Hellenbrand,

I wanted to let you know in advance that I will miss class on Friday. Please let me know what I can do to make up the work or material I will miss.

Thank you!

Lindsay

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Questions?