



SAINT JAMES SCHOOL OF MEDICINE STUDENT NEWSLETTER

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DRIVING ON THE ISLAND

Over the past few months two SJSM students, have been seriously injured in car accidents. Luckily, both students survived. SJSM would like to remind students to practice defensive driving while on the islands. Roads are narrow, damaged at places and poorly marked. While driving, it is important to be aware of your surroundings and obey the speed limit at all times.



CAMPUS EXPANSION PROJECTS

SJSM is undergoing large expansions in both Anguilla and Bonaire. On Bonaire, the acquisition and retrofitting of a new space is about to be completed. On Anguilla, a larger scale project is currently well underway. The new facilities will include a bigger library, a more spacious student lounge, new facilities for faculty and expansion of all three labs. This project is expected to be completed by the end of the semester and is expected to provide enough facilities for the next few years. We would like to thank students and faculty for their patience and participation this semester.

TUITION DEADLINES

Tuition for Fall 2012 semester is due July 27th. Please visit the student portal for the latest information on your account balance.

INTERNET USE

A reminder for all students about the appropriate use of internet on campus: According to the Acceptable Use Policy issued in October 2011, the following activities are not allowed when using the campus internet connection:

1. Viewing obscene material
2. Copying or transferring materials which do not honor copyright laws e.g. P2P application, Torrent applications
3. Participation in online activities during class time, when such activity does not relate to the educational objectives. Such activities include, but are not limited to the use of messaging, online music, games, video, Skype, Facebook.
4. Harassing, libeling, slandering or threatening of others.

Students caught violating these rules may be banned from accessing campus WiFi.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

As a reminder to all students, the SJSM attendance policy is strictly enforced on both Anguilla and Bonaire campuses. According to this policy, all returning students are required to be present on the first day of class without exception, or risk suspension. Therefore, all students leaving the island during the semester break should make travel plans accordingly. Students are advised to consult the entire policy available in the student handbook which can be found on the school website.

MEDICAL WEBSITE OF THE MONTH

The Turning Research Into Practice (TRIP) database is a clinical search engine designed to quickly find answers to clinical questions using the best available evidence. When you search in TRIP, you search multiple sites simultaneously. Each indexed site meets criteria for evidence-based content. Registration for a MyTrip account is free and can be found at www.tripdatabase.com.



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