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Innovation: *Happy January!***



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## About this Newsletter

As you embark on this winter semester, we want to ensure you're equipped with all the information and resources you need to make the most of your college experience. From tuition deadlines to mentor programs, we've got you covered.

This edition is part of a **monthly newsletter** -- so keep an eye out in your email for more to come!



## This newsletter will cover information about...

- Reminders and Up-coming Events
- Staff Feature
- CECI Fellows Info
- Resources for academic support at GVSU

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## Reminders

- Check out the [academic calendar for Winter 2024](#) for important information about other important dates
- Student Academic Success Center offers many workshops; check out their [up-coming events here!](#)
- GVSU Study Abroad Fair -- **Wednesday, January 17, 2024, 10 AM - 3 PM, Henry Hall Atrium (Padnos Hall of Science)**
- Get Informed and Save a Life with QPR Training -- **Thursday, Jan. 18 | 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Zoom**
- Remember to Register for the MLK Jr. Day of Service and Solidarity -- **Saturday, Jan. 20 | 8 a.m.-3 p.m.**
- Presidents' Ball Tickets Are on Sale Now! **Feb. 2 | 6 p.m.-12 a.m. | DeVos Place in Grand Rapids**

## Meet Your Advisor!



## TRENTON BEAMON

Trenton is native to Kalamazoo and relocated to Grand Rapids in 2013 to attend GVSU. He earned a bachelor's degree in sports management and a master's in college student affairs leadership. As an undergrad at GVSU he participated in intramural sports, a brother of AKPsi business fraternity, served as a resident assistant and tutored for Grand Rapids Public Schools. He started his

higher education professional career as a graduate assistant in the LAKER Academic Success Center advising students-athletes and coordinating freshman life skills programs. Since then, he has gained experience in mentoring student social justice groups, advising military students and facilitating study skills courses. He is passionate about helping students recognize their potential and discover their educational interests. In his free time, he loves to cycle, try new restaurants in GR and spend time with family/friends.

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## Become a CECI Fellows Today!

As we start this new semester, you might be interested in being a buddy or finding one with our CECI Fellows Peer Mentor Program. Our **CECI Fellowship mentor program** is here to guide you through every step.

*All Mentees are paired with a CECI Fellows Mentor through a sensitive match-making process. When matching you with a peer mentor, we consider things like academic program, hometown/home region, and areas of interest/future career goals. Mentors and mentees are supported by a team of professionals in the CECI Office of Undergraduate Advising to ensure the most positive and productive relationships.*

Check out our new **CECI Fellows Resources** page to see up-coming programming!

To learn more, please feel free to email **Melanie Rabine-Johnson**, our Retention Specialist and peer mentor program director.

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# ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

## Academic Support

We're here for you! GVSU provides many resources and services dedicated to academic support including:

- [Knowledge Market](#)
- [Tutoring](#)
- [Success Coaching](#)
- [Academic Resources](#)
- [Support Programs](#)

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## Go Lakers!

Get ready for an incredible semester of growth, learning, and unforgettable experiences. We're here to support you every step of the way. ***Keep a close eye on your inbox for future newsletters and important updates.*** In the meantime, soak up the rest of your summer and get ready to create memories that will last a lifetime.

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