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# Learn More About Student Services

# **Wildcat Success Road Map**

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Kansas State University's Division of Continuing Education has a new way to help you succeed in your distance education program.

The Wildcat Success Road Map is a newly launched student service website providing useful information and resources to guide DCE students at all levels—from prospective student to alumni—to academic success as a K-State Wildcat.

The Road Map serves as a streamlined path that shows prospective students everything involved in completing their K-State education through DCE, from start to finish. It directs prospective students through the proper admissions process and outlines all requirements needed before getting started in a course or program.

Current distance students benefit from the Road Map's frequently asked questions and student service resources, instructions on class searches and enrollment, and information about the graduation process, including links to on-campus and virtual commencement.

The Road Map also highlights opportunities for you to keep connected to the university and alumni community and participate in professional development opportunities after completing your program.

Visit the Wildcat Success Road Map at www.dce.k-state.edu/ students.

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RACHEL SCHAFER DCE Academic Advisor

### **Academic Advisor Profile**

DCE Welcomes New Academic Advisor for Distance Education Students

The K-State Division of Continuing Education introduces you to Rachel Schafer, the Division's new distance education Academic Advisor.

Rachel began at DCE on October 4. She is a native of Waco, Texas, earned her bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University, and has a master's degree from K-State in

Counseling and Student Develop- K-State atmosphere, attending ment. Rachel is no stranger to online learning, as she has taken some online courses toward her degree.

Prior to returning to Manhattan, Rachel worked as an academic counselor for student athletes at the University of Texas—Arlington. She looks forward to being back in the Wildcat football games, and helping distance education students get the most from their K-State experience.

Contact Rachel at 785-532-2524 or e-mail her at rschafer@kstate.edu for your distance educa-

## tion academic advising needs.

Join us on Facebook or Twitter for helpful distance education tips, information, and even prize drawings:

HELPFUL LINKS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Fall 2010 Commencement: December 10-11

Spring 2011 enrollment is underway

Fall Break: November 25-29

Finals Week: December 13-17

**Facebook: K-State Distance Students** Twitter: KStateDistance

Support the team! Watch K-State football games and other sports events online or on-demand:

www.kstatesports.com/allaccess

Find out what resources are available at the new LGBT Resource Center:

www.k-state.edu/lgbt

On the fence about taking Intersession classes between terms? View video testimonials from Intersession students and instructors:

> www.dce.k-state.edu/courses/ intersession

## **Online Feature**

Kathleen Sebelius to Present First Landon Lecture of the 2010-2011 School Year



Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius will present the first Landon Lecture of fall term November 29, 10:30 a.m. CST, in McCain Auditorium on campus.

A live video link will be available at the time of the lecture at http:// ome.ksu.edu/lectures/landon/ new.html.

The nation's 21st HHS secretary, Sebelius leads the principal agency charged with keeping Americans healthy. She has been a leader during public health crises such as the 2009 H1N1 virus, Gulf of Mexico oil spill, and the earthquake in Haiti.

Sebelius previously served two terms as governor of Kansas from 2003 to 2009. The daughter of former Ohio Governor John Gilligan, she was the first daughter of an elected governor to serve as governor in U.S. history.

To read more about Kathleen Sebelius' career, visit www.k-state. edu/media/newsreleases/oct10/sebeliuslandon101310.html.

### **Honors and Awards**

Academic Advising Distance Program Brings Home Continuing Education Regional Award



Kansas State University's graduate certificate in Academic Advising won the 2010 Central Region Mature Program Award from the University Professional and Continuing Education Association.

This 15-credit program was established in 2003 as a collaboration between the Department of

Special Education, Counseling, and Student Affairs; College of Education; Division of Continuing Education; and the National Academic Advising Association (NACADA). Development of a distance education master's program followed in 2008.

The Mature Program Award honors a continuing education program established for five or more years with a proven record of program sustainability and growth, student and faculty satisfaction, and overall success.

Learn more about K-State's academic advising distance programs at www.dce.k-state.edu/education/advising.

### **DID YOU KNOW...**

Did you know that K-State's mascot, Willie the Wildcat, first appeared in 1947? Or that the university's official color, royal purple, was chosen in 1896? Learn more about K-State's traditions at http://consider.k-state.edu/ traditions/schoolspirit.htm.