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October's



Students for New Learning Meeting

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Students for New Learning, SMU's student org for neurodivergent students, gathered on Oct. 15th to discuss schedule-building for the upcoming spring 2025 term. We made an announcement for spring class enrollment, how to enroll in classes, and who to contact. We shared our personal experiences with instructors who are welcoming to neurodivergent students and are on top of implementing accommodations. These are the kinds of instructors students like us should know about when enrolling in classes. Also, we had the pleasure of introducing Tyler Primeaux, the Student Senate Director of Disability Advocacy. While the position is still new, he left his email for students with questions. Finally, our officer Katie Frymire gave an introduction on how to navigate Schedule Builder on my.smu. We hope to see you at our next meeting on November 12!

OCTOBER IS

DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

Disability Awareness Month takes place during October to increase awareness, respect, and acceptance of people with disabilities and to bring a greater sense of pride to our SMU Mustangs with disabilities.

The DASS office sponsored two group sessions this month: Students for New Learning met on 10/15/24 and also a Social Skills Seminar was offered on 10/22/24. Along with campus offerings, there are other opportunities in the coming months to learn more about disabilities and resources, such as Dallas' Abilities Expo to attend sessions on adaptive sports, traveling with a disability, and so much more!



MPRs



Midterm Progress reports will be sent out soon. Instructors usually submit an early grade report so students can see their progress in their classes. If your grade is a C- or lower, make an appointment ASAP with your instructor to discuss strategies to help improve your grade. Be proactive in working towards a successful semester by reacting NOW when there is time to work towards getting your grade up.



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