# Five Things…

## To Do in November

***The last day to withdraw from a course or to change your grading method occurs early this month.***

Update the grade calculations you made in October, and make sure to talk to an advisor before you drop any classes! You want to understand all the consequences of doing so, and that may also mean scheduling appointments with your Financial Aid Counselor or University Housing.

***Start studying for Final Exams.***

Ideally, you have been making connections between the concepts that you learned in Week 1 to those you learned in Week 2, 3, 4, etc., by brushing up on these things on a regular basis. If you haven’t been doing so, START NOW!

***Register for classes in a timely manner!***

In order to register on time, you need to have done the following: see your academic advisor and receive advisement clearance; make sure that you have fulfilled all financial obligations to the University (this means late fees at the library, parking tickets, etc., as well as tuition); have no other holds on your account (health and judicial are the most common, after financial). You can check for holds on your account by logging into myUMBC, and looking under “Alerts.”

***This month is shorter than you think!*** Will you need to work on papers or projects, or perhaps study for an exam during Thanksgiving Break?

***Do you want to have a summer internship or research experience?*** Now is the time to think about it! The most competitive internship and research programs often have application deadlines in January or February. The Office for Undergraduate Education, the Career Services Center, and the Shriver Center are all excellent sources of information – check out their web sites and look for workshops!

