

Dear

- **Are you interested in participating in a drawing for a **\$150 gift certificate** to UNCG's bookstore?**
- **Are you a proponent of UNCG's motto of "service"?**
- **Would you give 20 minutes of your time to a project that is designed to help all adult students?**

We in the Office for Adult Students want to try an experiment. We want to know if adult students have any interest in or would find benefit from "online communities."

In addition, we want to know if adult students would be willing to help us clarify some answers, and if needed, help us design a process for creating online groups.

We have searched and searched and searched the Internet trying to find any site in which adult students (undergraduates) participate in a NON-CLASS RELATED message board. We have also searched for online non-class related groups of adult students with shared interests, but we have not found any that appear to be working.

If you are familiar with an online group at another school, *please* let us know. In the meantime, we are proceeding to put together a means of exploring the interest in online groups at UNCG, and based on what we find, deciding what would serve adult students best.

What would be the advantage of an online group? Adult students already have incredibly busy schedules with barely enough time to study and get to class.

Nevertheless, one of the richest resources at any university is its student population, and adult students should not be preempted from having ways to meet and get to know their counterparts at UNCG.

So here's what we need from you:

1. Go to our website at www.uncg.edu/oas, click on CampusConnect and complete the Adult Student CampusConnect Survey.



Everyone who completes this survey no later than 6 pm on September 9, 2002, becomes eligible for a drawing, with the winner receiving a **\$150 gift certificate** to UNCG's bookstore. The winner will be announced on the OAS website September 10.

2. Beginning the first week in the semester, August 19-23, login to Campus Pipeline, click on the "groups" icon (beside the email icon), click on "Group Index," click on "Adult Stu. CampusConnect" and then click on Adult Student Open Forum. Follow the directions for joining the Forum and participate in one of the message boards inside Adult Student Open Forum.



Everyone who has participated in the Open Forum between the first week of the semester and October 7 becomes eligible for a second drawing to be held on October 7 at 6 pm. The winner of this drawing will also receive a **\$150 gift certificate** to UNCG's bookstore.

Thank you for reading this letter and for participating in this venture to connect you to your fellow students. Together, we may be able to design a convenient and meaningful way to provide service to each other and to facilitate an additional asset to you as a UNCG student.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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P. S. - There are many other ways to volunteer on campus. Please check our website once a week for updated information of special interest to adult students.