



**You are invited to
Western Connecticut State University's
Fifth Annual Adult Learner Orientation
Wednesday, August 24, 2011, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Alumni Hall**

Whether this is the first time you will set foot on a college campus, or whether you are returning to college after taking a few years (okay, maybe several years) off, as an adult learner, you may be wondering:

- How am I going to juggle work, family, school and other obligations?
- Will I be able to compete with younger students, academically?
- Who can I go to for advice about courses?
- Where can I go to get help with a career transition?
- How can I navigate the library?

Join us for a brief, but informative evening, as well as a chance to "connect" with adult learners who are, or have been, "in the trenches," and who can help you to answer those questions!

- 5:30 - 6:00 Welcome by President James Schmotter and Provost Jane McBride Gates, as well as members of WestConn's adult learner organization, Older Wiser Learners (O.W.L.s) and WestConn's alumni mentors
- 6:00 - 6:30 Light refreshments and informal conversations with administrative staff, alumni mentors and O.W.L.s members
- 6:30 - 7:00 Panel discussion with:
- Jeanne Lakatos, Supervisor of the Tutoring Resource Center and Adjunct Professor, who can provide some study tips for those of you who might be a bit rusty
 - Maureen Gernert, Director, Career Development Center (CDC), who can help you in your career search and/or transition to a new career
 - Lisa Peck, Asst. Director, Academic Advisement Center, O.W.L.s Advisor and alumni mentor, who can answer some questions about course planning, policies and procedures.
 - Russ Gladstone, Assoc. Librarian, who can help you to navigate the library
 - O.W.L.s members and alumni mentors, who have been where you are now, and who can answer some questions you may have about academic life as an adult learner
- 7:00 - 7:30 O.W.L.s members will provide campus tours of places you will need (or want) to find

Please R.S.V.P. no later than August 19, 2011 to Lisa Peck at peckl@wcsu.edu, or 203-837-8564