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IMPORTANT DATES SUMMER & FALL 2021

All Summer 2021 Grades Due

(10:00 AM Deadline)

Fee Payment/Enrollment

Confirmation Deadline

Open Advisement & Registration

Business Office Purge

Last Day for 100% Refund

Fall 2021 Classes Begin

Fall 2021 TN eCampus Classes

Begin

August 2

August 17

August 18

August 18

August 18

August 19

August

23





FERPA

Annual notices regarding students' privacy will go out to all students this August as part of our University's annual reminder. You can check out FERPA facts anytime on our website. You can also request FERPA training for your dpeartment as well!

RECORD RETENTION & DISPOSAL

Records Management: Tennessee Tech policy and state law guide how long to retain records at Tennessee Tech. NOTE: the retention period is not a minimum or a suggestion; it is policy and should be followed exactly.

<u>Policy 113 outlines our university's policy and state law</u> regarding types of records, those responsible for those records (or those coordinating the maintenance and disposal of those records) and lists a schedule (so conveniently!) to help you and your department learn the complete process on how and what to maintain, as well as how and when to dispose.

Pro Tips:

- Schedule an annual event on your calendar at a less busy time to remind you to dispose of records that are due to be purged.
- -When in doubt, use the Cintas bin or the shredder. Just keep in mind when shredding that certain types of sensitive records require a certain type of shredder!
- -Check with the Library to see which types of documents should also have a copy archived.



GRADUATION

- The Spring 2022
 graduation application
 deadline is September 1,
 2021.
- All future ceremonies
 will be held on the
 Friday after finals, and
 will no longer be held on
 Saturdays as in the past.



SPOTLIGHT

Amanda Bodson



Amanda is currently seeking her Masters degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling: She loves hiking, kayaking and camping. She is overly obsessed with plants of all kinds. And, she unapologetically listens to Christmas music all year-round. Her favorite part of working in our department: My office ladies! Each of them is so kind and hardworking, and make the environment fun and enjoyable. I really enjoy helping the students finish up their college journey and love to see all their hard work pay off.