



**You are invited to
Western Connecticut State University's
Third Annual Adult Learner Orientation
Wednesday, August 26, 2009, 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!

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| 5:30 - 6:00 | Welcome by President James Schmotter and Provost Linda Rinker, 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jeanne Lakatos, University Assistant and Adjunct Professor, Tutoring Resource Center, 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 7, 2009 to Lisa Peck at peckl@wcsu.edu, or 203-837-8564