# **TRiO**





# TOP NEWS



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| TRIO Monthly To-Do List  Quote: Success is where preparation and opportunity meet.—Bobby Unser |
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| Mark off items on check list as they are completed.                                            |
| TRANSFER /GRADUATION  ATU—April 10, ASUJ—April 17                                              |
| Graduation Practice May 7                                                                      |
| Graduation Ceremony <i>May</i> 9                                                               |
| Meet with Advisor for degree audit/intent to graduate                                          |
| REGISTRATION                                                                                   |
| Summer II and Fall Registration will open on April 13                                          |
| Last day to drop a class and receive a "W" - April 9                                           |
| FINANCIAL LITERACY                                                                             |
| Don't forget to play "Financial Football" at                                                   |
| http://www.igrad.com/games/ financial-football.aspx                                            |
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## Finals and Graduation is fast approaching and many of you may feel overwhelmed or stressed.

Here are five healthy tips to help reduce stress.

#### Tip 1: Take a break from the stressor.

- \* Though it is difficult—stepping away from a project can offer perspective.
- \* Practice techniques to feel less overwhelmed.
- \* It is important to not avoid stress, but 20 minutes to take care of yourself is help-ful

#### Tip 2: Exercise

- \* Exercise benefits your mind as well as your body.
- \* A 20 minute walk, run, swim, or dancing in the midst of a stressful time can give an immediate effect that can last for several hours.

#### Tip 3: Smile & Laugh

- \* Our brains are connected with our emotions & facial expressions.
- \* When stressed—a person holds the stress in their face.
- \* So laughs & smiles can relieve some of the tension and improve the situation.

#### Tip 4: Get Social Support

- \* Call a friend, send an email...share your concerns and feelings with another person.
- \* Talk with someone you trust and who understands you.

#### Tip 5: Meditate or Pray

- \* Meditation and mindful prayer help the mind and body to relax and focus.
- \* Mindfulness can help people see new perspectives, develop self-compassion and forgiveness.

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### NEED HELP TO IMPROVE YOUR GRADES?



We have tutors available to help you.

Contact Ronda McLelland, Tutor Coordinator, to make an appointment with one of our tutors at rmclelland@ozarka.edu or call 870-368-2033.