Academic Skills Training on Referrals
Monday, November 26th, 2018
Referrals Taboo

• Rules:
  • The object of the game is to have your team guess as many referrals as possible on your turn by describing the referral without using taboo words.
  • Make sure you are sitting at a table with an even number of people. Make two even(ish) teams. Alternate who you sit next to (e.g., if one team is A and the other B, you would sit around the table A,B,A,B…)
  • Teams take turns as the “giver” the giving of info to try and get team mates to gues the referral, and the “moderater” the team that looks after the time and makes sure the person giving the information to her/her teams mates is not using taboo words. Taboo words are in red and cannot be used neither can any words in the name of the refferal.
Aboriginal Students' Centre (ASC)

Gordon Oakes Red Bear Centre
Graduation Pow Wow
Indigenous
First Nations
Metis
Soup and Bannock

Gordon Oakes Red Bear Student Centre, David Stobbe, flickr, CC BY-NC-SA 2.0
Women's Centre

female
woman
feminism
sex positive
USSU
Pride Centre

LGBTQ
Gay
Queer
Positive Space
USSU
Access and Equity Services (AES)

accommodations
accessibility
assistive technology
notetaker
alternative format textbook
DSS
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Help Centre

exam file
MUB
support groups
pamphlets
free phone
Food Centre

CHEP Good food box
Emergency Hamper
Student hunger
USSU
Place Riel

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Student Wellness Centre

doctors
Place Riel
urgent care
Mental health
nutritional counselling

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International Student and Study Abroad Centre

Lower Place
Building Bridges
New Comers
exchange students
global connection

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Comfort Room

- children
- breast feeding
- toys
- pump
- diapers

PARENTING COMFORT ROOM

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Safe Walk

lower place
USSU
volunteer
male-female pairs
escort

Safe Walk, USSU, https://ussu.ca/main-page/services/safewalk/
VP Academic USSU

advocacy
grievances
appeals
academic misconduct
representation

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(choose) major
degree (requirements)
strategies for improvement
policies (and procedures)
pre-career inquiries
Student Central

(confirmation of) enrolment
(authorize) emergency loans
registration (problems)
navigate PAWs
university information

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Student Learning Services

Writing Help
Math & Stats Help
Structured Study Sessions
Peer Mentors
Workshops
How to Give a Good Referral

Things to consider:

From *Giving a Good Service Referral: A Guide for Staff & Facility at George Brown College* version 2

• Students will not always come right out and say, ‘I’m looking for a referral’. Part of giving good referrals is knowing when a referral is needed.

• Ask questions, don’t make prescriptions. Don’t assume that the person hasn’t heard of the place you want to refer them to, and don’t assume that what you’re offering is the only solution.

• Referrals should be consensual; you don’t want people to feel like you’re pushing unwanted information onto them. For example, you could say: “Would you be interested in hearing about some resources that might be able to help you out with this?”

• Some things that people may need referrals for are sensitive, stigmatized, and/or personal. Do your best to be confident and un-stigmatizing in how you talk about someone’s needs, while respecting the fact that they might want you to be discreet. Treat every student need like it’s normal and anticipated. Avoid assumptions!