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Security measures were increased on campus and crisis intervention programs were started in the Student Union. On the day of the tragedy, counselors from the Counseling and Testing Center and other staff trained in crisis intervention worked through the union and approached students who seemed anxious and concerned. In the days following the terrorist attacks, SDES quickly prepared and held a series of events to respond to those who were in need of safety, comfort and compassion to cope with the stress of the situation.

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### Resume Writing

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• Thomas Copper, program assistant, Health Center
• Betty Callas, administrative assistant, Health Center
• Carmen Crow, specialist, Student Counseling
          Counseling and Testing
• Talena Choudhari, coordinator, Management Analysis,
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• Richard Falco, coordinator, Student Affairs
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• Saul Martinez, custodial worker, Student Union
• Jennifer O'Neill, program assistant, Undergraduate
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• Ryan Stiner, admissions/registration officer, Undergraduate
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• Emily Thompson, office assistant, Administrative Affairs
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Mooney has a vision that within the next five years, he and his staff will create an office of academic services for student-athletes that other universities will want to duplicate. Stepping toward that goal include planning UCF’s first scholar athlete academic advisor program to be held in spring 2002, a student-athlete handbook with a new design ready for fall 2002 and several other initiatives. Mooney, a railroad hobbyist, says, “The high speed train is in the station. Get on board. It will be a great ride.”

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Dates from the Registrar
• View Classes Online - The Spring 2002 Class Schedule is now available at http://daschschulinfo.ucf.edu/. The printed Schedule Web Guide will be available on October 15.
• Withdrawing from a Course - Fall 2001 withdrawal deadline is October 19. Students who withdraw from any course by that deadline will receive a “W” grade. Students may withdraw from courses on-line through POLARIS or by bringing a photo ID to the Registrar's Office (MH 116). Following October 19, petitions for late withdrawals must be directed to Academic Services (MH 210).
• Spring 2002 Early Registration - Appointment schedules will begin October 29.

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Tutors Help Students Academically Succeed
Students seeking academic assistance may find the guidance they need at the Student Academic Resource Center (SARC). Tutoring one of the many academic support programs that SARC provides, is free and available to all undergraduate students. SARC currently has thirteen tutors that instruct for the following subjects: chemistry, biology, physics, accounting, statistics, economics, American government, Spanish, and CLAST math. Tutoring sessions provide students with individual attention in small group settings, while also assisting students with learning strategies to encourage independent learning.

SARC’s tutoring program is internationally certified by the College Reading and Learning Association. Tutoring sessions are available on-campus at 823-3594, off-campus at 850-366-7539 or visit http://peoplesoft.cc.ucf.edu/sarc/ to obtain additional information. On-line tutoring is available for chemistry and CLAST math at http://nuchurch.edu/sarc/.

Help Raise Money for LEAD Scholars by Playing Golf
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