

Halloween: Dress like a slut?

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One would think that women dress like sluts for Halloween because they decide to dress that way, which is a fair assumption.

Or could it be that it's their only option for Halloween?

Google-search for "women's Halloween costumes," and see what turns up.

The first result is an "adult" costume store at <http://www.michaels-houseofstyles.net>. The most popular costumes on the site are Officer Frisk-Me, the get-well-or-else S&M nurse, Captain Hooker and Heidi "Ho."

All female costumes are two-piece or one incredibly small piece.

It's usually cold on Halloween, so should women really be going out at night with so little clothing?

Oh, but it's not just on the Internet. Go to the nearest Wal-Mart, or any costume store, and look at women's costumes. They are almost always somewhat revealing — unless, of course, the costume is for a five-year-old girl.

This leads to the next point. The older the age



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A row of erotic shoes fill a shelf in a Halloween costume store at the Clackamas Town Center.

group for said costume, the more revealing it is. It's usually not until the 13-to-15 age range that the outfits become little slut-starter kits.

The Fantasy Adult Lingerie on SE 82nd Avenue, in Clackamas, even has a big sign advertising its "Halloween costume sale" — "all women's costumes 50 percent off."

That is a very accurate statement.

It should be mentioned that we live in a great place where we are allowed to express ourselves in whatever way we choose. In many other countries, like those in the Middle East, women might be put to death for dressing so provocatively.

And not only women dress like sluts for Halloween — remember *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*.



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Two girls in a costume contest at Witchita Pub, on Molalla Avenue, as provocative versions of Dorothy and a soccer referee.

Tutors come to students' rescue

Get assistance with classes from tutors

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Any student could use a little help with his or her studies sometimes.

Occasionally, students could use a lot of help.

One of those times is now, as Fall Term enters its sixth week and the period known as "midterms" is in full force.

Clackamas offers a variety of options to aid students outside of class. One highly sought-after service is tutoring.

Virtually anyone enrolled at the college is eligible for tutoring. When students pay lab fees along with tuition, a portion of those fees goes to fund tutors.

Work-study funds are also used to provide these helpers with college credit.

The first step in acquiring a tutor is to speak with the class' instructor to find out what help is available directly through the department. If the teacher cannot be reached, contact the department chair or secretary.

Many departments have tutors on staff to assist students. Some departments, such as the English, math and computer science departments, have study labs that students can visit as often as needed.

Labs like these are staffed by tutors awaiting any questions related to their respective area of expertise.

Kathy Logemann, who manages the Streeter Academic Lab said, "One of the things I like about managing this lab is that the people I get to hire are usually the best the college has to offer."

Laughing, she added, "Of course, I hold them to pretty high standards."

The advantage of getting assistance from departmental tutors is that they are familiar with the specific course material being taught. Labs are a convenient environment for help because they have consistent hours, so no prior scheduling is necessary.

Not all classes have tutors sponsored directly by the department; students in need of a tutor for such courses should visit the Bill Brod Community Center.

Students can acquire dedicated, one-on-one tutoring at no additional cost by working with Tutorial Services in room 140 of the Community Center.

According to Accommodations Specialist Rose Lefebvre, students can go "either into this office or the new tutoring office in Barlow, room 241."

Darby Schultz, Master of Sciences, is in the Barlow office Wednesday through

Thursday.

Tutorial Services keeps cards on file with information about available tutors. Interested students can peruse the cards, get recommendations from the Tutorial Services staff and decide for themselves which tutor might be a good match.

After choosing a candidate, the tutelage-seeking student can call or e-mail the prospective tutor and discuss meeting times. Tutoring sessions sponsored by Tutorial Services are held on campus during school hours.

Tutors bring time sheets to appointments for documenting their clients' information and meeting times. These time sheets are submitted monthly in order for tutors to receive compensation for their efforts.

Besides the obvious advantages, private tutoring through Clackamas Tutorial Services offers somewhat customizable scheduling and meeting locations.

For some, school hours are just not a realistic possibility for studying; work, family, commuting and other responsibilities can interfere with scheduling.

Another option for getting personal tutoring is hiring an independent, private tutor. Private tutors such as these are not necessarily affiliated with the college, and students who hire them are responsible for paying the tutor.

Advertisements for independent tutors can be found on community bulletin boards, like those found around Clackamas. Virtual community boards, such as Craig's List, are another good resource for independent tutors.

The advantage to hiring an independent tutor is versatility. Since independent tutors do not work for the college, they are free to meet clients after hours or off campus.

Instead of waiting for an emergency, it's best to get tutoring regularly throughout the term. Even if the material is not particularly difficult at the moment, a tutor can add assurance and make the work that much easier.



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Tutor Tony Glessan helps a math student in the lab inside Streeter Hall.

Events

OPEN: The Faculty Exhibition is open in the Alexander Gallery, inside the Niemeyer Center, until Nov. 2. The exhibition features 11 members of the faculty, all from the Art Department.

TODAY: There will be a Blood Drive in the Gregory Forum from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. One donation may save three lives. Sign up at the ASG office, room CC152, or call ext. 2245.

11/3: The Veterans Career and Benefits Fair will be coming to the college. The event is jointly sponsored by the college, the Oregon National Guard and Clackamas County. It will take place in venues across campus from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., bringing together employers, services and educational opportunities for veterans and their spouses.



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