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From the Editor's Desk

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT PAULA PANDO ONE OF JUST 40 NATIONWIDE ADMITTED TO 2017-2018 ASPEN PRESIDENTIAL FELLOWSHIP

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) has announced that Paula P. Pando, Ed.D., the College's Senior Vice President for the North Hudson Campus and Student & Educational Services, has been awarded the prestigious Aspen Presidential Fellowship for Community College Excellence. The highly selective leadership program is aimed at developing a new cadre of outstanding leaders who will be capable of transforming student success at community colleges throughout the U.S. The announcement of Dr. Pando's admission to the 2017-2018 class of Aspen Presidential Fellows was recently made by the Aspen Institute, the educational and policy studies organization based in Washington, D.C.

"We are very pleased to make this announcement. This is a distinct honor for Dr. Pando, one that speaks to the quality of leadership at Hudson County Community College, and our dedication to furthering successful outcomes for our students," said HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D.

Dr. Pando and the 39 other Aspen Presidential Fellows will begin the year-long fellowship in July, 2017. The program is delivered in collaboration with the Stanford Educational Leadership Initiative and top community college

leaders. It focuses on a new vision of leadership that aims to guide new and aspiring community college presidents to dramatically change student outcomes in four areas: learning; completion while in community college and of bachelor's degrees after transfer; employment and earnings after graduation; and equitable access and success for underrepresented minority and low-income students.



According to the American Association of Community Colleges, 365 presidents left their posts over the past year. This staggering rate of turnover is happening at the same time that increasing numbers of students – including growing numbers of minority, low-income, and first-generation to college students – are flocking to community colleges to earn degrees that lead to good jobs.

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE CLASS OF 2017 TOLD THEY ARE CHANGING THE COURSE OF HISTORY



Hudson County Community College held its 40th Commencement Ceremonies on Thursday, May 18. Pictured from left are Howard Dean, former Governor of Vermont and 2014 presidential candidate; William J. Netchert, Esq., Chair of HCCC's Board of Trustees; Reyhan Lalaoui, 2017 valedictorian; Glen Gabert, Ph.D., HCCC President, and Bakari Gerard Lee, Esq., Vice Chair, HCCC Board of Trustees.

When the Hudson County Community College Class of 2017 filed into the New Jersey Performing Arts Center for their graduation ceremonies on May 18, little did they realize that they would be getting a history lesson. Nor did they imagine they would hear that they are – and must be – change-makers if they "want to live in a democracy."

Governor Howard Dean, the 2004 Presidential candidate, former Chair of the Democratic National Committee and three-term Governor of Vermont, delivered the keynote address at the College's 40th Commencement ceremonies. Governor Dean began his address by telling the graduates that they were the "changing the face of higher education in the United States," and that they are changing the course of history and the way of education.

"I want you to be very proud of yourselves. Turn your back to me. Stand up and face your parents and the people who helped you get here," he said.

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PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS



Dr. Gabert addresses students during State House visit on Phi Theta Kappa Day.



Pictured from left: Beta Alpha Phi Chapter advisor Prof. Theodore Lai; Hudson County Community College students Hugo Iglesias, and Kristina Mejias; HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D.; and Helen Albright, Chair of the New Jersey Council of County Colleges.



Hugo Iglesias received an award from the Friends of Liberty State Park.

NJ Council of County Colleges to Honor the State's Top Community College Student Scholars

The New Jersey Council of County Colleges honored New Jersey's 39 best and brightest community college students and their families at its 23rd annual Phi Theta Kappa Day celebration on Thursday, May 4, at the Lafayette Yard Hotel in Trenton.

"Each year, the New Jersey Council of County Colleges (NJCCC) invites New Jersey's top community college students and their families to celebrate their outstanding academic achievements and exceptional service to their communities as members of Phi Theta Kappa at their local community colleges," said NJCCC President Dr. Lawrence Nespoli. "The event, sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society for community colleges, the Coca-Cola Foundation, and the New Jersey Education Association (NJEA), provides deserving community college students statewide recognition by policymakers and legislators."

In addition to honoring student achievement, Phi Theta Kappa Day celebrates scholarship recipients. Phi Theta Kappa and the Coca-Cola Foundation awarded a total of nine scholarships to outstanding New Jersey students as part of the All-USA Academic Team competition.

The 2017 New Jersey All-State Academic Team member representatives from Hudson County Community College are Kristina Mejias of Bayonne and Hugo Iglesias of Union City.

In addition, 21 of New Jersey's four-year colleges and universities have offered over \$1 million in scholarships to Phi Theta Kappa students transferring to their institutions.

Phi Theta Kappa has recognized and encouraged scholarship among community college students for 99 years while promoting the academic integrity of the associate degree program. Students with grade

point averages of 3.5 or higher are invited to join Phi Theta Kappa.

The New Jersey Council of County Colleges is the state association representing New Jersey's 19 community colleges. As an independent, trustee-headed organization that joins the leadership of trustees and presidents, the Council is the voice of the community college sector before the state legislature and other branches of government.

Friends of Liberty State Park Recognizes HCCC Volunteer

Hugo Iglesias, a 2017 graduate of Hudson County Community College majoring in engineering science, was recognized for his volunteer service in the gardening program by the Friends of Liberty State Park at its Annual Recognition Luncheon at Liberty House on Sunday, May 7.

STEM BUILDING NEWS

By Glen Gabert, Ph.D.

Our new STEM Building – like all the buildings the College has constructed – is designed to be comfortable, secure and learning-focused, to blend with the existing historic architecture of the area, and to include the newest and best technologies. The STEM Building will have classrooms, labs, and gathering spaces (student lounges and an exhibit/events area) where faculty, students, and community members can pursue up-to-the-minute coursework in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, share ideas with one another, and formulate innovations that will change and improve life in the future.

Like all of our facilities, there will be works from the HCCC Foundation Permanent Art Collection installed throughout the STEM Building. Approximately 75 pieces have been selected especially for this

building, including works by Alexander Calder, Robert Rauschenberg, New Jersey-born, identical twin photographers Doug and Mike Starn, and Johanna Vogel-sang.

We hope the HCCC STEM Building will be a very special place for the entire community; one where leaders are formed and innovations are created.

We look forward to welcoming you at the opening in September.

Alexander Calder made this lithograph in 8 colors in 1971 for an exhibition in honor of Ben Shahn (1868-1969). The striking and happy colors you see are typical of Calder's work. In keeping with the STEM focus of the new building, it is important to note that Calder was enrolled at Stevens Institute of Technology before he made his name as one of the nation's leading artists. Shahn was also a major American artist who made his home in New Jersey.



IN MEMORIAM: JOHANNA VAN GENDT

Hudson County Community College mourns the passing of Johanna Van Gendt, Instructor, ESL.

In March 2017, the HCCC Board of Trustees voted to grant Prof. Van Gendt tenure.

She earned a Master's in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages from New School University, a certificate from the University of Cambridge, and a B.A. in English Literature from Mount Holyoke College. She taught at multiple institutions in New Jersey and other countries including Australia, South Korea, and the Czech Republic.

At HCCC, Johanna was active in the All College Council, chairing the Development and Planning Committee. Under her leadership, the HCCC alumni organization was formed and is now holding regular events. She served as a level coordinator, a test scorer,

presented her research as a number of conferences, and worked with the Academic

Support Services Department by training tutors on how to effectively tutor ESL students.

A memorial service in Prof. Van Gendt's memory will be held on Saturday, June 3 at the Culinary Conference Center at 161 Newkirk Street. The memorial will start at 11 a.m. and a lunch will follow at 1 p.m.

Prof. Kathryn Buckley has issued a "Call for Stories," in the hope of assembling a large body of work that represents who Prof. Van Gendt "was as a person and to ensure that her stories fail to remain untold." Upon completion it will be made available to all, including her family. Please send submissions to johanmemories@gmail.com by July 15, 2017.



JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:
Adjunct Positions

Assistant Director of Admissions

College Lecturer, Health Sciences

College Lecturer, STEM

Community Education Instructors PT (multiple positions)

Counselor

Dean of Libraries

Director of Grants

DSS Coordinator Advisor

Part Time Advisor

Part Time Customer Service Assistant (2 positions)

Part-Time Graphics Assistant

Part Time Office Assistant for Advisement and Counseling

Part Time Office Assistant HR

PC Technician

TAACCT Grant Site Coordinator

To apply, please submit a letter of application, resume, salary requirements, & three references to:

**Hudson County
Community College
Human Resources Department
81 Sip Avenue, Mezzanine Level
Jersey City, NJ 07306
resumes@hccc.edu**

Applicants for instructor and adjunct positions must submit transcripts.

For more information, please visit the New Jersey Higher Education Recruitment Consortium website at www.njherc.org, the *Higher-EdJobs.com* website at www.higheredjobs.com, www.latinoshighered.com or contact the Human Resources Department at (201) 360-4070. For a detailed description of these positions, please visit the "Jobs @ HCCC" page at www.hccc.edu.

EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2017 WEBINARS

The College's Employee Assistance Program, E4Health, has scheduled a series of webinars designed to assist employees and their families in various topics. Each webinar will take place each month, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. and repeating from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. To pre-register, please visit <http://www.helloe4.com/> and enter username hccc and password guest.

- Thursday, June 22: Turning Negatives into Positives (You've got the power to CHANGE YOUR TUNE)
- Wednesday, July 19: Preventing Burnout: A Balanced Life Check-Up (You've got the power to KEEP THE SPARK)

- Wednesday, August 23: Highs and Lows of Back to School (You've got the power to MAKE THE GRADE)
- Wednesday, September 20: What We Need to Know about Diabetes (You've got the power to KNOW YOUR NUMBERS)
- Wednesday, October 18: Eating through Celebration (You've got the power to TRIM THE FAT)
- Thursday, November 16: Holiday Budgeting (You've got the power to STAY ON TRACK)
- Thursday, December 21: Winter Wellness (You've got the power to WRAP IT UP)

INTRODUCING ...



KNIGHT AMBUBUYOG, EOF COUNSELOR

Knight earned an Associate degree in Liberal Arts from Hudson County Community College; a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology from New Jersey City University; and a Master's

Degree in Student Service Administration from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

Previously, Knight worked at Drew University as the Senior Admissions Counselor and EOF Recruitment Specialist.

In his new role at the College, Knight will provide academic, personal, and financial assistance advisement and counseling and other related support service to students of the EOF Program.

MILESTONES

Congratulations to the following on their anniversaries with Hudson County Community College!

One Year

Angelina Bouret
Veronica Gerosimo
Priscilla Ochoa
Aparna Saini

Five Years

Elizabeth Nesius
Joseph Pascale

15 Years

Russel Taboso

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From Instructor to Assistant Professor

Dr. Shannonine Caruana (ESL)
Dr. Nadia Hedhli (Biology)
Craig McLaughlin (Psychology)
Maria Schirta (ESL)
Elana Winslow (Business)

NEW HIRES

Knight Ambubuyog, EOF Counselor

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECOGNIZED FOR 2017 LEARNING EXCELLENCE



Hudson County Community College has been recognized for offering one of the best learning environments in New Jersey for 2017 by LearnHowToBecome.org (LHTB), a leader in education and career resources.

“It was important to recognize the colleges and universities that are going above and beyond the standard for learning,” said Wes Ricketts, Co-Founder of LearnHowToBecome.org. “These schools have proven that their learning environments are exceptional and continuing to improve.”

The full ranking list and complete methodology can be viewed here:

Best Colleges in New Jersey - <http://www.learn-howtobecome.org/college/new-jersey/>

To be considered for this ranking, schools must be institutionally accredited, public or private not-for-profit institutions, and offer at least 10 total programs. The main data points considered when ranking universities include:

- In-state tuition and fees for undergraduates
- Student-to-teacher ratio
- 6-year graduation rate
- % of students receiving institutional financial aid (first time, full-time undergrads)

LearnHowToBecome.org has distinguished its ranking measurement by including the median earnings of alumni 10 years after enrolling in college. Factoring in salary earnings alongside tuition and financial aid offers a more accurate assessment of the return on investment a university offers.

LearnHowToBecome.org began in late 2013 with a mission to help students and professionals understand what it takes to land their perfect career. From picking the right school all the way to climbing the company ladder, LearnHowToBecome.org works alongside educational and employment experts to make sure information is accurate and up-to-date.

SPRING 2017 LEARNING COMMUNITY DAY



Outstanding Learning Community students proudly display their Academic Excellence and Academic Achievement certificates.

The Spring 2017 Learning Community Day, held on Thursday, April 20, was yet another successful event!

More than 120 people attended the event. In addition to Learning Community (LC) students, faculty and LC Academic Coaches, students, and faculty from non-LC classes and administrators from different departments attended the event to support LC students.

The LC Day Poster Session provided LC students a unique opportunity to showcase their best work.



LC students showcased their best work during the LC Day's Poster Session.

This semester, LC students presented 28 posters on a wide variety of topics: Depression in *Inside Out*, Mexican Immigrants, Healthy Classroom for Preschool Children, Panic Disorders, and much more.

The LC students' Poster Session turned into a lively interactive event as all attendees were encouraged to view the posters, interact with the presenters, and select the best poster by voting for one. For their active participation, each attendee got a chance to enter his/her name for raffle prizes, held at the end of the program.



LC Day's Poster Session featured a variety of topics, including depression, panic disorders, immigration, and early childhood education.

During LC Day, outstanding LC students, nominated by their LC faculty, for their exceptional class performance in all the linked courses of a Learning Community, were recognized. Sixteen students from eight Learning Communities received these special awards in one of the two categories: Academic Excellence and Academic Achievement. Each of these students received a Certificate of Recognition and a small gift.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION WITH THE PRESIDENT



Dr. Glen Gabert, Ph.D., President of Hudson County Community College, discussing the state of the College with various HCCC employees in the new conference room at 162 Sip Ave.

INSTITUTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS WORKSHOP



Pictured from left to right: Christopher Wahl, Dean of Instruction and Arts at HCCC; Dr. Mildred Mihlon, Vice President of Academic Affairs at St. Peter's University; Dr. Paula Roberson, Assessment Coordinator at HCCC; Dr. Eric Friedman, Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs at HCCC; and Jerry Trombella, Dean of Research and Planning at HCCC.

On Wednesday, May 3, an Institutional Effectiveness Workshop was held in the Journal Square, Culinary Conference Center. Under the auspice of the Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence, this was a collaborative product by the Offices of Institutional Research & Planning, Faculty and Professional Development and Academic Affairs. More than thirty institutional-wide faculty, staff, administrators, and a student attended. This workshop fulfilled the ongoing commitment to professional development for the college community on institutional and program assessment and effectiveness. The guest speaker, Dr. Mildred Mihlon, Vice President of

Academic Affairs at St. Peter's University, delivered an exceptional presentation which addressed Middle States Standards 4, 5 & 6. A focused examination of the important tools, metrics, research, and strategies of institutional effectiveness was presented. Prior to the workshop, our Assessment Coordinator, Dr. Paula Roberson and Dr. Mihlon communicated often to address the specific needs of HCCC during their rapid growth and acclimation to the formalized assessment process during Dr. Roberson's tenure. A PowerPoint of the entire presentation will be posted on the Assessment Webpage.

MAY ASSESSMENT NEWS

By Dr. Paula Roberson

- The ADJ Academic Support Services Department completed a five-year Cyclical Program Review (CPR) of the Department. Findings and recommendations were presented at the Dean's Council by Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay and Joseph Pascale. The department is also surveying students and faculty on tutorial experiences in the spring semester.
- Dr. Nabil Marshood, Sociology Coordinator and Dean Christiane Warren presented the CPR for Sociology at the monthly division meeting on April 12.
- The Education Program has formed a CPR Committee. The meetings tookplace in the Library Conference Room (Lower Level) on May 25 at 1 p.m.
- The Office of Student Financial Assistance is conducting two surveys with the Federal Work Study Program. One is for the supervisors and one for the students who participated in the program. Also evaluations of the FWS students' performance were sent to the supervisors for completion. Deadline for both surveys were May 30.
- Student Activities is conducting a student survey.
- ITS is developing a student technology survey.
- The Assessment Committee is preparing to assess the assessment process at the course and instructional and non-instructional program level. An Assessment Progress Report will provide feedback for all operational units.
- The English Option CPR has been completed and will be presented to the Deans' Council this summer.

HCCC SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT PAULA PANDO 2017-2018 ASPEN PRESIDENTIAL FELLOWSHIP

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Dr. Pando was selected through a rigorous process that considered her abilities to take strategic risks, lead strong teams and cultivate partnerships, and focus on results-oriented improvements in student success and access. The 2017-2018 Aspen Presidential Fellows hail from 24 states and 38 community colleges of varying sizes.

Born and raised in Hudson County, Dr. Pando earned a bachelor's degree from Richard Stockton College of New Jersey (now Stockton University) and a master's degree from Saint Peter's College (now Saint Peter's University).

She began her career in higher education as Director of Campus Activities and Programs at Saint Peter's College nearly 25 years ago, and in 2003, Pando joined Hudson County Community College as Associate Dean for Student Services. She was promoted to Vice President for Student Affairs/Dean of Students at HCCC in 2006, and in 2009 was named Vice President for North Hudson Center and Student Affairs. A year later, she was awarded her Ed.D. in Education Leadership from Rowan University. In June 2016, she was named Senior Vice President for the North Hudson Center and

Student & Educational Services by the HCCC Board of Trustees. Dr. Pando has been recognized for her commitment to students and the community college mission by various organizations including the New Jersey Council of County Colleges with their Community College Spirit Award.

"I am honored to have been awarded this opportunity, and look forward to joining a group of talented professionals from across the country to explore important issues related to student success, and the future of American community colleges. It is indeed an opportunity of a lifetime!" Dr. Pando said. "Further, I am very grateful to President Gabert and the Board of Trustees for supporting me in this amazing journey."

The Aspen Presidential Fellowship for Community College Excellence is funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York, Charles and Lynn Schusterman Family Foundation, College Futures Foundation, ECMC Foundation, Greater Texas Foundation, the Joyce Foundation, and the Kresge Foundation.

MEET WITH A TIAA FINANCIAL CONSULTANT ON CAMPUS: TUESDAY, JUNE 13

No matter where you are in life—just getting started or planning for retirement—a session with Jonathan Collazo can help you create a unique plan for your goals. And, it's at no additional cost as a part of your retirement plan. You'll get answers to many retirement questions. TIAA will be on campus on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 162-168 Sip Avenue, Building C/D Conference Room.

RSVP today as space is limited. Register at www.TIAA.org/schedulenow, or call (800) 732-8353, weekdays, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. (ET).

Foundation Art Collection

The Hudson County Community College Foundation Art Collection, which includes artworks in media from painting and sculpture, photographs, American craft pottery, and ephemera, reveals aspects of America's and New Jersey's rich artistic and cultural history from the Hudson River School period to today. In recent years, the College's acquisition efforts have focused on strengthening its American and New Jersey modern, and contemporary collections.

Each month, this page in HCCC Happenings provides updates on artists whose work is in the collection, and new additions to the collection.



Johanna Vogelsang, *Women Partisan*, 1983, Mixed Media. Grateful acknowledgement is made to the family of Johanna Vogelsang for the generous donation of these works: Thanks to Johanna's daughter Kirsten, her granddaughter Kyra, and her son-in-law Edward.

Donor Acknowledgement

Thank you to Kay Deaux for the generous donations of artworks by Judith Brodsky, Juan Logan and Melanie Yazzie.

Artist News

Congratulations to **Serena Bocchino**, **Chakaia Booker**, and **Nancy Spero**, whose work will be exhibited in China at the Taoxichuang Art Museum at the China Central Academy of Fine Art.

Closer to home, you can see Bocchino's work in 168 Sip (Building D) on the second floor. Several works by Booker are installed on campus: in the entrance to the Admissions area at 70 Sip (Building A), on the second floor of the Journal Square Library, and in the computer lab of the Nursing Program in the Cundari Building. Nancy Spero's work is on the third floor of 2 Enos Place.

If you like **Robert Mangold's** work, which is on exhibit at the North Hudson Library and at the Journal Square Library, you might enjoy the 80-year-old's new print exhibition at Pace Prints, 508 West 25th Street in New York City through June 17.

If you like the drawing by **Francisco Zuni-ga** installed in the fourth floor lobby of the Journal Square Library Building, you might enjoy this short film about his work: [http://player.ooyala.com/iframe.html?ec=d1NjQ2YjE6-BgY_f9oD5f1q7L4Axdp4l&pbid=ccded04939c-4010a47d948d2e3232a7&options\[autoplay\]=false&platform=html5-fallback#ooid=d1NjQ2YjE6-BgY_f9oD5f1q7L4Axdp4l](http://player.ooyala.com/iframe.html?ec=d1NjQ2YjE6-BgY_f9oD5f1q7L4Axdp4l&pbid=ccded04939c-4010a47d948d2e3232a7&options[autoplay]=false&platform=html5-fallback#ooid=d1NjQ2YjE6-BgY_f9oD5f1q7L4Axdp4l)

In 1971, Linda Nochlin wrote the now-famous work, *Why Have There Been No Great Women Artists?* The most quoted words from the essay are below:



Jeff Gompertz, *Untitled*, 1987. Ink and wax on paper. Thank you to **Annie Plumb** for the generous donation of this work. This artwork will be displayed on the fifth floor of the STEM Building, scheduled to open in Fall 2017 (see related item on page 2).

ists? The most quoted words from the essay are below:

"There are no women equivalents for Michelangelo or Rembrandt, Delacroix or Cézanne, Picasso or Matisse, or even in very recent times, for de Kooning or Warhol, any more than there are black American equivalents for the same. If there actually were large numbers of "hidden" great women artists, or if there really should be different standards for women's art as opposed to men's — and one can't have it both ways — then what are feminists fighting for? If women have in fact achieved the same status as men in the arts, then the status quo is fine as it is. But in actuality, as we all know, things as they are and as they have been, in the arts as in a hundred other areas, are stultifying, oppressive, and discouraging to all those, women among them, who did not have the good fortune to be born white, preferably middle class and above all, male. The fault lies not in our stars, our hormones, our menstrual cycles, or our empty internal spaces, but in our institutions and our education."

In most college and museum art collections, women's work comprises less than 5% of the collection. Of the 1,024 works in the Foundation Art Collection, over half are by women artists. We have consciously and deliberately sought to celebrate the excellence of women's contributions to the arts, and we are proud of our success.

Show Your HCCC Summer Spirit!



Share your photos this summer with more than just your friends and family. Share your summer experiences on social media, with HCCC, and be **eligible to win a prize!**

Take a picture while out on an internship, away on vacation, at work, or just out in the community **while holding an HCCC item** to be **entered to get your Fall 2017 textbooks covered up to \$500! Other top images will win HCCC Swag!**

Make sure to use **#HCCCSummer2017** and tag the official HCCC pages when posting to Facebook and Instagram.

HCCC Summer Spirit 2017 will take place from June 1st until July 30th. *Be advised that your photo may be used in Hudson County Community College marketing materials.*



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[instagram.com/hcccofficial](https://www.instagram.com/hcccofficial)

For more information contact the Office of Student Activities at (201) 360-4195, or email OSA@live.hccc.edu

STUDENT ART PRESENTATION



Students present their art projects and perspectives of their work throughout the year to a group of their peers on Friday, May 12.

STUDENT ART REVIEW



Curator Fred Fleisher gives a tour of the Student Art Review, an exhibit of art-work produced by Hudson County Community college students, on Wednesday, May 3.

THEATRE SPRING FESTIVAL



Students act a heart-wrenching performance of 'Night, Mother to a group of fellow students, faculty, and community members.



Joseph Gallo, Theatre Arts Instructor, addresses the crowd and gives a brief synopsis of the night.

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(adjacent to NJ Transit Bergenline Avenue Transit Center)



NON-TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS NEWS



CBI staff visiting Rent the Runway's warehouse on May 25, 2017.

Division-wide Events

On May 3, NTP partnered with Saint Peter's University to host a Mother's Day and Father's Day event, outdoors at Panepinto Plaza, in front of Saint Peter's Mac Mahon Student Center. The event featured 20 local vendors, including food and juice trucks and Hudson County Community College and Saint Peter's student entrepreneurs. Attendees enjoyed a sunny day of shopping, food, music and more.

Vendors in attendance were Suds & Lites; JnJ Baskets; Me Casa Food Truck; Pretty Nice Stuff; Arelita's Bakery; Black Pearl Designs; Silly Chilly Hot Sauce; Simply Arte; Mary Kay Cosmetics; But-A-Cake; Pink Vanity Jewelry; Angel Hugs; Enchanted Charms; Goodwill's Makerspace; Pura; The Little Free Library; Butterfly Kiss; The Cake Pound; A Caelum; Set in Clay; and HCCC Community Education

Center for Business & Industry

Businesses in Hudson County are taking advantage of the New Jersey Business and Industry Association (NJBIA) grant funded classes that CBI offers as a way to develop and enhance their employees' skills. Some of these companies include Citco Fund Services and PepsiCo, Inc. (in Jersey City), Rent the Runway and EmpireCLS Worldwide Chauffeured Services (in Secaucus), and El Pollo Supremo (in West New York). CBI instructors strive to make their classes both educational and enjoyable. A Rent the Runway employee was quoted as saying: "When Excel is usually taught, it can be very dull, but Paul makes it fun," referring to Paul Baxer, CBI's Workforce Development Instructor.

Catherina Mirasol and Aycha Edwards attended the North Jersey Partners 2017 Business and Best Practices Summit at Montclair State University on May 11. This summit presented two distinct opportunities for workforce development partners. The summit featured two panels of distinguished speakers. The first presented on how to best approach future workforce hiring needs across a number of industry sectors, while the second explained how education is training job seekers to meet those changing needs. Direct service partners participated in a summit where best practices



in working directly with job seekers were showcased.

On May 16, Catherina Mirasol, Aileen Vega, Otto Bolanos, and Aycha Edwards attended the Bergen Business Expo in Garfield, New Jersey, at the Venetian Banquet Hall for a power networking lunch and exhibit. Some of the companies present included MassMutual Financial Group, Edible Arrangements, EzRide, McCabe Environmental Services, L.L.C., among others.



Scenes from the May 3rd HCCC - Saint Peter's Mother's Day and Father's Day event at Saint Peter's Mac Mahon Student Center

Freight Broker Training

The transportation industry is growing steadily, and freight broker professionals are in demand. Regardless of the economy, goods and services need to be shipped to destinations across the U.S. and beyond. Let CBI help you launch a successful career in this booming industry.

Freight Broker Training starts this summer; the first Info Session is on June 13. For more information contact CBI at (201) 360-4247 or cbi@hccc.edu.

Hudson County Community College

HAVE BOOKS?

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SATURDAY, JULY 8

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HUDSON COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY AND FIRE TRAINING INSTITUTE COMMITTEE



The Hudson County Public Safety and Fire Training Institute Committee held its first meeting on Thursday, April 27, 2017, at Hudson County Community College's Culinary Conference Center.

On Feb. 16, 2017, Hudson County Executive Thomas DeGise signed an executive order creating a Steering Committee to determine the feasibility of establishing a Public Safety Institute for Hudson County. The Committee was further directed to

make recommendations regarding the nature and academic scope of an institute for training law enforcement and fire personnel.

The members of the committee are: Oscar Aviles, Assistant Hudson County Administrator; Ana Chapman-McCausland, Dean, Non-Traditional Programs, HCCC; Thomas A. DeGise, Hudson County Executive; Michael DeOrio, Director of North Hudson Regional Fire and Rescue; Robert Dowd, Hudson County Chiefs of Police Associa-

tion; Ron Edwards, Deputy Director, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; Kevin Flaherty, Police Chief (representing Michael Gonnelli, Mayor of Secaucus), Eric Friedman, Ph.D., Senior Vice President, Academic Affairs, HCCC; Glen Gabert, Ph.D., HCCC President; Robert Gutch, Jersey City Police Deputy Chief; Craig Guy, Chief of Staff, Hudson County Executive; John Janowiak, Police Training Commission, New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice; Steve McGill, Deputy Chief, Jersey City Fire Department; Paula Pando, Ed.D., Senior Vice President, North Hudson Campus & Student and Educational Support Services, HCCC; William Netchert, Esq., Chair, HCCC Board of Trustees; Anthony Romano, Hudson County Freeholder; Louis Rosen, Esq., Deputy County Counsel (legal advisor for Committee); James Sharrock, Representative for Hudson County Sheriff; Keith Stith, Deputy Chief, Hudson County Prosecutor's Office (designee for Esther Suarez, Hudson County Prosecutor); Eric Taylor, Director, Hudson County Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation; Anthony P. Vainieri, Jr., Chair, Hudson County Board of Chosen Freeholders; and Richard Walker, Professor, Criminal Justice, HCCC

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOLDS SECOND SPRING OPEN HOUSE



Matthew Fessler, Director of Admissions, delivers a presentation to attendees at the Journal Square Open House on Saturday, April 29

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) held its second Open House of the spring semester on Saturday, April 29 at the College's Culinary Conference Center.

The College's administrators, educators, and key staff members acquainted attendees about the College's course offerings and student success programs; they will also conduct campus tours. The HCCC Admissions team assisted prospective students in completing and submitting online applications, and the HCCC Financial Aid experts helped prepare and submit FAFSA and scholarship applications.

HCCC WINS 'ORDER OF SIGMA' AWARD FROM NSLS

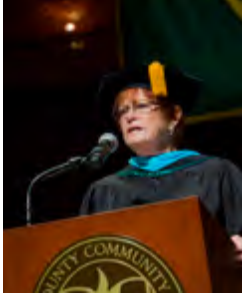


Pictured from left: Paula P. Pando, Ed.D., Senior Vice President for North Hudson Campus & Student and Educational Services; Angline Plummer, Past President, NSLS; Veronica Gerosimo, Director of Student Activities; and William J. Netchert, Esq., Chair, HCCC Board of Trustees.



Veronica Gerosimo, Director of Student Activities, and Angline Plummer, Past President of the Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Chapter of The National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS), addressed the HCCC Board of Trustees on Tuesday, May 9 and presented the College with the Order of Sigma Award, conferred by NSLS for their achievement in completion of all 10 pillars in the Society's Pillar Program, which set standards of best practices in running a chapter. For the Spring 2017 semester, only 27 of the 549 NSLS chapters nationwide achieved this honor.

Congratulations to the the Class of 2017!





Reyhan Lalaoui Valedictorian of the Class of 2017



Hudson County Community College (HCCC) announced that Reyhan Lalaoui has been named the Class of 2017 Valedictorian. At age 16, she is the College's youngest valedictorian ever. Ms. Lalaoui delivered the valedictory speech at the College's 40th Annual Commencement ceremonies on Thursday, May 18, 2017.

Although she is just 16 years old Reyhan – a Guttenberg resident – is remarkably poised, having journeyed through what she refers to as “an unusual academic life.” From the fifth through the twelfth grade, she was homeschooled by her mother, who utilized a Middle States-approved curriculum. In December 2014, Reyhan received her high school diploma, and in January 2015 – just a few days after her fourteenth birthday – she started classes at Hudson County Community College. She states that she chose to begin her college career at HCCC because she wanted to retain a sense of community and wanted to study someplace where she was “comfortable and near home.”

Of her college experience she says: “It was a wild ride, just like most people's college years. At the beginning, I was anxious about constantly being the youngest person in the room. I soon learned, however, that you had little time for doubts when you have three midterm essays to write and a club to manage.”

In addition to her studies, Reyhan has enjoyed a full college experience at HCCC, serving as president of Sigma Kappa Delta (Honor Society) and a member of Phi Theta Kappa (Honor Society). She is also responsible for beginning a reading program for the students at P.S. #22 (Reverend Dr. Ercel F. Webb School) in Jersey City, and has been working on setting up a book drive as well. This past January, she was named a 2017 National YoungArts Foundation finalist in writing.

Although she is the first in her family to complete a college degree, she credits her family for inspiring and supporting her academic ambitions. “Seeing my family throw themselves into something and be successful, I knew I could, too,” she states.

Reyhan's father is a native of Morocco who, speaking limited English, came to the U.S. in search of a better life. Her mom is a successful advertising writer who comes from “a long line of hard-working, blue-collar Americans.” The family has established a thriving business, The Soccer Learning Center in Jersey City, where Mr. Lalaoui is the head coach and Mrs. Lalaoui provides the business's promotional work. “I am lucky to have family who supports me and shows me how to take the initiative and work hard to achieve my goals and build lasting relationships.”

Reyhan also credits her HCCC professors who wrote encouraging remarks on her papers, her classmates who shared their snacks with her, and everyone who “met me unexpectedly on this path and was endlessly kind to me” for helping her succeed in her college studies.

She shared that she is also thankful to her 11-year-old brother for putting up with his big sister during midterm week.

An English major, Reyhan plans to be a writer and filmmaker who creates material that will help young people tackle timely issues in city environments, and she will complete work towards her bachelor's degree at New York University or Saint Peter's University.

HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. said, “All of us at the College are extremely proud of Reyhan and what she has accomplished. She is a brilliant example of the determination and diligence of Hudson County Community College's students, and we congratulate her and the entire Class of 2017 on their achievements.”



SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION NEWS

Christiane Warren, Ph.D., Associate Dean of Social Sciences, and Salvador Cuellar, Instructor, Psychology, were presented with Excellence in Teaching Awards from the Hudson County Community College chapter of the National Society of Leadership & Success. The presentation was made at HCCC's induction ceremony on Friday, May 5. Dean Warren and Prof. Cuellar were nominated by the executive board of the NSLS chapter at HCCC for teaching "with heart and passion" and motivating students in the pursuit of education.

Craig McLaughlin has been promoted to Assistant Professor. McLaughlin teaches psychology in the Social Sciences Division.



Christiane Warren, Ph.D., Associate Dean of Social Sciences (right), is presented with an Excellence in Teaching Award by the Hudson County Community College chapter of the National Society of Leadership & Success (NSLS). Dr. Warren is pictured with Christopher Guillen (right), NSLS Chapter President, and Hamza Saleem (left), NSLS Past President.



Salvador Cuellar (center), Instructor of Psychology, is presented with an Excellence in Teaching Award by the Hudson County Community College chapter of the National Society of Leadership & Success (NSLS). Dr. Warren is pictured with Christopher Guillen (right), NSLS Chapter President, and Hamza Saleem (left), NSLS Past President.

PSYCHOLOGY CLUB AND PSI BETA NEWS



Students visited the Albert Ellis Institute, where they obtained a first-hand view on REBT (Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy) in the institutes acclaimed, Friday Night Live! events, accompanied by their advisor, Salvador Cuellar.



Students attend a screening of "The Stanford Prison Experiment," which reenacts the 1971 Stanford prison experiment in which students play the role of a prisoner or a prison guard conducted at Stanford University.



Guest speaker, Omar Zurita, LCSW, a private mental health counselor, answers students' questions on what it is like to have his own counseling practice. Event was emceed by the club advisor, Salvador Cuellar.

The Psychology Club and Psi Beta, The National Honor Society in Psychology for Community Colleges, held its first ever Psychology Week from April 17 to April 22. The student-led organization along with their Advisor, Prof. Salvador E. Cuellar, brought to Hudson County Community College discussions on topics from psychological phenomena on obedience, career options in psychology, and a firsthand view on applied counseling. The week-long events came to a close, by celebrating with the induction of 15 students into the honor society.

Psychology Week opened with a screening of the film, *The Stanford Prison Experiment*; then midweek, an invited a guest speaker, Omar Zurita, LCSW, in a coffee-talks style Q&A spoke on the ins-and-outs of having his own counseling practice.

On Friday evening, the group ventured across the river to the Albert Ellis Institute. Accompanied by their advisor, Professor Salvador Cuellar, where the group witnessed a demonstration and participated in a live therapy session with a resident therapist trained in Rational Emotive Behavioral Therapy. Lastly, closing the week's events by inducting 15 members into the honor society. Students were joined by their friends and family and were presented with certificates and pins from Psi Beta.

If you are interested in learning more about joining the Honor Society, Psi Beta, please contact the faculty advisor, Salvador Cuellar, scuellar@hccc.edu

Requirements for the society are: GPA of 3.25 and a B or better in psychology.

Congratulations to the Class of 2017

Congratulations to the following Psi Beta members who recently graduated:

- Daniel Garcia, AA, Liberal Arts – Psychology
- Mariana Lopez, AAS, Hospitality Management, Travel and Tourism
- Adriana Marquez, AA, Liberal Arts - Early Childhood Education
- Katherine Johnson Villar, AA, Liberal Arts – Psychology

HCCC CLASS OF 2017

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After several minutes of applause, the graduates took their seats, and Governor Dean stated: "Now, let's talk about history. It's impossible for you to know you are making history; you can't know that until 50 years from now when you can look back on your lives."

The speaker related the changes he has seen in the decades since he was a sophomore in college. He spoke of the assassinations of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Robert F. Kennedy, the civil rights movement, the war in Vietnam, and the riots that took place around the county at that time.

"If you had told us then, that in 40 years we would have an African-American president, we would have thought you were crazy," Governor Dean said.

He told the graduates that it is the job of young people to be important and to demand change. "On those days when you think nothing is changing, it is your job not to give up," he stated. He advised them that besides hard work, perseverance and patience, the one thing they must incorporate in their lives is politics.

The speaker related that the graduates of 2017 are the most empowered people ever in the free world, but they must realize that in order to have democracy exist, they must have institutions and they must perpetuate the memory of what has gone before. Dean also reminded the graduates that in seconds, they are capable of making contact with tens of thousands of individuals on the Internet, and that they can affect legislation in the U.S. and state government that easily.

"We need you, and if you want to live in a democracy, you have to put something into the pot; at the very least vote. Go out and run for a local office. Get involved with other people," Governor Dean stated, adding that he wanted to make the Democratic Party reflect the ethnic diversity of the

HCCC Class of 2017.

He also reminded the Class of 2017 of the importance of developing and maintaining a sense of balance in their lives. "As you get older and more heavily involved in your career, it's really easy to work really hard and neglect the most important things in your lives," he said. The speaker counseled the graduates: "Do not neglect the people you love and the people who love you. If you do, you will always regret it."

The College also presented the HCCC 2017 Heritage Award to Joseph D. Sansone, Vice President for Development, for his lifetime service to the community. The Heritage Award was instituted 24 years ago to honor members of the community who have made significant contributions to the College, its students, and families. He expressed his gratitude to the College and to the Board of Directors of the HCCC Foundation, which has raised more than \$3 million since its founding in 1997.

Mr. Sansone is a lifelong resident of Hudson County. He attended Rutgers College and is a graduate of The American Institute of Banking. His career, which spans more than 50 years, began at First Jersey National Bank in Jersey City (which was later acquired by NatWest Bank), where he held senior positions in retail banking. Mr. Sansone worked for ChaseMellon Shareholder Services for several years as a Vice President of Correspondence and Lost Securities.

Following Governor Dean's address and the presentation of the Heritage Award, 16-year old Reyhan Lalaoui delivered the valedictory speech. Ms. Lalaoui made history herself, as she is the College's youngest valedictorian ever. She told those present of the College's 1,129 2017 graduates that having been the youngest student in her classes she determined that, "learning isn't about explaining yourself."

PROFESSIONAL NOTES



Kate Bellody with her Rising Star Award, presented at the New Jersey Library Association Annual Conference.

Kate Bellody, Librarian, received a Rising Star Award at the New Jersey Library Association Annual Conference, held April 24-26 in Atlantic City, NJ. The Rising Star Award recognizes new professionals in the library field for innovative and creative work. Bellody also co-presented a session, "Playing in the Part-Time Sandbox: How to Keep Great Part-Time Staff and What to Do if They Leave", alongside New Jersey public and school librarians.

Congratulations to **Salim Bendaoud**, Assistant Professor, Biology, for successfully defending his thesis, "Modulation of the Sodium/Potassium ATPase Function and Expression by Transcranial Direct Current Stimulation of the Right Sensorimotor Cortex in Mice," on May 3. The College of Staten Island (CSI), a senior college of The City University of New York (CUNY), is conferring Bendaoud's Ph.D. in neuroscience.

Hope Guirantes, Administrative Assistant to the Dean of Instruction/Arts, was one of 120 poets internationally whose work was featured on AADUNA Inc.'s "Four for the Fourth, a global celebration of 2017's National Poetry Month." Her poem, "Having Her Say, Her Way," was posted on April 27 and may be read here: <http://aadunanotes.blogspot.com/2017/04/embracingholman-arias-rafeek-guirantes.html>.

Keith Perkins, an adjunct instructor of English and literature, has been awarded a six-month sabbatical from Wayne Hills High School, where he teaches full time. Perkins, his wife, and two toddlers will be living in Bretagne, France and Ireland for those five months. He will be travelling to schools, Skyping with his students about living overseas, and writing about his experiences.

PHYSICAL GEOLOGY FIELD TRIP



In May, Melody Lopez, Instructor, Environmental Studies, took one of her Physical Geology sections on a field trip to the Delaware Water Gap Recreation Area to hike and explore the effects of weathering and glaciation on rocks.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT SPOTLIGHT

JOB FAIR RAFFLE WINNERS



JSQ Job Fair Winner: Vaitiare Piotti
Major: Culinary Arts
Expected Graduation Date: Fall 2017

What was your experience like at the Fair?

Overall, good. There was a wide selection of areas. A friend of mine learned about a medical assistant position while talking to different employers.

What did you do to prepare?

I carried a couple resumes with me in my bag. My Professor Chef O'Malley encouraged us all to attend the Job Fair and to have our resumes.

What advice would you give to HCCC student who will attend a Job Fair?

Be prepared, have a resume, and learn about what's open. Mock interview at the fair. While I was at the Job Fair, some of the employers interviewed me on the spot. I received flyers for a Cinco De Mayo event so there are a lot of opportunities at a Job Fair. Bring a friend if you are not comfortable.

How did you find out about the Fair?

I saw the advertisement sent to me in an email.

Were you interviewed for any positions?

I was interviewed by FM Restaurants at the Job Fair. I hope to get an Externship position.

Good luck, Vaitiare!



NHC Job Fair Winner: Ryan Mosquera
Major: Biology
Expected Graduation Date: Spring 2018

What was your experience like at the Fair?

Exciting! It is so much easier to go to a Job fair than to go through the job search by itself. I definitely liked this Job Fair better than the fall fair; it had many more options!

What did you do to prepare?

Since I attended the Fair last fall, I was prepped and given advice on what I would need to do for next fair, such as bring resumes, and dress professionally.

What advice would you give to HCCC student who will attend a Job Fair?

Definitely be prepared! It is a good feeling and experience to know that employers are more than willing to talk to students in order to hire them. Being prepared will help you talk to employers.

How did you find out about the Fair?

The consistent emails I received after the fall fair reminding me that there will be another fair in the spring.

Were you interviewed for any positions?

Yes! Hudson Pool Management. I received a summer job as a Lifeguard.

Congratulations, Ryan!

PEARSON EDUCATION COMES TO CAMPUS!



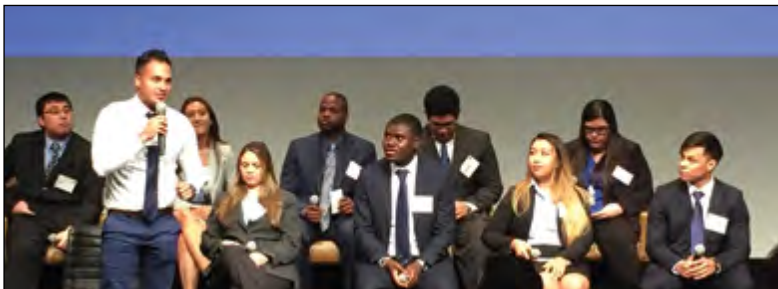
Pictured from left: Pearson Speakers: Susan Costomiris, TT Nguyen Duc, Dasle Kim, Eric Severson, and Laura Bohde.



Pearson Representatives: Danielle Hagey (left) and Heather Peck (right) speak to students about their own career journey.

On Friday, April 28, 2017, representatives from Pearson Education spoke to students at the North Hudson Campus about their undergraduate experiences and how their career paths led them to the educational software products industry.

2016-2017 GOLDMAN SACHS COLLEGE COLLABORATIVE: FINAL PRESENTATIONS



Pictured from left: Kevin Pun, Carl Corneilson (speaking), Ashley Hernandez, Letticia Perez, Shon Roberson, James Tietcheu, Alexander Cid, Jacqueline Santana, Selena Bonilla, and Alex Molina present their final case study analysis at the global headquarters of Goldman Sachs in New York City.

Over the last semester, 10 students from Hudson County Community College, along with students from Saint Peter's University, Borough of Manhattan Community College, and New Jersey City University were chosen to be part of Goldman Sachs College Collaborative. Students participated in interactive group sessions and heard from diverse professionals regarding career exploration, networking, and business etiquette. Through working with their mentors on case studies, students built skills in interpersonal communication, negotiation, and public speaking. The semester concluded with final presentations by the school groups about their solutions to the unique case challenge. The students presented in front of a mock board of directors from Goldman Sachs as well as over 100 guests.

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2016-2017 GOLDMAN SACHS COLLEGE COLLABORATIVE: FINAL PRESENTATIONS

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HCCC Goldman Sachs College Collaborative Pod pose with Aparna Saini, Director of Career Development and GSCC Coordinator, Christopher Wahl, Dean of Instruction/Arts, Robby Mangroo, Vice President, Compliance, and Theodore Lai, Instructor and Phi Theta Kappa Advisor at 200 West St., NYC.



HCCC Goldman Sachs College Collaborative Pod at Goldman Sachs, NYC.

Eight of the students who participated in the Collaborative this year will be graduating! Congratulations to: Alexander Cid: Rutgers, Jacqueline Santana: Rutgers, James Tietcheu: Columbia, Alex

Molina: Rutgers, Kevin Pun: NJCU, Ashley Hernandez: Rutgers, Selena Bonilla: NJCU, and Shon Roberson: Rutgers.

For more information about how to participate in the Collaborative, please contact Aparna Saini, Director of Career Development at asaini@hccc.edu

HCCC Department of Community Education

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HCCC'S PRESIDENT GABERT ENGAGES IN STEM DISCUSSION AT JERSEY CITY SUMMIT



Glen Gabert, Ph.D., President of Hudson County Community College (left), participated on a "STEM Education" panel with Sue Henderson, Ph.D., President of New Jersey City University; Eugene J. Cornacchia, Ph.D., President of Saint Peter's University; Marcia V. Lyles, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools, Jersey City Board of Education; and Paul Hoffman, President and CEO of Liberty Science Center.

The panel was part of a Jersey City Summit on economic development, placemaking, and innovation on Wednesday, May 31.

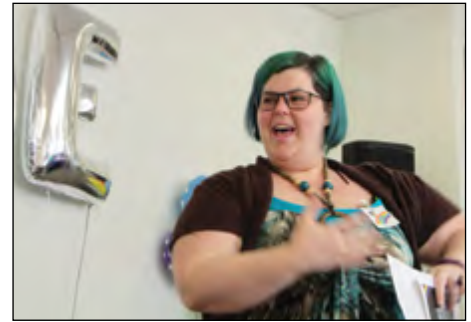
PRIDE - NIGHT WITH THE QUEENS



In collaboration with The Beacon Light Fund of New Jersey, HCCC PRIDE 2017 presented “A Night with the Queens” on Monday, April 24. This evening kicked off with a drag show featuring performers such as Miss Gay Latina NJ and Former Ms. Gay Jersey City, among others, and featured Mistress of Ceremony Harmonica Sunbeam.

The evening ended with an educational panel, during which the performers discussed their paths as performers and answered questions from the audiences on sexual orientation, gender identity, and HIV awareness.

PRIDE CONFERENCE



HCCC PRIDE 2017 welcomed over 40 students and staff members to the 2nd Annual LGBTQIA Conference on Friday, April 28, where attendees participated in workshops covering various topics and networked with each other, developing ways to stay educated on issues affecting the LGBTQIA community and how to be more inclusive with their peers.

‘DECORATE YOUR GRADUATION CAP’ AT HCCC LIBRARIES



On Thursday, May 4 and Thursday, May 11, graduating students at both the Journal Square and North Hudson campuses had the opportunity to let their personalities shine at

the May 18 Commencement . Students decorated their caps using a variety of Makerspace supplies. *(Photos courtesy of Kate Bellody, HCCC Library)*

HONORS PROGRAM NEWS



Students mingle at the Poster/Project Showcase with peers, faculty and administration.



Students from Prof. Dorothy Anderson’s History of Western Civilization II class get into character to reenact the trial and execution of King Charles.



Carlana Hernandez from Prof. Katie Sweeting’s World Literature II class presents her paper titled “Fidel Castro and Gabriel García Márquez: Portrait of a Legendary Friendship.” Seated (from left to right) are fellow presenters Nikita Persaud, James Adams, and Bianelly Tellez. Not pictured: Sebastian Rios-Ruiz and Jennifer Avila.

On May 4 and May 11 respectively, the Honors Program hosted its 9th Poster/Project Showcase and Paper Presentation event at

the Culinary Conference Center. Held at the end of every semester, these events give students enrolled in Honors courses an opportunity to present

and discuss their work with the Hudson County Community College community. To find out more: honors@hccc.edu

**You are invited
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To register or for more details, please contact Lilisa Williams Director, Faculty & Staff Development lwilliams@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4015, or check the Faculty & Staff portal page.

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**“Strategies for Retaining
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Monday, June 12, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tuesday, June 13, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Culinary Conference Center
161 Newkirk Street
Jersey City, NJ 07306

Compensation for attendance will be provided for direct and eligible CTE/ Perkins Program instructors, coordinators, and administrators.

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CULINARY ONE STOP



Chef Sami Khouzam displays the process of sugar molding to a young community member.

**HCCC ORGANIC CHEMISTRY VISIT
TO PROTEOMICS CENTER**



On Thursday, May 4, Hudson County Community College's Organic Chemistry (CHP 225) students, accompanied by their instructor, Dr. Azhar Mahmood, visited the Center for Advanced Proteomics Research at Rutgers New Jersey Medical School to learn about mass spectrometry.



**Saturday,
June 10, 2017
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

Culinary Conference
Center
Scott Ring Room
161 Newkirk Street
Jersey City, NJ 07306

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You may be exempt from the CPT, if you have college-level transfer credit, qualifying ACT/SAT scores or Accuplacer scores from another institution. For more information, visit www.hccc.edu/testing

Before taking the CPT:

- Review, Brush-up, Study!!! See below for free study resources
- For special testing accommodations, contact Disability Support Services' at 201-360-4157 in advance.

On day of CPT:

- Make sure you eat and rest well
- Bring photo ID, College Wide ID #, pen, and pencil
- Report at least 10 minutes before the test start time
- Walk-ins accepted for all sessions.

Academic Success begins with preparation for the College Placement Test (Accuplacer)

June 2017

Terms: Summer II & Fall 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
TESTING LOCATIONS: Journal Square (Main Campus): 71 Sip Avenue, Library Building, Lower Level, Jersey City NHC: (North Hudson Campus): 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City			1 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	2 College Closed
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College Placement Test

- *Approximately 2-3 hours
1. Writeplacer: 1 hr. timed/typed essay
 2. Reading Comprehension: untimed/multiple choice
 3. Arithmetic: untimed/multiple choice
 4. Elementary Algebra: untimed multiple choice

Writing Proficiency Test

*90 minutes
 The WPT is required when ENG 101 transcript is older than 10 years; this exam is handwritten.

English as a Second Language Placement Test

- *Approximately 2.5-3.5 hours
1. ESL Reading Skills: untimed/multiple choice
 2. ESL Language Use: untimed/multiple choice
 3. ESL Listening: untimed/multiple choice
 4. ESL Essay: 1 hr. timed/handwritten essay
 5. Must be eligible to take Math Placement test

CLEP Schedule – June 2017

Thursday, June 8, 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
 Wednesday, June 21, 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
 Effective July 1, 2017, the new CLEP fee will be \$85. The current \$80 fee will apply to all exams purchased through June 30, 2017.

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MONDAY, JULY 10**

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Dear Friend of HCCC Foundation,

The Hudson County Community College Foundation is pleased to invite you to attend our Fifteenth Annual Golf Outing. It will be held on **Monday, July 10, 2017** at the picturesque Forest Hill Field Club in Bloomfield, New Jersey. Proceeds from the event will be dedicated to the growth and development of the College and students. Space is limited, so make your reservations soon. We look forward to seeing you for a day of outstanding golf and fun.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Golf Check-In	8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.
Continental Breakfast	8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Shotgun Start Refreshments on Course	9:30 a.m. (sharp)
Cocktails, Luncheon and Awards	2:00 p.m.

Any questions please contact:

Mirta Sanchez, Events Planner, Office of Development
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www.hccc.edu/foundation/golf/

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, June 1

"HCCC Art Department Review" Closing Reception, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor

Saturday, June 3

Adjunct Faculty Conference, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. Register at <https://myhudson.hccc.edu/fsdevelopment>.

Monday, June 5

Makerspace Open Hours, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue

Tuesday, June 6

"Developing and Implementing a Concept-Based Curriculum" workshop, 870 Bergen Avenue, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Monday, June 12 – Wednesday, June 14

CTE Summer Institute for Non-Traditional Programs, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. Register at <https://myhudson.hccc.edu/fsdevelopment>.

Monday, June 12

Makerspace Open Hours, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue

Tuesday, June 13

Meeting of Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees, 5 p.m., Mary T. Norton Room, 4th Floor, 70 Sip Avenue

Wednesday, June 14

Instant Decision Day – Rutgers University, 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue. Students must bring a completed application and an official (sealed) College transcript to the Office of Advisement & Counseling. Please RSVP at my.hccc.edu/advisement.

Thursday, June 15

School of Nursing Commencement Ceremony, 6 p.m., Saint Peter's University, MacMahon Student Center, Duncan Family Sky Room, Sixth Floor, 47 Glenwood Avenue

Monday, June 19

Makerspace Open Hours, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue

Wednesday, June 21

Instant Decision Day – Saint Peter's University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue. Students must bring a completed application and an official (sealed) College transcript to the Office of Advisement & Counseling. Please RSVP at my.hccc.edu/advisement.

Monday, June 26

Instant Decision Day – New Jersey City University, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue. Students must bring a completed application and an official (sealed) College transcript to the Office of Advisement & Counseling. Please RSVP at my.hccc.edu/advisement.

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Tuesday, June 27 – Tuesday, August 15

Summer Online Session B

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Maritza Ramos

Class of 2006

Associate in Science, Liberal Arts - Accounting

What factors led you to decide to attend HCCC?

Coming from an economically disadvantage background, affordability was the key factor in deciding to attend HCCC.

What is your favorite memory of the College, in or out of the classroom?

I have a lot of great memories from when I was attending HCCC. One of them is when I was given an opportunity to participate in the Federal Work-Study Program. I meet many friendly and goal oriented professionals that inspired me daily.

How did you become interested in major/career?

I first became interested in Accounting during high school, but it wasn't until completing some Accounting courses at HCCC when it became clear that was the career path I wanted to pursue.

How did your time at HCCC prepare you for your career/life now?

At HCCC I acquired the skills and foundation needed to transfer to a 4-year University and achieve my bachelor's degree.

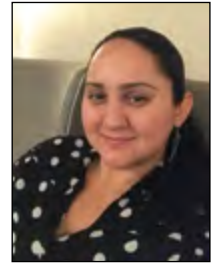
What is a typical work day for you?

A typical work day for me involves doing account reconciliations, working on ad-hoc projects, and reporting to the company's CEO. Some days it involves making decisions that will directly impact the Accounting department.

What has been the most memorable project/case you have work on?

After graduating from college I had so many

opportunities to work alongside with many professionals. But I will say my most memorable project comes from volunteering at my church. I look forward to one day have my own non-profit organization.



Who are your biggest inspirations that have impacted your work in some way?

My inspirations come from mom (who died when I was 15 years old) and many professional women. My mom was my biggest inspiration in life; she was a very humble, hard-working, and smart person. Other role models include Janine Peter, Trade Finance Manager at Lukoil Pan Americas; her expertise in the field is very inspirational. Yezenia Ramos, Senior Finance Manager at Ethicon -Johnson & Johnson; she is a well-rounded individual with great charisma and conversations. I am constantly learning from all the leaders around me, I believe every person is strategically placed on your life for a reason.

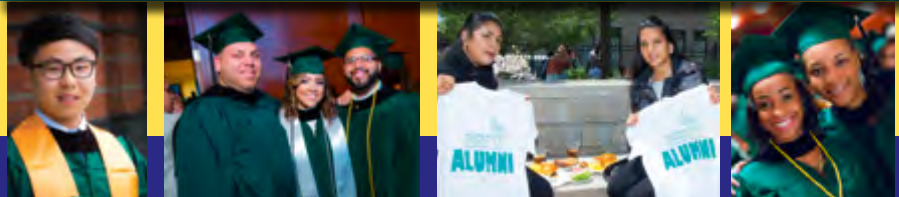
What advice would you give to recent HCCC graduates?

Always remember the reasons why you choose to pursue an education. Now, it's your time to make a difference and follow what makes you happy. Congratulations!

What advice would you have for those students who are just starting their college careers?

You have made the best decision of your life; always the hardest part is to start. As you go along if you need help don't be afraid to ask, HCCC has all the resources you need to help you along the way.

CALLING ALL ALUMNI!



Did you enjoy your experience at HCCC?

Are you willing to contribute time?

Do you want to inspire others with your success stories?

Are you looking for career support?

If so join, socialize and network!

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