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WELCOME MESSAGE FROM THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT

We are delighted to welcome you to Hudson County Community College! This handbook was created to provide you with valuable information about the people, programs, and services that support the academic, personal and professional development of all HCCC students. This handbook also introduces you to, or reminds you of, our College community standards.

Hudson County is a special place – the diversity of cultures, ethnicities and traditions of the county are reflected at our College, making the HCCC experience a rich and rewarding one. From enrollment to graduation, and everything in between, we are here to support you in your academic endeavors.

Take advantage of all of the support services the college has to offer you. Get involved in co-curricular activities – it will make your experience here much more enjoyable and memorable. Finally, let us know how you and we are doing and how we can make the student experience even better for you.

Your comments and evaluations, provided through email, by telephone, or in person will help us help HCCC become even better for you!

We wish you much success this academic year!

Yours truly,

Lisa Dougherty Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment <u>studentaffairs@hccc.edu</u> 201-360-4160

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Hudson County Community College is to provide high quality educational opportunities that promote student success and are accessible, comprehensive, and learning centered.

VISION STATEMENT:

We continually aspire to make Hudson County Community College such an excellent and innovative urban college that it can be a first-choice option for the students and communities it serves.

VALUES STATEMENT:

To fulfill the mission and vision of Hudson County Community College, we commit ourselves to these values:

- student success;
- academic excellence and learning support services;
- integrity, ethical behavior, and respect for others;
- celebration of our commonalities and respect for our differences;
- championship of innovation;
- inquiry and data-informed decision making;
- high quality and affordable educational opportunities; and
- responsible stewardship of the resources entrusted to us



WHAT DOES HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE OFFER?

Associate Degree and Certificate Programs

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS (A.A.)

The Associate in Arts degree is awarded to students who successfully complete programs that emphasize the liberal arts, humanities, fine and/or performing arts, or other subjects, which prepare students for transfer, usually to Bachelor of Arts programs.

ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE (A.S.)

The Associate in Science degree is awarded to students who successfully complete programs, which emphasize mathematics, the biological sciences, physical sciences, computer sciences or engineering sciences. An A.S. program prepares students for transfer to senior institutions or training in entry-level positions.

ASSOCIATE IN APPLIED SCIENCE (A.A.S.)

The Associate in Applied Science degree is awarded to students who successfully complete programs, which emphasize preparation in the applied arts and sciences for careers, typically at the technical or paraprofessional level.

ASSOCIATE IN FINE ARTS (A.F.A.)

The Associate in Fine Arts is awarded to students who successfully complete the programs, which emphasize foundations of studio art. Courses introduce and develop an understanding of visual design principles, art history, art theory and contemporary art, which form a foundation for transfer to Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Fine Arts programs at senior institutions. Students develop a portfolio of work integral to the transfer process. The program also prepares students for training in entry-level positions.

ACADEMIC CERTIFICATE

The certificate (requiring 30 credits or more) is awarded to students who complete an approved course sequence, which emphasizes preparation for a career or enhancement of qualifications, usually at the technical or paraprofessional level.

PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATE/CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT

The Proficiency Certificate or Certificate of Achievement (requiring 10 to 15 credits) is a short-term program intended to enhance employment opportunities through a carefully structured short-term course sequence in a specialized field.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

COLLEGE CATALOG

Copies of the College Catalog are made available to students so that they may familiarize themselves with information such as curriculum requirements, course descriptions, complete policies and procedures, etc. It is the responsibility of the student to familiarize him/herself with the College Catalog. Students may pick up a copy of the College Catalog in the Enrollment Services Center at Jersey City, and the Enrollment Center at the North Hudson Campus, or at various offices throughout the institution. The College Catalog is also available on the College website at https://www.hccc.edu/adcatalog.

PARKING

The College does not have student parking lots. There are, however, several paid parking lots in the Journal Square area, which offer discounted rates at the following Journal Square locations:

- Welcome Parking (20 Jones Street & Enos Place)
- Bergen Avenue Parking (871 Bergen Avenue)
- Impark Square Ramp (801 Pavonia Avenue, behind Loews Theatre)
- Impark (130 Sip Avenue across the street from Culinary Conference Center)

For a detailed list and more information on discounted rates, please visit the Front Information Desk inside each College building on the Journal Square campus.

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

For school closings during inclement weather, call (201) 714-7100 (Press 1) and listen for radio announcements on WINS 1010 AM, WADO 1280 AM, and WCBS 880 AM, television announcements at News 12 New Jersey and Verizon FiOS 1; or visit the College website, MyHudson portal and HCCC's Facebook and Twitter pages.

The College also provides an emergency-alert system which is called Connect-ED, at no charge to students and employees. Rest assured, personal information you enter into the Connect-ED system will be kept confidential. There is also no charge to sign up; however, mobile- service providers may charge a fee for incoming messages, depending upon one's plan. Please visit http://www.hccc.edu/emergency for more information.

SHUTTLE SERVICE

In order to facilitate students' ability to travel between the Jersey City Campus and the North Hudson Campus, a shuttle service is/may be provided on a first come – first served basis. The shuttle service between the North Hudson Campus and 70 Sip Avenue, is made available during the fall and spring semesters, Monday through Friday, (no service during summer.) The shuttle service is available to HCCC students, staff and faculty with a current HCCC ID. The shuttle departs from Sip Ave., directly in front of the entrance to 70 Sip Avenue, and from North Hudson Campus.

Schedules for the shuttle can be obtained from the Safety and Security Office at 71 Sip Avenue – Lower Level, and is posted at various locations throughout the College and in the College's social media, portal, website and newsletter. The Safety and Security Office can be reached at (201) 360-4080. The shuttle makes absolutely no unscheduled stops.

WEB SITE

Visit the Hudson County Community College website at http://www.hccc.edu

CAMPUS LOCATIONS

JERSEY CITY CAMPUS

70 Sip Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07306

Phone: (201) 714-7100

The College offers classes taught by talented and dedicated faculty in several locations around the county. Classes offered by the College provide the flexibility and diversity needed to address the varied educational needs of a rapidly changing community and workplace. All courses taught at off-campus locations are for HCCC programs. HCCC exercises full academic oversight of all of its programs and grants all college credits, degrees and certificates whether or not classes are taught at on or off-campus locations.

Facilities at the Jersey City Campus include our Administrative and Student Services Building at 70 Sip Avenue; our new STEM Building at 263 Academy Street; our Culinary Conference Center at 161 Newkirk Street; the Library Building at 71 Sip Avenue; and the Center for Academic and Student Success at 70 Sip Avenue. Classrooms and administrative and faculty offices are located at 870 Bergen Avenue, 83 Sip Avenue, 87 Sip Avenue, and 168 Sip Avenue

NORTH HUDSON CAMPUS

4800 Kennedy Boulevard Union City, New Jersey 07087

Phone: (201) 360-4020

Executive Director: Yeurys Pujols

Phone: (201) 360-4628 E-mail: ypujols@hccc.edu

Located at 4800 Kennedy Boulevard in Union City, the North Hudson Campus is a complete campus under one roof. The NHC offers a broad range of credit and non-credit courses in a state-of-the-art facility, which includes smart classrooms, one-stop enrollment center, library, bookstore, computer labs and media center, science labs and art studios, large common spaces, student lounge with outdoor courtyard, and a rooftop terrace. The facility was also designed to be ecologically sound with sustainable features throughout. It is also connected to the Light Rail Transit Station (Bergenline Ave. stop) via a glass enclosed pedestrian bridge.

SECAUCUS CENTER

1 Highway Tech Way Secaucus, NJ 07094 (201) 360-4386

Executive Director: Dr. Christopher Conzen

Phone: (201) 360-4628 E-mail: cconzen@hccc.edu Located at the Frank J. Gargiulo Campus of the Hudson County Schools of Technology, the Secaucus Center provides opportunities for early college, non-matriculated, and matriculated students to take courses for college credit on site. The location has full-time staff members to provide assistance for almost all of the needs of a Hudson County Community College Student, from admission to advisement to registration. The Secaucus Center also provides free and accessible parking on location.

BUILDING LOCATIONS & CODES (See Map Inside Front Cover)

- **A.** 70 Sip Avenue
- C. Bookstore, 162 Sip Avenue
- D. Classrooms168 Sip Avenue
- **E.** Culinary Conference Center, 161-169 Newkirk St.
- F. Nursing and Health Division Sciences, 870 Bergen Avenue
- **G.** 81-87 Sip Avenue
- H. HTS Secaucus Center, 1 High Tech Way
- I. 119 Newkirk Street
- I. 2 Enos Place
- L. Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue
- N. North Hudson Campus, 4800 Kennedy Boulevard
- S. STEM Building, 263 Academy Street
- X. 26 Journal Square

OFF-SITE LOCATIONS

For your convenience, the College also offers classes at various offsite locations including:

- BHS Bayonne High School 669 Ave. A and 29th St. Bayonne, NJ
- KHS Kearny High School 336 Devon Street Kearny, NJ
- UCHS Union City High School 2500 Kennedy Blvd. Union City, NJ
- WMS Washington Middle School 1 North Fifth Street Harrison, NJ

HOSPITALS

JCMC – Jersey City Medical Center Barnabas Health Systems 355 Grand Street Jersey City, NJ

COLLEGE COMMUNITY STANDARDS

STATEMENT OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Hudson County Community College is a community of scholars in which the ideals of freedom of inquiry, freedom of thought, freedom of expression, and freedom of the individual are sustained. The College is committed to preserving the exercise of any right guaranteed to the individuals by the constitution. However, the exercise and preservation of these freedoms and rights require a respect for the rights of all in the community to enjoy them to the same extent. It is clear that in a community of learning, willful disruption of the educational process, destruction of property, and interference with the orderly process of the College or with the rights of other members of the College cannot be tolerated.

Within the framework of this commitment, the College grants certain rights to and requires certain responsibilities from each student in the educational community. The statement of rights and responsibilities insures that all students may pursue their educational goals in an environment free from unreasonable constraints. The review and judicial process that supports this statement of rights and responsibilities protects the students' due process.

- The rights listed in this document shall not be construed to deny or lessen other fundamental constitutional guarantees.
- All students shall enjoy the same basic rights and shall be bound by the same responsibility to respect the rights of others.
- Among these basic rights are: freedom of speech; freedom of the press; freedom of assembly; freedom of association; freedom of religion; freedom of political beliefs; freedom from personal force, violence and personal abuse; freedom from unreasonable searches and seizures.
- Students enrolling in the College assume an obligation to conduct themselves in a manner compatible with the College's function as an educational institution. To fulfill its functions of imparting and gaining knowledge, the College retains the power to maintain order within the College and to exclude those who are disruptive of the educational process.

PROHIBITED CONDUCT

- Engaging in any abusive or demeaning conduct or obscene gestures directed toward
 another individual or group of individuals which has the effect of creating a hostile
 environment, disrupts the educational process, or impedes the right or privileges of other
 members of the College community.
- 2. Demeaning the race, sex, religion, color, creed, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry or age of an individual or individuals.
- 3. Obstruction or disruption of teaching, learning, research, administration, discipline procedures or other College authorized event.
- 4. Directly threatening, verbally assaulting or harassing an employee (administrator, faculty, and staff), student, or guest(s) of the College.
- 5. Failing to comply with directives from a College official (e.g., asked to leave a classroom, vacate an area, produce an I.D. card, etc.).
- 6. Engaging in any form of gambling while on College premises or at functions sponsored by the College.
- 7. Inappropriate language, disorderly conduct or lewd, indecent, obscene conduct or expression on campus
- 8. Acts of **dishonesty**, including but not limited to the following:
 - Forgery, alteration, or misuse of any College document, record, or instrument of identification.
 - b) Alteration of College records, documents, or identification instruments or the use of the same with the intent to defraud.
 - c) Furnishing false information to any College official, faculty member or office.
 - d) Tampering with the election of any College recognized student organization.
- Setting a fire on the campus or campus-related premises without proper authority.
 Inappropriate use of any combustible, chemical, or flammable substance, which may present a fire hazard, annoyance, threat, or danger to property or person and/or persons on College premises.
- 10. Theft, larceny, embezzlement, fraud, or the temporary taking of the property of another or possession of stolen goods without permission.
- 11. Theft, sale, and/or possession of stolen books.
- 12. The intentional making of a false report of a bomb, fire or other emergency in any building, structure, or facility on College premises or College-related premises by means of activating a fire alarm or in any other manner.
- 13. Physical assault, rape or sexual harassment of an employee (administrator, faculty, staff), student, or guest(s) of the College.
- 14. Vandalism, malicious destruction, damage, defacing, or misuse of College, public or private property, including library materials and all computers/equipment.
- 15. Unauthorized occupation, unauthorized entry or unauthorized use of any College facility or College-related facilities or premises.
- 16. Participation in a demonstration, riot or activity that disrupts the normal operations of

the College and infringes on the rights of other members of the College community leading or inciting others to disrupt scheduled and/or normal activities within any College building or area.

- 17. Unauthorized use or possession on the campus of any firearms, ammunition, explosives, fireworks, or other dangerous weapons, substances, or materials.
- 18. Violation of the College's smoking policy.
- 19. Use, possession, manufacturing or distribution of any illegal drugs, controlled substances, narcotics or alcoholic beverages or being under the influence of the same.
- 20. Abuse of the disciplinary process, including but not limited to:
 - a) Failure to obey the summons of the Judicial Board or College official.
 - b) Falsification, distortion, or misrepresentation of information before the Judicial Board.
 - c) Disruption or interference with the orderly conduct of a judicial proceeding.
 - d) Attempting to discourage an individual's proper participation in, or use of, the judicial system.
 - e) Attempting to influence the impartiality of a member of the Judicial Board prior to, and/or during the course of, a judicial proceeding.
 - f) Harassment (verbal or physical) and/or intimidation of a member of the Judicial Board prior to, during, and/or after a judicial proceeding.
 - g) Failure to comply with the sanction(s) imposed under the Student Conduct Code.
 - h) Influencing or attempting to influence another person to commit an abuse of the judicial system.
 - i) Any other violation of existing local, state or federal law.
 - The College reserves the right to amend and expand the list of infractions. The College reserves the right to act immediately and to address disciplinary matters through the office of the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment.

ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

Recognizing and addressing bullying is paramount to ensuring a safe and healthy campus environment that is conducive to learning and that protects the rights of individuals. Hudson County Community College defines "bullying" as severe or repeated use by one or more individuals of written, verbal, or electronic communication, or a physical act or gesture exclusion directed at another individual. Bullying may cause physical or emotional harm, may create a hostile environment, and may infringe on a person's rights, and/or may disrupt the campus environment.

Any individual who believes that he/she is the subject of bullying or who has knowledge of bullying behavior should immediately report such conduct to the Office of Student Services and/or Office of Safety & Security. Complaints of bullying will be investigated promptly and in as impartial and confidential a manner as possible. Retaliation against any individual reporting such conduct will not be tolerated.

Any individual who is found, after appropriate investigation, to have participated in bullying is subject to disciplinary action per the institution's current policies.

The College has a zero tolerance for any forms of cyber-stalking, cyber-bullying or cyber sexual harassment.

THE JUDICIAL PROCESS

PHILOSOPHY

Individuals assume certain responsibilities for upholding and maintaining the standards and expectations of the community to which they belong. The College expects students to comply with civil laws as well as with College regulations. Student conduct that violates these laws and regulations may result in College disciplinary action. The judicial process is based on the assumption that disciplinary procedures, when required, should be an educational process. Disciplinary sanctions are imposed to help students develop individual responsibility and encourage self-discipline, to foster a respect for the rights of others, and to protect the rights, freedoms and safety of members of the campus community.

The purposes of the judicial process are to provide a fair, educational process for accountability of student conduct; to promote the development of individual integrity; to protect the rights of members of the College community; and to uphold the nonacademic rules and regulations of the College.

PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS: COMPLAINT AND INITIAL INVESTIGATION

Complaints for alleged violations of the code of conduct may be filed against any student by any member of the College community. The complaint shall be a brief, written statement, citing the provisions of the code allegedly violated and providing a summary of the facts deemed to constitute a violation.

Complaints shall be filed with the Office of Student Services. The Associate Dean of Student Affairs or designee shall promptly consider and investigate the complaint.

Following the investigation, the Associate Dean of Student Affairs or designee shall determine whether there are sufficient grounds to believe that violation of the code occurred. When the Associate Dean of Student Affairs or designee has determined that there are insufficient grounds to believe a violation of the code occurred, the complaint shall be dismissed, and the complainant and the student complained against shall be informed, in writing, of this action. When the Associate Dean of Student Affairs or designee has determined that, there are sufficient grounds to believe that a violation of the code occurred, the Associate Dean of Student Affairs or designee shall either hold an informal hearing, or refer the case to the Student Judicial Board, depending on the severity of the alleged violations.

RIGHT TO A HEARING

The accused student shall be entitled to an expeditious hearing of the case. In hearings involving more than one accused student, the Case Manager, in his or her discretion, may permit the hearings concerning each student to be conducted separately.

NOTICE AND RESPONSE

All charges shall be presented to the accused student in written form. The right to written notice of the charges will be delivered no less than 72 hours before the hearing, except when faced with the end of a semester. In such cases, the student may waive his or her right to 72 hours' notification in order to expedite the timely conclusion of a pending hearing. All written notices will be mailed to the address of the student as it appears on the official College records. Students are responsible for keeping the office of Enrollment Services informed of a current address.

INFORMAL HEARING

In some cases of student misconduct, a formal hearing may not be necessary. This is most often true when the student admits responsibility and the violation is of a less serious nature. In this case, the student attends an informal hearing with the Case Manager to discuss the incident, the student's involvement in it, and any steps that must be taken or sanction imposed to resolve the matter. This meeting will be followed by an official letter summarizing this discussion. The letter becomes a part of a student's judicial file. Informal actions are not subject to appeal.

JUDICIAL BOARD

In cases where the alleged violation is of such nature that, in the opinion of the case manager, a sanction of suspension or expulsion could be imposed, the matter will be referred to the Judicial Board. This authority and responsibility remains with the case manager, who is kept informed of all proceedings and reviews the determination and recommendations on sanctions. Some matters, such as cases involving student sexual misconduct may be referred to other College forums or offices.

Structure of the Judicial Board

- The structure of the Judicial Board consists of trained members of the College community comprised of students, faculty and staff.
- The Associate Dean of Student Affairs as a nonvoting member appoints an administrative chair. The chair is responsible for keeping notes during the hearing, provide written summary of the reasoning of the Board, and distribute copies of the charges, decisions and recommended sanctions.

Members of the Judicial Board must disqualify themselves from hearing cases arising out of matters directly relating to them or concerning persons about whom they are unduly prejudiced.

EVIDENCE, TESTIMONY AND WITNESSES

The hearing shall be of an informal nature and need not adhere to formal rules of procedure or technical rules of evidence followed by courts of law.

The student shall be entitled to appear in person to present a defense to the judicial body and may call witnesses. The student shall be entitled to refuse to answer questions, or may elect not to appear before the judicial body. Should the student elect not to appear, the hearing

shall be held in the student's absence. The student shall be entitled to ask questions of the judicial body or any witnesses.

RIGHT TO AN ADVISOR

Students may be assisted at hearings by an advisor. The advisor cannot speak for the accused student; the advisor can only advise the student. Students must notify the case manager if they intend to bring an advisor, and must provide the advisor's name 24 hours in advance of the hearing.

BURDEN OF PROOF

After the hearing, the judicial body shall determine, by majority vote (if the judicial body consists of more than one person), whether the student has violated each section of the code of student conduct which the student is charged with violating. The judicial body's determination shall be made on the basis of whether it is "more likely than not" that the accused student violated the code of conduct.

PRIVACY AND RECORDS OF THE PROCEEDINGS

Hearings shall be held in private to protect the confidential nature of the proceedings. There shall be a record, such as a tape recording, of all hearings. The record shall be the property of the College.

THE DECISION

The student shall be advised in writing of the adjudicating body's decision and method of appeal within five school days of the final hearing.

SANCTIONS

Any student found responsible for violating any of the regulations or policies of Hudson County Community College may be subject to one or more of the following sanctions:

- Verbal Warning
- Formal Written Warning
- Fines and/or restitution
- Mandatory participation in an educational program
- Disciplinary Probation: Such status indicates that any future policy violations may result in more severe sanctions and/or suspension or expulsion from the College.
- Suspension: Student is prohibited from enrolling in classes or being on College premises for a specified period of time.
- Expulsion: Student is permanently prohibited from enrolling in classes or being on College premises.

EMERGENCY SUSPENSION

If a student's actions pose an immediate threat or danger to any member of the College, the Associate Dean of Student Affairs (in consultation with the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment) may immediately suspend or alter the rights of a student pending a

Judicial Board hearing. Scheduling the hearing shall not preclude resolution of the matter through mediation or any other dispute resolution process. The decision will be based on whether the continued presence of the student on the College campus reasonably poses a threat to the physical or emotional well-being of any individual, including the student, or for reasons relating to the safety and welfare of any College property, or any College function.

APPEALS

The adjudicating body's decision may be appealed, in writing, by the charged student to the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment within ten school days of the release of the decision. Appeals should specify the nature of and reasons for the appeal. The appeal may then be heard by the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment. Appeals shall be based only upon the following grounds:

- Procedural conduct by the adjudicating body which may have been prejudicial to the accused student;
- The imposition of sanctions that are disproportionate to the offense;
- The emergence of new evidence that could not have been previously discovered by the exercise of due diligence and that, had it been presented at the initial hearing, would have substantially affected the original decision of the adjudicating body.

On appeal, the original decisions, including sanctions, may be sustained, reversed, or modified. The matter may also be returned to the Conduct Board for reconsideration and further findings of fact or determinations. It is within the discretion of the person handling the appeal to refer the matter to another appropriate College body. Decisions on appeal generally will be released within 21 business days of receipt of the appeal. Decisions on appeal are final.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) seeks to foster a safe and healthy environment built on mutual respect and trust. At the foundation of the College's mission is the recognition of the equal and inviolable dignity and worth of every person. Sexual Misconduct of any kind is a serious violation of these principles and will not be tolerated in any form.

Sexual Misconduct includes Sexual Exploitation, Sex-Based Harassment, Sexual Assault, Stalking, and Relationship Violence of a sexual nature. Sexual Misconduct can occur between strangers or acquaintances, including people involved in an intimate or sexual relationship. Sexual Misconduct can be committed by men or by women, and it can occur between people of the same or different sex. Sexual Harassment, including sexual violence, is a form of sex discrimination.

Any member of the College community, who encourages, aides, assists or participates in any act of Sex Discrimination or Sexual Misconduct against another is in violation of the College's disciplinary policies, VAWA and Title IX.

Violence that is not of a sexual nature is also incompatible with the College's mission and a violation of College policies. Policies and procedures governing incidents of violence that are not of a sexual nature are covered separately.

All members of the College community and visitors are required to report incidents of Sexual Misconduct to the appropriate Title IX Coordinator or Deputy Coordinator.

Every member of the faculty, administration and staff is obligated by law under Title IX to immediately report to the Title IX Coordinator or the appropriate Deputy Coordinator incidents of or perceived incidents of Sexual Misconduct involving any member of the campus community or third party upon learning of the incident. Even if the alleged victim requests confidentiality of the incident, the employee has a legal and moral obligation to report.

Title IX Coordinators will make every effort to maintain the confidentiality of all parties involved during investigations into alleged Sexual Misconduct. There may be some incidences when confidentiality may not be possible if the safety and security of the accuser or other members of the College community are at risk.

All incidents or perceived incidents of Sexual Misconduct where the accused is an Administrative, Faculty or Staff employee or third party, are to be reported to the College's Title IX Coordinator:

Vivyen Ray Assistant Vice President for Employee Relations 70 Sip Avenue – 3rd Floor Jersey City NJ 07306 (201) 360-4073 John Quigley
Executive Director of Safety and Security
71 Sip Avenue – Lower Level
Jersey City, NJ 07306
(201) 360-4081

All incidents or perceived incidents of Sexual Misconduct where the accused is a student at the Jersey City campus are to be reported to the Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Students:

Dr. David D. Clark Associate Dean of Student Affairs 70 Sip Avenue – 3rd Floor Jersey City NJ 07306 (201) 360-4189

All incidents or perceived incidents of Sexual Misconduct where the accused is a student at the North Hudson Campus or Secaucus Center are to be reported to the Deputy Title IX Coordinator for Students:

Yeurys Pujols Executive Director for North Hudson Campus 4800 Kennedy Boulevard – 7th Floor Union City, NJ 07087 (201) 360-4628

Dr. Christopher Conzen Executive Director of the Secaucus Center 1 High Tech Way Secaucus, NJ 07094 (201) 360-4386

In the event that the incident, policy, or procedure about which a student, employee, faculty member or third party seeks to file a report or complaint creates the appearance of a conflict of interest with any one of the members of the Title IX compliance team, complainants may contact any other member of the team, including the Title IX Coordinator or any Deputy Title IX Coordinator, directly.

HCCC is firmly committed to providing immediate care and support to all accusers. The College will take action to address any and all sexual misconduct, prevent its reoccurrence, and address its effects. In accordance with the Federal Campus Sexual Assault Victims' Bill of Rights, the College will ensure that:

- Survivors will be notified of their options to notify law enforcement.
- The accuser and accused will have the same opportunity to have an advisor (e.g., union representative) present during a hearing or other disciplinary proceeding.
- Both the accused and the accuser will be notified of the outcome of a disciplinary

- proceeding.
- Survivors will be notified of counseling services.
- Survivors will be notified of options for changing academic arrangements.

HCCC will provide counseling to accusers who seek criminal prosecution under New Jersey State Penal Law. Any student charged with such an offense may be prosecuted under New Jersey State criminal statutes. Any student charged with such an offense may be subject to action under the HCCC's Student Conduct process, which acts independently of any legal proceedings.

Any faculty, administrative, staff employee or third party charged with such an offense may be prosecuted under New Jersey State criminal statutes. Any faculty, administrative, or staff employee charged with such an offense will be subject to the rules and procedures outlined in the Sexual Misconduct Policy and/or provisions of the Employee Handbook or Faculty Handbook, irrespective of collective bargaining agreements, which apply independently of any legal proceedings.

The College is required to report instances of alleged sexual misconduct to criminal authorities without the express consent of the victim, and where a legal obligation mandates such reporting (e.g., if there is suspected assault and/or abuse or neglect of a minor).

Taking into account the wishes of the accuser, the College will pursue disciplinary action in cases of Sexual Misconduct. Sanctions imposed on students for violations of the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy may include, but are not limited to, suspension or expulsion from the College. Sanctions imposed on faculty, administrative or staff employees for violations of the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy include, but are not limited to, suspension or dismissal from the College. The College's disciplinary processes act independently of any legal proceedings and may include adjudication as described in the respective collective bargaining agreement if appropriate.

DEFINITIONS:

<u>Sexual Assault:</u> Any actual or attempted sexual contact with another person without that person's consent (See Consent defined below). Sexual assault includes anal, oral or vaginal penetration, however slight, or any sexual contact by a person upon another person without effective consent. (See Consent defined below). Sexual penetration includes, but is not limited to vaginal or anal penetration by a penis, object, tongue or finger and oral copulation by mouth-to-genital or genital-to-mouth contact.

Sexual Exploitation: Occurs when a person takes nonconsensual or abusive sexual advantage of another for his/her own advantage or benefit, or to benefit or advantage anyone other than the one being exploited, and that behavior does not otherwise constitute sexual assault, sexual misconduct, or sexual harassment. Examples of sexual exploitation include but are not limited to making public sexual activity with another person without that other person's consent; prostituting another person; nonconsensual video or audio recording of

sexual activity; going beyond the boundaries of consent (such as letting someone hide in the closet to watch you having consensual sex); viewing another person's sexual activity, intimate body parts, or nakedness in a place where that person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy, without that person's consent; and/or knowingly transmitting HIV or an STI (Sexually Transmitted Infection) to another member of the campus community.

Sex-Based Harassment: Includes sexual harassment and gender- based harassment.

<u>Sexual Harassment:</u> Includes unwelcomed conduct of a sexual nature, requests for sexual favors, and other gender-based verbal or physical conduct that is severe, persistent or pervasive enough to unreasonably interfere with an individual's educational experience or working conditions. Sexual harassment also occurs when submission to or rejection of such conduct denies or limits someone's ability to participate in or benefit from any college educational program, activity, or employment; or by creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment for another person.

<u>Gender-Based Harassment:</u> Includes unwelcomed conduct of a nonsexual nature based on a person's actual or perceived sex, including behavior based on gender identity, gender expression, and gender nonconforming behavior that creates a hostile environment for the student or employee.

Quid Pro Quo Sexual Harassment or Request for Sexual Favors: Unwanted conduct of a sexual nature in which submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly (or a factor affecting) a term of condition of an individual's education, living environment, employment, or participation in a school activity or program.

<u>Hostile Environment:</u> A "hostile environment" exists when sex- based harassment is sufficiently serious to deny or limit the person's ability to participate in or benefit from the College's programs or activities.

A hostile environment can be created by anyone involved in a College's program or activity (e.g., administrators, faculty members, students, and campus visitors).

In determining whether sex-based harassment has created a hostile environment, the College considers the conduct in question from both a subjective and objective perspective. It will be necessary, but not enough, that the conduct was unwelcome to the person who was harassed. However, the College will also need to find that a reasonable person in the person's position would have perceived the conduct as undesirable or offensive in order for that conduct to create or contribute to a hostile environment.

To make the ultimate determination of whether a hostile environment exists for any member of the College community, the College considers a variety of factors related to the severity, persistence, or pervasiveness of the sex-based harassment.

Including: (1) the type, frequency, and duration of the conduct; (2) the identity and relationships of persons involved; (3) the number of individuals involved; (4) the location of

the conduct and the context in which it occurred; and, (5) the degree to which the conduct affected a student's education, an employee's employment and/or a visitor's purpose on campus.

The more severe the sex-based harassment, the less need there is to show a repetitive series of incidents to find a hostile environment. Indeed, a single instance of sexual assault may be sufficient to create a hostile environment. Likewise, a series of incidents may be sufficient even if the sex-based harassment is not particularly severe.

Relationship Abuse: Relationship abuse is sometimes referred to as Intimate-Partner Violence, Domestic Violence or Dating Violence. Relationship Abuse refers to coercive behavior that serves to exercise control and power in an intimate relationship. The coercive and abusive behavior can be physical, sexual, psychological, verbal and/or emotional. Relationship abuse can occur between current or former intimate partners who have dated, lived together, currently reside together, or who otherwise are connected through a past or existing relationship. It can occur in opposite-sex and same-sex relationships. Relationship abuse can be a single event or a pattern of abuse. Examples of relationship abuse include, but are not limited to: attempting to cause or causing bodily injury by hitting, slapping, punching, hair- pulling, kicking, sexual assault and/or other forms of unwanted physical contact that cause harm; knowingly restricting the movements of another person; isolating or confining a person for a period of time; controlling or monitoring behavior; being verbally and/or emotionally abusive; and exhibiting extreme possessiveness or jealousy.

Stalking: This is usually defined by an institution's sexual misconduct policy as a course of conduct that places a person in fear for their safety or the safety of another. Any pattern of conduct that has the purpose or effect of producing fear and/or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive environment. A "pattern of conduct" is defined as two or more times and constitutes a repeated attempt to initiate unwanted, inappropriate and/or threatening interactions with a particular person or group. Examples of stalking behavior include, but are not limited to unwelcome communication that can be face- to-face, phone, text messages, email, voice messages, written messages, gifts, etc. Pursuing and/or following another person or group; surveillance; trespassing; gaining unauthorized access to personal, medical, financial or any other identifying pieces of information without explicit permission; and accessing email, phone or other forms of personal communication in order to follow or monitor another's activity.

<u>Cyberstalking:</u> Is a non-physical form of stalking and is a violation of this policy. Therefore, using electronic media such as the internet, social networking sites, cell phones or similar devices or mediums to pursue, track, harass, monitor or make unwanted contact with another person is a violation of the Sexual Misconduct Policy.

<u>Consent:</u> With all cases of a sexual nature, consent is granted only when a person freely, actively, and knowingly agrees at the time to participate in a particular sexual act with another person. Consent exists when mutually understandable words and/or actions demonstrate a willingness to participate in a mutually agreed upon activity at every stage of that sexual activity. Either party can verbally or non-verbally withdraw consent at any stage. Consent

cannot be assumed from partner silence, manner of dress, or be based on a previous or ongoing sexual relationship.

<u>Incapacity</u>: A person is considered incapable of giving consent if he or she is:

- Under the age of consent, which is 16 in New Jersey state
- Asleep, unconscious, and/or losing and regaining consciousness
- Under threat of physical force or coercion, intimidation, or duress
- Mentally or physically incapacitated, for example by medication, alcohol and/or other drugs. Evidence of physical or mental incapacity will be determined by assessing context clues such as:
 - * A witness or the accused may know how much the other party has consumed
 - * Slurred speech
 - * Bloodshot eyes
 - * The smell of alcohol on the breath
 - * Shaky equilibrium
 - * Vomiting
 - * Outrageous or unusual behavior

Lack of protest does not imply consent. Under no circumstance does a current or previous dating relationship constitute consent.

INVESTIGATIVE AND DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES INITIAL MEETING

Alleged violations of the College's Sexual Misconduct Policy are to be reported to one of the Title IX Coordinators. These individuals will provide an understanding of this policy and identify forms of support or immediate interventions available to the accuser, including referrals to appropriate law enforcement agencies, referrals for medical treatment, the College's Counseling Center and other on and off campus resources. A student, faculty member or employee who reports to the College that they have been a victim of one of the aforementioned crimes shall be provided with a written explanation of their rights or options.

When possible, the initial meeting may include a discussion of any accommodations that may be appropriate for the accuser's academic schedule, and/or College employment arrangements. If such a discussion is not possible or appropriate during the initial meeting, it will follow as soon thereafter as is possible and appropriate. Available accommodations will be provided to the victim regardless of whether he or she chooses to report the crime to campus police or local law enforcement. Please note, that the College is required by New Jersey State law to report alleged incidents of sexual assault to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

At the initial meeting or as soon thereafter as is possible and appropriate, the accuser will be asked to decide how he/she wants to proceed. The options include pursuing the complaint within the College and/or with local law enforcement or requesting the complaint remain

confidential. The appropriate adjudication/grievance process will be implemented, as applicable.

INTERIM MEASURES

In all cases of alleged Sexual Misconduct, regardless of how the accuser wishes to proceed, HCCC will undertake a prompt, fair, and impartial investigation conducted by officials who receive annual training on issues related to sexual misconduct. At the same time, HCCC will take immediate and effective action to support and protect the accuser pending the final outcome of the investigation and hearing, taking into account the desire of the accuser to maintain confidentiality, as applicable. Accordingly, HCCC may impose a no contact order, which typically will include a directive that the parties refrain from having contact with one another, directly or through proxies, whether in person or via electronic means, pending the investigation and, if applicable, the hearing.

The College also may take any further protective action if deemed appropriate concerning the interaction of the parties including providing escorts for the accuser to and from HCCC locations, directing appropriate College officials to alter the students' academic schedules, provide a Leave of Absence, and/or alter College employment arrangements.

Title IX requires that when taking such steps to separate the accuser and the accused, HCCC should minimize the burden on the accuser and thus should not, as a matter of course, remove the accuser from his/her classes, or employment while allowing the accused to remain. HCCC will consider how such changes will impact the accused.

Violation(s) of HCCC's directives regarding the protective actions may lead to additional disciplinary proceedings as outlined in the Student Handbook for students, the Employee Manual for all administrative and staff employees, the Faculty Handbook for faculty and, if applicable, the collective bargaining agreement.

ACCUSER REQUESTS CONFIDENTIALITY

If the accuser requests confidentiality, under Title IX, HCCC is still required to investigate and take reasonable action in response to the accuser's request. The accuser should be informed that in such situations that HCCC's ability to take action is likely to be limited. Alleged sexual assault incidences must be reported to the appropriate law enforcement agency whether or not the accuser participates in an investigation.

In such cases, Title IX requires the College to evaluate the accuser's request(s) that the complaint not be adjudicated or remain confidential due to the HCCC's legal and moral obligation to provide a reasonably safe and non-discriminatory environment for all students, faculty, administrative and staff employees. In order to make such an evaluation, HCCC may conduct a preliminary investigation into the alleged Sexual Misconduct and will weigh the accuser's request(s) for confidentiality against the following factors: the seriousness of the alleged Sexual Misconduct, whether there have been other complaints of Sexual Misconduct against the same individual, and the accused's rights to receive information about the allegations if the accused is a student and HCCC maintains such information as an educational record under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). An

accuser's collective bargaining unit will not be consulted if the accuser requests confidentiality without the accuser's express permission.

The College will inform the accuser if HCCC cannot ensure confidentiality. Even if the College cannot take disciplinary action against the accused because the accuser insists on confidentiality or that the complaint not be adjudicated, Title IX requires the College to take prompt and effective action to limit the effects of the alleged Sexual Misconduct and to prevent its recurrence. The College reserves the authority to issue a no-contact order and other measures as indicated in this policy.

The Title IX Coordinator, charged with coordinating investigative and disciplinary procedures, will disclose confidential information regarding instances of sexual misconduct only on a need to-know basis. Notwithstanding the HCCC's respect for the accuser's confidentiality, the College will disclose information relating to instances of Sexual Misconduct to appropriate legal authorities where it has a legal obligation to do so.

ACCUSER REQUESTS INFORMAL RESOLUTION

An accuser, who wishes to file an official complaint within the College, but who does not wish to pursue the formal student or faculty, administrative or staff employee conduct process, may request a less formal proceeding, known as Informal Resolution. Informal Resolution is an adjudicative process; it is not mediation.

Informal Resolution provides an opportunity for the accuser to confront the accused in the presence of and facilitated by a Title IX Coordinator, and to communicate his or her feelings and perceptions regarding the incident, the impact of the incident and his or her wishes and expectations regarding protection in the future. The accused will have an opportunity to respond.

Both the accuser and the accused may each choose an advisor to accompany them throughout the Informal Resolution process. The advisor may advise the accuser or accused during the Informal Resolution. However, in accordance with applicable Title XI, Clery and VAWA provisions, the advisor may not address the Title IX Coordinator during the course of the proceedings, question witnesses or participate directly in the Informal Resolution proceedings. When a student is the accuser, the Deputy Coordinator for Students may elect to be assisted by a member of the Sexual Misconduct Hearing Board or a member of the Associate Dean of Student Affairs staff.

Informal Resolution cannot result in the formal sanctions of suspension or expulsion from the College or the termination of employment of the accused. Informal Resolution may result in imposing protective actions agreed upon by the parties. Without such agreement, the Title IX Coordinator may impose protective actions based on information derived from the proceedings, taken together with any other relevant information known to the College at the time of the Informal Resolution. These procedures are in accordance with applicable Title IX, Clery, and VAWA provisions effective July 1, 2015.

The accuser may, at any time prior to the conclusion of the Informal Resolution, elect to end such proceedings and initiate the formal HCCC conduct process instead. In such cases, statements or the parties in the course of the Informal Resolution may be used as evidence in the formal HCCC conduct process. However, the Title IX Coordinator may consider such statements and impose protective actions as deemed necessary until all formal College conduct procedures are completed including the Appeals Process.

In order to promote honest and direct communication, information disclosed during Informal Resolution will remain confidential while the Informal Resolution is pending, except where disclosure may be required by law or authorized in connection with duties on behalf of HCCC. The investigation and Informal Resolution should conclude within sixty (60) days.

ACCUSER REQUESTS COLLEGE ADJUDICATION

If the accuser decides to proceed with the College adjudication, the College will proceed with a full investigation.

ACCUSED AS AN ADMINISTRATOR, FACULTY OR STAFF MEMBER IN COLLEGE ADJUDICATION

In cases where the accused is an administrator, faculty, or staff member, the Sexual Misconduct Policy, the Employee Handbook, Faculty Handbook and if applicable, collective bargaining unit shall govern how the case is investigated and adjudicated. Following the investigation and hearing (if applicable), the Chief Human Resources Officer will issue a document to the accused and the accuser indicating the results of the proceeding. Results will include a finding of *in violation* or *not in violation* of Sexual Misconduct for the accused, the sanctions imposed, if any, and an explanation of the rationale for its determination.

ACCUSED AS A STUDENT IN COLLEGE ADJUDICATION

In cases where the accused is a student, the Sexual Misconduct Policy and the Student Handbook shall govern how the case is investigated and adjudicated. Following the investigation and hearing (if applicable), the Associate Dean of Student Affairs (if the accused is a Jersey City campus student) or the Executive Director for the North Hudson Campus (if the accused is a North Hudson Campus student) will issue a document to the accused and the accuser indicating the results of the proceeding. Results will include a finding of in violation or not in violation of Sexual Misconduct for the accused, the sanctions imposed, if any, and an explanation of the rationale for its determination.

RETALIATION

HCCC strictly prohibits retaliation against any person who in good faith brings forth a Sexual Misconduct Policy violation in addition to retaliation against any person because of his or her good faith involvement in an investigation or hearing as part of the complaint process. Encouraging others to retaliate also violates this policy.

Retaliation is any materially adverse action, or threat thereof, against an individual because of the individual's good faith report or complaint of a potential policy violation or his/her good

faith participation in an investigation or hearing. Retaliatory acts may include, but are not limited to: adverse changes in employment status or opportunities; adverse academic action; adverse changes to academic, educational and extra-curricular opportunities; harassment; intimidation; acts or comments intended to embarrass the individual; and seeking out or attempting to discover the parties and witnesses involved in a report or complaint process for the purpose of influencing their participation or testimony or taking adverse action against them.

Retaliatory conduct by community members and third parties are prohibited regardless of whether such conduct occurs on or off campus, in person, or through social media, e-mail, or other form of communication. Retaliatory conduct may lead to additional disciplinary proceedings as outlined in the Student, Faculty and Employee Handbooks and applicable collective bargaining agreements. Anyone who feels they have been retaliated against should report the retaliation to the Title IX Coordinator.

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT AND RELATIONSHIP ABUSE EDUCATION

HCCC provides Sexual Misconduct and Relationship Abuse primary prevention programs, ongoing prevention and awareness campaigns, and risk-reduction programs to the campus community, and educates about relevant resources.

Through annual training, the College encourages students, faculty, administrative and staff employees to learn about sexual misconduct. The Assistant Vice President for Employee Relations, Associate Dean of Student Affairs and Executive Director for the North Hudson Campus are valuable resources for students, faculty, administrative and staff employees who have experienced Sexual Violence or who are interested in learning more about how Sexual Violence affects their campus and the society in which they live.

BYSTANDER INTERVENTION INFORMATION

If someone suspects that another individual may be in a high-risk situation to become a victim of any form of Sexual Misconduct, it is important to decide as a bystander whether there is a safe and reasonable way to intervene effectively.

There is no legal obligation in New Jersey State for a bystander of a potentially violent situation or crime to intervene or act. Bystanders are encouraged to act if there are safe and reasonable ways to intervene and/or discourage people from being uncivil towards each other in an effort to foster a safer environment for everyone.

BYSTANDER TIPS:

- Remind others that "consent" is the difference between sex and sexual assault and that someone can be too intoxicated, or otherwise physically or mentally incapacitated to consent.
- Take the initiative to help others who are not thinking clearly from becoming targets of violence (or) take steps to stop a friend who chooses to use violence.
- Prevent an intoxicated person from going to a private location with a stranger or an acquaintance.

- Do not leave anyone, whether a friend of an acquaintance, alone at a party or a bar.
- Ask anyone, whether an acquaintance or stranger, who is attempting to engage in Sexual Misconduct to stop and leave the location.
- Recognize dating or domestic partners who cause fear or physical pain to their partner and voice your concerns where appropriate; one suggestion is referring the student to the appropriate counselors and a faculty, administrative or staff to Human Resources.
- Contact Campus Security, Human Resources, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, and Executive Director of the North Hudson Campus or another person of authority who can assist.

For information or questions about Bystander Intervention contact:

- Office of Human Resources: (201) 360-4073
- Associate Dean of Student Affairs: (201) 360-4602
- Executive Director North Hudson Campus: (201) 360-4628
- Executive Director of Secaucus Center: (201) 360-4386
- Safety & Security Department (Journal Square Campus): (201) 360-4080
- Safety & Security Department (North Hudson Campus): (201) 360-4777
- Counseling Center: (201) 360-4155

WHAT YOU CAN DO IF YOU HAVE EXPERIENCED SEXUAL ASSAULT

Hudson County Community College is committed to providing confidential, nonjudgmental and appropriate support services for all sexual assault survivors, regardless of gender, ethnicity, race, sexual orientation, age, ability, immigration status or whether or not they are reluctant to report the crime. It is important to understand that you are not at fault for the assault in any way. No one ever deserves to be assaulted and persons who commit sexual assault do so out of a need to control, dominate, abuse and humiliate.

GET TO A SAFE PLACE IMMEDIATELY

You need to find a place where you feel comfortable and safe from harm. This could be your home, a hospital, the police station, a friend's room or your home. If you are on campus and need assistance, you can call Security at (201) 360-4080 (Jersey City) or (201) 360-4777 (North Hudson). If you are off campus, you can call 911.

SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Even if you do not want to report the sexual assault to the police, or if it has been a while since the assault, you may still benefit from medical attention. Evidence collection may be possible through a "rape kit" if you have been sexually assaulted in the past 96 hours/4 days. The hospitals listed in this policy have Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) programs, which utilize specially trained nurses to collect evidence and administer care. In addition to collecting evidence, health concerns such as sexually transmitted infections (STI), pregnancy, and treatment of injuries will be addressed. It is important to have the evidence collected

because, although you may not want to pursue criminal action immediately, you may change your mind in the future.

If you want evidence to be collected at the hospital, do not shower, bathe, douche, wash your hands, brush your teeth, or comb your hair. Even though you may desperately want to clean yourself, you may destroy important evidence if you do so. If you have done any of the things mentioned, it is ok, it may still be possible to find evidence. You are encouraged to bring a change of clothing if you choose to have medical personnel collect evidence.

REPORT THE INCIDENT

The College encourages victims to report all cases of Sexual Misconduct. Reporting an incident to the College is different from legal prosecution. You are not obligated after reporting an incident to cooperate in a criminal investigation; however, the College is obligated to report the incident to appropriate law enforcement agencies.

To report an assault, contact any one of the following Offices:

- Office of Human Resources: (201) 360-4073
- Associate Dean of Student Affairs: (201) 360-4602
- Executive Director North Hudson Campus: (201) 360-4628
- Executive Director of Secaucus Center: (201) 360-4386
- Safety & Security Department (Journal Square Campus): (201) 360-4080
- Safety & Security Department (North Hudson Campus): (201) 360-4777
- Counseling Center: (201) 360-4155

A staff member will meet with you to provide support and immediate interventions, which may include:

- Referrals to appropriate law enforcement agencies.
- Referrals for medical treatment and/or counseling at the Counseling Center, and/other on and off campus resources.
- Alternative accommodations for College housing, employment arrangements or academics.

ON-CAMPUS RESOURCES

Office of Student Services

70 Sip Avenue – 3rd Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306 (201) 360-4602

• Executive Director North Hudson Campus

4800 Kennedy Blvd. – 7th Floor Union City, NJ 07087 (201) 360-4628

• Executive Director of Secaucus Center

1 High Tech Way Secaucus, NJ 07094 (201) 360-4386

Office of Human Resources

70 Sip Avenue – 3rd Floor Jersey City NJ 07306 (201) 360-4073

Safety and Safety Coordinator - JSQ

71 Sip Avenue – (LL) Lower Level Jersey City NJ 07306 (201) 360-4080

• Safety and Safety Coordinator - NHC

4800 Kennedy Blvd. – 2nd Floor Union City NJ 07087 (201) 360-4777

OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

• Jersey City Police - West District Office

576 Communipaw Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07304 Office: (201) 547-5450 Fax: (201) 547-5077

Union City Police Department

3715 Palisade Ave. Union City, NJ 07087 Office: (201) 348-5790 Fax: (201) 319-0456 http://unioncitypd.org

• Jersey City Medical Center

355 Grand Street Jersey City, NJ 07302 Office: (201) 915-2000

http://www.libertyhealth.org

• Palisades Medical Center

7600 River Road

North Bergen, NJ, 07047

Office: (201) 854-5000

http://www.palisadesmedical.org

Hudson SPEAKS

(Supports Prevents Educates Advocates to Keep Strong) Formerly Hudson County Rape Crisis Center Christ Hospital and CarePoint Health

179 Palisades Avenue Jersey City, NJ 07306

24 Hr. Hotline: (201) 795-5757

Office: (201) 795-8741 or (201) 795-5816 Fax: (201) 795-8761 or (201) 418-7017

• Newark Beth Israel Medical Center

(201) Lyons Avenue Newark, NJ 07112 (973) 926-7000

• Saint Barnabas Medical Center

94 Old Short Hills Road Livingston, NJ 07039 (973) 322-5000

• Mountainside Hospital

1 Bay Avenue Glen Ridge, NJ 07028 (973) 429-6000

COLLEGE POLICIES, PROCEDURES, AND GUIDELINES

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY POLICY

Academic integrity is central to the pursuit of education. For students at HCCC, this means maintaining the highest ethical standards in completing their academic work. In doing so, students earn college credits by their honest efforts. When they are awarded a certificate or degree, they have attained a goal representing genuine achievement and can reflect with pride on their accomplishment. This is what gives college education its essential value.

Violations of the principle of academic integrity include:

- Cheating on exams.
- Reporting false research data or experimental results.
- Allowing other students to copy one's work to submit to instructors.
- Communicating the contents of an exam to other students who will be taking the same test.
- Submitting the same project in more than one course, without discussing this first with instructors.
- Submitting *plagiarized* work. *Plagiarism* is the use of another writer's words or ideas without properly crediting that person. This unacknowledged use may be from published books or articles, the Internet, or another student's work.

VIOLATIONS OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY

When students act dishonestly in meeting their course requirements, they lower the value of education for all students. Students who violate the College's policy on academic integrity are subject to failing grades on exams or projects, or for the entire course. In some cases, serious or repeated instances of academic integrity violations may warrant further disciplinary action.

VIOLATIONS REPORTED TO THE DIVISION DEAN OR ASSOCIATE DEAN OF STUDENT AFFAIRS

Depending on the severity of the violation(s), the division dean will determine whether further disciplinary action is warranted. The Associate Dean of Student Affairs assists Academic Affairs in maintaining a high level of academic integrity on the campus. The Associate Dean of Student Affairs works with the faculty and division deans to educate students about academic dishonesty and to adjudicate disciplinary cases in which there are suspected violations of college policies. Should a violation of HCCC's academic integrity standards warrant a disciplinary hearing with the Associate Dean of Student Affairs, sanctions may include suspension, expulsion, or other measures deemed appropriate.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

Student records are protected in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended (FERPA). Student academic records are maintained in the

Registrar's Office. They may be viewed by College officials who have a legitimate educational interest, and by others as authorized by law. In order to protect a student's privacy, student grades and other non-directory information will be released only to the student, and not to family members without written release. For their protection, the student will be required to present valid identification when they request any information relating to their record. For more information, contact the Registrar's Office at (201) 360-4121.

Student records are protected in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended (FERPA). Student records will only be released upon written authorization from the student. Under FERPA, Hudson County Community College may release "directory information" without prior consent of the student. Directory information may include: name, address, telephone listing, electronic mail address, date and place of birth, photographs, field of study, enrollment status (full-/part-time), degrees and awards given, dates of attendance, most recent previous school attended, and grade level. A student who wishes to prevent the disclosure of directory information must submit a written request to the Registrar's Office no later than the tenth day of the start of each semester. FERPA is applicable to high school students taking courses with HCCC.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) afford students certain rights with respect to their education records. These rights include:

- The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day Hudson County Community College receives a request for access. A student should submit to the registrar, dean, head of the academic department, or other appropriate official, a written request that identifies the record(s) the student wishes to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the student of the time and place where the records may be inspected. If the records are not maintained by the school official to whom the request was submitted, that official shall advise the student of the correct official to whom the request should be addressed.
- The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the student believes is inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA. A student who wishes to ask the school to amend a record should write the school official responsible for the record, clearly identify the part of the record the student wants changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested, the school will notify the student in writing of the decision and the student's right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the student when notified of the right to a hearing.
- The right to provide written consent before the university discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.
- The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Hudson County Community College to comply with the

requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

Family Policy Compliance Office U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202

STUDENT E-MAIL POLICY

A. Purpose of the Policy

There is an expanding reliance on electronic communication among students, faculty, staff, and administration at Hudson County Community College. This is motivated by the convenience, speed, cost-effectiveness, and environmental advantages of using e-mail rather than printed communication. Because of this increasing reliance and acceptance of electronic communication, e-mail is considered an official means for communication within HCCC.

B. Scope

- This student e-mail policy provides guidelines regarding the following aspects of e-mail as an official means of communication:
- College use of e-mail;
- Assignment of student e-mail addresses;
- Student use of and responsibilities associated with assigned e-mail addresses;
 and
- Expectations of e-mail communication between faculty and student and staff and student.

C. Policy

College use of e-mail:

- E-mail is an official means for communication within HCCC. Therefore, the College has the right to send communications to students via e-mail and the right to expect that those communications will be received and read in a timely fashion.
- Assignment of student e-mail addresses
- Information Technology Services (ITS) will assign all students an official College
 e-mail address. It is to this official address that the College will send e-mail
 communications; this official address will be the address listed in the College's
 Enterprise Directory for that student.
- Redirecting of e-mail
- A student may have e-mail electronically redirected to another e-mail address. If a student wishes to have e-mail redirected from his or her official address to another e-mail address (e.g., @aol.com, @hotmail.com, or an address on a departmental server), they may do so, but at his or her own risk. The College will not be responsible for the handling of e-mail by outside vendors or by departmental servers. Having e-mail redirected does not absolve a student from

the responsibilities associated with communication sent to his or her official College e-mail address.

- Expectations regarding student use of e-mail
- Students are expected to check their official e-mail address on a frequent and consistent basis in order to stay current with College communications. The campus recommends checking e-mail once a day at a minimum; in recognition, that certain communications may be time-critical.
- Educational uses of e-mail
- Faculty may determine how e-mail will be used in their classes. It is highly
 recommended that if faculty have e-mail requirements and expectations they
 specify these requirements in their course syllabus. Faculty may expect that
 students' official e-mail addresses are being accessed and faculty may use e-mail
 for their courses accordingly.
- Inappropriate use of student e-mail
- Electronic communications whose meaning, transmission or distribution is illegal, unethical, fraudulent, defamatory, harassing or irresponsible are prohibited. Electronic communications should not contain anything that could not be posted on a bulletin board, seen by unintended viewers or appear in a College publication. Material that may be considered inappropriate, offensive or disrespectful to others should not be sent or received as electronic communications using College facilities.

Actions considered violations of this e-mail policy are as follows:

- Sending unauthorized bulk e-mail messages ("junk mail" or "spam").
- Using e-mail for harassment, whether through language, frequency, content, or size of messages.
- Forwarding or otherwise propagating chain letters and pyramid schemes, whether or not the recipient wishes to receive such mailings.
- Malicious e-mail, such as "mail-bombing," or flooding a user site with very large or numerous pieces of email.
- Forging of sender information other than <u>accountname@hccc.edu</u> or other preapproved header address.
- Sending e-mail for commercial purposes or personal financial gain.

D. Procedures

The Office of the Information Technology Services will review this policy as needed. Students with questions or comments about this policy should contact this office. The College has the right to remove access to accounts found in violation of this policy.

STUDENT GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

Under present student grievance procedures, students are free to take their concerns to a variety of College and/or student groups to be heard, but certain steps should be followed:

- **A.** Complaints related to the academic experience e.g., instructor methods, grades, class requirements, etc., (refer students to catalog for grade appeal procedure):
 - 1. Faculty Member
 - 2. Division Associate Dean
 - 3. Dean of Instruction
 - 4. Executive Vice President and Provost
 - 5. President
- **B.** Complaints related to College employees (faculty/staff) regarding sexual, racial, religious and homophobic harassment:
 - 1. Title IX Coordinator(s)
 - 2. President
- **C.** Administrative decisions related to payment (e.g., refunds, outstanding obligations, fees, deferred payments, etc.)
 - 1. Controller
 - 2. Vice President for Business and Finance/CFO
 - 3. President
- **D.** Complaints related to support services for students with disabilities:
 - 1. Coordinator of Accessibility Support Services
 - 2. Associate Dean of Student Success
 - 3. Associate Dean of Student Affairs
 - 4. Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment
 - 5. President
- **E.** Security issues (e.g., property damage, thefts, etc.)
 - 1. Executive Director of Security & Security
 - 2. Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment
 - 3. President

The Student Government Association often serves as an appropriate vehicle for airing student complaints in the first instance, particularly if such complaints affect a significant portion of the student population. The listing above indicates examples of student grievance procedures. Students are invited to look upon the Student Services Office as a resource for any concern they may have about their enrollment at HCCC. None of the above procedures, or any regulations cited in the Student Handbook, impedes (precludes) students' right to seek recourse through the public or civil courts. Students enjoy the same freedom of speech, peaceful assembly, and the right to petition that any other citizens enjoy, and as members of the College community, they also are subject to the same duties society places on others.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Students may apply for an official leave of absence for up to one academic year. Students granted such a leave may return to HCCC before or at the end of the requested leave period without re-applying for admission. Such students will receive all pre-registration materials and other College information during the period of the official absence. To receive a leave of absence, students must:

- Be in good academic standing;
- Obtain from their advisor and division chair, permission and signatures on completed Leave of Absence Request Form;
- File the completed form at the Enrollment Services Center

COLLEGE WIDE IDENTIFICATION CARDS

Students are required to carry an official HCCC CWID card (Campus Wide Identification) at all times while on campus. Presentation of a CWID card may be necessary for fulfillment of certain student services (shuttle service, trips and events, library, computer labs, etc.), and is required upon entering all College's facilities. Students may obtain a new or replacement (fees applies) CWID card at the Safety & Security Department, Journal Square Campus (201) 360-4080, or at the North Hudson Campus in Union City 4800 Kennedy Boulevard, (201) 360-4777.

*** Documents needed to obtain a CWID card are a state issued ID and current valid class schedule. Mobile schedules must be real-time access to canvas. Still phots will not be accepted. ***

ADVERTISING AND NOTICES

ALL Posters and Notices not created by the HCCC Department of Communication and placed on non-departmental Bulletin Boards must be brought to the Office of Student Life & Leadership for approval. Once approved, the flyer or poster may be placed only in designated areas. Posting in spaces other than those designated (bulletin boards) is prohibited. No posters are allowed on doors, windows, walls, bathrooms, etc. No notices regarding sale of personal items or services will be approved. This means no book sales, baby-sitting services, or any other outside for-profit organization will be approved for posting.

PETITIONS

Before a petition can be circulated, one copy must be filed with the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment. Each copy must bear the name of the student or student organization sponsoring the petition and the topic of the petition.

SOLICITATION

In order to minimize personal inconvenience and interference with College activities, no persons shall sell, solicit, or promote anything, including subscription, pledges, memberships, or other types of support for any drives, campaigns, causes, or organizations anywhere on College property. Distribution or circulation of leaflets, pamphlets, circulars, cards or other

literature is not permitted during working hours or in work areas, unless specifically authorized by the President or the President's designated representative.

STUDENT CORRESPONDENCE

Individual students may not write to anyone in the name of Hudson County Community College unless it is done in an official manner by a student organization or approval from an official office of the College.

STUDENT DEMONSTRATIONS

The philosophy of Hudson County Community College is to encourage freedom in expression of ideas presented in scholarly and law-abiding manner. The intention to hold a demonstration and the names of all its participants must be filed in the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment office at least 48 hours in advance of the event. The statement of intention must include: date, time, location, and purpose, approximate number expected to participate, and type of activity involved (e.g., picketing, distributing leaflets, etc.) and the names of three persons responsible for maintaining reasonable order. All demonstrations must observe the following guidelines:

- All demonstrations must be peaceful and orderly;
- Demonstrations may not impede the freedom of the College Community to conduct its affairs.

All demonstrations are subject to reasonable Time, Place and Manner restrictions imposed by the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment. Violation of the demonstration policy is subject to disciplinary action.

STUDENT LOUNGES

Rules and regulations regarding student conduct in the student lounges can be found below and posted in the various student lounges. Please refer to this conduct code if you have any questions. Anyone found to be in violation of these policies may be subject to disciplinary action. If you have any questions, regarding these policies may call the Associate Dean of Student Affairs (201) 360-4062.

GUIDELINES FOR STUDENT LOUNGE CONDUCT

Hudson County Community College has established itself as an institution of higher learning that welcomes and embraces people from all ethnic, social, religious, and economic backgrounds. The diversity of our College community fosters opportunities for sharing of different ideas and opinions, and not only promotes tolerance, but respect and understanding for others who may be different.

The proper function of these areas is based on the premise that no one activity interferes with another. Thus, as long as your activities do not interfere or impede the activities of others, you are entitled to enjoy yourself.

Student conduct that shows evidence of good intentions, mature consideration for all reasonable and foreseeable consequences, and respect for the rights of others should not

conflict with the standards of the College. It is our expectation that HCCC students will abide by the Guidelines of Student Conduct and function as responsible citizens.

- Loud and offensive language will not be tolerated.
- Loud music or video games will not be tolerated.
- Any inappropriate physical contact will not be tolerated. Dispose of all refuse in the proper receptacle:

"Please Clean up after Yourself."

- Possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited.
- Possession and/or use of controlled dangerous substances is strictly prohibited.
- Engaging in any form of gambling is strictly prohibited.
- Respect all College property.

Students must comply with the reasonable request or direction of an HCCC College Official. Failure to comply can result in removal from facilities and exclusion from participation in any events held in any of the lounges.

All lounges close at 10PM unless otherwise noted.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS POLICIES

DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE ENVIRONMENT

The College is committed to promoting the wellness and positive self- development of its students. The unauthorized use or abuse of alcohol and the illegal use and abuse of drugs impedes students from gaining the full benefit of their learning experience and exposes them to serious illness and health risks. Unauthorized or illegal use and abuse of drugs or alcohol is prohibited at the College. The College declares that it will make every effort to provide its students with an environment that is free of unauthorized use and abuse of alcohol and illegal drugs. Violations of this policy may lead to serious disciplinary action.

ALCOHOL

HCCC is an educational institution committed to maintaining an environment that allows students to fully benefit from their learning experience and to understand the negative consequences of the illicit use of alcohol and drugs on their lives. In accordance with the policy approved by the Board of Trustees of HCCC, and in accordance with Public Law 101-226, the College declares that it will make every effort to provide its students with an environment that is free of the problems associated with the unauthorized use and abuse of alcohol and illegal drugs.

The College is committed to promoting the health and positive self- development of its students. The unauthorized use or the abuse of alcohol and drugs inhibit students from attaining the full measure of their learning experience, expose them to serious illnesses and health risks and, therefore, are prohibited. The College wishes to comply with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, 41 USC-701 et seq., and other relevant substance-abuse laws.

HEALTH RISKS OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE

We live in a drug-oriented society. Drugs have saved lives, greatly reduced human suffering and improved the quality of life. Sometimes drugs are misused or abused. Psychoactive drugs act on the central nervous system. They may increase activity (stimulants), decrease activity (depressants), or cause hallucinations (hallucinogens).

Every drug has multiple effects that depend on the properties of the drug and the dosage taken. When two or more drugs are taken together or in sequence, their effects may be stronger than their additive sum.

The effects of drug use are highly individualized. Drug use or abuse can affect a person's physical, emotional and social health. It can cause accidents, illnesses, drug dependence, overdose and even death. It can cause legal problems, economic problems, school or work problems, and relationship problems. Drug use and abuse can cause serious harm.

Listed below are some common health effects of alcohol and/or drug use and abuse:

Alcohol

- * Accidents
- * Blackouts
- * Cirrhosis of the liver
- Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (birth defect)
- * Gastritis
- Heart disease
- * Mouth, throat and liver cancer

Marijuana

- * Confusion and distortion of time perception
- * Damaged lung tissue
- * Decrease in male sexual capacity
- * Increased heart rate
- * Loss of motivation
- * Short-term memory loss
- * Tolerance and psychological dependence

Amphetamines

- * Acute psychosis
- * Death
- * Elevated blood pressure
- * Insomnia
- * Malnutrition
- * Nervousness/panic attacks

ALCOHOL AND DRUG RESOURCES AND SERVICES

The Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment staff are available to assist HCCC students with educational information, and referral services for alcohol and drug abuse. Counselors are available to provide students with help in understanding and identifying factors that may point to abuse of alcohol or drugs by themselves, family or friends. Counseling is offered to students who need to take the first step in acknowledging a problem. Counselors provide referrals to treatment programs and support to students as they contact outside agencies.

STANDARDS OF CONDUCT

HCCC's rules and regulations specifically prohibit:

- The consumption, possession, or sale of alcoholic beverages on campus.
- The illegal possession, sale, use or exchange of any drug, narcotic, hallucinogen or similar chemical agent.

Local, state and federal laws that apply to underage consumption and use of drugs and alcohol (including motor vehicle violations) will be fully enforced at HCCC. Examples of maximum penalties for specific offenses are: **Driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs** - (jurisdiction: State of New Jersey) - the third offense can result in the loss of driver's license for ten years, a \$1,000 fine, and 180 days in jail. **Heroin/cocaine distribution** - (jurisdiction: State of New Jersey) - 1/2 ounce to one ounce can result in a fine of up to \$100,000 and five to ten years in prison.

SMOKING POLICY

Smoking, including cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, and use of electronic cigarettes, is prohibited at all times on the College campus, including in all of its buildings, laboratories, classrooms, private offices, balconies, vestibules, loading docks, and or any other campus property as well as within close proximity to or causing obstruction of any building entrance, covered walkway or ventilation system.

Signs will be posted at each building's entrance and displayed in prominent, visible areas to inform all individuals entering or occupying HCCC property that smoking is prohibited.

Compliance with this policy is the shared responsibility of all Hudson County Community College staff, students, and faculty. The success of this policy will depend on the courtesy, respect, and cooperation of all members of the campus community.

CHILDREN ON CAMPUS POLICY

Hudson County Community College has an obligation to its students, faculty, staff, and visitors to conduct its operations and maintain its facilities in a manner consistent with its mission as an institution of higher education. For this reason, young children should not be brought to the campus, and may not attend classes with their parent or guardian. There may be occasions when brief visits by children of students may be appropriate.

Children, along with their parent or guardian, may visit college offices and facilities, other than classrooms, for limited periods of time when their parent or guardian is conducting routine business at the college. Regular repeated visits by children are not permitted. In no case are children permitted in classrooms, labs, construction/repair sites, or other areas where potential hazards exist. Children brought on campus must be directly supervised at all times by their parent or guardian.

DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT

70 Sip Avenue – 1st Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306 Phone: (201) 360–4160 FAX: (201) 653–9479

Hours: 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Monday-Friday

Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment: Lisa Dougherty

E-mail: studentaffairs@hccc.edu

4800 Kennedy Blvd. – 1st Floor

Union City, NJ 07087 Phone: (201) 360–4020 FAX: (201) 222–8352

Hours: 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Monday-Friday

70 Sip Avenue – 3rd Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306 Phone: (201) 360–4602 FAX: (201) 653–9479

Hours: 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Monday-Friday

Associate Dean: *Dr. David Clark* E-mail: studentservices@hccc.edu

The Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment works to foster the integration of student learning and personal development through the advancement of the quality of campus life and by providing programs and services that assist the students in attaining their personal and educational objectives. The Division is made up of the departments involved in campus life, student and enrollment services and is responsible for maintaining the standards of Hudson County Community College for student behavior.

Students are encouraged to stop by the office and discuss any issue that affects the quality of student life at the College, or any matter that is of general concern to the College community. More information on the Division of Student Affairs and Enrollment can be found on the College website.

ENROLLMENT SERVICES

70 Sip Avenue, 1st Floor Phone: (201) 714-7200 FAX: (201) 714-2136

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday; 9:00 am -5:00pm Friday

Associate Dean: Matthew Fessler E-mail: enrollment@hccc.edu

The Enrollment Services Center houses Admissions and the Registrar and provides services related to enrollment (registration, changes to schedule, verification of enrollment), student

records (grades, transcripts, change of address, change of major/minor, course substitutions). Enrollment Services is also the location to apply for graduation. Please call (201) 714-7200 for more information about our services.

ADMISSIONS OFFICE

70 Sip Avenue, 1st Floor Phone: (201) 714-7200 Fax: (201) 714-2136

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday;

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday E-mail: <u>admissions@hccc.edu</u>

The Office of Admissions represents the College and promotes the institution within the community while actively recruiting new students and assisting students in the first phase of enrollment. The Office of Admissions also provides an opportunity for prospective students to tour the campus and to speak with Admissions Representatives. If you are interested in learning more about the programs HCCC offers and admissions information, please e-mail admissions@hccc.edu.

TRANSFER STUDENTS

Students transferring to HCCC after gaining credits elsewhere are required to submit official transcripts of credits from their other colleges or post-secondary schools. Transcripts must be official and students wishing to have previous credits evaluated toward HCCC degrees are responsible for having transcripts sent to the Office of Enrollment Services. Details on the College's transfer of credit policy can be found on the College's website at: www.hccc.edu/transfer.

VETERANS' INFORMATION

All Veterans' Affairs issues should be referred to the HCCC Veterans Certification Official in the Office of Enrollment Services. The Certification Official assists students who are veterans (or family members of veterans) in the areas of benefits, enrollment certification, and record maintenance. Veteran Affairs is located at 70 Sip Avenue, 1st Floor, and can be reached at (201) 360-4135 or veterans@hccc.edu.

Details on Veterans' Services can be found on the College's website at: www.hccc.edu/veterans

REGISTRAR

70 Sip Avenue, 1st Floor Phone: (201) 360-4121 FAX: (201) 714-2136

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday;

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday Registrar: *Victoria Orellana* E-mail: registrar@hccc.edu

The Registrar's Office is located within Enrollment Services. The Registrar's Office is the custodian of student academic records and is responsible for the integrity of these records. The Registrar's Office maintains grades, processes grade changes, schedules space and time for classes. Upon completion of all degree requirements, this office issues the appropriate diploma representing the degree earned. The Registrar is responsible for dissemination of transcripts and certificates to local, state and federal agencies as well as to employers and others who are entitled to receive this information.

For more information, go to www.hccc.edu/registrar

E-mail: registrar@hccc.edu

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SERVICES

The enrollment of international students at HCCC has been approved by the United States Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Department of Justice. The issuance of I-20 forms is handled through the Office of Enrollment Services (70 Sip Ave, 1st Floor). Please contact International Student Services for more information and the deadlines for submission of international student application, (201) 360-4136. International students who require an *I-20 student visa must also complete an International Student Application, which is available as a separate packet*.

For more information go to www.hccc.edu/international

E-mail: internationalstudent@hccc.edu

TESTING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER

71 Sip Ave., Lower Level Phone: (201) 360-4191/4192

Fall & Spring Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Summer Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Assistant Dean: *Darlery Franco* E-mail: testing@hccc.edu

The Testing & Assessment Center provides various testing services to HCCC students:

College Placement Test (CPT)

Newly admitted students may be required to take a College Placement Test (CPT) prior to course registration. Accuplacer is the official assessment tool used at HCCC to determine college-readiness in English and Math. Students are encouraged to visit the Testing & Assessment website to review daytime/evening schedules, study resources and CPT exemption criteria.

CLEP

As part of HCCC's transfer policy, the College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) gives students the opportunity to receive college credit for what they already know by earning qualifying scores on any of 33 examinations. Students can earn credit for knowledge acquired through independent study, prior course work, on-the-job training, professional development, cultural pursuits or internships.

NLN PAX

The NLN PAX is a standardized entrance exam for students who are applying to HCCC's Nursing RN or PN programs. Students are tested in three main areas: Verbal skills, Math, Word problems/Applied mathematics, and Science.

ATI TEAS

The ATI TEAS is a standardized entrance exam for students who are applying to HCCC's Radiography, EMT, or Paramedic Science programs. Students are tested in four main areas: Reading, Math, Science and English/language usage.

All students must adhere to HCCC's <u>Academic Integrity Policy</u> when taking any exam or assessment at the Testing Center. For more information on all testing services, visit

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

70 Sip Avenue, 2nd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4200 FAX: (201) 420-4863

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday;

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday Associate Dean: *Sylvia Mendoza* E-mail: <u>financial_aid@hccc.edu</u>

4800 Kennedy Boulevard, 1st Floor

Phone: (201) 360-4214 FAX: (201) 360-4645

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday;

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday E-mail: <u>financial aid@hccc.edu</u>

The primary purpose of the College's Financial Aid Office is to provide assistance to those students who, without such aid, would be unable to attend HCCC. Many options exist to help students pay for their college education. Federal and state programs are administered

through the office. If you have any questions regarding financial aid, please call (201) 360-4200 and a staff member will be happy to assist you. As new federal and state financial aid regulations are established, the College will make the information available through an addendum to the College Catalog.

Scholarships

HCCC offers a host of merit-based and needs-based scholarships. Some of the scholarships include HCCC Foundation scholarships and Hudson County Government scholarships. For a full listing of available scholarships, visit www.hccc.edu/scholarships. For more information on HCCC Foundation scholarships, contact the Development Office at (201) 360-4006 and for additional information on other scholarship opportunities, students should contact (201) 360-4022 or email scholarships@hccc.edu.

HUDSON HELPS AT HCCC

Office of Student Services 70 Sip Avenue, 3rd Floor Jersey City, NJ 07306 Phone: (201) 360-4602

Fax: (201) 360-7180

E-mail: hudsonhelps@hccc.edu

"Alone, we can do so little; Together, we can do so much" – Helen Keller.

The mission of Hudson Helps is to provide thoughtful, caring, and comprehensive information on access to services, programs, and resources that will assist in addressing basic needs beyond the classroom, ultimately resulting in greater student success.

Hudson Helps seeks to provide a thorough list of services, programs, and resources that address many basic needs of our HCCC community members beyond the classroom.

ADDRESSING FOOD INSECURITY AT HCCC

HCCC Food Pantries

The United States Government Accountability Offices (GAO) recently conducted research and found that increasing evidence indicates that some college students are experiencing food insecurity, which could significantly affect their academic success in a negative way.

Hudson County Community College established food pantries on both campuses to address hunger and food insecurity that may exist among the campus population. We welcome the opportunity to work with volunteers throughout the year. Volunteers will receive and distribute donations, sort food items, check for expiration dates, discard expired items, and keep the pantry area clean and organized.

The HCCC Food Pantries are located in the lower level at 2 Enos Place (Journal Square Campus, Room J002, (201) 360-4109) and 4800 Kennedy Blvd, Room N513A (North

Hudson Campus, (201) 360-4709). Please check the website at https://myhudson.hccc.edu/hudson-helps for hours of operation and other useful food pantry information.

NEW JERSEY SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) BENEFITS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

What is NJ SNAP?

Sometimes people feel they should not need help putting food on the table, but sometimes making ends meet is a struggle. If you are not sure how or if you can pay for your next meal or next week's groceries, NJ SNAP may be able to help.

NJ SNAP, formerly Food Stamps, is New Jersey's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program that can help low-income families buy the groceries they need to eat healthy.

Do I qualify for NJ SNAP?

Are you a student, age 18 to 49 enrolled at least half-time in a college, university, community college, or business, technical, trade, or vocational school that requires a high school diploma?

If so, you may be eligible for food assistance through New Jersey's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). SNAP is a federal program that can help individuals and families with low-incomes buy the groceries they need to eat healthy. Eligibility depends on several factors like income, household size, resources, etc.

In addition to income eligibility factors, students also must fit other requirements. For additional information on NJ SNAP and detailed requirements, please visit www.NIHELPS.org.

Transportation Discounts

Full-Time HCCC Students: Enjoy A 25% Discount on NJ Transit Monthly Passes. The partnership between Hudson County Community College and NJ TRANSIT that gives students more transportation options and opportunities has begun! Full-Time Hudson County Community College students are eligible to receive a rail, bus, or light rail monthly pass at 25% off of the regular monthly pass price, when they enroll online through NJ TRANSIT's Quik-Tik program. For more information, please visit: https://myhudson.hccc.edu/student-activities/njtransit/Pages/default.aspx

Community Service and Service Learning

Community Service and Service Learning opportunities at HCCC seek to develop the whole person in preparation for a lifetime of learning, leadership, civic responsibility, and service to others in a diverse and global society. Service learning provides an opportunity for students to contribute their time and energy to community tasks while also reflecting on that experience in the context of academic work and intentional learning goals. The Office of Student Life and Leadership offers various projects throughout the year for community

service and volunteer work. Visit <u>www.hccc.edu/tickets</u> to sign up for Community Service and Service Learning opportunities!

COMPREHENSIVE COUNTY AND STATE RESOURCES

Hudson County and State Resource Guides

The College has collected and produced a repository of specific services outside of academic assistance that we currently provide. We have collected various resource guides throughout Hudson County and the state of New Jersey that provide a list of mental health, homelessness, childcare, alcoholism and drug treatment as well as other health related resources.

Please check the website at https://myhudson.hccc.edu/hudson-helps for a detailed list of resources.

- Hudson County Alliance to End Homelessness
- Hudson County Resource Guide for Homeless Veterans
- Hudson County Resources to Prevent and End Homelessness
- Hudson County Childcare Resources
- Hudson County Community Agencies Resource Guide
- State of New Jersey Department of Human Services
- NJHelps.org
- Immigration Information

Emergency Assistance

Unexpected emergencies may arise in the midst of educational endeavors. Hudson County Community College is committed to assisting in alleviating any unnecessary burdens that could potentially disrupt a student's academic and student success. For additional information on possible alternatives to assist in the event of an emergency, please email us at hudsonhelps@hccc.edu or dial 201-360-4602.

CENTER FOR ACADEMIC & STUDENT SUCCESS (CASS)

70 Sip Avenue, 2nd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4150 FAX: (201) 714-2106

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday;

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday Associate Dean: *Dr. Sheila Dynan* E-mail: advising@live.hccc.edu

The rigors of college life often pose considerable challenges for students attending college. There are many formidable challenges facing students as they pursue a college education. Financial burdens, family obligations, student and faculty relationships, occasional self-doubt and insecurity represent additional factors that students must resolve. For many students,

becoming familiar with a new language and culture, or dealing with issues of developmental, physiological, or physical disabilities, add to the difficulty of adjusting to college life.

The Center for Academic & Student Success (CASS) enhances and supports the mission of HCCC. It provides the student with access to an integrated, seamless, and holistic system of support services. These services include Academic Advising; Support Services for Students with Disabilities, and Career Development, which help the student navigate academic challenges to realize educational goals. We endeavor to guide students to personal growth and teach academic strategies for lifelong learning in a changing society. Ultimately, through the use of CASS services, students receive valuable tools to achieve success in the classroom and beyond.

ADVISEMENT & COUNSELING

70 Sip Avenue, 2nd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4150/4152

Fax: (201) 714-7265

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday;

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Friday

In support of the College's mission, the Advisement and Academic and Transfer Services provides guidance and support to HCCC students by assisting them with identifying and achieving their educational, career and personal goals. Services include academic advising, major selection, course planning and registration, goal setting, and transfer planning.

Academic Counselors and advisors provide accurate and up to date information about academic programs and college policies. While course registration is a priority for all in the weeks leading to the start of each semester, students are strongly encouraged to meet with staff throughout the academic year to create and update individualized plans to outline their continued path to graduation. Students may walk-in or make appointments. Appointments may also be made for electronic meetings. Group registrations are also available, especially during Peak Registration times.

The Office of Counseling and Wellness offers short-term personal counseling by appointment. Students may make appointments through multiple methods: calling directly, using the portal page or using the advising@hccc.edu link. The link will be answered daily. Referrals for additional support or supplemental services in the wider community will be recommended based on student's needs.

ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

70 Sip Avenue, 2nd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4157 Fax: (201) 714-7265

Hours: 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Monday -Friday

Please contact us for North Hudson and evening hours.

Coordinator: *Karine Davis* E-mail: as@hccc.edu

In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the American Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990, Hudson County Community College is committed to providing the necessary accommodations to afford students with disabilities/accessibility needs, the opportunity to achieve their educational goals.

Students with disabilities/accessibility needs must identify themselves to the College by submitting documentation to the Counselor/Coordinator, Accessibility Services (AS). Documentation provided by students is confidential. Only information regarding specific recommendations is released to faculty and only with student permission. All documentation provided by the student will be reviewed to determine the appropriate accommodations to provide the optimum learning environment. For a listing of available types of assistance, please refer to the ACCESS Handbook located on the AS student portal page and the College Catalog.

CAREER SERVICES

Journal Square Campus

70 Sip Avenue, 3rd Floor Phone: 201 360–4184

North Hudson Campus

4800 Kennedy Boulevard - Room 204 A

Phone: 201 360-4138

Fall & Spring Hours*: Monday through Friday 9AM – 5PM Summer Hours: Monday through Thursday 9AM – 5PM

*Evening and weekend sessions by appointment only – in person and virtual

Director: Victoria Marino Email: career@hccc.edu

Whether you realize it or not – enrolling in college means you are on your career journey. Hudson County Community College serves a diverse group of unique individuals in different stages of their career: from career exploration to career readiness to career management. Career Services is passionate about supporting all students and alumni in being competitive candidates in the Hudson County workforce. If you are unsure about what you want to study, we will help you explore your passions, skills and interests to identify a major. If you want a job, we will teach you how to create a resume and cover letter, apply to jobs and successfully interview with employers. If you have never worked before and want experience,

we will help you access internship, volunteer and entry level opportunities to enhance your employability. If you have experience but want to advance your career, we will help you negotiate pay, enhance your leadership skills and research companies that align with your values and skills. In a world where people get jobs because it's "who you know" – Career Services is a part of your network, which increases your professional relationships. Visit us at https://myhudson.hccc.edu/career-services

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FUND PROGRAM (EOF)

2 Enos Place - Room J008 Phone: (201) 360-4180 Fax: (201) 714-7118

Hours: 9:00 am-6:00 pm, Monday-Thursday;

9:00 am - 5:00pm Friday

Director: Jose Lowe E-mail: eof@hccc.edu

For over 50 years, the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program has provided access to higher education for NJ students from educationally and economically disadvantaged backgrounds. EOF provides support services to assist students in developing the skills needed to successfully navigate and master the transition into college. EOF students are assigned a personal advisor who will assist them in reaching their academic, career, and personal goals from enrollment through graduation. Support services are inclusive of academic advisement, transfer and career advisement, tutorial services, supplemental instruction, mentoring, and enrichment workshops. During the summer, EOF offers first time full time college freshmen an intensive summer program that aides to exit developmental courses and enter in degree earning classes in the fall semester.

While EOF is NOT a financial aid entitlement, eligible EOF students also receive an additional financial aid grant ranging from \$100-\$575 per semester. In order to be eligible for consideration, a HCCC student must be enrolled full-time (minimum of 12 credits), be a resident of New Jersey for at least one year prior to enrollment, meet the state's income eligibility criteria (as defined by the NJ Office of the Secretary of Higher Education). Interested students must complete an EOF application and interview as part of the selection process.

OFFICE OF STUDENT LIFE & LEADERSHIP

70 Sip Avenue, 3^{rd.} Floor Phone: (201) 360-4195 FAX: (201) 714-7180

Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Assistant Dean: Veronica Gerosimo E-mail: studentlife@hccc.edu

Student Life & Leadership (SLL) seeks to educate and engage the whole student through cocurricular activities that complement and enhance the academic experience. SLL offers over 250 exciting events each year, allowing students to interact, unwind, and take advantage of the NYC/metropolitan area, offering trips and discounted tickets to cultural and sporting events and Broadway shows. Tickets for events can be found at www.hccc.edu/tickets, with descriptions and policies located within each event.

The office also oversees all clubs and organizations, provides leadership development and community services opportunities, and operates the Student Lounges. Get *Involved* by logging onto <u>involved.hccc.edu</u>, HCCC's Student Engagement Platform, where you can join clubs, find events, and track your involvement. Additional ways to stay informed about upcoming events and opportunities by checking out the Student Life Weekly e-newsletter, which is sent to student e-mail, campus bulletin boards, or the Student Life Guide found at various locations around the College.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

A number of opportunities are available for students to become involved in organizing and leading activities at the College. One of the most popular ways is through the many student clubs. These clubs are supported fiscally by the Student Activity Fee, and since every student pays this fee, every student should take advantage of the opportunity to become involved. Organized student clubs represent the various interests of the student body including cultural, academic, vocational, and artistic interests. Clubs are organized and run by students and supported by at least one faculty or staff advisor who provides guidance to students in developing ideas and planning activities for the club. Students are strongly encouraged to participate in clubs and organizations to further their development as responsible members and leaders of the College community. New clubs can be formed as new interests are identified.

For a complete list of current clubs and organizations, visit involved.hccc.edu/organizations.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Student Government Association Office

Phone: (201) 360-4196 E-mail: <u>sga@hccc.edu</u>

One of the most significant aspects of student life at the College is the Student Government Association (SGA). The Student Government Association is the voice and governing body for Hudson County Community College students. The SGA Executive Committee consists of an Executive Board and Senators. The SGA also oversees the Inter-Club Council, where a representative from each student club and organization comes together to discuss programs, collaborations, and other campus topics. All enrolled students are members of the SGA. The SGA, through the Executive Board, is responsible for advocating student issues and serving as a communication link between the student body and the College Administration.

STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

The Orator, Student Newspaper

The student newspaper is the forum in which students express their individual talents in journalism, photography, and art. *The Orator's* strength comes from the student body; therefore, HCCC strongly encourages all students with an interest in journalism to become members of *The Orator* staff.

Crossroads, Literary Magazine

An outlet for any student who wishes to have their artistic expression, either through the written word, or through the art of painting/drawing, published and referenced by the entire HCCC community.

Clubs and Organization Procedures Manual

This manual outlines Hudson County's administrative policy and procedure in student programming and club recognition process. It is prepared by the Office of Student Activities with the hope that student organizations or officers will find such a compilation an aid to their work. All clubs and organizations are issued a copy at the beginning of the academic semester and can be found on the MyHudson Portal.

DIVISION OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Executive Vice President & Provost: Dr. Eric Friedman

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Dean of Instruction: (Interim) Elizabeth Nesius

71 Sip Avenue – L606 Phone: (201) 360-5399 E-mail: enesius@hccc.edu

Dean of Continuing Education and Workforce Development: Lori Margolin

161 Newkirk Street - Room 504

Phone: (201) 360-4242 E-mail: lmargolin@hccc.edu

The Office of Academic Affairs oversees the planning, development, organization, administration and operation of not-for-credit and for- credit, academic, career-oriented and transfer programs, courses, activities and personnel.

The programs are organized under seven academic divisions:

- Business, Culinary Arts & Hospitality Management;
- Division of Academic Development & Support Services
- Nursing and Health Sciences
- Humanities and Social Sciences
- English and ESL
- Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM)
- Continuing Education and Workforce Department

Each academic division offers various programs that lead to Associate of Arts, Associate of Fine Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Applied Science degrees or a Certificate. The academic divisions and the programs they offer are listed below:

BUSINESS, CULINARY ARTS, AND HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

161 Newkirk Street Phone: (201) 360-4639 FAX: (201) 795-7641 Associate Dean: *Paul Dillon* E-mail: pdillon@hccc.edu

The BCH Division offers A.A.S., A.A. & A.S. degree programs and certificates designed to prepare students for immediate employment and/or transfer opportunities to four-year institutions in Culinary Arts, Business Administration, Accounting, Management and Hospitality Management. There are three specialized degree options in Hospitality Management, Entrepreneurship, Hotel Restaurant Management and Travel and Tourism. There is also an A.A.S degree option in Culinary Arts specializing in Baking and Pastry Arts. The Division offers specialized proficiency certificates in Culinary Arts and one year certificates in both Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management. The Culinary Arts Institute maintains Exemplary Accreditation by the American Culinary Federation Educational Foundation.

NURSING AND HEALTH SCIENCES DIVISION

870 Bergen Avenue, 3rd Floor

Phone: (201) 360-4338 FAX: (201) 420-7674

Associate Dean: Catherine Sirangelo-Elbadawy

E-mail: <u>healthprograms@hccc.edu</u>

The Nursing and Health Sciences Division offers A.S. degree programs designed to prepare students to transfer to four-year institutions, and A.A.S. and certificate programs designed to prepare students for careers immediately upon graduation or to develop technical skills in specialized areas geared towards the health sciences. The faculty members have diverse academic and professional backgrounds including years of practical experience in medical and health related fields.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) DIVISION

263 Academy Street – Room S204A

Phone: (201) 360-4265 FAX: (201) 714-4308

Associate Dean: *Dr. Burl Yearwood* E-mail: byearwood@hccc.edu

The STEM Division offers A.S. degree programs designed to prepare students to transfer to four-year institutions, and A.A.S. and certificate programs designed to prepare students for entry-level careers upon graduation or to develop technical skills in specialized areas. The

faculty members have diverse academic and professional backgrounds including years of practical/industry experience in science, mathematics and technology related fields.

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES DIVISION

71 Sip Avenue, L420 Phone: (201) 360-4750 FAX: (201) 714-4753

Associate Dean: *Philip Cafasso* E-mail: <u>pcafasso@hccc.edu</u>

The Humanities Division encompasses a number of disciplines including Fine Arts, Computer Arts, Liberal Arts, Humanities, Modern Languages, Speech and Theatre Arts. The division offers A.A. and A.F.A. degree programs transferable to four-year institutions, academic certificate and proficiency certificate programs in preparation for immediate employment upon graduation, and general education courses required for all degree programs.

The Social Sciences Division encompasses a number of disciplines including, Criminal Justice, Human Services, Psychology, Sociology, Elementary/Secondary Education, Early Childhood Education, and History. The division offers A.A. degree and A.S. programs designed to prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions and/or for entry-level careers. The division also offers Professional Development certificate programs in preparation for immediate employment upon graduation, and general education curses required for all degree programs.

ENGLISH AND ESL DIVISION

119 Newkirk Ave, 1st Floor Phone: (201) 360-4650 FAX: (201) 714-4308

Associate Dean: (Interim) Joe Caniglia

E-mail: jcaniglia@hccc.edu

The division encompasses the A.A. in Liberal Arts – English Option the college composition sequence, and the Academic Foundations - English program. The English Option is designed to prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions. The division also offers general education courses required for all degree programs.

The Academic Foundations–English program (AFE) offers classes in developmental English to assist students in learning the skills that will provide the foundation for their future college work success. Qualified instructors treat students with the respect they deserve as adults in college and create motivating classroom environments. Classes are designed to meet the particular academic needs of each student. HCCC employs a testing and placement system, and full range of Academic Foundations courses in English to five underprepared students the opportunity to develop academic skills.

The division is comprised of the English as a Second Language (ESL)/Bilingual Program, Academic Foundations Math, and the ADJ Academic Support Services Department.

English As A Second Language (ESL)/Bilingual Program

Jersey City Campus 119 Newkirk Ave

Phone: (201) 360-4362

English As A Second Language (ESL)/Bilingual Program

North Hudson Campus

4800 Kennedy Boulevard – 7th Floor (N703Q)

Phone: (201) 360-4362

English as a Second Language (ESL) students take courses in one of five levels of Writing and Grammar for Writing, and Reading and Academic Discussion to prepare for academic course work. Placement evaluations are made at the end of each semester, enabling students to continue the ESL studies in the skills areas and levels most appropriate for them. ESL students who attain sufficient mastery of English (as demonstrated by satisfactory completion of coursework and college placement examination scores) move directly into English language degree courses. While in ESL, students can take some content courses in English or in the bilingual mode taught in Spanish and in English.

INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Abegail Douglas-Johnson Academic Support/Tutoring Services

Associate Dean: Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay

Phone: (201) 360-4186

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ADJ ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

The ADJ Academic Support Services Department is comprised of four centers: The Tutorial Center, the Writing Center, the Academic Foundations Math Center, and the Academic Support Center. Each location provides free academic support designed to help students become autonomous and efficient learners. Tutors and students work collaboratively in one-on-one, small group, and workshop settings to reinforce course material, develop confidence, and foster independence. In addition to in-center tutoring, In-Class Tutoring provides students with an embedded tutor in and out of the classroom, who works collaboratively with the professor, and is dedicated to that one class. Academic workshops are also offered throughout the academic year to supplement what students are learning in their courses, and online tutoring is available through Smarthinking to all enrolled students. The department also includes the Transitional Program, which offers Enrichment Programs, Accelerated Programs, and the Bridge Program for new and continuing students.

Each center offers the option to either walk-in or create an appointment ahead of time using WCOnline (hccc.mywconline.com). WCOnline is accessible to students at their convenience on their phone, tablet, or personal computer. We also offer and encourage students to take

advantage of creating recurring weekly appointments to maintain consistent tutoring sessions. During the fall and spring semesters, all four centers on both campuses are open Monday through Friday, 10:00 am - 7:00 pm and Saturday, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm (Academic Foundations Math Center is closed on Saturdays).

Academic Support Center

4800 Kennedy Boulevard – Room N704

Phone: (201) 360-4779 E-mail: <u>nhtc@hccc.edu</u>

Head Tutor: Natalia Vazquez-Bodkin

Phone: (201) 360-4623

Email: nvazquez-bodkin@hccc.edu

The Academic Support Center (The former Tutorial Center and Writing Center) encompasses the STEM Lab and the Writing Lab.

Writing Center (WC)

2 Enos Place – J 204 Phone: (201) 360-4370 E-mail: wc@hccc.edu

WC Coordinator: Kenny Fabara

Phone: (201) 360-4377 E-mail: <u>kfabara@hccc.edu</u>

The Writing Center provides tutoring centered on the writing process at any given stage, including, but not limited to, brainstorming and outlining, effective research strategies, and proper formatting and citation.

Tutorial Center

71 Sip Avenue - Lower Level Phone: (201) 360-4187 Email: tc@hccc.edu

The Tutorial Center offers tutoring for English, Humanities, STEM, and Business courses.

Transitional Opportunity Program (T.O.P)

71 Sip Avenue - Lower Level of the Gabert Library Building

Phone: (201) 360-4036

Email: <u>transitionalprogram@hccc.edu</u>

The Transitional Opportunity Program provides faster college accessibility for new students who place into developmental courses and continuing students who have difficulty exiting the developmental or ESL sequences. It accomplishes this by offering no-cost, alternative

programs to improve placement test scores, bring students to college-ready level, and save financial aid dollars for college credit courses.

The Transitional Opportunity Program offers current students Enrichment Programs for all levels of ESL, Basic Reading/Basic Writing, Basic Mathematics, and Basic Algebra. The Summer Bridge Program and Accelerated Programs are offered to help high school and new students who place into Basic Reading/Basic Writing, Basic Mathematics, and Basic Algebra classes make the transition to college-level classes. At the end of the program, students are provided an opportunity to retake the level test, exit exams, or Accuplacer.

All of the aforementioned services are offered free to currently enrolled students. Students and faculty are encouraged to contact the department for information regarding services.

Academic Foundations Mathematics Center

263 Academy Street – S514 Phone: (201) 360-5356

Email: afmathcenter@hccc.edu

The AF Math Center is available on a walk-in basis only to all students taking Basic Math, Basic Algebra, and College Algebra. Review workshops for basic math and basic algebra are offered twice a week.

Online Tutoring (Smarthinking)

Smarthinking is an Online Tutoring service made available to students through the online portal learning management system (LMS) Canvas, at no extra cost, giving students direct access to support services.

Smarthinking offers the following features:

- Work with a Tutor or Career Coach: Connect with a live tutor on demand
- Submit my Writing or Career Documents: Send an essay or career document for review
- **Submit a Question:** Ask a question to be answered offline usually within 24 hours
- Review my Sessions and Submissions: Review previous online tutoring sessions
- **Study Aids:** access to 1,500 mathematics tutorials, math resources, an accounting study guide, a Writer's Handbook and more

In-Class Tutoring

Academic Coaches work with students individually and in groups during classes, providing them the unique opportunity to help and guide each student to develop an individualized academic plan.

The SI Leaders are assigned to Academic Foundations Math Accelerated Learning Program (ALP) classes. Based on the material that is covered in class and suggestions from the faculty, SI Leaders hold sessions to review the material so students can gain a deeper understanding of course content.

Academic Workshops

The ADJ Academic Support Services Department offers a variety of workshops aimed to provide academic supplemental instruction:

MyMathLab Graphing Workshop

This workshop is designed to focus on the proper use of the graphing tools on MyMathLab. Taught by a faculty member, students' walk through examples and are given additional practice problems to ensure understanding. It is available to Basic Algebra and College Algebra students.

Style Guide Power Trio Workshop

This workshop series focuses on MLA format, APA format, and addresses issues that surround plagiarism.

- MLA Workshop: From the Header to the Works Cited page, this workshop will guide you through the necessities of the Modern Language Association (MLA) format.
- APA Workshop: Learn the essentials of the American Psychological Association (APA) format from the Title page to the Reference list.
- Plagiarism Workshop: The workshop will highlight effective strategies and techniques to help students avoid plagiarism and incorporate proper style guide citations.

Honors Guide to Designing a Poster Presentation Workshop

These workshops are designed to assist students with the process of their end-of-semester poster presentations based on their research papers. This interactive workshop offers students assistance in choosing the most important aspects of their papers to include in their poster presentations. General guidelines for designing an effective poster presentation are reviewed.

Anonymous Honors Poster Presentation Critique Workshop

This workshop is offered to Honors students who desire feedback from their peers and administrative/faculty facilitator before submitting their poster presentations to be reviewed college-wide.

College Composition I Writing Workshops

This workshop offers a focused approach to an in-depth examination of specific parts of the writing process. The workshops offer support, practice, and reinforcement to coincide with what students are learning in their classes.

Typing Workshops

This workshop teaches the basics of touch typing. Students will learn to type quickly and accurately.

ESL Workshops (Level 0-4)

These workshops reinforce grammar and writing rules for students who are second language learners in levels 0-4.

Exit Exam Prep Workshops

Exit Exam Prep Workshops (intensive preparation) are designed to help students brush up on key concepts that are fundamental in the courses that require exit exams. These workshops focus on core knowledge areas essential for academic success within specific subjects.

HCCC HONORS PROGRAM

71 Sip Avenue – LL Jersey City, NJ

Phone: (201) 360-4041

Honors Lecturer/Coordinator: Jenny Bobea

E-mail: honors@hccc.edu

Each semester, Hudson County Community College offers a number of courses that carry an "Honors Only" designation. In order to register in one of these courses, students must meet specified academic criteria established to guarantee their ability to benefit from the rigor of Honors Program sections. In these courses, students should expect smaller class size, more one-to-one instructor contact, assignments of greater complexity and breadth and the opportunity to work alongside other students with similarly exceptional initiative and ability. Honors students are required to complete a capstone project for every Honors course, attend the Honors Showcase at the end of the semester, and participate in college-wide as well as Honors Program sponsored events.

Members of the College's Honors Program are provided with many unique opportunities. Some of the benefits include: the designation of Honors courses on students' transcripts, access to the private Honors Lounge, an opportunity to meet, work, and socialize with other Honors students, stimulating, smaller classes that provide challenging course work and exciting class discussions, and milestone recognitions upon completion of three and five Honors courses. Honors students also have leadership opportunities through participation in the Honors Newsletter and the Honors Student Council as well as numerous events sponsored by the Honors Program and partner 4-year universities.

To find out more, visit www.hccc.edu/honorsprogram

HONOR SOCIETIES

Chi Alpha Epsilon (XAE)

Chapter Advisor: *Jose Lowe* E-mail: <u>jlowe@hccc.edu</u>

Chi Alpha Epsilon (XAE) is the national honor society for opportunity program students. The HCCC XAE Delta Nu chapter was chartered in May 2009. XAE was formed to recognize the academic achievement of students admitted to colleges and universities through non-traditional criteria/opportunity programs, such as HCCC's Educational Opportunity Fund program. Dr. Elbert M. Saddler, Ph.D., founded Chi Alpha Epsilon in 1990 at West Chester University of Pennsylvania, and there are now over 110 chapters in the United States. A private initiation ceremony includes a certificate, cord, and ritual materials for each inductee. The public pinning portion of the XAE induction takes place immediately after the private ceremony. Eligible students must be full-time and hold a 3.0 cumulative GPA for two consecutive semesters.

Dean's List

Associate Dean: *Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay* E-mail: pbandyopadhyay@hccc.edu

Full-time degree students who have a G.P.A. of 3.5 or higher and no "F" grades in the current semester are eligible. Students with a grade of "T" on their records shall be evaluated after the period allowed for completion of course work. Part-time degree students earning 12 credits who meet requisite criteria during a calendar year are also eligible for the Dean's List.

National Society of Leadership Success (NSLS)

Chapter Advisor: Veronica Gerosimo E-mail: vgerosimo@hccc.edu

National Society of Leadership and Success (NSLS) is the nation's largest leadership honor society. NSLS aims to build leaders of tomorrow by helping people discover and achieve their goals. The Society offers life-changing lectures from the nation's leading presenters and a community where like-minded, success-oriented individuals come together and help one another succeed. The Society also serves as a powerful force of good in the greater community by encouraging and organizing action to better the world. HCCC's chapter of NSLS was founded in December 2013. Eligible students must have completed at least 12 semester hours of college credit, passed CSS-100, and have a minimum GPA of 2.5.

Phi Theta Kappa (PTK)

Chapter Advisor: Theodore Lai

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Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) is the internationally acclaimed honor society for students in community and junior colleges. The organization provides members with opportunities to develop character, leadership and service, to exchange ideas and ideals, and to stimulate interest in continuing to achieve academic excellence. There are scholarship opportunities

for members continuing at HCCC and for members preparing to transfer to four-year colleges. Approximately 800 four-year colleges have Phi Theta Kappa scholarships. Beta Alpha Phi, HCCC's Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, was established at Hudson County Community College in 1995. There are scholarship opportunities for members continuing at HCCC and for members preparing to transfer to four-year colleges. Approximately 800 four-year colleges have Phi Theta Kappa scholarships. Full and part-time students who have completed at least 12 semester hours of college credit at HCCC with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher are eligible for membership in Beta Alpha Phi, HCCC's chapter of Phi Theta Kappa.

Psi Beta

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Faculty Advisors: Salvador E. Cuellar

E-mail: scuellar@hccc.edu

Psi Beta is the National Honor Society in Psychology for Community and Junior Colleges. Membership offers many benefits. In addition to recognizing outstanding academic performance, Psi Beta provides opportunities for members to learn more about the field, to meet and interact with professionals working in various areas of psychology, acquire leadership skills, participate in community service, and to work with peers with similar interests. In order to qualify for Psi Beta membership, students must have a genuine interest in the study of psychology, have a GPA of at least 3.25, a B average or above in psychology courses, and have completed at least 12 semester hours of college credit.

SALUTE

Chapter Advisor: Willie Malone E-mail: wmalone@hccc.edu

SALUTE is the first national honor society established for recognizing high achieving student veterans and military in two-year and four-year institutions of higher education. Offering the unique opportunity of a four-tier system, the honor society encourages students to improve their GPA with the opportunity to move to higher tiers within the society during their academic careers, earning more opportunities for scholarship as they advance. Eligible veteran students much have earned at least 12 semester hours of college credits and at have least a 3.0 GPA.

Sigma Kappa Delta (SKD)

Chapter Advisor: *Alison Bach* E-mail: <u>abach@hccc.edu</u>

Sigma Kappa Delta (SKD) is the National English Honor Society for Two-Year Colleges recognizing outstanding academic achievement and promotes the study of English literature and language. Members organize and participate in literary events and fundraising activities and are eligible for scholarships and awards. To be eligible for membership, students must have completed at least 12 college credits with a GPA of 3.0 in general scholarship and at least one college-level course in English language and literature (excluding developmental courses) with no grade lower than "B" in all such courses.

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

161 Newkirk Street, Rm 504 Phone: (201) 360-4242 Dean: Lori Margolin

Email: <u>lmargolin@hccc.edu</u>

The division oversees the Center for Business & Industry, Continuing Education, and the academic/for-credit off-site programs in Bayonne, Kearny, Union City, and Harrison as well as the Culinary Conference Center.

ON-LINE COURSE OFFERINGS

Center for Online Learning Phone: (201) 360-4033

Executive Director: Archana Bhandari

Email: col@hccc.edu

Welcome To Online Learning

Hudson County Community College provides students with an alternative to traditional oncampus courses in the form of online and hybrid courses. You can complete a whole degree or choose to do any single course online.

In online courses, instruction takes place entirely on the internet and there is no face-to-face classroom instruction; in the college course listings, online sections are indicated as ONA, ONB or ONR. In hybrid courses, there is a combination of required face-to-face time (in a classroom or laboratory) and online instruction; hybrid sections are designated as HYA, HYB or HYR. The Center for Online Learning leads the online course development at HCCC

Why take Online Classes?

You can complete your educational goals conveniently. Online learning provides flexibility, and the ability to learn at your own pace within certain parameters.

7 Week, 12 Week or 15 Week Classes

You can accelerate your learning or take your time. Classes are available in different formats suitable for learning the subject.

24/7/365 Online Tutoring

We have online tutoring available. Having trouble with an assignment? Just schedule an appointment and work with someone 1-1.

Support Available 24 hours

We use Canvas as our platform for delivering our online courses. Canvas support is available online and by phone any time you get stuck technically. Chat, call (833-685-8350) or email support@instructure.com for immediate help!

Very Affordable

Our classes are very affordable. For fully online programs we offer in-state tuition, and are well below the average college costs per credit. Students who register for fully online degrees will pay in county tuition regardless of where they are located, but must not take any face-to-face courses at any point to qualify for this concession.

Mobile Friendly Platform

Want to work on the go? You can work on your online courses on your devices. You can download the Canvas mobile student app at:

iOS Android

Is Online Learning For You?

Online learners need to be organized, self-motivated and disciplined. You need access to and be comfortable using a computer. You need to be comfortable asking questions and reaching out for help when you need it. Students in HCCC online courses are well-supported for success, including around-the-clock technical assistance by phone or chat, and online tutorial services.

Technology Requirements

To have a good online course experience, you will need:

- Access to a decent computer or laptop
- High speed internet
- Webcam (usually built in to newer laptops, for some courses)
- A headset/mic (for some courses such as speech)

Fully Online Programs

Hudson Online now offers 4 fully online degrees. Whether you are a certified professional looking to advance or a potential 4-yr college student, you can fulfill your goals at a reasonable cost and conveniently online at HCCC.

Health Sciences A.A.S.

Are you already a certified/licensed healthcare professional? Looking for an opportunity to advance? Step up and earn an Associate degree in Health Sciences with HCCC Online.

History (Liberal Arts) A.A.

This program prepares students for transfer to four-year colleges or universities after completing two years of undergraduate coursework at HCCC. Graduating students may advance to majors in history or related subjects.

Criminal Justice A.S.

Get prepared for successful careers in a variety of positions in federal, state and local law enforcement agencies as police, corrections, court officers, security officers, or a number of administrative positions.

Business Administration A.S.

Graduates of this degree are also qualified for entry-level administrative and management positions. The program provides business knowledge and skills as the foundation for more specialized and/or advanced study.

For course descriptions go to: www.hccc.edu/adcatalog

If you have questions regarding online learning, contact us at the Center for Online Learning via email <u>col@hccc.edu</u> or phone 201-360-4038.

CULTURAL/COMMUNITY EVENTS

Office of Cultural Affairs

71 Sip Ave, 6th Floor Phone: (201) 360-4182 Director: *Michelle Vitale* Email: gallery@hccc.edu

The HCCC Department of Cultural Affairs (DOCA) celebrates diversity year-round with a variety of programs and exhibitions which are held at Dineen Hull Gallery. DOCA's mission is to provide supplementary programs to stimulate awareness of the arts and foster creativity. Our goal is to transcend the understanding of visual and performing arts by closing the distance between the experience of art and everyday life in the community we serve.

DOCA hosts several exhibitions in the College's nearly 3,000 square foot gallery and welcomes thousands of guests each semester. The biannual student art exhibition features graduating Computer Arts and Studio Arts majors, *Teacher as Artist* exhibits (displayed in both College Libraries) celebrate the creativity of Hudson County educators, and pop-up exhibitions held in the 6th floor atrium allow DOCA to partner with and highlight various HCCC academic departments. Featured exhibitions include *Out on Broadway: A Visual Legacy, Hip Hop Utopia, and Urban Crossroads*.

The gallery exhibitions expose students to local and international artists of various disciplines and provide educational programming that is relevant to the constituents of Hudson County. Through the DOCA Docent Program students learn the daily operations of running a gallery while shadowing our staff, they interact with artists and learn all aspects of running multidisciplinary programs and art exhibitions. Additional DOCA programs include Art Café, Collectors Club, Gallery Tours, and HCCC Spotlights. The department's past programs have included New Jersey Symphony Orchestra's presentation of classic Bollywood music, Indie Female Filmmakers Screenings presented by Tribeca Film Festival star Delaney Buffet, a variety of NJPAC satellite educational presentations, the Ladybugs jazz performance and broadcast with WBGO and community artist residencies with Thinking in Full Color and Jersey City Writers. All programs are FREE and open to the public.

COLLEGE LIBRARIES

Jersey City Campus

71 Sip Avenue, 1st and 2nd Floors

Phone: (201) 360-4360 Fax: (201) 963-0789 Dean: *Jennie Pu*

E-mail: <u>library@hccc.edu</u>

College Libraries www.hccclibrary.net

North Hudson Campus

4800 Kennedy Blvd., 3^{rd} Floor

Phone: (201) 360-4605

The Libraries on the Journal Square and North Hudson Campuses support the research and curricular needs of students and faculty. The Libraries' website, www.hccclibrary.net, is a guide to our resources and services. A current HCCC ID card is required to borrow library materials. Online resources can be accessed either on or off campus with proper id and password. Group study rooms are available for student use. Textbooks for most courses are on reserve and available to students in either library. Librarians are available to instruct classes and provide individualized research help. Computers, scanners, printers and charging stations are available for student use. A current HCCC ID card is required to borrow all library materials. The Library hosts many events and workshops in our Makerspace which is equipped with 3D printers, Virtual Reality headsets and arts materials. The Library at Journal Square is also home to the Liberty Café. Visit the Library at www.hccclibrary.net to learn more.

INFORMATION TEHCNOLOGY SERVICES

Information Technology Services

70 Sip Avenue, 3rd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4310 Fax: (201) 792-9448

Chief Information Officer: Patricia Clay

E-mail: pclay@hccc.edu

Information Technology Services

The Information Technology Service Department is located at 70 Sip Avenue in Jersey City. The department is led by the Chief Information Officer (CIO), who reports to the Senior Vice President for North Hudson Campus & Student and Educational Services. The ITS staff is responsible for network support and operations, academic computer labs, telecommunications, web services and PC technical support. The office is also responsible for administrative computing and computer operations, supported by the Ellucian Colleague software products.

ITS Department Mission Statement:

"The mission of the Information Technology Services Department at Hudson Community College is to provide students, faculty, and administration with the highest level of Technological services, support, and customer service."

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) continues to make considerable investments and advancements in technology deployment and utilization of its technological resources. HCCC has completed and implemented several major initiatives and accomplishments towards achieving its goal in supporting the College's technological goals. In addition to striving and working towards staying up to date technologically, it is always providing the highest level of support possible to the College.

Academic Computer Labs

70 Sip Avenue, 3rd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4356 FAX: (201) 792-9448

Academic Lab Manager: Diana Perez

E-mail: dperez@hccc.edu

Mission Statement:

"The mission of the Academic Computer Labs is to provide students and faculty with adequate computing facilities and services so they may complete their projects."

Computer labs are located at the Jersey City and North Hudson campuses. The Academic Computer Labs provide supported software and hardware for the students, faculty and staff for daily use. All Academic Computer Labs are equipped with educational software*, USB connectors, HP printers, scanners, iMacs, MS Office and Internet access. Trained lab assistants are available to assist walk-in students in Open Computer Labs and occasionally assigned to classes to assist with the use of software and equipment.

Installation of software should be requested by respective Department Dean through the ITS Track-It ticketing system.

Computer Open Labs Locations:

Open Computer Labs are equipped with educational software, CD- ROMs, USB connectors, HP printers, scanners, iMacs, MS Office and Internet access for all computer lab users:

- Jersey City: S217, STEM Building (282 Academy Street)
- Jersey City: L419 (71 Sip Avenue, Library 4th Floor) Great for work groups or projects.
- North Hudson Campus: N224 (4800 Kennedy Blvd., 2nd Floor) Great for work groups or projects.

MAC Open Labs Locations:

Mac Open Labs are equipped with all the software used by art classes. Students may use these Mac Open Labs to complete their assignments. Lab hours will vary every semester due to classes scheduled in these rooms:

- Jersey City: L514 (71 Sip Ave. Library 5th Floor)
- North Hudson Campus: N306 (4800 Kennedy Blvd. 2nd Fl.)

Academic Laboratory Rules and Regulations

By using the Open Computer Labs, you have agreed to follow the Academic Laboratory Rules and Regulations. Labs are staffed with trained Instructional Lab Assistants to help users with the operation of HCCC software and hardware. Students are encouraged to use the computer labs on a walk-in-basis. The Open Lab Schedule is posted in the lab and our website.

The Instructional Lab Assistants in the Open Labs represent the College and are the first line of authority. Their judgments should be respected. The first level of appeal is to the lab coordinator or lab manager. Failure to follow Academic Laboratory Rules and Regulations may result in students being asked to leave the facility. Serious infractions or student misconduct in the HCCC Academic Labs could result in referral of the matter to the Office of Student Services.

Technology at HCCC will be used in collaboration with the curriculum. Computers and other technology equipment are tools used as part of the teaching and learning experience process.

In deciding the Academic laboratory rules and regulations, there are two overriding principles: (1) the College's information technology resources exist to support the College's mission, and (2) the College is committed to ensuring a positive learning environment for all members of its community.

- All computer lab users must show a HCCC photo ID card with the current semester sticker. This can be obtained from Safety & Security in either the Jersey City or North Hudson campuses.
- Students are required to use their HCCC Username and Password to log in to computers at the HCCC computer labs.
- Students with special needs have priority at designated workstations.
- All students are welcome to work on projects as groups in labs L419, S217, and N224. However, all computer users must maintain an appropriate and orderly environment, as we need to provide an excellent environment for the rest of our users.
- The use of cell phones is not permitted in the open labs. All electronic devices must be on silent or vibrate mode. Otherwise, you are distracting others who are trying to complete their academic assignments.
- No still or video photography is permitted in the labs.

- Intentionally viewing, sending, or retrieving information which is pornographic, obscene, sexist, racist, abusive, or harassing is not permitted. Viewers will be asked to stop, and if they persist, will be told to leave the computer lab. Computer labs are monitored.
- No food, drink, or beverage containers are permitted in the labs. This includes all open and closed containers.
- Minors and non-computer users are not permitted in the open labs.
- Pets, (or laboratory animals), skating, and bicycles are not permitted in the labs. Assistive animals (seeing-eye dogs, etc.) are excluded from this rule.
- Computer workstations and printers in the labs are there to support schoolwork. Priority use of workstations is defined as academic use. Users must relinquish workstations for this purpose upon request. Computer stations and printers are not for general entertainment (games, gambling, etc.) or commercial use.
- Open Computer Lab printers may not be used to print course materials such as textbooks, handbooks or very large research articles. Printers are not to be used as copy machines. The course- assigned faculty member and academic departments provide the appropriate course material students require when taking their class. Authorization by the instructor is not valid. Do not print any flyers or advertisements unless they are part of your class assignment.
- Lab Assistants have the authority to cancel any print jobs that do not comply with the lab rules.
- Only paper supplied by the lab may be placed into lab printers by lab staff.
- All work should be saved to your personal drives (USB flash drive). We do not supply USB flash drives. Users are advised to save work every five (5) minutes. Computer user files stored on local hard drives are not protected and therefore, subject to modification, erasure. We are not responsible for lost or damaged information. Additionally, it is highly recommended that computer users back-up copies of all information so that they have the information in more than one place.
- Assistance for individually owned computers and software is not provided.
- Users should not leave their computer unattended more than five (5) minutes. Unattended computers will be reassigned.
- Users should save all work to a personal drives (USB flash drive, One Drive or other cloud storage.). We do not supply flash drives. Users are advised to save work every five (5) minutes. Computer user files stored on local hard drives are not protected and therefore subject to modification and erasure. We are not responsible for lost or damaged information. Additionally, we highly recommended that computer users make backup copies so that they will have their data in more than one place.
- Lab Assistants are not allowed to provide extensive help with a particular software application. Students may request tutoring from the Tutorial Centers (201) 360-4185 in Journal Square or (201) 360-4623 at the North Hudson Campus.
- Do not change the configuration of any computer. Do not install screensavers or wallpaper.
- Users must check their work area before leaving. The lab staff is not responsible for lost, stolen or misplaced objects including personal items and books. Do not leave

- anything in the Open Computer Lab unattended for any length of time. Sometimes items are found and you may check with the lab supervisors or security.
- All computer users must prepare to leave the Open Computer Lab ten (10) minutes before closing time and must vacate the Open Computer Lab by closing time.

Questions/comments regarding the Academic Computer Labs can be directed to: computerlabs@hccc.edu

New Student Accounts – Questions & Answers:

Can I log in to my account immediately after I register?

No. If this is your first semester as a HCCC student, and you just registered for class, you will need to wait up to 48 hours before you will be able to log into the HCCC MyHudson portal.

Returning Students

If you are a returning student and have not logged in within the last 245 days, your password has expired. To reset your password, visit http://www.hccc.edu/its/reset-my-password or call (855) 699-0733.

How do I reset my password?

If you are not able to log in, you can reset your password by visiting http://www.hccc.edu/its/reset-my-password or call (855) 699-0733.

Where do I get a Student ID?

Student IDs are provided by contacting Safety and Security Department.

Having problems connecting?

Support is available for problems accessing the HCCC network, College e-mail accounts and the MyHudson portal. If you encounter any issues, please contact the ITS Help Desk.

Website: http://www.hccc.edu/its/helpdesk E-mail: itshelp@hccc.edu

Phone: Journal Square Campus: (201) 360-4310

North Hudson Campus: (201) 360-4309

DIVISION OF FINANCE

OFFICE OF FINANCE

26 Journal Square, 14th Floor Phone: (201) 360-4043/4044

FAX: (201) 656-8961

Vice President for Business and Finance/CFO: Veronica Zeichner-D'Alessandro

E-mail: <u>vzeichner@hccc.edu</u>

Phone: (201) 360-4045 Controller: Geoffrey Sims Email: gsims@hccc.edu

This division is responsible for the financial and business affairs of the College, including the Student Accounts/Bursar, the Controller's Office, and Budget & Purchasing.

STUDENT ACCOUNTS/BURSAR'S OFFICE

70 Sip Avenue, 1st Floor Phone: (201) 360-4106 FAX: (201) 795-3105

Director of Student Accounts/Bursar: Leslie Lang

E-mail: <u>bursar@hccc.edu</u>

Jersey City Campus Office:

70 Sip Avenue, 1st Floor Phone: (201) 360-4100 FAX: (201) 795-3105

Portal Page: https://myhudson.hccc.edu/bursar Public Page: https://www.hccc.edu/tuition

North Hudson Campus Office:

4800 Kennedy Boulevard – 1st Floor

Phone: (201) 360-4735 FAX: (201) 360-4737

Portal Page: https://myhudson.hccc.edu/bursar

Upon registration of classes, the student creates a contract with the College by which HCCC commits to hold class seats for the student. This contract automatically produces a financial obligation to the College. Payment deadlines are posted online via: https://myhudson.hccc.edu/bursar and https://www.hccc.edu/tuition. The College accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover in addition to debit cards, cash, checks, and money orders. Payment can be made over the phone, in-person and online by logging onto https://libertylink.hccc.edu/Student> Student Finance> Make a Payment.

A Deferred Payment Plan is offered to HCCC students, for current Fall and Spring semesters, to assist in the payment of tuition and fees and to secure classes for the semester. There is a \$25.00 (Non-Refundable) Deferred Payment Fee per semester to cover the cost of administering this program. Students may arrange Deferred Payment Plans online via the following link: https://libertylink.hccc.edu/Student> Student Finance> Make a Payment> Create Payment Plan or with either of the Bursar Offices. Students must be prepared to make their first payment before the payment plan becomes active. There are no payment plans available for Summer semesters, Winter Sessions or for past due balances.

Students who are approved for financial aid may be able to apply their awards towards their tuition and fee charges. However, financial aid may not cover the entire cost of attending College leaving a balance to be paid by the student. If financial aid is reduced or cancelled for any reason, the student will be responsible for making payment to the College. Obligations from prior semesters must be paid before re-registration. The Registrar will not release grades, transcripts, or diplomas until all financial obligations to the College have been cleared.

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

26 Journal Square, 14th Floor Phone: (201) 360-4047

Director of Contracts & Procurement: Jeff Roberson, Jr.

Email: <u>irobersonir@hccc.edu</u>

FACILITIES, ENGINEERING, AND CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT

26 Journal Square – 14th Floor

Phone: (201) 360-4099

Executive Director: *Ilya Ashmyan* E-mail: <u>iashmyan@hccc.edu</u>

In partnership with students, faculty, and staff, we provide a learning environment supporting academic excellence and community engagement. As innovative professionals, we respond to the needs of the College community with dignity and respect towards all. As a team of highly skilled individuals, we are dedicated to safe, high quality work. We attain this through training, and education in all the construction trades and building codes.

Anticipate and respond – As dependable partners, we listen and learn how our services are used for the educational mission. We are flexible and available to provide service in an organized and timely manner.

Dignity and respect – At the core of our ability to work together is the recognition that each of us has a personal need for self-worth, attained through work that is valued and ideas, which are heard.

SAFETY & SECURITY

71 Sip Avenue – LL Jersey City, NJ

Phone: (201) 360-4080

Executive Director: *John Quigley* E-mail: <u>iquigley@hccc.edu</u>

The Safety & Security Department exists to serve all people within its jurisdiction with respect, fairness and compassion. Our primary focus is to provide a safe and secure environment that is conducive to the education, employment and daily activities of our community. We maintain a vigilant and proactive approach to security concerns and continually evaluate our Security measures to implement improvement. Therefore, "Team Work" on the collective efforts of students and staff in collaboration with local authorities and College Security are necessary. The Department provides security services such as: Shuttle Service, Photo IDs, Security escort for personal safety, fire safety education, parking information, and lost and found.

This office is open from 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m., seven days per week, with the exception of college scheduled closings in observance of all recognized holidays and summer hours. However, our Security dispatch is available 24/7, 365 days a year at (201) 360-4080.

MAIL ROOM/COPY CENTER

162 Sip Avenue, 1st Floor Phone: (201) 360-4690

Customer Service Coordinator: Gilda Darias-Hershberger

E-mail: gdarias@hccc.edu

Our goal is to produce quality goods and services in a timely and cost-effective manner. The Customer Service Center provides faculty and staff with a variety of quality services such as quality printing, stapling and binding services, which include but not are limited to newsletters, catalogs, postcards, letterheads, envelopes, ads, to the Communications Department and College community. We collect and distribute inter-office and outgoing mail, prepare and make copies, and provide stationery supplies to College faculty and staff. We strive to ensure that the Mail Room/Copy Center services fulfill our College's service needs.

BOOKSTORE (Managed by Follett Higher Education Group)

Jersey City Campus

162 Sip Avenue – Store Front

Phone: (201) 360-4390 FAX: (201) 653-0597 Manager: *Eric Martin* Hours of Operations:

Monday: 9 am - 7 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 9 am. – 5 pm

Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

North Hudson Campus

4800 Kennedy Blvd. – Store Front

Phone: (201) 360-4398 Hours of Operation:

Monday: 9 am - 7 pm

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday: 9 am. – 4 pm

Friday: 9 am - 3 pm

HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

70 Sip Avenue – 3rd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4071

Vice President for Human Resources: Anna Krupitskiy

E-mail: <u>akruptiskiy@hccc.edu</u>

The Human Resources Department is committed to serving the mission of Hudson County Community College by providing leadership and guidance in the development, implementation and administration of Human Resources policies, practices and programs.

The Human Resources Department is dedicated to working strategically with the diverse College community in identifying and responding to its changing needs. The Department is a resource for the College and will work as a team through our shared strengths to provide the highest quality of customer service, while maintaining the highest standards of integrity, leadership, innovation, knowledge, efficiency, honesty and respect.

The Human Resources Services covers:

- Recruitment and orientation of employees
- Compliance with local, state and federal laws
- Implementation and administration of benefit plans including health and pension
- Establishment and maintenance of accurate employee records
- Professional Staff Development

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Hudson County Community College is committed to the principles affirmative action in the recruitment, admission, and retention of students and in the recruitment, training, tenure, assignment, and separation of all faculty and staff. In accordance with existing New Jersey statues and Federal law, no person at the College shall be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, class, sex, religion, creed, age, lifestyle, disability, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, ancestry, national origin, veteran's status, or union membership. Equal access to employment opportunities and educational programs is extended to all qualified persons.

Questions regarding the equal opportunity policy and compliance statement may be directed to the Office of Human Resources, 70 Sip Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07306.

ADVANCEMENT, COMMUNICATIONS & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

OFFICE OF ADVANCEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS

70 Sip Avenue, 4th Floor Phone: (201) 360-4009 FAX: (201) 656-1799

Vice President for External Affairs and Senior Counsel to the President:

Nicholas Chiaravalloti, J.D., Ed.D. E-mail: nchiaravalloti@hccc.edu

Phone: (201) 360-4004

Assistant to the Vice President for Planning and Development: Mirta Sanchez

E-mail: msanchez@hccc.edu

The Hudson County Community College Foundation is committed to generating financial support for the benefit of Hudson County Community College and its students. To this end, the Foundation will work with the community and College faculty and staff to promote the opportunity for students to attend the College and to participate in its programs. Our vision is that *all* students should have the opportunity to realize a college education.

OFFICE OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND SENIOR COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

70 Sip Avenue 4th Floor Phone: (201) 360-4022

Vice President of External Affairs and Senior Counsel to the President:

Nicholas Chiaravalloti, J.D., Ed.D. E-mail: nchiaravalloti@hccc.edu

Phone: (201) 360-4009

Administrative Assistant to Vice President: Alexa Riano

E-mail: <u>ariano@hccc.edu</u>

The Office of External Affairs and Senior Counsel to the President serves as liaison with federal, state and local officials and the community at large and provides executive and administrative direction for the College's legal affairs, and leadership for the development, support, and execution of Presidential priorities.

The Vice President plans and directs the College's policies and objectives for government and local community relations. The Office of External Affairs monitors federal, state, and local legislation that could impact college operations; represents and promotes the College; and facilitates collaborative relationships with a variety of external stakeholders.

COMMUNICATIONS

162 Sip Avenue – 2nd Floor Phone: (201) 360-4060 FAX (201) 653-0607 Director: *Jennifer Christopher*

E-mail: jchristopher@hccc.edu & communications@hccc.edu

The Communications Department is responsible for communicating with the College's diverse audiences – prospective students, the general public, alumni and donors (potential and existing) – in a clear, consistent and enjoyable manner. Through press releases, publications, announcements and print, audio and digital advertisements, the Communications Department carefully conveys the College's vision, enhances its image, and disseminates information about its plans and successes.

The Communications Department is entrusted with maintaining a consistent look and message portrayed in all marketing, advertising and public relations efforts via guidelines on acceptable uses of the College's name, logo and seal: the logo and seal are to be used with permission on authorized documents, in appropriate size proportions and in authorized colors. Similarly, the Hudson County Community College name may be used only with prior written consent and may not be used for commercial or personal gain. Further information about acceptable uses is available at http://www.hccc.edu/graphicstandards. It also oversees the design, writing and printing of all HCCC major departmental collateral materials, including business cards, signage, brochures, programs and flyers, and coordinates photography services for special events by request.

The Communications Department has established a social media presence for the College on Facebook, Flickr, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram and Pinterest; these pages are accessible at the College's main page, www.hccc.edu, or the MyHudson portal:

https://myhudson.hccc.edu

http://www.facebook.com/hcccedu

http://www.flickr.com/photos/hudsonccc

http://instagram.com/hcccofficial/

http://pinterest.com/hudsonccc/

http://twitter.com/HudsonCCC

http://youtube.com/user/HudsonCountyCollege

Full social media guidelines are available at the Communications page on the College website, www.hccc.edu/socialmedia.

APPENDIX HCCC QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Information On	Department	Location/Building	Extension (201 360 Exchange unless otherwise noted)
Absence Due to Illness/Death in Family	Instructor or Division Dean	Academic Office	
Absence from Examinations	Instructor	Faculty Office	
Academic Advising	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JC – 4150 NHC – 4627
Academic Calendar	Academic Affairs	70 Sip Ave., 4th Floor (A)	4010
Academic Policies & Procedures	Academic Affairs	70 Sip Ave., 4th Floor (A)	4010
Accidents	Safety & Security	All College Buildings	JC – 4080 NHC – 4777
Activities	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	JC – 4195 NHC - 4653
Adding/ Dropping Classes	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JC – 4150 NHC – 4627
Address Change	Registrar/Enrollment Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4121
Admissions	Admissions	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4110
Alcohol/Substance Abuse	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A)	JC - 4150 JC - 4152
Alumni Association & Relations	Development	70 Sip Ave., 4th Floor (A)	4004
Archives Audio Visual Equipment	Library Library	71 Sip Ave. (L) 71 Sip Ave. (L)	4360 4360
Books and Supplies	College Bookstore	162 Sip Ave. (C) & North Hudson Campus (N)	4393
Bulletin Boards - Approval to Post	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4195
Career Planning	Career Services	70 Sip Ave., 3rd Floor (A)	4184
Change Major or Session	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JC - 4150 NHC - 4627
Clubs and Organizations	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3rd Floor (A)	4197
Commencement Information	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	JC – 4195 NHC - 4653
Complaints (Judicial) Against Students	Associate Dean of Student Affairs	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4189
Computer Labs	ITS - Please visit: http://www.hccc.edu/its/computer- labs	Various Locations	JC - 4356 NHC - 4625
Copy Machines	Mailroom	168 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (D)	4685
Courses Taken at Other Schools	Transfer Evaluator	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4148
Cultural Events	Cultural Affairs	71 Sip Ave., 6th Floor (L)	4176
Diploma Distribution	Registrar	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4110
Disabled Student Concerns	Accessibility Support Services	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A)	4157
Educational Opportunity Fund	EOF	2 Enos Place, Lower Level (J)	4180
Email Issues	ITS	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4310
Emergencies (24 Hours)	Safety & Security	All College Buildings	911 JSQ – 4080 NHC – 4777

Information On	Department	Location/Building	Extension (201 360 Exchange unless otherwise noted)
Emergency Closing of Campuses	911; Tune to Radio Stations: WINS 1010AM; WCBS 880AM; & WADO 1280AM (Spanish) TV: News 12 NJ, Verizon FiOS 1; or call (201) 714-7100; HCCC Website and Portal, Facebook, Twitter		
Employment- Internships/Post Graduation	Career Services	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4184
Employment - F/T - On Campus Listings	Human Resources	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4070
Financial Aid	Financial Aid Office	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JSQ – 4200 NHC - 4212
Food Pantry	Student Affairs	JSQ - J002 (J) NHC - N513A (N)	JSQ – 4701 NHC - 4709
Going to 4 year School & Obtaining Scholarship	Transfer Services	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A)	
Grade Appeal	Instructor/Division Dean	Faculty Office	
Graduation Date, Deadline, and Requirements	Registrar/Enrollment Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4110
Health/Immunization Records	Enrollment Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4110
Honors Program	Academic Affairs	71 Sip Ave., LL (L)	4041
Identification Cards	Safety & Security	JSQ - LL (L) NHC - 2 nd Fl. (N)	JSQ – 4080 NHC - 4777
Illness (on-campus)	Safety & Security	All College Buildings	JSQ – 4080 JSQ – 4084 NHC - 4777
Incidents	Safety & Security	All College Buildings	JSQ – 4080 JSQ– 4084 NHC - 4777
Incomplete Grade	Instructor	Faculty Office	
Judicial Affairs	Associate Dean of Student Affairs	70 Sip Ave., 3rd Floor (A)	4602
Leadership Opportunities	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4195
Learning Communities Leave of Absence	Academic Affairs Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 4 th Floor (A) 70 Sip Ave. 2 nd Floor (A)	4012 JC – 4150
Enrollment Verification	Registrar/Enrollment Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	JC - 4152 4121
Library Hours	Library	JSQ - (L) NHC - (N)	JC - 4360 NHC - 4605
Literary Magazine: (Tapestry)	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4195
Loans/Verification	Financial Aid Office	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JSQ – 4200 NHC - 4212
Lost and Found	Safety & Security	71 Sip Ave., Lower Level (L)	JC – 4080 JC - 4084
Mail Services Make-up Exams	Mailroom Instructor	168 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (D) Faculty Office	4685
Maintenance	Facilities	168 Sip Ave, 2 nd Floor (D)	4686
Matriculation	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave. 2 nd Floor (A)	JC - 4150
Requirements MyHudson Portal	Technology & Instructional Support	70 Sip Ave., Lower Level	JC - 4152 4310
	Services Registrar/Enrollment Services	(A) 70 Sip Ave. 1st Floor (A)	
Name Change Network Services (Technology) - Helpdesk	Technology & Instructional Support Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A) 70 Sip Ave., Lower Level (A)	4121 4310
Newspaper: (The Orator)	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4195

Information On	Department	Location/Building	Extension (201 360 Exchange unless otherwise noted)
North Hudson Campus	Student Services	4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1st Floor (N)	4600
Photocopying	Library	71 Sip Ave. (L)	4360
President's Office	President's Office	70 Sip Ave., 4th Floor (A)	4004 JC – 4150
Probation (Academic)	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A)	JC - 4152
Program Changes	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A)	JC – 4150 JC - 4152
Registration	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JC – 4150 NHC - 4627
Room/Area Reservations	Facilities	168 Sip. Ave., 2 nd Floor (D)	4686
Secaucus Center	Executive Director	1 High Tech Way, Secaucus, NJ 07094 (HTS)	4386
Schedule Changes	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JC – 4150 NHC - 4627
Scholarships	Development	70 Sip Ave., 4th Floor (A)	4004
Security 24 Hours	Safety & Security	All College Buildings	JC – 4080 JC – 4084 NHC - 4777
Sexual Assault/Sexual Harassment	Student Affairs	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4602
Student Employment	On Campus: Financial Aid Office Off Campus: Career Services	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	FA – 4200 CD – 4184
Student Organization Information	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3 rd Floor (A)	4195
TAG Certification	Financial Aid Office	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) NHC - 1 st Floor (N)	JC – 4200 NHC - 4212
Transcript Request	Registrar/Enrollment Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4121
Transfer Credits/ Information	Registrar/Enrollment Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4148
Tuition Payment Information	Bursar	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	JC – 4102 JC – 4103 JC - 4104
Tuition Reimbursement	Bursar	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	JC – 4102 JC – 4103 JC - 4104
Tutoring Services	Tutoring Program	71 Sip Ave., Lower Level (L)	4187
Unfair Treatment in Course	Instructor/Division Dean	Academic Office	
Veteran's Information	Enrollment Services	70 Sip Ave., 1st Floor (A)	4135
Web (Home) Page	Communications	162 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (C)	4060
Withdrawal from College	Advisement & Counseling	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., 1 st Floor (N)	JC – 4150 NHC - 4627
Work Study	Financial Aid Office	70 Sip Ave., 2 nd Floor (A)	JC – 4110 JC - 4200
Yearbook (Reflections)	Student Life & Leadership	70 Sip Ave., 3rd Floor (A)	4195