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From the Editor's Desk

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION TO HOLD 23RD ANNUAL HOLIDAY FUNDRAISING GALA

The Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Foundation invites the community to participate in its Annual Holiday Gala. This year's virtual "Gala @ Home" will take place on Thursday, December 3 at 6 p.m. Proceeds from the celebration will fund scholarships for deserving students, the Foundation Art Collection, faculty development, and the College's physical expansion. Individual Dinner Tickets are \$500 each. Full Scholarship Sponsorships are \$4,800, and Partial Scholarship Sponsorships are \$2,400. Other contributions are welcome. Tickets for the Gala and information about other donor opportunities may be obtained by contacting Mirta Sanchez at 201-360-4004 or msanchez@hccc.edu.

HCCC President, Dr. Chris Reber, and Dr. Nicholas Chiaravalloti, Vice President of External Affairs & Senior Counsel to the President, will open the online event with a welcoming toast.

Donors to the event will receive a basket filled with a gourmet dinner prepared by chefs of the award-winning HCCC Culinary Arts Institute. The

baskets will contain cold seafood, antipasto, assorted cheeses, breads and crackers, а two-entrée dinner, desserts and beverages. Contactless pick up of the basket and food items will occur at 148 Sip Avenue, which is the parking lot diagonally across



from the Culinary Conference Center. Faculty and Students will be waiting in that lot for your arrival and will bring the items to your vehicle. You may also send a text or call Mirta Sanchez at (908) 499-1542.

Paul Dillon, HCCC Associate Dean of Business, Culinary Arts, and Hospitality Management, will be honored at this year's celebration. As a *Continued on page 12*

ON THE COVER: Scenes from Associate Dean Paul Dillon's tenure at the College.

KORAL BOOTH SELECTED AS HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES STUDENT ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVE

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) alumna Koral Booth was sworn in as the Alumni Representative on the HCCC Board of Trustees at the virtual Board meeting on Tuesday, November 24, 2020. She was chosen for the position by HCCC students and will serve throughout the upcoming academic year.

"Koral exemplifies the determination, persistence, and generosity of our students," said HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber. "Not only was she an excellent student, she was also a true leader – mentor, community activist, and one of the College's best spokespersons. This is a well-deserved honor."

Ms. Booth, who enrolled at HCCC as a 37-yearold mother of four school-age boys, earned her Associate of Arts (A.A.) in English degree in May. "It was a difficult decision to return to school because I was sacrificing being a full-time, stay-at-home mom. I wanted something better for myself and for my children. I went for testing, academic counseling, registration, and my first class all in the same day," she said. During the course of her college studies, Ms. Booth lost her mother to cancer and her father to heart disease, but she remained focused on her goals, and immersed herself



in college life. With support from her sons and her HCCC family, she made the Dean's List twice and became a role model for other non-traditional students. Ms. Booth started "The Later in Life Leaders" club for older HCCC students. As a Peer Leader, she mentored students, and provided assistance in the HCCC Enrollment, Student Life and Leadership, and the Center for Academic and Student Success departments. As an Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) English tutor, she helped students hone their writing skills.

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For information about online, remote, and on-ground learning and the College's on-ground operations, students, faculty and staff are encouraged to visit the Return to Campus Task Force web page http://www.hccc.edu/returntocampus/

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION IS THE FOCUS OF NEW PODCAST



The most recent segment of the Hudson County Community College (HCCC) "Out of the Box" podcast spotlights the College's President's Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (PACDEI). The podcast may be viewed at http://www.hccc.edu/outofthebox/ PACDEI/.

In the new "Out of the Box" segment, HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber is joined by PACDEI Co-Chairs Yeurys Pujols, HCCC Executive Director of the North Hudson Campus, and Lilisa Williams, HCCC Director of Faculty and Staff Development. Their discussion details the inception of PACDEI, and its impact on the HCCC community, the greater Hudson County community, and other higher education institutions.

Located in one of the most ethnically diverse areas of the United States, Hudson County Community College students were born in 119 countries and speak 29 different languages. The College has been recognized with national awards for achieving equity in its educational programs and services – and in the administration and delivery of those programs and services – including the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) 2015 Award of Excellence for Advancing Diversity, and the Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) 2016 Northeast Regional Equity Award. Additionally, the 2017 Equality of Opportunity Project ranked HCCC in the top five percent of 2,200 U.S. higher education institutions for supporting students' upward economic and social mobility.

"When we ask students why they chose to study at Hudson County Community College, they almost always respond that it is because of our diversity," Dr. Reber said. "That diversity, and the multitude of our community's collective cultures, life experiences, skills, and aspirations are the very values and traits that empower us to be productive and caring members of our society. We are all proud of the differences we share, which are the foundation for the life-changing and transformational education we offer and the social mobility we provide to the communities we serve."

The HCCC PACDEI was established in Fall 2019. At that time, there was no way to foretell the enormously important role it would play during the challenging days and months that followed. These include December 2019 targeted, anti-Semitic shootings in Jersey City that took the lives of six individuals; the rise of COVID-19; the tragic deaths of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery, and others; and the growth of the Black Lives Matter movement.

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADJUNCT FACULTY AND INSTRUCTORS AT VIRTUAL JOB FAIR

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) will host a Virtual Job Fair on Monday, December 7, from 4 – 7 p.m. for those interested in serving on the College's awardwinning team of educators.

Opportunities are available for online, remote, and on-campus instruction as Adjunct Faculty and Instructors in the following areas:

• Business, Culinary Arts and Hospitality Management – Culinary Labs; Baking and Pastry Labs; Hospitality Management; and Business, Economics, Management and Accounting.

• Continuing Education and Workforce Development - English as a Second Language (ESL); Microsoft Office Suite and QuickBooks; Computer Science; Financial Literacy/Tax Accounting; Non-Profit Management; Advanced Manufacturing; Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA), Healthcare Technicians, and Basic Life Support; Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) Math and Language Prep; and Digital Arts.

• English and ESL - Basic Reading/Writing, College Composition I and II; and English as a Second Language (ESL).

• Humanities and Social Sciences - Introduction to Philosophy, Contemporary Moral Issues, and Religion; Cultures and Values, Food and Culture, Speech, and Modern Languages; History, Psychology, Anthropology, Sociology, Western Civilization, Criminal Justice, Human Services, and American Studies; and Education. • Mathematics – Basic Math and Basic Algebra. Nursing and Health Sciences – Practical Nursing II; RN Nursing II; RN Nursing IV; Radiography; Exercise Science (all courses); and Personal Fitness Training.

• Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) – Anatomy and Physiology I; Geology, Environmental Studies/Science; Biology, Chemistry, Physics I and Engineering Physics I; Intro to Computers and Computer Science; and Mathematics (College Algebra, Precalculus, Calculus, and Statistics).

For additional information, candidates for employment as adjunct faculty and instructors may contact Lilisa Williams, Director of Faculty and Staff Development, at lwilliams@hccc.edu.

MILESTONES

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

FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES

One Year Connie Silletti-Cafaro

> 20 Years Julio Maldonado

NEW HIRES/NEW TITLES

Sheila Marie Aitouakrim, Associate Director, Financial Aid, NHC

> Tatiana Gaona, Career Coach

Jamar Johnson, Academic Advisor

Wim Anneke Shepherd, Senior Accountant

For professional development workshops, opportunities, and other resources, please visit the Office of Faculty and Staff Development page at <u>http://my.hccc.edu</u>

SAVE THE DATE

COLLEGE SERVICE DAY and ALL COLLEGE FACULTY ORIENTATION

> Thursday, January 21, 2021

OUR STORIES UNTOLD

Submission by Lilisa Williams, Director of Faculty and Staff Development, Yeurys Pujols, Executive Director of the North Hudson Campus, and Anna Krupitskiy, Vice President for Human Resources.

n November 24, 2020, Nakiya Santos was joined by close to 60 HCCC staff, faculty, and students while telling her story, titled Epitome of Resilience. She is an HCCC alumna from the Class of 2016, a former student Peer-Leader, and currently serves as a Recruiter in HCCC's Enrollment Services. Santos also teaches College Student Success and is a recent graduate from the Masters in Social Work program from Rutgers' University. She met every attempt at pursuing her education with a sacrifice that made her "bend a little, but never to fold." "Life has a balance," Nakiya shared, "to win, you have to experience some loss." Being at HCCC kept Nakiya fighting.

Santos welcomed the audience into her private space and kept everyone engaged throughout every step of her interactive narrative. A single mother at the age of 18 and a single mother of two at the age of 21, her first attempt at attending HCCC as a teenager did not go as planned. She nevertheless returned years later as an adult. She shared that speaking to her advisor when she was a student helped her refocus her academic priories into helping others, which led her to human services and social work interests.

She emphasized the need for self-care and her habits of burning a candle and lighting the sage. She continued with showcasing an empty glass vase representing the body, where she put a bamboo stalk representing the spirit. She then proceeded to add purple crystal stones (her favorite color) for every inspiration and note of empowerment that she encouraged the audience to give her, representing the support and love needed for the bamboo stalk to persevere. She then filled up the vase with water, essential for the nourishment of the spirit. She noted that for the bamboo stalk to grow and prosper, it needed the base, the purpose stones, and the water, and that we all can serve others to help them grow and flourish.



Santos' impact on the HCCC community is infinite. As noted by many who know her, she exudes compassion, strength, and warmth. Her colleagues noted the effect that she has had on them. Additionally, one of her students also expressed gratitude for her support, which enabled the student to last through the semester and the first year at HCCC, which she called a second home. Another student stated that she is a warrior that does not back down. A colleague noted that "without her, I wouldn't be the woman I am today."

Our Stories Untold storytelling emerged as a partnership between the Office of Human Resources and the President's Advisory Council on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (PACDEI). This series highlights the HCCC community members' personal, educational, and professional experiences, advice, and insight. Each program aims to introduce some of our outstanding and influential colleagues to enhance inclusion and create community. Previous participants have shared that the program lets them feel like they have a voice at HCCC, with so many inspirational stories hidden within our community.

Do you know someone with an inspirational story? Do you want to tell your story? Tell us by contacting PACDEI@hccc.edu.

The Office of Human Resources and the Office of Faculty and Staff Development invite you to attend a featured program, as part of our Professional Development Series, for employees, by employees.

Conducting an Annual Performance Review



Facilitated by: Anna Krupitskiy Vice President for Human Resources

2020 has so far been a challenging and impactful year. Many times, our college community and HCCC family came together to overcome unprecedented challenges. I want to encourage you to use this Performance Appraisal Year as an opportunity to recognize all the excellent work and invest in the professional growth of your employees, with an annual review that summarizes their performance and impact on HCCC's vision, mission, and values.

> Friday, December 4, 2020 - 10 a.m. https://tinyurl.com/y64qryea

Wednesday, December 9, 2020 - 3 p.m. https://tinyurl.com/y2htqa9r

Friday, December 11, 2020 - 10 a.m. https://tinyurl.com/y3544hov

Please join us for this Professional Development Opportunity!

STUDENT SUCCESS ACADEMY

by Joseph Caniglia

Student success initiatives offer programs and services to support students with the goal of increasing rates of academic success. The purpose is to have a positive effect on students' academic paths by communicating current classroom performance, providing information beneficial to academic success, and referring students to appropriate college services for addressing obstacles students might encounter.

Assisting students, who are having academic difficulty in achieving program completion is one of the main goals of Hudson County Community College. Each semester, the Satisfactory Academic Progress Committee reviews and analyzes students' academic standing. To assist with this initiative, in helping students who are placed on academic probation, suspension, or facing dismissal, the Academic Affairs and Student Affairs Divisions have been collaboratively working together to develop a program to assist with student success. This initiative aids students in reaching program completion and graduation. The Student Success Academy provides students with extra support, such as assistance with registration, academic support services, counseling, and academic needs.

During the first week of October 2020, over 100 students attended a virtual Student Success Academy event. This event enabled students to connect with faculty, administrators, associate deans, advisors, financial aid, tutoring support services, counseling, and members from the registrar's office. Each student who attended has been set up with follow up appointments with an advisor through the end of the semester. All of the students, who attended were very excited and motivated to be part of the Student Success Academy.

Five \$25.00 e-gift cards were raffled from the list of students who attended one of the five events. A special thanks to the Office of Student Life and Leadership for providing the e-gift cards. Also, a grand prize raffle also took place, which consisted of an Amazon Fire. A special thanks to the Financial Aid Department for providing the Kindle Fire. The award winners by majors and the grand prize winner are listed below:

\$25.00 E-gift Card Winners:

Liberal Arts: Josue Gomez Nursing: Aahitya Anderson STEM: Shannice Hughes Business/Culinary: Ibrahim Ghonainy Health Sciences: Xiamara Silva

Grand Prize Winner – Amazon Fire: Jennifer Franqui

A special thanks to Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay, Associate Dean of Academic Development and Support Services, Dr. Sheila Dynan, Associate Dean of Student Success, Sylvia Mendoza, Associate Dean of Financial Aid, Irma Williams, Associate Registrar, Victoria Orellana, Registrar and Enrollment Services, Dr. Gretchen Schulthes, Associate Director of Advising and Transfer Services, and Joseph Caniglia, Associate Professor of English, who assisted with planning this event. In addition, a special thanks to all the members from the various departments and divisions who attended these events to offer support and guidance to HCCC students. Finally, the College would like to thank Dr. Christopher Reber, President of HCCC, Dr. Eric Friedman, Executive Vice President and Provost, Lisa Dougherty, Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment, and Dr. Darryl Jones, Associate Vice President of Academic Affairs for their participation in this event.



Please join HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber for a **VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETING** on **Tuesday, December 8** at 12 p.m.

JOIN THE SESSION AT:

Conference Call Phone: 1-888-363-4734

Access Code: 9751220#

Learn about important updates and have your questions answered in real time.

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The podcast details how PACDEI was created by Dr. Reber to develop new levels of understanding and access, to build upon the College's strengths, and to move the College community to become more transparent and inclusive. The on-camera discussion also explains that the success of the initiative has been an outcome of the the support of the entire College community as well as area Latino, African American, LGBTQ and other groups and their leaders. That support is unique in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion programs, and as such distinguishes the HCCC PACDEI.

Dr. Reber, Mr. Pujols and Ms. Williams speak about how HCCC PACDEI continues to plan, organize and host workshops, diversity and inclusion training, and programs that address current events and issues of systemic racism, police brutality, social injustice, and building more understanding within the College and throughout Hudson County. HCCC PACDEI programming has been so effective that the trio were asked to present at a conference at New Jersey City University (NJCU), and PACDEI has been selected to serve as an Experiential Learning Site for the NJCU Community College Leadership Doctoral Program. In addition, the nationally acclaimed student success network, Achieving the Dream (ATD), has asked HCCC PACDEI to share its work with other ATD member colleges.

Additional information on HCCC PACDEI may be obtained by emailing PACDEI@hccc.edu. Foundation Art Collection

The Hudson County Community College Foundation Art Collection of 1,300+ works is installed in the public areas of ten campus buildings. The entire College is an educational art museum. This Collection reveals aspects of America's and New Jersey's rich artistic and cultural history from the Hudson River School period to today. In recent years, the College's acquisition efforts have focused on strengthening its American and New Jersey modern and contemporary collections.

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



This 24" x 96" work, by Anne Q. McKeown, is called, "Gold Brown Kudzu, Tree and Mountains" (Oil Paint on Panel) 1993. You can see it at the North Hudson Welcome Center.

DONOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thank you to Steve Fretz, Nancy Stein and James White for your marvelous donations.

And thank you to Jane St. Lifer Art, Inc. for facilitating the donation by Nancy Stein.

ARTIST NEWS

Over the years, **Anne McKeown** has been involved with the HCCC Foundation Art Collection in numerous ways. As the Master Papermaker at the Brodsky Center for Innovative Editions, her extraordinary craft is present in many Collection works installed throughout campus. As an artist, McKeown's own work is installed in the North Hudson Welcome Center, the STEM Building, 70 Sip Avenue, as well as in the Gabert Library. In addition, you can see works of art she donated throughout the Gabert Library, including a remarkable Willie Cole work on the second floor, and the extraordinary Juan Sanchez piece on the third floor. We cannot thank her enough for her generosity with her time, insight, talent, and art.

For Newark's Gallery Aferro "Past and Power" project, Emma Wilcox recently interviewed McKeown. They discussed McKeown's groundbreaking 1973 "Be-Cause Look Book" a 100-page booklength art work, copies of which are now in major museum collections. McKeown created the book under the name "Shiva Queeney" with Michael Sheridan (under the name of "Michael Goodenough"). In the interview, she talks about events in her childhood shaped that her vision of the world, and that changed her life:

"It was just such an incredibly powerful experience to watch it on live television, following the Birmingham fire hoses and police dogs of May, 1963 and the brutality of the police at the Edmund Pettus Bridge in March 1965. As a child, it fractured the world in my, in my experience. It didn't radicalize me at the moment, but it ... it cracked my understanding of what was real. Then in 1968, when the police were beating people approximately my age and the protestors were saying 'the whole world is watching ...' It just, ooh! It was so much, again, such a shock of realization and the shock of understanding that it couldn't be denied, in my blood. ... My family, my schooling, did not teach me radical thoughts. I did not learn them anywhere but from the news because they showed things. The television televised news. And I didn't even hang out with people who were that way, who were radicalized. There were rumblings, but it was very much in my head that all of this happened. ... There was this, this breaking point of, you know, all of the Civil Rights actions, and then the antiwar actions. Seeing a dead student on the ground shot by the non-military quote-unquote guys, the National Guard. It just was incomprehensible." To read the entire interview, go to: https://aferro. org/past-and-power-1972/

Anne McKeown also donated a handmade paper and pulp-paint work by Buzz Spector, "Drowning Man Seeks Either/Or," which is installed on the second floor of 2 Enos Place. Spector is exhibiting in a group show at Bruno David called "Noire/Noir." If you would like to visit the show virtually, go to https://www.artsy.net/show/bruno-david-gallery-noire-slash-noir. Closer to home, new works by Spector, recently donated by Dennis Hull, are back from the framer, and we will install them in the coming season. Stay tuned for updates on over 80 new works that will be installed around campus in the coming months. Virtual visits we be available for all works. Please feel free to go to our website if you would like to see anything specific. https://www.hccc.edu/FoundationArt/Collections/

Across the pond, American artist **Jo Baer** has a new exhibition parts of which were inspired by time she spent many years ago in a castle with 37 rooms and no heat. "Once upon a time, from 1975 until 1982, I lived in a Norman castle in the Irish countryside. Naturally, as chatelaine of Smarmore Castle in County Louth, I exercised horses, and so became familiar with my neighborhood and neighbors. I also became familiar with those perspectives that are only possible for riders. One day in 1976, while on horseback and looking over a hedge, I became intrigued by a large, peculiar stone standing in one of the former fields of the demesne (the castle's surrounding property)." The local postmistress explained, "that it was called the 'Hurlstone' and told me 'a Giant threw it there' of course." To read more, go to: https://www.pacegallery.com/journal/up-close-land-giants-jo-baer/ Inspired by that stone, Jo Baer has a new exhibition at Pace Gallery called "The Risen/Originals," through Dec. 19. For more information: https:// www.pacegallery.com/exhibitions/jo-baer/. You can see Jo Baer's work in the Makerspace of the Gabert Library and in the reception area on the second floor of the Culinary Conference Center.

Audrey Flack is featured in the exhibit "Women to the Fore" at the Hudson River Museum through Jan. 3, 2021. The show features 40+ female identifying artists, spanning 150 years. According to the curator, "In 2020, many people and institutions are taking stock of the 100th anniversary of the Nineteenth Amendment, what it won and where it failed to achieve voting rights for American women. Women are still fighting for freedom, and art can be a powerful tool to help us see the complexity of their lives and ideas. Femaleidentifying artists have distinguished themselves by working persistently within an oppressive patriarchal system and by rebelling against this status quo. With each succeeding generation, they have created work that raises awareness of interdependent systems of discrimination and how to make productive change." For more information, go to hrm.org/womentothefore.

We welcome anecdotes and information about how the art collection benefits our community. If you have enjoyed using the art collection in your teaching, your studies, or your everyday life, please let us know! Contact <u>ASiegel@hccc.edu</u> and tell us the story of how the art collection works for you.

To make a donation to the Foundation Art Collection, please contact Nicholas A. Chiaravalloti, J.D., Ed.D., Vice President for External Affairs and Senior Counsel to the President at <u>nchiaravalloti@hccc.edu</u>, or (201) 360-4009.

For detailed information regarding donating artwork, please visit https://www.hccc.edu/foundationart/

Would you like to explore the Foundation Art Collection using our new online searchable tools? Go to www.hccc.edu/FoundationArt/Collections DEPARTMENT OF.

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CULTURAL AFFAIRS

These Are the People in Your Neighborhood Community Interview Series

ANGUS VAIL FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 6 P.M.

JC Fridays - Founder, Container Globe <u>www.</u> <u>thecontainerglobe.com</u> For more information and to participate, visit: <u>https://www.jcfridays.</u> <u>com/</u>



Stephanie Mendez, Untitled #5, 2020, Film Still

Programs

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 10 a.m. MINDFUL PLAY YOGA - *I am Amazing* www.facebook.com/mindfulplayyoga "Wellness Wednesdays" explores mindfulness yoga practice with Jamie Wilson-Murray.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11, 10 a.m. YOUNG MASTERS ART CLASSES

www.facebook.com/youngmastersartclass "Young Masters Fridays" online arts enrichment programs for children and families with Kristin J. DeAngelis. Judy Chicago - Dinner party place setting - watercolor, colored pencils, crayons





DECEMBER 1 – 18 STUDENT ART EXHIBIT FLICKR

https://www.flickr.com/photos/dineenhullgallery/albums/72157716927451048

Curated by Laurie Riccadona & Jeremiah Teipen. The HCCC Art Department offers a wide variety of classes in computer and fine arts taught by professional artists living in the New York metro area. HCCC celebrates the artistic talents of our community with a bi-annual student exhibition in the Dineen Hull Gallery. Celebrate the end of the fall season with us!

For more information, email: gallery@hccc.edu

Here is your opportunity to invest in the future of our community, one in which your generosity will be doubled and make a phenomenal, life-changing impact at an unprecedented time of challenge.



National Giving – Hudson County Community College (HCCC) will match your donation, dollar-for-dollar, up to \$100,000.

Your tax-exempt donation to the HCCC Foundation Giving Match Drive will help HCCC students complete their education and make transformational changes in their lives.

You may donate at www.hccc.edu/FoundationDonor

For more information, contact Nicholas A. Chiaravalloti, J.D., Ed.D., Vice President for External Affairs and Senior Counsel to the President at nchiaravalloti@hccc.edu

ATTENTION

SAVE MONEY: Pay half the cost of in-county tuition at HCCC, significantly lower than tuition at four-year institutions.

Credits transfer to four-year institutions

Earn up to 36 credits toward an Associate Degree through the Early College Program

Contact EarlyCollege@hccc.edu to get started.

Juniors and Seniors in Hudson County!

(Future 2021 and 2022 Graduates)



Get an early start on your college degree with Hudson County Community College!

ENROLLMENT NEWS



CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION

Thursday, December 3 6 p.m.

During this event you will:

- Learn about the Construction Management Program at HCCC
- Discover how you will be exposed to modern-day construction protocols, materials, procedures, etc.
- Acquire information on job opportunities and future employment projections within the field of Construction Management
- Receive guidance on enrolling at HCCC
 And more!

To Register: https://tinyurl.com/ConstructionHCCC

Start the new year off at HCCC!

Online, On-Ground or Remote course options are available.

Apply now at www.hccc.edu/apply and use the promo code "HC3" to waive the \$25 application fee!

For in-person and remote registration appointments, and other online resources, visit www.hccc.edu/remoteservices

- No increase in tuition and fees for 2020-2021 year
- Eligible students can receive free tuition through the **Community College Opportunity Grant!**
- Courses available in more than 60 degree and certificate
 programs
- Credits transferable to four-year institutions
- Appeal for more Financial Aid! Special considerations due to change in income

View course details at <u>www.hccc.edu/schedule</u>.

APPLY NOW for Spring classes! www.hccc.edu/apply

For more information contact: admissions@hccc.edu text (732) 509-4222 or call (201) 714-7200

WINTER CLASSES RUN FROM JANUARY 5, 2021 THROUGH JANUARY 20, 2021

Earn credits in just two weeks! Financial Aid Available!

View course offerings at www.hccc.edu/schedule.

Online registration opens on Sunday, November 1, 2020 – libertylink.hccc.edu

Registration by appointment opens on Monday, November 2, 2020.

Make a remote appointment at www.calendly.com/hudsoncass

Make an in-person appointment at www.calendly.com/hcccstudents

For more information on Winter session financial aid eligibility, please email financial_aid@hccc.edu.

Questions? Email admissions@hccc.edu or call 201.714.7200.

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE INDUCTS MORE THAN 150 NEW MEMBERS INTO PHI THETA KAPPA INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

n Sunday afternoon, November 1, 2020, Hudson County Community College (HCCC) administered the oath of membership for the College's Beta Alpha Phi (BAP) Chapter of the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) International Honor Society to more than 150 students.

During the virtual ceremony, Beta Alpha Phi Chapter President Darciane Barbieri Eltz welcomed several HCCC speakers, including President Dr. Chris Reber; Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Darryl Jones; Director of Faculty and Staff Development and past PTK Middle States President Lilisa Williams; and Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Lisa Dougherty. Inductees were also addressed by Candice Giunta, New Jersey State Phi Theta Kappa President, Alpha Psi Pi Chapter - Rowan College of South Jersey, and Cesar Orozco, Past President of HCCC Beta Alpha Phi Chapter.

Sunday's virtual event underscored the impact PTK and the College have on academic achievement, leadership, and career growth. Mr. Orozco, an Ecuadorian immigrant, completed an Associate of Arts degree in Psychology at HCCC and continued his education at New Jersey City University where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and Master's degree in Mental Health Counseling. "Hudson County Community College was the platform for that which I am now. The experience acquired at the College through the classes, professors, and honor societies has led me to work currently for the community of West New York," Mr. Orozco said.

Established in 1918, the PTK Honor Society has helped millions of high-achieving students at two-year colleges throughout the world to reach their full potential. PTK recognizes and encourages individual growth through participation in honors, leadership, service, and fellowship programs. Members are afforded opportunities to develop professional skills, explore careers, and participate in improving their communities through volunteer programs. In addition, PTK scholarships help students complete their degrees and prepare for transfer to four-year institutions.

The following HCCC students were inducted into the College's Phi Theta Kappa chapter:

From Bayonne – Prince Ahmed, Rawda Ahmed, Jasmine Benjamin, Hailey Bouillon, Zaynab Bouri, Catherine Castillo, Abanoub Eshak, Taylor Gallardo, Kristen Gavin, Serina Gonzalez, Kristin Hyman, Juliana Lopez, Marina Makary, Hellen Montoya, Kate Neal, Angela Perez, and Pablo Pintado.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW MEMBERS



From Elizabeth – David Figueroa.

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From Irvington - Paris Smith.

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From North Brunswick – Rea Lynn Pangalangan.

From Paterson – Yasmin Begum.

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From Bronx, NY – Melina Reyes.

From Rockaway Park, NY – Monica Jackson.

From Trumbull, CT – Ginnila Perez.

CONTINUING EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT NEWS



Scene from Continuing Education's ESL Hybrid classes. Each week students meet one day in person and one day, virtually. Live video on virtual days ensure students remain engaged and have full experiences working with classmates and speaking face-to-face with instructors. ESL Levels 1-6 courses are offered as both Hybrid and fully Virtual classes. Continuing Education also offers skill sharpening classes in Reading, Writing, Conversation, and Pronunciation. Classes range from \$120 - \$299. Please contact ce@hccc.edu for more information or visit http://hccc.edu/continuing-education/esl



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Supply Chain Management, part of the Transportation, Logistics, and Distribution Industry, is one of the fastest growing fields in NJ and is one of the three major industries in Hudson County.

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE **DIVISION OF CONTINUING EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

BUSINESS WEBINAR:

Learn about Information Security and **Best Practices in Risk Management**

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

The global spread of COVID-19 and the impact on data privacy, protection, and security has raised one crucial question; Does your business have an information security plan? No matter how big or small your company is, safeguarding your information assets is critical to your bottom line. These challenges drive companies and organizations' need to ensure their digital experience platforms are secure and forward-looking. Learn ways that you can take action now to preserve, detect, and respond to data security vulnerabilities.

This 90-minute webinar will provide:

- Protecting information and information systems against unauthorized access, use, disclosure, disruption, modification.
- How to ensure integrity, confidentiality, and availability of critical information.
- How to manage risk and respond to the law when information security and privacy are compromised.
- The critical importance of good backups.
- Password hygiene what is it, and what does it mean?
- Data collection; to collect or not to collect?
- The importance of keeping your systems "patched."

REGISTER HERE:

https://tinyurl.com/HCCCInformationSecurityWebinar

You will receive additional information on how to access webinar once registration is received.

Who Should Attend:

Small to Mid-Sized Businesses, small business owners, Small Business Development Centers, Chambers of Commerce, and other organizations who support the business community.

Panelists: Patricia M. Clay, MBA

Chief Information Officer, Hudson County Community College Dr. Catherine J. Ullman

Senior Information Security Forensic Analyst Information Security Office, University at Buffalo

Joanna Lyn Grama, JD, CISSP

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HCCC Happenings



On Monday, Nov. 30, HCCC President Dr. Chris Reber was a guest on the "Verdad & Justicia" radio show. "Verdad & Justicia" is hosted by Reverend Bolivar Flores, Vice President and Wendy S. Martinez, Government/ Public Affairs Director, New Jersey Coalition of Latino Pastors and Ministers. To watch the broadcast, please visit https://www.facebook.com/104770688032143/posts/171723631336848/?d=n



KORAL BOOTH SELECTED AS HCCC BOARD OF TRUSTEES STUDENT ALUMNI REPRESENTATIVE

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Ms. Booth helped bring Alpha Sigma Lambda, an honor society for adult learners at community colleges, to HCCC. She was inducted into several honor societies, including Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) International Honor Society; served as Vice President of Sigma Kappa Delta (SKD) Honor Society for English majors; was a member of the College's Achieving the Dream core strategic group; and provided leadership as President of the National Society of Leadership and Success. Ms. Booth was honored for Excellence by the HCCC Division of English and ESL. Her other activities and volunteer work include EOF of New Jersey, Student Government Association, LGBTQIA, Literary Club, Black Student Union, Honors Program, Food Pantry Steering Committee, Thinking in Full Color Writing Residency.

Ms. Booth states that Hudson County Community College provided the foundation for her educational and career goals. She will transfer to Saint Peter's University and enroll in the Dual Degree Program to pursue her Bachelor's and Master's degrees. "I'm beyond thankful for my experiences at Hudson County Community College, and I'm sad to be leaving, but I know that I have nothing to fear because Hudson set me up for success to begin my new journey," Ms. Booth said.



COME TO THE ACUE INFORMATIONAL SESSION FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2020 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

> Strategies for Effective Online Teaching

Hosted by the Center for Teaching, Learning, and Innovation. Facilitator: Paula Roberson Co-Facilitator: Sharon Daughtry

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION TO HOLD 23RD ANNUAL HOLIDAY FUNDRAISING GALA

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result of his leadership, the Foundation Gala is recognized as one of the most spectacular and enjoyable events in Hudson County.

Dean Dillon began his career in education at HCCC as a chef-professor in 1984. Previously, he worked for major New York corporations, including Longchamps Inc., Host International, the Orange Bowl Corporation, Restaurant Associates, and ISL International. He has been a consulting chef in a myriad of national and international venues for public and corporate clients, including the 1994 World Cup, the 1992 Winter Olympics, and several PGA and USGA golf tournaments. During his tenure at HCCC, Dean Dillon served as host and executive producer of "Let's Cook with Paul Dillon," which aired for 11 seasons on CN8, The Comcast Network. He received eight Telly Awards, three Emmy Award nominations in the "Best Host" category, and an Emmy as "Outstanding Host."

To cap off the Gala, participants may enter a Lucky Odds Raffle for \$50 per ticket. Grand prize is 40 percent of ticket sales; second prize is 6 percent; and third prize is 4 percent.

Complete information about this year's Gala is available at www.hccc.edu/foundation/gala/.

The Hudson County Community College Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit corporation providing tax-exempt status to contributors. Established in 1997, the Foundation generates financial support for the College and its students, developing and awarding needs-based and merit scholarships, providing seed money for faculty programs, assisting incoming students in achieving academic success, providing for the College's physical growth as well as the cultural enrichment of Hudson County residents. Since its founding, the Foundation has raised more than \$3.5 million in scholarships. The Foundation Art Collection, which was established in 2006, now includes over 1,250 works - most by nationally and internationally renowned artists.

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- 2. Online College Placement Test You can take the College Placement Test through Examity's online proctoring services.
- 3. Directed Self-Placement You will review course descriptions/ expectations followed by a brief questionnaire. At the end of questionnaire, you will select preferred course placement.

For more details and instructions go to www.hccc.edu/remoteplacement

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PROFESSIONAL NOTES



Jersey City Ward E Councilman James Solomon (left) presents a 2020 Women of Action Award to Jennie Pu, Dean of College Libraries.

Nicholas Chiaravalloti, J.D., Ed.D., Vice President of External Affairs & Senior Counsel to thePresident, participated in a panel with the Diversity Issues in Higher Education Conference on Friday, Nov. 20.

Eighteen women from Jersey City are honored every year during the city's Women of Action awards ceremony. The annual event honors women from every ward for their unique contributions to the city. Each honoree was nominated by a member of the Jersey City Council. **Jennie Pu**, Dean of College Libraries, was nominated by Ward E Councilman James Solomon for her activism in support of public school funding through parent education and advocacy work at the district and municipal level.

HCCC OFFERS OPPORTUNITIES FOR ADJUNCT FACULTY AND INSTRUCTORS AT VIRTUAL JOB FAIR

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A master's degree in the discipline taught is required, except for Continuing Education, Workforce Development, and Culinary Arts, which require a Bachelor's degree. College teaching skills are preferred. Additional requirements include flexible scheduling and willingness to attend professional development and required Human Resources training.

Information is available at http://hccc.edu/ ajf2020/. Interested candidates may register for the Virtual Job Fair at https://tinyurl.com/AJ-FRegistration and participate at https://tinyurl. com/jobfairHCCC. Event Number: 132 309 5075; Password: AFVC2020.

CALENDAR

Tuesday, December 1 – Friday, December 18 Student Art Exhibit

https://tinyurl.com/StudentArtHCCC Tuesday, December 1

Nursing Program (RN) Virtual Information Session, 3 p.m. Join via WebEx: https://hudsonccc. webex.com/hudsonccc/j.php?MTID=m94c8f1a4 ac44cedcd78e3843484e10da; Meeting number (access code): 132 856 8086; Meeting password: Baem2vahA36

Tuesday, December 1

Lavender Graduation, 6 p.m. https://tinyurl.com/ HCCCLavenderGraduation

Wednesday, December 2

Virtual Learning Community Day, 11 a.m. Join at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82702185780?p wd=MHJvaUJSbXJZODhFbjh5ZVB6Y2FQdz09; Meeting ID: 827 0218 5780; Passcode: 4MigH3

Thursday, December 3

Alpha Sigma Lambda Virtual Induction Ceremony, 3 p.m.

Hudson County Community College Foundation Annual Extravaganza, 6 p.m. (Virtual) http://www.facebook.com/hcccedu

Construction Management Virtual Information Session, 6 p.m. Join at https://hudsonccc.webex. com/hudsonccc/onstage/g.php?MTID=eb3fa0137 a4ccca8d87c1ee18aaf3c48f

Friday, December 4

ACUE Information Session, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Join via WebEx at https://hudsonccc.webex.com/ hudsonccc/j.php?MTID=me24b50a6c0bcab9c854 a44a9fdbda7ea

National Society of Leadership & Success induction ceremony, 4 p.m. https://members.nsls.org/ guest-join/YVRCbFZDTnF2NXZ0K1dNNHFlbFpVUT09

"These Are the People in Your Neighborhood" Series featuring Angus Vail, 6 p.m. (JC Fridays). To participate, please visit https://www.jcfridays. com/

Saturday, December 5

Sigma Kappa Delta Honors Induction Ceremony, 11 a.m.

HCCC Virtual Commencement Ceremony

Thursday, December 10 12:00 p.m.

Recognizing the graduates of the 2019-2020 academic year and the Fall 2020 semester.

For information about Commencement and Grad Events https://myhudson.hccc.edu/commencement

Psi Beta Honors Society Virtual Induction Ceremony, 12 p.m.

Monday, December 7

Adjunct Job Fair, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Join at https:// hudsonccc.webex.com/hudsonccc/j.php?MT ID=m2f2e1e77aff766219b2a0d5bea15e652; Event number: 132 712 4795; Event password: AFVC2020

Kente Graduation Ceremony, 6 p.m. https://tinyurl.com/HCCCKenteGraduation

Tuesday, December 8

Virtual Town Hall Meeting, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Join at 1-888-363-4734, Access Code: 9751220#

Wednesday, December 9

Mindful Play Yoga, 10 a.m. "Wellness Wednesdays" explores mindfulness yoga practice with Jamie Wilson-Murray of Mindful Play Yoga. www.facebook.com/mindfulplayyoga

Toast to the Graduates, 5 p.m. https://tinyurl.com/HCCCToastToTheGrads

Thursday, December 10

Virtual Commencement, 12 p.m., https://www. youtube.com/user/HudsonCountyCollege

Honors Poster Showcase/Virtual Presentation, 4 p.m. Join via Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/9741343 5900?pwd=bFNLUWw0SjBYN2tKbzFMaENTVEp Idz09; Passcode: 582744

Friday, December 11

Young Masters Art Classes, 10 a.m. "Young Masters Fridays" online arts enrichment programs for children and families with Kristin J. DeAngelis: www.facebook.com/youngmastersartclass

Tuesday, December 15 – Monday, December 21 Last classes and/or final exams

Friday, December 18

Student Art Presentations, 10 a.m., via Webex

Wednesday, December 23 – Friday, January 1 College Closed for Winter Break

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ALUMNI CORNER

Gloria Derteano Class of 2014

Associate of Science – Biology

What factors led you to decide to attend **Hudson County Community College?**

I had just finished serving and I wasn't sure what I wanted to study or if I wanted to study anything. I was fortunate to learn about the EOF program and they made me realize that education is key to success, so I committed to pursuing my education.

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

The accessibility to public transportation and all the resources in Journal Square. There was always somewhere you could go to eat and even shop.

How did you become interested in your major?

I became interested in my major because I was working as a personal trainer and enjoyed learning about the human body. When I started working in the medical field I quickly realized this wasn't the place for me and decided to go into Higher Education.

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

I was in the EOF program at HCCC and with their guidance and support I was able to participate in leadership events and programs at HCCC.

What is a typical work day for you?

One of the best parts about my position is there is never a typical day. I'm always meeting new students from all parts of the country who want to earn an education

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had the opportunity to be a mentor to the incoming EOF students. The reason it was so memorable was because I witnessed the growth of these students, and I was able to positively impact their life with my experiences.

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

I would have to say the past Director of the EOF program in HCCC, Ruben Melendez, and Rosie Perez who still works in the EOF department in HCCC. Their willingness, strength, and kindness to assist students inspired me to work in the same manner.

What advice would you give to recent HCCC graduates?

I would tell them to continue growing and to utilize their HCCC alumni support.

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

I would tell them to develop time management skills and to read the chapters before class.