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From the Editor's Desk

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION HOLDS SUCCESSFUL 18TH ANNUAL 'HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA'

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Vice President for Development Joseph D. Sansone announced that the College's Foundation raised more than \$200,000 in its 18th Annual "Holiday Extravaganza." The largest and most festive of the Foundation's fundraisers was held on Thursday, December 3 in the College's Culinary Conference Center. Proceeds from the event will be utilized for students' scholarships, faculty development programs, and the College's physical expansion.

This year's Distinguished Service Award – which recognizes individuals and organizations for their work on behalf of the College and the people of Hudson County – was presented to former Assemblywoman Joan Quigley, who is also a Hudson County Community College graduate. Currently President and CEO of the North Hudson Community Action Corporation, she is also the author of a weekly public affairs column for The Jersey Journal. Ms. Quigley served as Vice President of St. Francis Hospital in Jersey City and St. Mary Hospital in Hoboken, and later as Vice President of External Affairs for CarePoint Health System. Early in her career, she directed the RSVP Program for United Way of Hudson County, and was Public Information Officer for the Hudson County Welfare Board and the County Department



On Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015, the Hudson County Community College Foundation held its 18th Annual Holiday Extravaganza. The annual Distinguished Service Award was presented to Joan M. Quigley (second from right), President and CEO of the North Hudson Community Action Corporation. Pictured with Quigley from left are HCCC President Dr. Glen Gabert; HCCC Foundation Chair James Egan and HCCC Vice President for Development Joseph Sansone.

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WILLIAM AND BARBARA NETCHERT HONORED AT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LEGENDS BALL



William J. Netchert, Esq., HCCC Board Chair (left) and Barbara Netchert, 2015 Legends Ball honorees.

On Thursday, Dec. 10, the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce held its eighth annual Legends Ball at the Liberty Science Center. Among the evening's honorees were William J. Netchert, Esq., Chair of Hudson County Community College Board of Trustees, and Barbara Netchert, Hudson County Clerk.

The Netcherts were honored for their service and contributions to Hudson County. Other honorees included Dr. Julia DiGioia, a surgeon who has diagnosed and surgically treated breast cancer; James Miller Sr., CEO of Liberty Savings Federal Credit Union; and CarePoint Health and the CarePoint Health Foundation.



Pictured from left: Anthony Romano, Hudson County Freeholder; Glen Gabert, Ph.D., President of Hudson County Community College; and William J. Netchert, Esq., Chair of HCCC's Board of Trustees.

PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS



Photo on left: Dr. Azhar Mahmood (center) and Professors Claudia Delgado (left) and Theodore Lai volunteered in the Friends of Liberty State Park Gardening Program on Dec. 5.

Photo on right: Beta Alpha Phi members, alumni and HCCC faculty volunteered at the 7th Annual Homeless Memorial at the Old Bergen Church, Jersey City on Dec. 17. Pictured from left: Prof. Claudia Delgado, Prof. Kewal Krishan, Jacqueline Withers (HCCC Class of 2014 and Phi Theta Kappa alumna), and Prof. Theodore Lai.

Annual Hoboken Turkey Trot

On Saturday, Nov. 21, Beta Alpha Phi members Mary Anne De Vera, Jean Oyoue, alumna Judy Dundon with her son Ray and husband Robert, National Society of Leadership and Success members Christopher Guillen and Maria Francisco, and Prof. Theodore Lai volunteered at the second Annual Hoboken Turkey Trot and food, clothing, and toy drive. The donations were collected for Hoboken charities.

Climb to the Top

Beta Alpha Phi Chapter will participate in the National MS Society's "Climb to the Top" event in New York City on Sunday, Feb. 28, 6 a.m. to 11 a.m. Rockefeller Center. The chapter's volunteer team is named Phi Theta Kappa, HCCC; to register as a volunteer, please visit https://secure.nationalmssociety.org/site/TRR/Special/NYGeneralEvents/1088998575?pg=tfind&fr_id=26546.

Get Paid to Talk to the World Online

Phi Theta Kappa is proud to partner with TheTalkList – Your Virtual Immersion Program – connecting those hoping to improve language skills with Phi Theta Kappa tutors through online video chats. To get started, visit <http://www.ptk.org/thetalklist> – create a profile, start tutoring, and earn money (through PayPal).

Chapter Meeting

The next chapter meeting will take place on Saturday, Jan. 9, Library Building (71 Sip Avenue), Room L312, 1 p.m.

HCCC AT NJCCC DEVELOPMENTAL EDUCATION SUMMIT



Pictured from left: Brian Plunkett, Instructor, Academic Foundations English; Constance Calandrino, Director of Academic Foundations Math; Dr. Pamela Bandyopadhyay, Associate Dean, Academic Development and Support Services; Christopher Wahl, Dean of Instruction/Arts; Joseph Caniglia, Interim Director of Academic Foundations English; Kewal Krishan, Assistant Professor of Academic Foundations Math; Elizabeth Nesius, Interim Associate Dean of Humanities; Kathryn Buckley, Instructor of Academic Foundations English; and Jacqueline Brody, Instructor of Academic Foundations English.

On Friday, Dec. 10, a group from Hudson County Community College participated in the New Jersey Council of County Colleges' Developmental Education Summit at Middlesex County College. The day included several presentations on innovations in developmental math, reading, and writing across the state.

DMENTORS CONTINUE TO MEET

The DMentors met on Monday, Dec. 7 in the Mary T. Norton Room at 70 Sip Ave. The purpose of the group is to provide support and mentorship for aspiring Ed.D. and Ph.D. candidates throughout the process of graduate school. Mentors are on hand to provide words of wisdom and guidance, discussing topics such as "how to narrow down your research question" and "how to keep going when you feel like quitting."

The DMentors have met for several years and counseled several Hudson County Community College staff and faculty members through their doctoral work.



Pictured from left: Dr. Jerry Lamb, Instructor Dr. Nancy Booth, ESL Professor Peter Kronrath, Business Instructor.

Get Connect-ED with HCCC!



Hudson County Community College has implemented Connect-ED, a text- and voice-messaging emergency-alert system in the event of a crisis or emergency that poses an immediate and life-threatening danger to the College community.

Connect-ED will allow the College to send time-sensitive notifications by phone, email and/or text message.

Both HCCC students and employees have been automatically registered by College email in the emergency-alert system and will receive alerts unless they opt out. Users may access the College's web site, www.hccc.edu/emergency, and click on the Connect-ED link to register additional contact information.

Free and Confidential: HCCC will provide this emergency service free of charge to students and employees – there is no charge to sign up. However, mobile service providers may charge a fee for incoming messages depending on an individual's plan.

Personal information entered into the Connect-ED system will be kept confidential and will not be used for any other purpose.

For information about Connect-ED, visit www.hccc.edu/emergency Stay informed and get Connect-ED today!

BOARD RESOLUTION MATERIALS SCHEDULE FOR 2016

In order for us to have Board of Trustee materials to the Personnel Committee members for review in a timely manner, we need all fully completed materials for the hiring of all full-time and part-time employees from your area to be forwarded to Human Resources by the following schedule.

As you are aware, all Personnel Recommendations must be approved by the Personnel Committee for recommendation at the full Board Meeting.

Important: Any incomplete documents with missing information will be send back for resubmission.

CUT-OFF DATES		
Due to Human Resources	Personnel Committee Meeting	Board Meeting
January 5	January 14	January 19
February 1	February 9	February 16
February 22	March 1	March 8
April 4	April 12	April 19
April 25	May 3	May 10
May 30	June 7	June 14
July 25	August 2	August 9
August 29	September 6	September 13
October 3	October 11	October 18
November 7	November 15	November 22

RETIREMENT – RUBY JONES



Ruby Jones, Payroll Officer, retired from Hudson County Community College effective Dec. 1, 2015. She is pictured at a reception given in her honor in November by the Business Office.

MILESTONES

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

One Year

Homiler Phanor

Five Years

Linda Stephenson

10 Years

Timothy Peacock

Yeurys Pujols

15 Years

Dr. Raffaella Pernice

HOLIDAY CALENDAR

Monday, January 18

Martin Luther King's Birthday – College Closed

Friday, February 12

President's Weekend. Classes in Session – Administrative offices closed

Monday, February 15

Presidents Weekend – College Closed

Friday, March 25

Good Friday – College Closed

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day – College Closed

Monday, July 4

Independence Day – College Closed

Monday, September 5

Labor Day – College Closed

Monday, October 10

Columbus Day – College Open. Floating Holiday

Tuesday, November 8

Election Day – College Open. Floating Holiday

Friday, November 11

Veterans Day – College Open. Floating Holiday

Thursday, November 24- Friday, November 25

Thanksgiving – College Closed

Thursday, December 22, 2016

College Closed – Given for Christmas Eve

Friday, December 23, 2016

College Closed – Given for Christmas

Monday, December 26, 2016 -

Monday January 2, 2017

College Closed

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

Administrators and Staff – Floating Holiday, Faculty - Holiday

JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:

Adjunct Instructors (Spring 2016)

Administrative Assistant- Administrative

Services / Finance Department

Assistant Controller

Associate Director, Student Financial Assistance

Career Development Counselor

College Lecturer,

Workforce Development Programs

Community Education Instructors PT

(multiple positions)

Data Network Administrator

Director of Admissions

Director of Health Related Programs

Executive Director of Engineering Operations

Executive Director (Center for Online Learning)

Help Desk Manager

Human Resources Office Assistant (Part-Time)

Instructional Designer (Part-Time)

Instructor of Computer Science

Instructor of Physics and Mathematics

Instructor of Romance Languages

PC Technicians (2 positions)

Tutoring Coordinator

US DOL TAACCCT Job Developer

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

**Hudson County
Community College
Human Resources Department
70 Sip Avenue, Third Floor
Jersey City, NJ 07306
resumes@hccc.edu**

Applicants for instructor and adjunct positions must submit transcripts.

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

INTRODUCING ...



CHRISTOPHER CIELY, COMMUNICATIONS ASSISTANT

Chris started at Brookdale Community College and graduated with an Associate Degree in Broadcasting. He then continued his education at Ramapo College of New Jersey, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Media Communications.

Chris worked in retail positions throughout college and even after. He then began working at Hudson County Community College as a part-time Communications Assistant.

As Communications Assistant, Chris will be responsible for creating press releases for various events and Non-Traditional Programs, quoting various projects, proofreading and creating content for publications, covering College events, helping prepare events, and monitoring for College-related articles and advertising.



NICHOLAS JONES, COUNSELOR (CASS)

Nicholas comes to the College from Adelphi University, where he served as a Residence Hall Director. He has earned degrees in Counseling with a concentration in Higher Education (M.A.) and in Information Technology (B.S.), both from Montclair State University.

As Counselor for Advisement and Counseling, he will be responsible for promoting student success: providing students with academic advising, career exploration assistance, facilitating educational programming, assisting with course registration; and assisting in the planning of programs as well as New Student Orientation and First Year Experience.



JOHN MARLIN, DEAN OF INSTRUCTION/SCIENCES

Dr. Marlin earned a B.S. in Engineering from the United States Military Academy, and an A.M. and a Ph.D. in English from the University of Chicago. Prior to this appointment, he served as Associate Dean of Humanities at HCCC, prior to which he was Chair of English at The College of Saint Elizabeth.

In his new role, Dr. Marlin will oversee and facilitate learning in the STEM and Health Science programs.



CATHERINA MIRASOL, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, CENTER FOR BUSINESS & INDUSTRY

Catherina Mirasol has been with Hudson County Community College for nearly 10 years. Currently the Assistant Director for the Center for Business & Industry, she is tasked with creating, sustaining, and growing workforce development programs.

Catherina began in 2006 as Administrative Assistant for Continuing Education. While providing administrative support to the Vice President of Continuing Education and then to the Dean of Community Education, she also managed two key programs: Community Partnerships in Hotel Employment (CPHE) and New Pathways to Teaching in New Jersey (NPTNJ). She was also part of the Culinary Conference Center startup team.

In 2012, she became Coordinator for the Center for Business & Industry. As CBI Coordinator, Catherina oversaw several different training programs and worked with the CBI team in coordinating events.

Catherina has 10 years of accounting experience and comes from a varied work background. She has been a self-employed medical biller, central registration supervisor for a hospital, finance assistant for a computer storage and backup manufacturer, and purchasing manager at a private elementary school. She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communications from The College of Mount St. Vincent and an Associate Degree in Nursing from Hudson County Community College.



GEOFFREY SIMS, CONTROLLER

Geoffrey Sims, the College's new Controller, has several years' experience in accounting and finance. He joined HCCC in August 2015 as Assistant Controller, and came to the College from Middlesex County College, where he was responsible for monthly financial reporting, annual audit, and the operating budget. Geoff has also served as an Adjunct Accounting and Business Professor at Kean University, Raritan Valley Community College, and Union County College.

Sims received his B.A. in Accounting/Business from Rutgers University and his MBA from St. John's University. He is a licensed Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in the State of New Jersey.

Sims will be responsible for Hudson County Community College's Accounting and Budget Management.

HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DEDICATES NEW ABEGAIL DOUGLAS-JOHNSON ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES DEPARTMENT



Dr. Abegail Douglas-Johnson (third from right) was honored on Dec. 9 with the dedication of a academic support services center bearing her name. She is pictured with, from left, Anthony Romano, Hudson County Freeholder; Joyce Watterman, Jersey City Councilwoman at Large; Glen Gabert, Ph.D., President of Hudson County Community College; Paula Pando, Ed.D., Vice President for North Hudson Campus and Student Affairs; and Eric Friedman, Ph.D., Vice President for Academic Affairs.

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) marked the official opening of its new tutorial center on Wednesday, December 9, 2015. The Abegail Douglas-Johnson Academic Support Services Department has been situated in the lower level of the College's Library Building at 71 Sip Avenue in Jersey City.

HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. welcomed local elected officials, administrators, faculty, and staff, and the guest of honor, Dr. Abegail Douglas-Johnson.

The Abegail Douglas-Johnson Academic Support Services program was initiated in 2011, and has provided free tutoring in all subject areas to thousands of HCCC students. Trained tutors offer students the opportunity to study with classmates in small groups, or on an individual basis. Sessions are available each day, and students may take advantage of regularly scheduled or walk-in sessions.

The program also provides workshops to help students prepare for exams, and Winter/Summer Enrichment programs, as well as conversation sessions for all non-English-speaking students.

Dr. Abegail Douglas-Johnson was a driving force at the College for more than 26 years, and she assisted in expanding the College's for-credit and non-credit programs. Prior to serving as Vice President for Academic Affairs, she was Director of Instructional Resources, Assistant Dean of Student Development, Dean of Academic Affairs, and Acting President. Dr. Douglas-Johnson was also the recipient of the HCCC Heritage Award.

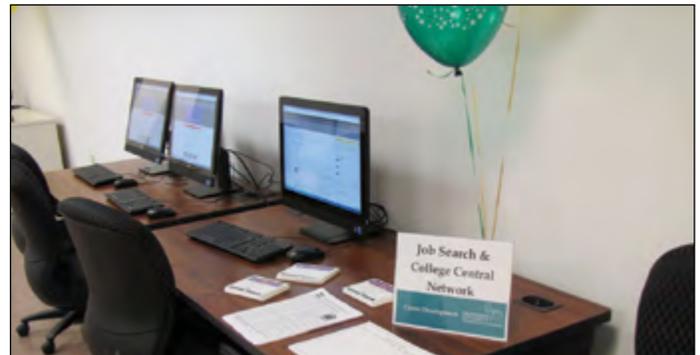
CAREER DEVELOPMENT FINDS ITS CENTER



Pictured from right: Dr. Paula Pando, Vice President for North Hudson Campus and Student Affairs; Jenny Nesenjuk, Acting Director of Career Development; Doua Saleh, Carmene Elmera and Sandra Maloney.

2 Enos Place (Building J) is now home to Hudson County Community College's new Career Development Center. Located in J008, formerly the Testing Center, the Career Development Center provides a place for students and alumni to gain the tools and knowledge they need to successfully plan their futures and take the first steps towards achieving their career goals.

Shortly after acquiring the space, Career Development marked the move with an open house celebration on Thursday, Dec. 3, 2015. Dr. Paula P. Pando, Vice President for the North Hudson Campus and Student Affairs, was on hand to officially open the center, letting those in attendance know that "coming here to [the] Career Development Center, you will be able to meet with a counselor and really figure out what your passion is, what drives you, what you're good at," and that the HCCC Career Development Center will



help students "crystalize those plans [of] 'what do I want to do and what path do I need to take to get there.'" Those who attended the open house received tools and tips on resume and cover letter writing, interviewing, and job searching including, one-on-one assistance for students to create their College Central Network accounts, the job search tool launched by the department in September 2015 to assist students and alumni find employment.

Having launched basic services at the start of the Fall 2015 semester, the Career Development Center has big things planned for the Spring 2016 semester. Weekly office hours and workshops at the North Hudson Campus, as well as Career Fairs, Mock Interview Days and Career Week, all scheduled to take place at both campus locations, are already in the works.

For more information about services for students, alumni and faculty and staff, please contact Career Development at (201) 360-4184 or visit the Career Development MyHudson portal page or http://www.hccc.edu/Career_Events/.

Foundation Art Collection

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

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

Donor Acknowledgement

Thank you to Marion Grzesiak and James Byrne for the generous donations.

Artist News

For those of you who are interested in art related to contemporary Catholicism, two works from the Foundation Art Collection are on exhibit in the Pope Pius XII gallery show on the sixth floor of the Library Building through Jan. 14. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. The first is **Juan Sanchez'** print, *Saint Ernesto de la Higuera* (2005). Sanchez was born to Puerto Rican parents in Brooklyn, New York, and has become well known for producing art addressing issues of Puerto Rican life in the U.S. and on the island. Thank you to Anne Queeney McKeown for the generous donation of this work. The other work, by **Alejandro Anreus**, is in three parts: *I. The Meek Shall Inherit the Earth*, 1989, *II. Blessed are You When They Persecute You*, 1990, *III. Blessed Are Those Who Mourn*, 1990. They are crayon and ink on paper. Born in Havana, Cuba, Professor Anreus teaches at William Paterson University. His most recent publication is a monograph, *Luis Cruz Azaceta* published by University of Minnesota Press. Thank you to Marion Grzesiak for the generous donation of this work.

Did You Know?

The largest piece of sculpture we associate with Hudson County is the Statue of Liberty. Few people know that the sculptor Frederic Auguste Bartholdi was inspired by an Egyptian woman to make the Statue. He travelled to Egypt in 1855, where he developed a "passion for large-scale public monuments and colossal sculptures," said the US National Park Service, which guards the Statue of Liberty in New York. In 1869, when the Egyptian government sought proposals for a lighthouse on the Suez Canal, Bartholdi designed



Photo above: Among the items in the "Pope Pius XII: Consensus or Controversy" included engravings, lithographs, photographs, personal belongings, and contemporary news accounts, as well as magazines.



Photo top right: Dr. Susan Sessions Zuccotti, an American historian specializing in studies of the Holocaust, delivered the second lecture, "In Critique of Pius XII," on Dec. 10.



Photo bottom right: Clifford J. Brooks, Librarian, introduces the noted American historians who are experts on the Pius XII papacy and who delivered lectures on Dec. 9 and 10.

an early version of our Liberty, as a robed, veiled, peasant woman holding a torch, which he called "Egypt (or Progress) Brings Light to Asia." In 1870, when the French wished to present a monument to the American people, representing "Liberty Enlightening the World," Bartholdi recycled his designs for the previous sculpture. Our Statue of Liberty was inaugurated in 1886.

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To donate to the Foundation Art Collection, please contact Joseph Sansone, Vice President for Development, Hudson County Community College Foundation, 70 Sip Avenue, 4th Floor, Jersey City, NJ 07306, Jsansone@hccc.edu, (201) 360-4006.



71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor
Jersey City, NJ 07306
Open Tuesday - Sunday,
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
For more information, please contact
gallery@hccc.edu
There is no charge for admission.

The Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery

Contemporary Hudson County

JANUARY 31, 2016 - MARCH 8, 2016

Presented by Hudson County Community College;
Curated by Laurie Riccadonna.

Opening Reception: Tuesday, February 2, 2016 at 3 p.m.

Contemporary Hudson County features works by Hudson County artists working in a wide range of media and positioned at various stages of their careers. Reflecting diverse lives and concerns, this exhibition addresses the changing identity of Hudson County and its status as a growing creative center in the region. Work included in *Contemporary Hudson County* incorporates a range of media and styles, and investigates a variety of contemporary themes.

INFANT-TODDLER CURRICULUM CLASS FIELD TRIP



Students from the Fall 2015 Infant-Toddler Curriculum course prepare to depart for the Green Meadow Waldorf School.

Five Hudson County Community College students, who were enrolled in the course Infant Toddler Curriculum for the Fall 2015 semester and are majoring in Early Childhood Education, recently visited the Green Meadow Waldorf School in Chestnut Ridge, New York with their instructor, Robin Singer.

Students had the opportunity to visit the nursery and kindergarten classes in order to learn the principles and practices of a Waldorf Education. These students observed how children were encouraged to develop at their own rates, and were not rushed by their teachers as the teachers provided ample time for the children to learn through extended periods of play both inside and outside the classroom.

Some of the HCCC students had an opportunity to visit a kindergarten class at the school's farm or hike with the children through the woods on the school's campus. Students also saw the unique learning materials that were made of natural substances such as wood, cloth, etc., and the ways in which children used these materials

in inventive ways during play and consequently fostering the development of their imaginations and creativity. Additionally, students saw how Waldorf teachers created "rhythms to the day," a practice specific to the Waldorf curriculum, during which teachers ensure that children are guided through the day's activities in quiet, productive ways by using songs or gestures to help children move from one activity to the next in fluid transitions while making sure that there is a balance of teacher-directed and child-directed experiences.

Most importantly, the HCCC students saw how teachers promoted the intellectual, physical, social, and emotional development of each child, through the intentional actions of the teachers who engaged children in positive interactions and communication. The visit ended with a short Q&A session facilitated by the Director of the Early Childhood program during which the students had a chance to ask questions about the Waldorf approach, share some of their own observations, and learn how one becomes a Waldorf teacher.



Community College Week and NISOD are proud to announce the annual Scott Wright Student Essay Contest in honor of Scott Wright, past editor of Community College Week (1995–2000), recipient of the 1998 Award for Excellence in Higher Education Journalism, and the reporter who brought national attention to developmental education and the unique mission community colleges possess in providing an accessible education.

Student authors are asked to describe an actual faculty member, staff member, or administrator who encouraged him or her to complete a course, finish a semester, or graduate from college, and describe how that encouragement helped him or her reach their goal.

- One winning student author will receive a \$1,000 check.
- The faculty member, staff member, or administrator featured in the winning essay will receive a \$1,000 check.
- NISOD will provide a complimentary membership to the winning student author's college.

If you have any questions, please contact John Marlin at jmarlin@hccc.edu, or at 201-360-4650.

Submissions are due on January 29, 2016.

For complete details, please visit: www.nisod.org/studentessaycontest.

THEATRE ARTS FESTIVAL: AN EVENING OF SCENES AND MUSIC



Professor Joseph Gallo introduces students to the audience at the Fall 2015 Theatre Arts Festival.



Julius Booth (left) and Mario Leon in a scene from the play "The Spoils."



Kian Wilson (left) and Michael Rivera perform a scene from the play "I and You."

Hudson County Community College's Fall Theatre Arts Festival took place on Friday, Dec. 18, 2015. The Theatre Arts Festival is an exciting end-of-semester celebration of short skits and musical performances by HCCC's Theatre Arts students.

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of Health and Social Services. As a State legislator, she represented parts of Hudson and Bergen County, was elected Deputy Speaker and Majority Conference Leader, and served on several committees.

The 2015 "Holiday Extravaganza" began with a Hospitality Hour sponsored by Johnston Communications Voice and Data and MAST Construction Services. Goldman Sachs, North Hudson Community Action Foundation, Paul Silverman, and United Water were Table Sponsors; and BCB Community Bank, Goya Foods, James and Kathleen Egan, Harwood Properties, Lakeland Bank, the Provident Bank Foundation, and RSC Architects were Scholarship Sponsors.

Chefs/Instructors and students from the College's acclaimed Culinary Arts Institute Hospitality Management program prepared and served the gourmet dinner feast, and the students also provided food and drink service throughout the evening.

Mr. Sansone said that ticket sales for the annual "Lucky Odds" raffle raised more than \$15,000. The "Lucky Odds" Grand Prize, Second Prize, and Third Prize winners received 40%, 6%, and 4% respectively of the raffle ticket sales.

The Hudson County Community College Foundation is a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 corporation giving tax-exempt status to contributors. Since the Foundation was established in 1997, it has provided over \$2 million in scholarships to more than 1,000 students.

In addition, the HCCC Foundation established the Foundation Art Collection eight years ago to coincide with the initiation of the College's Fine Arts studies program. Presently, the Collection includes more than 800 paintings, lithographs, photographs, sculptures, and other works-of-art that are displayed throughout all of the buildings on the College's Journal Square and North Hudson campuses. Artists in the Collection include: Donald Baechler, Leonard Baskin, Elizabeth Catlett, Christo, Willie Cole, Edward S. Curtis, Marcel Duchamp, Lisa Parker Hyatt, Rockwell Kent, Joseph Kosuth, Valeri Larko, Roy Lichtenstein, Reginald Marsh, Méret Oppenheim, Robert Rauschenberg, Man Ray, Mickalene Thomas, and William Wegman. The Foundation also hosts a series of lectures called "Arts Talk," which feature prominent artists, art authorities, and scholars, and is open to the general public.

The HCCC Foundation's Board of Directors also organizes and holds an annual Golf Outing, "Night at the Races," and the HCCC Employees' Scholarship Luncheon. There are other events held throughout the year to build scholarship funds for students specifically from Hudson County's northern and western municipalities.





NON-TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS NEWS



Creating vision boards with Timothy Sheridan (New Jersey Department of Labor), Al Anton (Port Authority of New York and New Jersey), Mayelin Torres (Evening, Weekend and Off-Site Programs at HCCC), Alessia Aron (Jersey Bites).



Catherine Mirasol (CBI at HCCC), Heather Wahl (Speranza Theater), Margaret Acosta and Chris Bianchi (Port Authority of New York and New Jersey) at NTP's vision board workshop.



Juliet Foster (J. Foster Imagery) leading NTP's December Lunch & Learn Vision Board workshop.

Center for Business and Industry

CBI is currently recruiting eligible students for the Office Administrative Assistant Training Program. This program provides a comprehensive approach to workforce development, providing both soft and industry skills. Training is delivered to help participants in the program obtain meaningful employment and career opportunities

by targeting entry-level occupations in office administration. Participants will be able to earn their Act National Career Readiness Certificate in just five months. For more information please contact Luis Lindao at (201) 360-4256 or llindao@hccc.edu

On Dec. 9, graduation was held for students from The Small Business Owners workshops. The free 39-hour courses, offered through a partnership between CBI and the Hudson County

Office of Minority and Women Business Enterprise (OMWBE), included modules on technology resources, procurement opportunities, and access to capital.

Get free training for your business!

Your business may be eligible for free training. Please contact Catherine Mirasol at cmirasol@hccc.edu or (201) 360-4241.

Community Education – In Your Community

HCCC's Department of Community Education is proud to announce offsite locations for the Winter 2016 term.

Best of Downtown Jersey City Food Tour with Jersey Girls Food Tours
Saturday Feb. 20, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Downtown Jersey City Sign Language Is for Babies!
Saturday March 5 10 a.m.- 12 p.m.
Charles and Co. Downtown Jersey City

Intro. to Computing with Workplace Applications
Tues/Thurs, March 1-24, 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Harrison Goodwill

Pharmacy Technician
Tues/Thurs, Feb. 6 - April 7, 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Union City High School

Pronunciation Perfect
Saturday, Feb. 6 - April 2, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Union City High School

TOEFL
Saturday, Feb. 6 - April 2, 1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Union City High School

Conversational English
Tues/Thurs, March 1-31, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.
Union City High School

SAT Math Preparation
Saturday, March 12 - April 30, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Union City High School

SAT Language Preparation
Saturday, March 12 - April 30, 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Union City High School

To register, visit: www.hccc.edu
CommunityEducation or visit 25 Journal Square, Room B107.

Division-wide Events

On Dec. 10, Non-Traditional Programs held a special end of year Lunch & Learn workshop: Creating a Vision Board for the Year Ahead. The event took place at the Culinary Conference Center, with several business partners and community members in attendance. Juliet Foster, of J. Foster Imagery, led the workshop, delivering an inspiring lecture and guiding participants in the creation of their own personal vision boards. Non-Traditional Program's Lunch & Learn initiative is a series of monthly seminars, panel discussions, and workshops intended to provide learning and networking opportunities to Hudson County community members over enjoyable dining experiences.

Planning is currently underway for the Third Annual Girls in Technology Symposium, which will take place on Wednesday, March 16, 2016. The GIT Symposium delivers information about careers and opportunities in the technology field

to female high school and middle school students. GIT 2015 had an estimated two hundred people in attendance, most of whom were high school and middle school students from various schools in Hudson County. The 2016 symposium is set to feature a multitude of hands-on workshops, exhibits, and presentations related to various sectors in technology, along with a panel discussion and student displays. The goal for GIT is to impact young girls' perspectives on the possibilities that await them and to encourage girls to embrace technology, learn, and be inspired by those who are doing the work. If you would like to participate in this year's symposium or get involved in any way, please contact Chastity Farrell at cfarrell@hccc.edu for more information.

Upcoming Events

January 14: Non-Traditional Programs Lunch & Learn at the Culinary Conference Center

SPRING 2016 CLASSES AT UNION CITY HIGH SCHOOL OFF-SITE AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION OFFERINGS

CREDIT COURSES

February 2 to May 16 – Tuesdays and Thursdays

Section	Course Name	Day	Time
ENG-101-01	College Composition I	Tuesday	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
ENG-102-01	College Composition II	Tuesday	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
ENG-112-01	Speech	Tuesday	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
MAT-070-01	Basic Algebra Workshop	Thursday	5:30 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
MAT-073-01	Basic Algebra	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
SOC-101-01	Principles of Sociology	Thursday	7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

IN PERSON REGISTRATION ENDS ON: Tuesday, February 9
LOCATION: 70 Sip Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07306, (201) 360-4120
ONLINE REGISTRATION ENDS ON: Tuesday, February 9
CLASSES ARE FROM: February 2 to May 16

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Course Name	Start Date	End Date	Days	Time
Pharmacy Technician	2/2/2016	4/6/2016	T, TH	6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Conversational English	3/1/2016	3/31/2016	T, TH	6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Introduccion a Computadores e Internet	4/5/2016	4/28/2016	T, TH	6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Pronunciation Perfect	2/6/2016	4/2/2016	S	9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
TOEFL Preparation	2/6/2016	4/2/2016	S	1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Math Preparation	2/9/2016	4/30/2016	S	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Reading Preparation	2/9/2016	4/30/2016	S	12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION ENDS: Three business days before class start.
LOCATION: 25 Journal Square, B107 Jersey City, NJ • (201) 360-4224 • www.hccc.edu/communityeducation

REGISTER TODAY!

PROFESSIONAL NOTES

Library staff member **Sarah Bryant** attended a Professional Development One-Day Conference offered by National Seminars Training in New York City on Oct. 28, 2015. The workshop, "Leadership & Management Skills for Women" dealt with cutting-edge tactics to enhance productivity in the workplace. Topics covered included: "How to help coworkers to be engaged, motivated, and thriving 110%" and "How to work smarter not harder." Sarah found the conference very informative. The information gives Library staff new insights for better serving the HCCC community and its students.

Librarian **Cynthia Coulter**, co-chair of the ACRL NJ Research Committee, presented a seminar titled "Fostering Research Success: Getting Published, Collaborating, and Winning Grants" on Nov. 17. Morning experts included Elizabeth Perril, Executive Publisher at Elsevier, who gave a very detailed description of what to do and what not to do when trying to get your research published. Coming from the medical field, Elizabeth described her own experiences and then

expanded to incorporate how any author, from any discipline, might approach the manuscript writing and promotion process.

Dr. John Buschman, Dean of University Libraries at Seton Hall University, added his expertise as Section Editor for the *Journal of Academic Librarianship* and as part of the Editorial Board of *Library Quarterly*. He gave great insight into what editors look for, what to avoid in a manuscript, and the protocol for submitting manuscripts to publishers.

The afternoon speaker was Dr. Holly Falk-Krzesinski, the Vice President for Global Academic & Research Relations at Elsevier. She gave a review of what Team Science is, how it is being employed in the research world, and the trend toward research collaboration. Holly talked about the multidisciplinary, interdisciplinary, and transdisciplinary approach to research, and how a multi-faceted knowledge base can help better explain phenomena.



Jon Rappleye



Allison Green

Contemporary Hudson County Artist Talk

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

12 P.M. TO 1 P.M.

Contemporary Hudson County features works by Hudson County artists working in a wide range of media and positioned at various stages of their careers. Reflecting diverse lives and concerns, this exhibition addresses the changing identity of Hudson County and its status as a growing creative center in the region. Work included in *Contemporary Hudson County* incorporates a range of media and styles, and investigates a variety of contemporary themes.

Exhibiting Artists:

Thomas John Carlson
Michelle Doll
Eileen Ferara
Allison Green
Armando Guillera
Iris Kufert-Rivo
Doug Madill
Jason Minami
Margaret Murphy
Edwin Montalvo
Katie Niewodowski
James Pustorino
Jon Rappleye
Jeremy Smith
William Stamos
Amy Wilson
Michelle Vitale
Deborah Jack
Duda Pentead
Anne Trauben
Jill Scipione

The Benjamin J. Dineen, III
and Dennis C. Hull Gallery
71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor,
Jersey City, NJ 07306

Open Tuesday - Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

There is no charge for admission.
For more information, please contact
gallery@hccc.edu.

Log onto www.hccc.edu/dineenhullgallery
for more information on the Gallery
and upcoming exhibits.

WINTER OPEN HOUSE

NON-TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS

Thursday, January 28, 2016

6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Culinary Conference Center,
161 Newkirk Street, 1st fl., Jersey City, NJ

Join us to learn more about our offerings

- *English as a Second Language*
- *Youth Programs*
- *Personal Enrichment*
- *Customized Employee Training (free or affordable)*
- *Weekend College*
- *High School Dual Enrollment*
- *Online Learning*

Register for Community Education courses

Enter a raffle for chances to win

- *Culinary Classes*
- *Free lunch for two at Culinary Conference Café*
- *Time Management Class for 10 employees (4 hour class)*

Participate in class and training demonstrations

Light refreshments will be served

RSVP by

Friday, January 22, 2016
and you will be automatically entered in a special raffle.
Pre-register here: <http://tinyurl.com/p7dfbsm>

Questions?

Please contact the Non-Traditional Programs Division
at (201) 360-5325 or email at ntpdivision@hccc.edu.

HONORS SHOWCASE



On Thursday, Dec. 17, the Honors Program held a paper presentation session for students who had completed papers as special projects in their Honors courses. Instructor of Sociology Michael Ferlise (second from left) served as moderator.



On Thursday afternoon, Dec. 17, Honors students had an opportunity to showcase their posters or projects completed as part of their Honors courses. Asnaa Sbiyou, a student taking an Honors section of Principles of Macroeconomics (ECO 201), prepared a poster on "Effects of Legalization of Illegal Aliens."

ST. PETER'S PREP ACAPPELLA GROUP "VOX" PERFORMS AT HCCC



On Tuesday, Dec. 8, Prep Vox, the premier vocal ensemble of Saint Peter's Preparatory School, gave a holiday concert at the College. Seated at keyboard is Emily Fencik, Choral Director.

SAVE THE DATE

Spring 2016 Lecture Series



The Meeting
 Play by Jeff Stetson
Thursday, March 31
 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center
 Scott Ring Room, 161 Newkirk Street
 Jersey City, NJ

The Meeting is a 1987 American play by Jeff Stetson about an imaginary meeting between Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X in 1965 in a hotel in Harlem during the height of the Civil Rights Movement. The play was later televised on *American Playhouse* in 1989.

Spend entertaining and informative evenings with personalities who are journalism and entertainment stars. Admission is free, but tickets – which are available on a first-come, first-served basis – are required. All events begin at 6 p.m. Call 201-360-4020 for more information and tickets.

Course offerings catalog is now available!

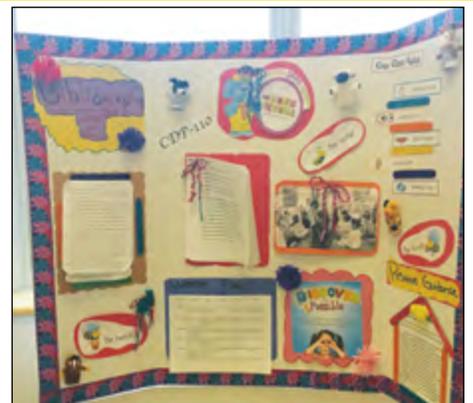
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BEST POSTER CONTEST- LC DAY FALL 2015

Learning Community Day was celebrated by all Hudson County Community College's Learning Community classes on Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015. During this event, students exhibited posters they made, which reflected information they learned in class.

At the Fall 2015 event, the students in Child Development Associate (CDA) Workshop II won the poster contest after receiving the most votes from both the students and HCCC faculty/staff who attended LC Day. The poster was the product of a collaborative effort by the entire CDA class and focused on the elements that constitute high quality learning experiences for preschoolers.



Winner of the Best Poster Contest from Learning Community Day Fall 2015. The students who created it were in the Preschool CDA Class taught by Robin Singer.

FALL 2015 STATICS & DYNAMICS CLASS GIVES FINAL PRESENTATIONS



Students of the Fall 2015 Statics & Dynamics course, members of STEM faculty, pictured with course instructor Dr. Mojdeh Tabatabaie (left) and Dr. Eric Friedman (center), Vice President for Academic Affairs.

On Wednesday, Dec. 16, students enrolled in Statics & Dynamics (EGS 230) delivered presentations on subjects of their choosing. The College Catalog description of the course is as follows:

“This course is an extension of engineering physics courses on mechanics. Topics covered include the equilibrium of particle and rigid body systems subject to concentrated and distributed forces, the motion of particles and rigid bodies, the relation of motion of particles to various force distributions, and torques, work energy relations, impulse momentum relations, and conservation principles.”

Statics & Dynamics is required for Engineering Science students. The course instructor, Mojdeh Tabatabaie, Ph.D., P.E., allocates 25% of the course grade to an open-ended project. Students are tasked to work as teams representing a consulting firm or research institute, and develop a topic, and make a formal presentation.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT Spring 2016 Career Advancement and Professional Development



Crossing the Digital Divide: An Introduction to Innovative Teaching Tools for the 21st Century

An introductory session facilitated by the Center for Online Learning. You will be shown everything you can do from recording lectures to in-class polling to facilitating web conferences.



Post-Tenure Engagement and Campus Citizenry

A brutally refreshing conversation from Chris Wahl, Dean of Instruction/Arts, on how to best utilize faculty in meeting the College's mission.



Celebrate What Is Right with the World

Do we choose to see possibilities? Are we unleashing our energies to effect positive change? Join us for a 15-minute movie presentation of Dewitt Jones' "Celebrate What's Right with the World" followed by a discussion on how to create positive change.



Faculty Development Seminar

The Faculty Development Seminar provides a unique opportunity for faculty to explore the research and ideas that inform our teaching with colleagues from different disciplines. In keeping with the traditional seminar format, faculty will be active participants, leading discussions and developing a seminar project. The FDS runs for 8 weeks and is facilitated by Dr. Sean Egan. For more information please contact segan@hccc.edu.



First-Time Adjunct Faculty Member Seminar

This new two-hour seminar is designed to teach new members of the HCCC faculty some important things about the various resources, workshops, and services available. You will also learn how to create a syllabus, enter grades and attendance in Blackboard, classroom management techniques, and how to sign up for other professional development activities. This workshop is open to all first time, new, and returning Adjunct Faculty or Full-Time Faculty. This seminar is offered at multiple times.



Seven Habits of Highly Effective People Workshop Series

This workshop consists of three sessions over a three-week period. Topics addressed include: time management, stress management, and work/life balance. Each week participants will delve into Dr. Stephen Covey's groundbreaking work of how to be successful in your personal and professional life. This workshop is facilitated by Vivyen Ray, Executive Director of Human Resources.



Adjunct Faculty Professional Development Workshop Series

The Adjunct Faculty Professional Development Workshop Series is offered each fall and spring semester. The series consist of 10 hours of Professional Development on topics related to classroom management, learning theories, technology, and institutional goals, culture, and values. Each series consist of four modules offered over two Saturdays or four weekdays. This workshop is open to any Adjunct Faculty member who is in their second semester or beyond. To register for upcoming sessions contact: lwilliams@hccc.edu or call (201) 360-4015.



Workshop Facilitator Best Practices

This workshop will teach you the nuts and bolts of putting on a workshop that gets and keeps your audience's attention. You will learn strategies for setting the room, managing your audience, and much more. Open to all staff and faculty. This work is facilitated by Lilisa J. Williams, Assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

CAREER ADVANCEMENT AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

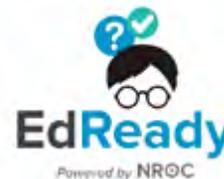
For a complete listing of all Academic Affairs staff and faculty career advancement and professional workshops for Spring 2016, visit our Portal Page at:

<https://myhudson.hccc.edu/academicaffairs/faculty/facultystaffdev/Pages/default.aspx>

For more information, please contact Lilisa Williams at (201) 360-4015 or lwilliams@hccc.edu



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Email: testing@hccc.edu



College Placement Test (Accuplacer)

Welcome to HCCC! The CPT is a computerized assessment used to assist with English/Math course placement. Take the CPT seriously! Depending on your scores, you may have to register/pay for additional semesters of courses that do not bear college credit/count toward degree. The Writing Proficiency test is also part of the general CPT schedule.

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

Before taking the CPT:

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

On day of CPT:

- Make sure you eat and rest well
- Bring photo ID, College Wide ID #, pen, and pencil
- Report at least 10 minutes before the test start time
- Walk-ins accepted for 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. sessions; Appointment required for 5 p.m. sessions.

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

January 2016
Terms: Spring 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
TESTING LOCATIONS: Journal Square (Main Campus) : 71 Sip Avenue, Lower Level Jersey City NHC: (North Hudson Campus) 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City				1 College Closed
4 Testing Center Closed	5 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	6 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM NHC 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	7 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM	8 Journal Sq. 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM NHC 9:00 AM & 1:00 PM
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College Placement Test

*Approximately 2-3 hours

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

Writing Proficiency Test

*90 minutes

The WPT is required when Eng 101 transcript is older than 10 years; this exam is handwritten.

English as a Second Language placement test

*Approximately 2.5-3.5 hours

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

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, January 4

Day after New Year's Day - College Open

Tuesday, January 5 – Wednesday, January 20

Winter Intersession

Tuesday, January 5

Winter and Spring Registration resumes

Wednesday, January 6

Topping Out Ceremony for STEM Building, 10 a.m., 2 Enos Place

Friday, January 8

Application deadline for Spring 2016 Faculty Development Seminar

Tuesday, January 12

Information Session, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., North Hudson Campus, 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City. Register at www.hccc.edu/informationssessions.

Wednesday, January 13

The FATE Workshops, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street: Overview of Discrete Trial Training (DTT), 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m., and Teaching Skills Using Discrete Trial Training (DTT), 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Registration for each workshop is \$25. Register at www.thefate.org

New Student Orientation, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., North Hudson Campus, 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City. RSVP at <https://myhudson.hccc.edu> "New Student Orientation" and call (201) 360-4160.

Thursday, January 14

Information Session, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Register at www.hccc.edu/informationssessions.

Monday, January 18

Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday – College closed

Tuesday, January 19

New Student Orientation, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. RSVP at <https://myhudson.hccc.edu> "New Student Orientation" and call (201) 360-4160.

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

Wednesday, January 20

College Service Day, Culinary Conference Center, 9 a.m.

Late Registration begins

Thursday, January 21

All College Faculty Orientation and Meeting, 4 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Saturday, January 23

Information Session for New Pathways for Teaching in New Jersey, 10:30 a.m. Please pre-register by calling (201) 360-4255/4224/4246. The location of the information session will be available upon registration.

Monday, January 25 – Friday, February 5

Add/Drop Period (No classes can be added after two meetings)

Monday, January 25 – Monday, May 16

Spring 2016 (main 15-week semester, online and in-person)

Monday, January 25 – Monday, March 14

Spring 2016 Online A and In-Person Half-Semester A Sessions (7 weeks)

Monday, January 25 – Monday, February 29

Spring 2016 Culinary Cycle I (day)

Monday, January 25 – Friday, March 18

Spring 2016 Culinary Cycle IV (evening)

Monday, January 25

Classes begin at HCCC

Spring Welcome Back Parties, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Student Lounge, North Hudson Campus and 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Help us usher in a new semester with welcome back parties on both campuses! Come out and enjoy free food, give-a-ways, music, and so much more! Show your school spirit by wearing green and gold.

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Tuesday, January 26

Make Your Own Candle, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Student Lounge, North Hudson Campus. Join in on the fun and create your own personalized candle to have as a keepsake or give away as a gift!

Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

HCCCoffeehouse Open Mic, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Enjoy live performances by HCCC students, ranging from live music to spoken word poetry, to literary readings and much, much more! Refreshments will be served.

Wednesday, January 27

Luau in the Winter, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Aloha Hula Polynesian professional dancers will perform and share their passion on several traditional and ancient Hawai'ian dances wearing lovely hand-crafted costumes and exciting drum beats of Tahiti.

Stuff-A-Plush, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Student Lounge, North Hudson Campus. Come and make your own personalized plush animal with so many different options to choose from!

Thursday, January 28

Stuff-A-Plush, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Come and make your own personalized plush animal with so many different options to choose from!

Shiftgig on-the-spot interviews, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Room E508. RSVP and pre-screening required to attend. Please contact Miriam Rodriguez at (973) 481-2300 ext. 294.

Sign Shop, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Student Lounge, North Hudson Campus. Come make your very own personalized sign to hang at your desk, on your door, in your room, or use for your club!

Friday, January 29

Sign Shop, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Come make your very own personalized sign to hang at your desk, on your door, in your room, or use for your club!

Sunday, January 31 – Tuesday, March 8

Exhibit: Contemporary Hudson County, Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.



9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Stop by the construction site at 282 Academy Street to sign your name to the final beam - and be part of HCCC history!

STEM Building Topping-Out Ceremony

The Board of Trustees and President of Hudson County Community College cordially invite you to a landmark occasion in the College's history—

Wednesday, January 6, 2016, 10 a.m.

2 Enos Place, Student Lounge- Lower Level, Jersey City, NJ

Please kindly RSVP to communications@hccc.edu or call 201.360.4060
Light refreshments will be served.

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FRANCIS LARIOS

Class of 2013
Associate in Arts, Liberal Arts
- Criminal Justice

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

A: The factors that led me to decide to attend Hudson County Community College was the affordable tuition and the close by commute. I also was not 100% clear on what major I wanted to pursue so starting my general requirements at a community college oppose to a 4 year college definitely was one of the best decisions!

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

A: My favorite memory of the College, was absolutely going to a L.E.G.O. Retreat for the weekend. It was one of the most memorable events not only of the college but of my life. That retreat was spent with HCCC students and staff, the mission was to become established leaders for ever.

Q: How did you become interested in Criminal Justice?

A: I became interested in my major ever since I met with my HCCC advisor, initially I was a special education major. I knew that wasn't my passion however, since I was volunteering with students with disabilities I figured everything will just fall in to place. However, meeting with my HCCC advisor made me realize that this isn't what I wanted. I didn't like classroom settings to begin with, I've always been an outdoors person, I also like being very active. I loved reading about criminal cases, that was one of my hobbies, I had few law enforcement buddies but never really thought much. Until my HCCC advisor advised me to take a criminal justice course, she said it would count as an elective, so I did take it after that, I went back to speak to her and I said, "I need to change my major. This is it, I want to work in law enforcement", and she looked into my eyes and said, "I knew this would be your calling, I just wanted you to figure it out for yourself." Ever since, I fall more and more in love with my major, I am now anticipating to receive my Bachelor's of Science in Criminal Justice Research and Methods with a minor in Psychology.

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

A: HCCC definitely prepared me to further my education, it was a great stepping stone for me. All my major professors were amazing and helpful during my transition to a 4 year college.

HCCC Alumni: Get involved!

For information about the College's Alumni Association or membership benefits, please contact Joseph Sansone, Vice President for Development, at jsansone@hccc.edu.



Q: What has been the most memorable project/case you have worked on?

A: The most memorable case I worked on was for Professor Desicco, I had to write a 15 page paper on a cold case and hypothetically solve. I worked on the infamous case JonBenet Ramsey the 6 year old beauty queen who was murdered in her home the night of Christmas. That is my favorite case and hypothetically solving it made it so much interesting for me, I worked really hard for it, he gave us the entire semester to work on it, so I ended up giving him a 35-page paper!

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

A: My biggest inspirations will always be those professors that always expect the most out of you, to me this means that they want you to push yourself out of your comfort zone, it means they know you are capable to do and be so much more. I like when I have to exceed my expectations. My father is another big inspiration for me, he's been my backbone since my first day of kindergarten and now I'm almost at the finish line and he's never lost sight of me or given up on anything I've ever wanted. Lastly, it's my best friend she has always motivated me to go that extra mile no matter how hard or how easy it is. She showed me what true success really is.

Q: What advice would you give to recent HCCC graduates?

A: The advice I would give to recent HCCC graduates is don't stop here, just keep going. HCCC is a great stepping stone but this is just the beginning of your journey.

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

A: My advice for students who are just starting their college careers is do you what you love, do what you have passion for, do it for yourself. Sometimes people go to college for the wrong reasons or wrong ideas. I know that it'll be nice to do and choose the career your parents want you to do however, at the end of the day you have to think that choosing a career is like choosing a soul mate. This is what you're going to marry and be with your entire life, "ideally." So why not, make that life time a really good one. If you're not happy with your major? Change it. If you have questions? Ask them. If you have ideas? Talk about them. We should all be entitled to happiness forever. Don't be that miserable worker who is just there for a pay check, be that person who wakes up and just wants to be wonderful!