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Community College Student Lobbying Day

On Monday, March 14, 2016, seven student leaders represented Hudson County Community College at the Community College Student Lobbying Day. The event took place at the Statehouse of New Jersey. Also in attendance were Team Leaders Jacqueline Castro, Student Development Associate, and Daryl Osemwota, NJ STARS Counselor. The event opened with a rousing speech from Dr. Lawrence Nespoli, President of the New Jersey Council of County Colleges. He spoke about the importance of community colleges and the need to support them. He also mentioned that some of the County legislators got their start from community colleges. Students were excited to learn that their legislator, Vincent Prieto, also attended a community college. He congratulated each student on their educational journey so far, and encouraged them to continue striving for excellence.

Friends of Liberty State Park

In addition to the Saturday gardening program from 9 a.m. to noon, the Friends of Liberty State Park seeks volunteers for the annual salt marsh cleanup, Walk for Liberty State Park, and Earth Day event. The salt marsh cleanup will be held from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 2 behind the Administration Building on Pesin Drive. Walk for Liberty State Park will be held on Earth Day, Saturday, April 23. On April 22, volunteers will be needed to wrap saplings that will be distributed on Earth Day. This activity will take place in the Picnic Pavilion on Theodore Conrad Drive. Please contact Professor Ted Lai to volunteer.

Walk MS

Beta Alpha Phi will participate in this fundraiser on Saturday, April 16 at Liberty State Park. Chapter’s Volunteer Team: Phi Theta Kappa, HCCC – register at https://secure.nationalmssociety.org/site/SPageServer/?s_subsrc=FY16_Acq1_link1&pagename=WLK_HOM_volunteers

Adopt-a-Beach Program

The chapter had participated in cleanups of Belmar Beach for a few years. There are plans to resume this project in 2016. The cleanup period began on March 1 and continues through April 30.

April Events

- Saturday, April 2: Chapter Meeting and Elections, Student Lounge, 25 Journal Square, 1 p.m.
- Saturday, April 2: Walk MS, Liberty State Park
- Saturday, April 2: Friends of Liberty State Park Salt Marsh Cleanup, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Thursday, April 7 – Saturday, April 9: NerdNation, Gaylord National Hotel & Convention Center, National Harbor, Maryland. The Middle States Regional Convention will also be held.
- Wednesday, April 13: Chapter Meeting and Fundraiser, Student Lounge, North Hudson Campus, 12 p.m.
- Saturday, April 16: Walk MS, Liberty State Park
- Thursday, April 21: Graduation Salute, Student Lounge, 25 Journal Square, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Saturday, April 23: Earth Day and City Challenge Race, Jersey City

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Summer I classes begin on Monday, May 23
Summer II classes begin on Wednesday, July 6

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Classes offered online see www.hccc.edu/schedule for a list of offerings

Pictured from left: Andres Pinargote, Natalie Blanco, Diana Galvez, Daryl Osemwota, Christopher Canela, Flavia Martines, Bryan Acuna, Melvin Ayala, and Jacqueline Castro.

Betsy Apena (fourth from left) of Beta Alpha Phi Chapter is a candidate for New Jersey State President of Phi Theta Kappa. Also pictured are Middle States Regional Officer Candidates of the Class of 2016, who attend two-year colleges in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Washington, D.C.
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SUMMER HOURS

Glen Gabert, Ph.D., President of Hudson County Community College, issued the following:

I am authorizing a summer hour schedule beginning the week of May 16, with the first Friday off being May 20, 2016 and ending on Friday, Aug. 12, 2016.

The regular hours of operation during this time will be 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The College will not be open for regular business on Fridays during this period. Employees are expected to reduce their lunch breaks to 30 minutes to compensate for the shorter hours of operation during the week. College activities on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays during this period will be minimized to reduce energy and other operating costs. The College will go back to the regular five-day work week on Monday, Aug. 15.

The success and continuation of the summer hour schedule really depends on you. Every activity at the College directly or indirectly supports instruction and student services. The future of HCCC depends in large part on the continuing strength of our enrollments.

I know that you agree that a four-day summer schedule should not and need not result in a cutback in services. It is important that offices are open at 8:30 a.m. and stay open until 5:30 p.m. on Monday through Thursday. This means that employees need to be at their workstations.

If you have questions about this schedule, or if you want to use vacation or personal days to work a schedule other than 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., please contact the Human Resources Office.

On behalf of the Trustees and my colleagues on the administration, I wish you and your families a safe and happy summer.

COMMENCEMENT 2016: REGALIA RENTAL

All faculty and staff regalia must be ordered through the Campus Store. The rental fee will be covered by the College for full-time faculty members, full-time administrators and full-time support staff. The rental fees for all others must be paid directly to the Campus Store at the time of the order. The store accepts cash, credit card, check, and departmental purchase orders.

The fee for the sets (includes gown, hood, and cap) are as follows:
- Bachelor - $75.00
- Master - $80.00
- Doctorate - $85.00

Regalia must be ordered in person at the Campus Store at Journal Square. Measurements are required for all first-time orders. The store hours are Monday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Tuesday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The regalia are expected to arrive at the Campus Store by in early May. The Campus Store will contact you when your order arrives for pickup. Delivery to the North Hudson Bookstore can be arranged.

The deadline for orders is Wednesday, April 6.

Because the regalia are rentals, all must be returned to the Campus Store as soon as possible. Representatives from the store will be in the VIP Room at NJPAC for a short period of time after the Commencement ceremony. You may drop off your regalia at that time. Please contact the Campus Store with any questions.

NEW BENEFIT: EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP)

Appreciating that it can be challenging to balance everyday personal, family, and work-related issues, please be advised of the new Employee Assistance Program, E4Health. E4Health is a free, confidential service that is available to all employees, as well as their household and family members. E4Health provides assistance with a variety of topics, including:
- Anxiety, depression, relationships, substance use, and domestic violence
- Child care, eldercare, and pet care
- Financial and legal concerns
- Everyday household matters
- Health and wellness

E4Health’s professional counselors are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to offer immediate telephonic support as well as referrals to local counselors and other resources. Simply call the toll-free, confidential helpline at (800) 227-2195 to access any of the above services. Your call will always be answered by a live, Master’s-level counselor. Additional information is available on the Human Resources Benefits portal page https://myhudson.hccc.edu/facultystaff/humanresources/benefits.

NEW HIRES/

Destinymarie Alicea – Career & Transfer Counselor
Alysa L. Antonis – Administrative Assistant, Finance
Ilya V. Ashmyan – Executive Director of Engineering & Operations
Aysha Edwards – CBI Coordinator
Victor Figueroa – PC Technician
Christopher Jones – EOF Counselor
Adele Merlino – Instructional Designer and Technologist
Ian Powell – PC Technician
Evidence Thomas – Accountant, Finance
Aileen Vega – College Lecturer, Workforce Development Programs

MILESTONES

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

15 Years
- Mark Murray

10 Years
- James Olivier

Five Years
- Constance Calandrino

JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:
- Advisor (Part-Time)
- Assistant Dean of Student Services
- Associate Director of Advisement and Counseling
- Career Development Counselor
- Chief Information Officer
- College Lecturer, Academic Foundations - English
- Community Education Customer Service Assistant PT (multiple positions)
- Community Education Instructors PT (multiple positions)
- Custodial Supervisor (2 Positions)
- Executive Director (Center for Online Learning)
- Director of Admissions
- Director of Career Development
- Director of Student Activities
- Facilities Worker (2 positions)
- Instructor, Cooperating Basic English for Transitional Program (Part-Time)
- Instructor, Cooperating Basic Math for Transitional Program (Part-Time)
- Instructor of Computer Science
- Instructor of Physics and Mathematics
- Reader/Notetaker (Part-Time)
- Safety and Security Associate (2 positions)
- Systems Coordinator (Non-Traditional Programs)
- US DOL TAACCCT Job Developer
- Web Portal Administrator (Part-Time)

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 HigherEdJobs.com website at www.higheredjobs.com, www.latinoshigher.com or contact the Human Resources Department at (201) 360-4070. For a detailed description of these positions, please visit the “Jobs at HCCC” page at www.hccc.edu.
INTRODUCING ...

ADELE MERLINO, INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGIST/DESIGNER (CENTER FOR ONLINE LEARNING)

While Adele is HCCC’s Center for Online Learning latest Instructional Technologist/Designer her professional background is somewhat out of the ordinary. After earning a B.A. in Journalism at CUNY Brooklyn College, she started out in NYC local TV news and worked as a writer and assignment editor. She has 10 years of experience at TV stations including WPIX, FOX 5, and her home away from home WWOR TV in Secaucus, NJ.

For another very interesting 10 years of her career, Adele worked as a TV Producer-Video Editor – affectionately known as a "predator" in the TV business — at NYC TV, which was under Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and is the City of New York’s official TV network. There, she wrote, edited, produced various interesting TV shows and video projects including award shows, Mayoral and City Agency events, and she scoured the city with TV crews, producing documentaries and entertainment shows featuring the Big Apple.

All of her shows were broadcast on Cable Channel 25 NYC Life, WNBC, and even NYC taxicabs. Over the years, her productions have earned 12 NY Emmy nominations, and several Webby and Telly Awards.

In 2014, Adele earned her M.S. in Instructional Technology. She presently has brought all her old and new skills to the Center for Online Learning at HCCC, where she designs online courses across the curriculum and creates video lectures and tutorials.

“I cannot forget to mention one of my favorite jobs: Adjunct Professor for the Communications Department at William Paterson University, where for the past four years I teach undergrads the art of storytelling courses such as Video Field Production and Editing, TV Studio Production, and Advanced TV Studio Production—all in a High Def., multi-million dollar TV studio complex,” Adele says. “Additionally, I look forward to one day earning my doctorate in Education Technologies.”

DESTINYMARIE ALICEA, CAREER & TRANSFER COUNSELOR (CAREER DEVELOPMENT)

Destinymarie graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in English from William Paterson University. She then earned her master’s degree in Strategic Communication from Saint Peter’s University.

Prior to Hudson County Community College, Destinymarie’s profession in career development began as an intern for Career Development at William Paterson University. She then continued her passion in the career office as the Strategic Communication Intern for the Center of Experimental Learning and Career Services at Saint Peter’s University. Destiny was welcomed again by the Center for Career Engagement & Experiential Learning staff to help establish their new center as an Office Assistant.

As Career & Transfer Counselor, Destinymarie will promote student success in career preparation such as career search and strategies, networking, resume and cover letter writing and review, and interview practices. She will also cultivate and organize workshops, career fairs, and other career related events.

ALYSA ANTONIS, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT (OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER)

Alysa previously worked at Philadelphia University as an Assistant for the Alumni Relations Department. She then went on to work for Marshalls Distribution Center in Philadelphia (TJX. Inc.) as the Inbound Transportation Coordinator, where she controlled all receiving information and planning reports for the building. After two years there, Alysa wished to reenter higher education, which is when she was hired at the College.

As an Administrative Assistant to the Controller’s Office, she supports Geoffrey Sims, and the rest of the Finance Department with all administrative needs.

CRIS JONES, EOF COUNSELOR

Cris recently obtained his degree in Counseling in Educational Settings (M.A.) from Rowan University. Prior to continuing his education, he graduated from Rutgers University in 2012 with a degree in Journalism and Media Studies (B.A.). In his former position, Cris served as a Career Counselor in Rowan University’s Office of Career Advancement.

As a Counselor for the Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) Program, he will develop EOF program recruitment and retention efforts, provide academic advising and counseling to assigned EOF students, plan, coordinate, and implement the EOF Summer program, serve as the adviser to AESNJ, and actively participate in campus wide activities to reinforce and assist in college recruitment, retention, and enrollment.
Dr. Azhar Mahmood, Instructor of Chemistry, presented at the fifth annual Best Practices Conference held at Bergen County Community College on Saturday, March 5. The topic of his presentation was “Student Characteristics.” We all know that the student demographics are rapidly changing. Today, we have a higher percentage of returning students and students with families. There are other categories of students, like returning veterans, students with disabilities, etc. All this presents us with some unique challenges, and we have to figure out a way as to how to cater the needs of this diversified student population.

The chief guest at the conference was Dr. Andrew Delbanco from Columbia University. He also shed some light on these interesting facts and challenges. “The presentation was successful, and it was a unique and interesting experience for me.” Dr. Mahmood looks forward to presenting these facts at Hudson County Community College as well.

On Saturday March 19, Dr. Mahmood attended the “Latinas in STEM” conference held at Alexander D. Sullivan School, Jersey City. The objective of the conference was to give an opportunity to students and their parents to meet professionals in STEM fields and gain knowledge about career options.

Prof. Melody Lopez from STEM and Rosemary Quinones-Ericson from Community Education were also there to represent the College.

The management was very appreciative of the College’s participation. They informed visitors about College programs and distributed T-shirts, brochures, and College souvenirs.

STEM Program Announcement in Harvard Publication

The Harvard Institutes for Higher Education (HIHE) recently mentioned in its quarterly Alumni Bulletin Dr. Eric Friedman, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and his efforts in developing a Pathway Program and scholarship between the College and New Jersey City University. The goal is to increase Hispanic student participation in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) career fields.

Dr. Friedman is a 2011 alumnus of Harvard’s Institute for Management and Leadership in Education (MLE) program.

Dean Paul Dillon (left) and Prof. Sal Figueras, members of the 2015-2016 academic year Promotion Committee, review candidates’ portfolios. Once tenured, full-time faculty are eligible for consideration for promotion from instructor to assistant professor, assistant professor to associate professor, or associate professor to professor, if they meet the criteria and have all the necessary qualifications as outlined in the promotion guidelines. (Photo courtesy of Dr. Eric Friedman)
Donor Acknowledgements
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Artist News
Much of the art in the Foundation Art Collection is work on paper. According to ACA Galleries, one of New York’s leading art galleries, “Works on paper demand a high level of skill. The very fragility of paper requires a deftness of hand and finesse of media, be it pencil, ink, charcoal, watercolor, or varieties of printmaking.” Work on paper by Siona Benjamin was on view at ACA Galleries, 529 West 20th, New York, through April 2nd in an exhibit called, “Paper Through the Ages.” You can also see Siona Benjamin’s art on the 5th floor of the Culinary Conference Center on Newkirk Street. If you’d like to take a walking tour of women artists whose work is on view at the college, please consult the art walking tour for Women’s History Month: http://www.hccc.edu/uploadsFiles/Pages/Foundation/WomanHistory-Month-College-Art-Guide-2016.pdf

A student finding guide to the entire collection, which is permanently installed in the public areas of all the many campus buildings, is available here: http://www.hccc.edu/uploadsFiles/Pages/Foundation/Campus_Art_Guide_2015.pdf

Sylvia Plimack Mangold’s work is on exhibit on the first floor of 2 Enos Place. It may seem strange to look at a six-inch square print that features four rulers (that is, devices that measure inches, not emperors) and call it art. Writing about Sylvia Plimack Mangold’s work in a recent show Sylvia Plimack Mangold: Floors and Rulers, 1967–1976 at Craig F. Starr Gallery (February 5 – March 26, 2016), John Yau explains, “In the late 1960s, when the art world was riddled with doctrinaire attitudes and exclusionary hierarchies, young artists felt pressured to join in the eschatological search for truth. To her everlasting credit, Plimack Mangold took the Groucho Marx approach – she refused to join any club that would have her. For this and other reasons, Plimack Mangold … occupies a little acknowledged position in American painting: determined independence.” But what does that mean? It’s still a picture of a ruler. Yau writes that it, “offers another viewpoint: we are on the cusp of infinity and our measurements remind us of how little we actually experience.” He further celebrates work that features, “unadorned necessity.” That being said, it is reasonable for you, the observer, to look at the work itself, and see if it gives anything back to you, if you enjoy it or find it curious or interesting. If you do not, you can understand why many people who look at Contemporary art believe the emperor has no clothes!

If you like the work by Miriam Schapiro on the 2nd floor of the Cundari building, you might enjoy two new exhibits devoted to her work: Miriam Schapiro, The California Years: 1967–1975 at Eric Firestone Loft, 4 Great Jones Street, New York through March 20, and Miriam Schapiro, A Visionary at the National Academy Museum, 1083 Fifth Avenue, New York through May 8.

Joan Snyder’s work, Oasis, which is installed in the 4th floor Academic reception area of 70 Sip Avenue is not the only Snyder work in the collection. Serene Cries, a print from 2005, will be installed later this year. In the meantime, if you would like to see more of Snyder’s work, you can go to the new Metropolitan Museum of Art building, Met Breuer, on 75th and Madison. Joan Snyder’s 1975 work Heart On, from the Metropolitan Museum of Art’s permanent collection, will be on view in the inaugural exhibition Unfinished: Thoughts Left Visible through September 4, 2016. The Museum has a “pay what you wish” policy, so give ‘em a penny and go see the art!

Congratulations to Joan Snyder who recently won the Arts and Letters Award in Art from the American Academy of Arts and Letters! The award honors exceptional accomplishments and encourages creative work.

Joe Waks, whose painting Zucker/Sucare/Suker/Sugar is installed at the Culinary Arts Building, will have a solo Exhibit entitled “Absurd Kwalitit,” at Palette Gallery in Asbury Park through April 17.

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HCCC FOUNDATION HOLDS MARDI GRAS EVENT

Elba Castellon (at podium), a Hudson County Community College student and recipient of a North Hudson Scholarship, delivers her acceptance speech. At right is North Hudson Scholarship Committee Chair & HCCC Foundation Director Monica Casey-McCormack.

The fundraiser was held on Thursday, Feb. 25 at Hijos y Amigos de Fomento in Union City. The 150 guest enjoyed a night of excitement at the annual Mardi Gras. The event raised more than $15,000, which will be added to the North Hudson endowment for student scholarships.

HCCC FOUNDATION LAUDS JAMES EGAN FOR TWO-YEAR TERM AS CHAIR

On Wednesday, March 23, the Hudson County Community College Foundation Board of Directors held its election of officers. The Foundation presented a plaque of appreciation to James Egan (center), who served as Chair of the Foundation from 2014 to 2016. Egan is pictured with Joseph Sansone (left), Vice President for Development and Glen Gabert, Ph.D., President of HCCC.
in the LGBTQ rights movement. As a result of the ravages of AIDS, many of those pictured in Mr. Stellar’s works are no longer alive.

“We are very proud to have this powerful exhibit at the College, and we are grateful to the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art, and most especially to Mr. O’Hanian for making it possible” said HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. “We hope everyone will take advantage of the opportunity to view these extraordinary photographs and to learn about the history behind them.”

Dr. Gabert said the exhibit is open to the general public through Sunday, May 1, 2016; there is no charge of admission.

The HCCC Benjamin J. Dineen, III and Dennis C. Hull Gallery is located on the sixth floor of the College’s Library Building at 71 Sip Avenue in Jersey City – just across the way from the Journal Square PATH Transportation Station. The Gallery is open Tuesday through Sunday, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

On Friday, April 1 at 1 p.m., Stanley Stellar and Hunter O’Hanian will be the featured guests at the next installment of HCCC Foundation’s “Artist Talk” series.

About Stanley Stellar:
Brooklyn-born Stanley Stellar is considered one of the iconic photographers of the early period of gay liberation.

Having focused on graphic design and photography while studying at the Parsons School of Design, Mr. Stellar’s professional portfolio includes book and editorial design, as well as art direction for numerous magazines and publishing houses. His work has been shown in galleries throughout the United States and Europe, including the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art.

About Hunter O’Hanian:
Mr. O’Hanian joined the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art as the Museum Director in October 2012. Prior to that time he served for three years as Vice President of Institutional Advancement and Executive Director of the Foundation for Massachusetts College of Art and Design. He led two renowned artists’ residences programs, having served as the President of Anderson Ranch Arts Center in Snowmass Village, Aspen, CO, and Executive Director of the Fine Arts Work Center in Provincetown, MA. O’Hanian has a long career of non-profit board and community involvement. He holds a BA from Boston College, a JD from Suffolk University School of Law, and an honorary doctorate from the Art Institute of Boston.

About the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art:
The Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art is the first and only dedicated gay and lesbian art museum in the world with a mission to exhibit and preserve gay and lesbian art, and foster the artists who create it. The Museum has: a permanent collection of over 24,000 objects; 6-8 major exhibitions annually; artist talks; film screenings; readings; THE ARCHIVE – a quarterly art newsletter; a membership program; and a research library.

The Leslie-Lohman Museum is operated by the Leslie/Lohman Gay Art Foundation, Inc., a non-profit founded in 1987 by Charles W. Leslie and Fritz Lohman, who have supported gay and lesbian artists for over 30 years. The Leslie-Lohman Museum embraces the rich creative history of the gay and lesbian art community by educating, informing, inspiring, entertaining, and challenging all who enter its doors.

The Museum is located at 26 Wooster Street in New York City. For more information, please log on www.LeslieLohman.org.

The Alliance of Educational Opportunity Fund Students of New Jersey (A.E.S.N.J) is a student-led organization that is part of the Commission of Higher Education’s campus-based Educational Opportunity Fund Program (EOF).
Center for Business & Industry
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Over 50 current and potential business owners attended, as well as officials from the Columbian Consulate, County of Hudson, and City of Jersey City. The training program itself begins in mid-April.

On March 3, CBI met with the Columbian Consul to discuss potential programming opportunities. More to follow.

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Opening Speaker Darielis Duarte, sophomore at William Dickinson High School, welcomes attendants and reads her award winning essay.

...remarks and the Dean for the Division of Non-Traditional Programs, Ana Chapman-McCausland, gave a review of the day. Darielis Duarte, a sophomore and honor student at Jersey City’s William Dickinson High School, who won the Symposium Essay Contest, presented her speech to the crowd. A panel discussion, “A Day in the Life of Women in Technology,” moderated by HCCC CIO Pamela Scully featured panelists Jazlyn Carvajal, co-founder and Chief Operating Officer of SOYD (Stay on Your Daily) and President of the MIT Club of Northern New Jersey; Summer Jones, Director of Technical Support Services at Montclair State University; Kristen S. Labazzo, Executive Director of Medical Device Development Center, Rutgers School of Engineering; and Jennagloria Pacheco, Senior Regulatory Affairs Specialist at Stryker Orthopaedics.

Demonstrations and hands-on exhibits included The E-Nable Community Foundation, Pico Turbine, Dr. Laura Zieger of NJCU with Apollo the Robot, Jersey City Fab Lab, Robotics by Leonard Sheehy of NJCU, Spheros by Stephanie Talalai of NJCU and an E-Waste Awareness video by Jersey City Middle Schools. Also showcased were representatives from Latinas in STEM, HCCC’s LEAP (High School Dual Enrollment), HCCC’s Community Education’s Summer Youth Programs, and HCCC’s STEM Programs.

Two sessions of coding workshops were run by New Jersey City University doctoral candidates, while Pico Turbine ran two sessions of 3-D printing workshops.

Eleven student contest displays on the topic, “Technology: Past, Present and Future” were featured and students in attendance voted the winner to be “Technology and Cultural Headwear” by Bayonne High School students Genesis Estrada, Christina Pallitto, and Asma Noubani. Martha Osei-Yaw, Assistant Principal for New Jersey Public Schools and Adjunct Professor at New Jersey City University, received the “Featured Women in Technology” award for her tireless efforts and dedication in promoting Girls in Technology.

The Division of Non-Traditional Programs is grateful to its partners, sponsors, and patrons – Eastern Millwork, Fidelity Investments, Flik, HCCC Academic Affairs, Liberty Savings, Mona Lisa Pizzeria Ristorante, New Jersey City University, Susanne Peticolas & Henry A. Plotkin, Pico Turbine, SILVERMAN, Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth, Adrienne Torcivia-Crosby, Laura Skolar, and University of Phoenix – for their support in making this event possible.

If you are interested in sponsoring or participating in next year’s Girls in Technology Symposium, please contact Chastity Farrell at cfarrell@hccc.edu 201-360-4262.

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WOMEN IN BUSINESS

Pictured from left to right: Sadie Khodorkovsky, Executive Director, Legal Discovery Management, JP Morgan Chase & Co., Celestina Quintana, Owner & Operator of 11 McDonald’s Restaurants, Jacqueline Gonzales, Supply Chain Manager, DHL, as well as an HCCC Alum, Saira Afzal, Risk Assurance Associate, PriceWaterhouse Coopers, as well as an HCCC Alum, talking at the Women in Business panel discussion.
Lilisa Williams (left) and Dr. Bernard McSherry (right) accompanied HCCC student Ariel Gomez (center) on a tour of the business school at New Jersey City University in downtown Jersey City. Ariel is graduating from HCCC soon and visiting local colleges to see what they offer. He was impressed with the new business school’s campus of NJCU.

Ilya Ashmyan, Executive Director of Engineering and Operations, and Dr. Glen Gabert, President of HCCC, at the New Employee Luncheon.

Pictured from left to right are new employees Evidence Thomas, Accountant, Keith Raymond, Administrative Assistant, and Dedrick Albert, Human Resources Administrator, at the new employee luncheon.

New and senior employees networking during the luncheon.

Prof. Katie Sweeting took a group of Honors students to see Pericles in Brooklyn at Theatre for a New Audience on March 17. It was a wonderful production and a charming small theatre. The run has been extended through April 10.

Picture with Prof. Sweeting (center row, center) are two of the actors from the production: Patrice Johnson Chevannes (Lychorida/ Bawd) (right of Sweeting) and Raphael Nash Thompson (Gower, the storyteller) (back row, center).

Prof. Dorothy Anderson discussing important women in history at the Spring Literacy Salon, which took place in the Library Building.

Speaker Adrienne Congleton leads a discussion about Nutritional Fitness to HCCC employees.

A PowerPoint is being presented and narrated by Vivyen Ray, Director of Human Resources.
MAJOR EXPO FAIR

Students lined up at tables learning about different majors they can obtain.

THERAPY DOGS VISIT HCCC

Student Activities hosted a therapy dog session where students learn, and play, with therapy dogs while relaxing in the Student Lounge.

PRIDEFEST

The Georgia Brooks Stonewall Project at Hudson County Community College presents

The Second Annual Georgia Brooks Memorial Fund Breakfast

Wednesday, April 27, 2016, 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.
HCCC Library, 6th Floor Atrium, 71 Sip Ave., Building L, Jersey City, NJ 07306

The proceeds from the breakfast will benefit student scholarships at HCCC.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
Hunter O’Hanian, Museum Director of the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Gay and Lesbian Art

$30 per person
All faculty, students, staff, and members of the community are welcomed to attend.
To purchase tickets: http://www.hccc.edu/tickets

‘A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS’ SPOKEN WORD

Joseph Pascale “Invented Anyway Everyday,” a piece written by Pascale and inspired by a work by visual artist Jon Rappleye. The selection of readings, which took place on Friday, March 4, were inspired by works in the recent “Contemporary Hudson County” exhibit at the College.
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.

Academic Success begins with preparation for the College Placement Test (Accuplacer) April 2016 Terms: Summer and Fall 2016

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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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www.hccc.edu/accuplacerstudyresources
Monday, April 4
Deadline for submission of entries for HCCC Foundation Art Awards Contest

Exploring Assessment Methods, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., 70 Sip Ave, Third Floor. The participants will differentiate and evaluate the pros and cons of various assessment methods. (Instructional/Administrative)

Honors Council Meeting, 4 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Room L318

Tuesday, April 5
Culinary Café will be open for lunch at Culinary Conference Center. Lunch Buffet served from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

All Honors Meetup, 12 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Room L318

Coffee and Conversation: PRIDE, 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., Student Lounge, 25 Journal Square. Come join us for coffee and casual group conversation about LGBTQIA-related topics.

Election 2016 Roundtable: Being Muslim in America, 3 p.m., North Hudson Campus

Finding Neverland on Broadway, show time 7 p.m., Lunt-Fontanne Theatre, 205 West 46th Street (between 8th Avenue and Broadway), New York, NY. Students: $19; Faculty/Staff/Community: $38. Finding Neverland is the Broadway musical that tells the fascinating story of how Peter became Pan. Enjoy a night out in NYC with HCCC! Purchase tickets at www.hccc.edu/tickets.

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

Wednesday, April 6
Bagel Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., North Hudson Center, Student Lounge

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Make Your Own Rainbow Candle, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Student Lounge, North Hudson Campus.

Job Searching workshop, 12 p.m. North Hudson Campus, Room N703A

Selected readings from Russian Tattoo: A Memoir, 3 p.m., NHC Library. Prof. Elena Gorokhova will read selections from her memoir. Students may share their own immigrant stories as well.

Student Government Association Town Hall Meeting, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Let your voices be heard! Come join members of SGA for an open forum on changes you would like to see take place at HCCC.

Election 2016 Roundtable: Being Muslim in America, 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

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Thursday, April 7
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Rededication of the HCCC Campus Store, 10 a.m., 162 Sip Avenue

Career Fair, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Faculty Roundtable Discussion: Uncovering the Textbook (hosted by the Social Sciences Division), 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Friday, April 8
Last day to complete official withdrawal from classes at HCCC (15- and 12-week terms; please consult the Schedule of Course Offerings for specific term information)

LGBTQ Pride Conference, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, Register at http://tinyurl.com/HCCCLGBTQIAConference

Subscription Dining Series Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. To obtain additional information or to register, please call (201) 360-4006.

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HCCC Foundation Night at the Races, Meadowlands Race Track, Pegasus East, 6 p.m. For more information please contact Joseph Sansone at (201) 360-4006 or jsansone@hccc.edu.

Monday, April 11
Academic Foundations English Day, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Makerspace Open Hours, Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Keys to Professionalism workshop, 5 p.m. Career Development Center (2 Enos Place, Lower Level)

Safe Space Training, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Room 312. Students, faculty, and staff are invited to take part in a two-hour training that seeks to educate them on how to truly create a safe, comfortable, and welcoming environment. Register at http://tinyurl.com/hccSafeSpace

Brooklyn Nets vs. Washington Wizards, game time 7:30 p.m., Barclays Center, Brooklyn, NY. Students: $20; Faculty/Staff/Community: $45. Cheer on the Brooklyn Nets (formerly New Jersey Nets as they take on the Washington Wizards for a night of great basketball! Purchase tickets at www.hccc.edu/tickets.

Tuesday, April 12 – Monday, May 16
Spring 2016 Culinary Cycle III (day)

Tuesday, April 12
LGBTQ Resource Fair, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Multipurpose Room, North Hudson Campus. Join us and meet a variety of resources and organizations, locally and nationally, that cater to the HCCC LGBTQIA community!

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

Wednesday, April 13
Bagel Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., North Hudson Center, Student Lounge

Keys to Professionalism workshop, 12 p.m. North Hudson Campus, Room N703A

Zines & Scrapbooks, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Makerspace. Explore two printed forms of self-expression: zines and scrapbooks. Learn how to use basic supplies to self-publish your creative work and ideas in a zine, or collect your memories and experiences in a scrapbook. Bring your own stories, images, and ideas, or choose from samples provided by the Library.

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Keys to Professionalism workshop, 5 p.m. North Hudson Campus, Room N703A

Conversational English (Wednesdays through June 15), 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., Goodwill Industries, 400 Supor Blvd., Harrison. Intermediate/advanced English speakers come together to discuss interesting topics. To register, please call (201) 360-4246 or -4224.

Thursday, April 14
Instant Decision Day: New Jersey City University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave. Students must bring an official transcript and unless otherwise noted bring a completed application to the Instant Decision Day. Online applications must be submitted one week prior to Instant Decision Day. To RSVP, students should visit the Advisement and Counseling page on the MyHudson portal.

Thursday, April 14
Learning Community Day, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Scott Ring Room

Interviewing workshop, 12 p.m., Career Development Center (2 Enos Place, Lower Level)

Drawing for "March Is Read a Book Month," North Hudson Center, Student Lounge, 12 p.m.

Coffee & Conversation: The Danish Girl screening, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Join us for a screening of The Danish Girl with a Q&A to follow. Refreshments will be served.

Honors Guide to Designing a Poster Presentation Workshop, 4:45 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., Honors Classroom (L318), 71 Sip Ave.

Friday, April 15
Subscription Dining Series Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. To obtain additional information or to register, please call (201) 360-4006.

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Saturday, April 16
Amish Country Bus Trip, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Lancaster, PA. Bus departs at 7 a.m. from 70 Sip Ave.

Monday, April 18
Graduation Photos, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Safe Space Training, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Multipurpose Room, North Hudson Campus. Students, faculty, and staff are invited to take part in a two-hour training that seeks to educate them on how to truly create a safe, comfortable, and welcoming environment. Register at http://tinyurl.com/hcccsafeSpace

Instant Decision Day: Kean University, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 70 Sip Ave. Students must bring an official transcript and unless otherwise noted bring a completed application to the Instant Decision Day. Online applications must be submitted one week prior to Instant Decision Day. To RSVP, students should visit the Advisement and Counseling page on the MyHudson portal.

Honors Council Meeting, 4 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Room L318

Tuesday, April 19
Graduation Photos, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., North Hudson Campus

Instant Decision Day: St. John’s University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave. Students must bring an official transcript and unless otherwise noted bring a completed application to the Instant Decision Day. Online applications must be submitted one week prior to Instant Decision Day. To RSVP, students should visit the Advisement and Counseling page on the MyHudson portal.

National Society of Leadership and Success Voter Registration Day, 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Job Searching workshop, 11 a.m., Career Development Center (2 Enos Place, Lower Level)

Aqus Training, Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Room L221, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

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HCCCoffeehouse featuring Rachel Brown, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Liberty Café, 71 Sip Ave. Rachel Brown is living her dream and then some as she prepares to release her second EP, The Band.

Wednesday, April 20
Bagel Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., North Hudson Center, Student Lounge

Instant Decision Day: Rutgers University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave. Students must bring an official transcript and unless otherwise noted bring a completed application to the Instant Decision Day. Online applications must be submitted one week prior to Instant Decision Day. To RSVP, students should visit the Advisement and Counseling page on the MyHudson portal. NOTE: Nursing, Radiography/Radiologic Technology program students are ineligible for this event.

School of Rock on Broadway, show time 7 p.m., Winter Garden Theatre, 50th Street and Broadway, New York, NY. Students: $20; Faculty/Staff/Community: $43. School of Rock is a brand new musical based on the famous Paramount film written by Mike White, which starred Jack Black. Enjoy a night out in NYC with HCCC! Purchase tickets at www.hccc.edu/tickets.

Thursday, April 21
National Society of Leadership and Success Voter Registration Day, North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Digital Photo Editing on a Budget, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue. Discover how to use free or low-cost apps and web-based programs to edit your photos on a shoestring budget.

Graduate Salute, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., Student Lounge, 25 Journal Square. HCCC graduates are invited to come out and finalize everything in a “one-stop shop” setting.

Town Hall Meeting, 12 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Financial Literacy Day, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Scott Ring Room. Guest speaker: Dorothy Gilliard, HESAA Representative, NJ Higher Education Student Assistance Authority. For more information contact the department of financial aid at 201.360.4200 or email financial_aid@hccc.edu

Employee Scholarship Luncheon (HCCC Foundation), 11 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Interviewing workshop, 12 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Room N703A

Aqus Training, Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Room L221, 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Jewelry Making, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge. Make your own jewelry using beads, fabric, wire, and more. Supplies will be provided to create earrings, necklaces, and bracelets – just bring your creativity!

Job Searching workshop, 3 p.m. Career Development Center (2 Enos Place, Lower Level)

Writing Center Presents Writers’ Roundtable, 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., 2 Enos Place, Room J301

Interviewing workshop, 5 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Room N703A

Safe Space Training, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Multipurpose Room, North Hudson Campus. Students, faculty, and staff are invited to take part in a two-hour training that seeks to educate them on how to truly create a safe, comfortable, and welcoming environment. Register at http://tinyurl.com/hcccsafeSpace
HCCC Happenings

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Friday, April 22
New Jersey Council of County Colleges Best Practices Conference, Middlesex County College, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Subscription Dining Series Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. To obtain additional information or to register, please call (201) 360-4006.

EOF Graduation Dinner, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. EOF graduates will enjoy an evening of fun, food, and recognition before walking across the stage.

Saturday, April 23
Open House, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., North Hudson Campus

Monday, April 25
Makerspace Open Hours, Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Job Searching workshop, 5 p.m., Career Development Center (2 Enos Place, Lower Level)

Tuesday, April 26
Library Book Club, Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue and North Hudson Campus (Room N303D), 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Selection is Afterparty by Daryl Gregory.

Make Your Own Rainbow Candle, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Student Lounge, 25 Journal Square. Create your own personalized rainbow candle!

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

Election 2016 Roundtable: Women in Politics, 12 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Resume Writing workshop, 5 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Room N703A

Thursday, April 28
Signing of Dual Enrollment “Honors to Honors” agreement with Saint Peter’s University, 10 a.m., Saint Peter’s University campus

Third Annual STAR (Special Thanks and Recognition) Luncheon, 12 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Banquet Room, 1671 Newkirk St.

Job Searching workshop, 12 p.m. Career Development Center (2 Enos Place, Lower Level)

Make Your Own Poem, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., Makerspace, 71 Sip Ave. Join us to celebrate National Poetry Month! We’ll discuss the craft of poetry and write our own original poetry. This event is in collaboration with the Writing Center.

Saturday, April 30
Open House, Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Culinary Open House, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Trip to Bronx Zoo, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Bronx, NY. Bus to depart at 9 a.m. from 70 Sip Ave.

HEALTH STUDENTS ATTEND ROUNDTABLE AT SAINT PETER'S UNIVERSITY

On March 16, 2016 Dr. Sirhan Abdul-lah Coordinator of Health Services, took the Dynamics of Health Care class to Saint Peter’s University for the Future of Health Care 2020 roundtable discussion.

CULINARY ARTS & HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT OPEN HOUSE & MARKETPLACE

Saturday, April 30, 2016
12 p.m. to 3 p.m.
Culinary Conference Center 161 Newkirk Street, Jersey City, NJ just 2 blocks from the Journal Square PATH Transportation Center

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ALUMNI CORNER

Saira Afzal
HCCC Class of 2012

What factors led you to decide to attend Hudson County Community College?
Affordability was one of the biggest factors that led me to HCCC. However, after I had done some research and compared HCCC to other county colleges, I had discovered that HCCC’s programs and curriculum were very well aligned with some of the major state colleges. HCCC was one of the few county colleges to offer affordable yet quality education.

What is your favorite memory of the College, in or out of the classroom?
My favorite memory of HCCC was meeting a group of students in Mr. Foz’s class (our first accounting class @ HCCC) who later became really good friends of mine. We took almost all of our classes together, pushed each other to do better, helped each other, and spent countless hours at VIP Diner.

How did you become interested in [major/career]?
I picked accounting because of the opportunities it leads to but wasn’t sure whether it was something I would enjoy or be passionate about. But once I attended Professor Foz’s Accounting 101 class, all my doubts cleared out - I knew it then that Accounting was what I wanted to pursue. Professor Foz taught through real life examples and he somehow made accounting fun...can you believe that?!

How did your time at HCCC prepare you for your career/ life now?
The wealth of knowledge shared by the Professors at HCCC has prepared me very well for my career at Rutgers, which then led to my career at PwC. The professors at HCCC laid a very strong foundation for my knowledge in Accounting and business in general.

What is a typical work day for you?
A typical work day for me would be to get to my home office or at the client site by an expected time, usually 9 a.m., and then brief with my seniors to set expectations, such as, tasks and or projects needed to be addressed. Typically, my day ends when all the tasks for the day are done.

What has been the most memorable project/case you have worked on?
I would say that my most memorable project/case is yet to come!

Who are your biggest inspirations that have impacted your work in some way?
I don’t have a single inspiration, in fact I seek inspiration from regular people in my daily life. Many individuals have left an impact in my life and have helped me shape into the person I am today. Educators like Professor Winslow have left big impacts in the littlest ways.

What advice would you give to recent HCCC graduates?
I would encourage all recent HCCC graduates to continue their quest for education as graduating from HCCC is only the beginning of many wonderful things ahead!

What advice do you have for those students who are just starting their college careers?
For students who are just starting their college career, I would advise that they remain focus and get the grades and knowledge necessary to excel into the next stage of their career, and I would also advise that they take every opportunity possible to build their network: it’s never too early!

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