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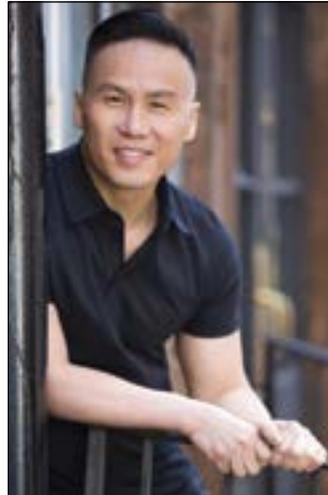
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## HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE LECTURE SERIES TO FEATURE AWARD-WINNING ACTOR B.D. WONG

The entire Hudson County community is invited to get first-hand accounts of the career of an award-winning actor as Hudson County Community College (HCCC) resumes its 2017-2018 Lecture Series.

The next featured speaker is actor B.D. Wong of HBO's *Oz* on Thursday, April 5, 2018. The event is open to the general public and begins at 6 p.m. It will be held in the HCCC Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street in Jersey City – just two blocks from the Journal Square Transportation Center. Tickets are required, and can be secured at <http://www.hccc.edu/tickets>.

A versatile film and television actor, B.D. Wong is likely best known as psychiatrist Dr. George Huang on *Law & Order: SVU*, and as prison priest Father Ray Mukada on HBO's *Oz*. He has also appeared in *Mr. Robot*, *Gotham*, *Jurassic Park*, *Jurassic World*, *Father of the Bride*, and more than 20 films. In the ambitious one-man musical, *Herringbone*, he played the roles of nearly a dozen characters at the Williamstown Theatre Festival,



male mentorship. An advocate for the Trevor Project's "It Gets Better" campaign, Mr. Wong has been honored for his support of the LGBT community at the annual Marriage Equality Gala. He is a recipient of the GLAAD Davidson/Valenti Award.

McCarter Theatre, and La Jolla Playhouse. Mr. Wong earned Tony, Theatre World, Clarence Derwent, and Drama Desk awards for his work in the Broadway production of *M. Butterfly*. He produced and directed *The Yellow Wood* for the NYMF and Cindy Cheung's "Speak Up Connie" at the All for One Festival. He is currently developing a new musical, *Heading East*.

Mr. Wong's memoir, *Following Foo: The Electronic Adventures of the Chestnut Man*, recounts the highs and lows that he and his former partner endured on the road to parenthood, and the difficult days following the premature birth of his twin boys via surrogate mother. The White House invited him to participate in a conversation on fatherhood and family mentorship. An advocate for the Trevor Project's "It Gets Better" campaign, Mr. Wong has been honored for his support of the LGBT community at the annual Marriage Equality Gala. He is a recipient of the GLAAD Davidson/Valenti Award.

## HCCC TO HOLD 'DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS' EVENT WITH FREE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ASSISTANCE AND ESSAY GUIDANCE

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) is one of the best higher educational values anywhere. Tuition at HCCC is a fraction of that at New Jersey public and private four-year colleges and universities.

Still, every year, dozens of prospective and returning Hudson County Community College (HCCC) students struggle to budget for tuition while leaving thousands of dollars in HCCC scholarship awards on the table and unused. Sometimes, students do not apply for these scholarships because they do not know about them, are unsure whether they qualify, and/or feel intimidated in completing the scholarship applications.

To remedy this situation, the College has planned a special "Dollars for Scholars" event, during which: HCCC staff and faculty will provide free HCCC Foundation and Government scholarships application guidance and assistance for those who register for Fall 2018 semester classes on that day or beforehand.

The HCCC "Dollars for Scholars" event will be held on Thursday, April 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at in the College's Enrollment Services offices at 70 Sip Avenue in Jersey City, which is adjacent to the Journal Square PATH Transporta-

tion Center. The event is open to students who have completed the college application process.

Scholarship application counselors will guide applicants through the application process for Government or Foundation scholarships, including the essay portion. Faculty and staff will help applicants write the essays highlight educational and career life goals.

### Foundation or Government scholarship information is detailed as follows:

The HCCC Foundation Scholarship program provides needs- and merit-based financial scholarships to deserving students. Students must submit a 500-word essay describing career goals, reasons for attending college, why they should be considered as a candidate, and how the scholarship will benefit them. Any college, community, and civic activities should also be included. Applicants must be Hudson County residents, and citizens or permanent residents of the United States.

The HCCC Government Scholarship program is for students pursuing an Associate's degree at HCCC, who would otherwise be unable to meet the financial hurdles of paying for college without scholarships. Applicants must be full-

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## PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY NEWS



*Pictured from left: Abderahim Salhi, Prof. Ted Lai, and Victoria Migochi volunteered in the Friends of Liberty State Park gardening program on Feb.*



*Gissell Lopez, Veronica Martinez, and Kaylin Guzman volunteered at the Garden State Episcopal Community Development food pantry at the Church of Incarnation in Jersey City on Feb. 16 and 17.*



*Pictured from left: Prof. Ted Lai, Leticia Perez, Kate Buseo, Judy Dundon, Bianelly Tellez, and Vivian Valencia volunteered at the Chinese New Year parade on Feb. 16. Lawrence Louie of Information Technology Services and HCCC alumna Vanessa Gonzalez also volunteered (not in photo).*

### 2018 Coca-Cola Academic Team Scholars

Congratulations to Beta Alpha Phi Secretary Cledys Diaz, who has been selected as a 2018 Coca-Cola Academic Team Bronze Scholar and will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

Selection as a Coca-Cola Bronze Scholar was based on scores she earned in the All-USA Academic Team competition, for which more than 2,000

applications were received this year. This program is sponsored by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation and is administered by Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

Phi Theta Kappa will recognize Diaz and the other 2018 Coca-Cola Academic Team Scholars on stage at "PTK Catalyst," Phi Theta Kappa's Annual Convention, April 19-21 in Kansas City, MO.

## HCCC ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES PROGRAM EXPANDS ITS REACH

On Thursday, Feb. 22, Dr. Ashwani Vasishth, Associate Professor and the Director of the Center for Sustainability at Ramapo College of New Jersey, visited Hudson County Community College to begin a special pathways project into bachelor's degree programs in both Sustainability Studies and Environmental Studies.

HCCC launched its Environmental Studies Associates Degree program five years ago and has since partnered with local high schools to offer college-level courses to high school students aspiring to careers in environmental fields. A cohort at the Hudson County Schools of Technology is currently moving through college coursework through HCCC's LEAP dual-enrollment program. Agreements with the Jersey City Board of Education are underway for local students to begin moving along the Environmental Studies pathway while still in high school.

Of special note, several HCCC students have performed research under the supervision of professors at partner universities. Work is currently



*Pictured from left: Eric Friedman, Ph.D., HCCC Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Ashwani Vasishth, Ph.D., Associate Professor and the Director of the Center for Sustainability at Ramapo College of New Jersey.*

underway to create environmental field research experiences that can also serve as internships.

"Many of the career opportunities showing up as 'bright opportunities' are related to the green sector," said Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, Eric Friedman. "Our Environmental Studies program is the perfect path into jobs in growth areas. These jobs are also good for the planet."

## HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES VOTES TO DISCONTINUE USING FEDERAL EXPRESS SERVICE

At its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 13, the Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Board of Trustees unanimously voted in favor of a resolution discontinuing the College's use of Federal Express as a service provider, stating: "The use of FedEx by any College employees or personnel for any College business is discontinued until FedEx commits to discontinue offering any benefits to the NRA."

The resolution was developed in response to Federal Express' public refusal to sever ties with

– or discontinue discounts for – the NRA, and the carrier's continuing to offer accommodations to 86 firearms manufacturers and the NRA, even after the Feb. 14 killings at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School.

The document reads, in part – "Whereas the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College believe that common-sense firearm regulations are necessary to promote a safe learning environment for the College's students; and Whereas the NRA continues to resist common-sense regula-



*Phi Theta Kappa members Veronica Martinez, Karla Levine, and Ngoc Yen Nhi, and Prof. Ted Lai volunteered at the Multiple Sclerosis Climb to the Top at 30 Rockefeller Center on March 4.*

## CULTUREFEST: WOMEN OF THE NATIONS



*Pictured from left: Sabrina Bullock, Paula Jnoville, and Whitney Arthur.*

On Tuesday, March 6, the Office of Student Activities and Office of International Student Services presented "CultureFest: Women of the Nations." Attendees were able to learn about the women of the world through education, food, and more.

tions by lobbying legislators and opposing Federal and State legislation that would affect gun ownership and use; and Whereas, while realizing that responsible firearm ownership and mass shootings do not go hand in hand, Hudson County Community College believes it is in the College's best interest to stand with those willing to take a stand in the name of more common-sense firearm regulation."

The resolution will be available online in the "Summary of Proceedings" of the March 13, 2018 meeting at <http://www.hccc.edu/hccctrustees/>.

## SUMMER HOURS 2018

**H**CCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. has authorized a summer hour schedule beginning the week of May 14 with the first Friday off being May 18, 2018 and ending on Friday, Aug. 10, 2018.

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. 13.

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.

A four-day summer schedule should not and need not result in a cut back 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.

## EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2018 WEBINARS

**T**he College's Employee Assistance Program, E4Health, has scheduled a series of webinars designed to assist employees and their families in various topics. Each webinar will take place each month, from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. and repeating from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. To pre-register, please visit <http://www.helloe4.com/> and enter username hccc and password guest.

Wednesday, April 25: Quality Time for the Time-Pressed Family

Wednesday, May 23: Working with Millennials

Wednesday, June 20: Taking Care of Your Skin

Wednesday, July 25: Identity Theft Protection and Self-Help

Wednesday, August 22: Bullying

Wednesday, September 26: The Many Faces of Mental Health

Wednesday, October 24: Healthy Aging

Wednesday, November 28: Family and Personal Budgeting

Wednesday, December 19: Turning the Table on Bad Habits

## NEW HIRES/NEW TITLES

Sheila Dynan, Associate Dean of Student Success

Carmen Garcia, Student Accounts Coordinator

Celestine Mabeya, Admissions Advisor

Lori Margolin, Dean of Continuing Education/  
Workforce Development

## RETIREMENT



**O**n Thursday, March 1, HCCC President Glen Gabert, Ph.D. (second from right) presented book clocks to Carmen De Jesus, Custodial Worker (left) and Mercy Martinez, Student Accounts Coordinator (second from left) at a gathering recognizing their retirements. Dorothea Graham-King, Administrative Assistant, Institutional Research and Planning and President, HCCC Support Staff Federation, is pictured at right.

## MILESTONES

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

### Five Years

Jennifer Rodriguez

### 10 Years

Danitza Espinales  
Yvon Groeneveldt

### 15 Years

Jessica Brito  
Sylvia Mendoza

## JOBS

Applicants are now being sought for the following positions:

*Accountant*

*Adjunct Positions (Spring 2018)*

*Admissions Advisor*

*Assistant Registrar*

*Associate Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences*

*Associate Dean of STEM*

*Associate Dean of Student Success*

*College Lecturer, Health Sciences (Revised)*

*College Lecturer, Honors*

*College Lecturer, Nursing*

*College President*

*Community Education Instructors PT (multiple positions)*

*Dean of Libraries*

*Director of Purchasing*

*DSS Coordinator Advisor*

*Head Tutor for North Hudson Campus*

*Instructor, Accounting*

*Instructor, Romance Languages*

*Library Associate Technology*

*Part Time Customer Service Assistant (2 positions)*

*Part Time HR Office Assistant*

*Part Time Perkins Coordinator*

*Student Financial Aid Assistant*

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

**Hudson County  
Community College  
Human Resources Department  
81 Sip Avenue, Mezzanine Level  
Jersey City, NJ 07306  
[resumes@hccc.edu](mailto: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](http://www.njherc.org), the Higher-EdJobs.com website at [www.higheredjobs.com](http://www.higheredjobs.com), [www.latinoshighered.com](http://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](http://www.hccc.edu).

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**for Best Practices 2018 Conference**

Friday, April 20, 2018 | 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. | Middlesex County College, Edison, NJ

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# 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 artist Nancy Cohen for the generous donation of three of her drawings.

Thank you to Melanie Walker, whose recently donated work completes the large gift of over 40 photographs from the Museum Project, a work of gratitude by many noted American photographers to institutions that have supported photographic arts in their permanent collections. Our collection – as well as the Princeton Art Museum, the Federal Reserve Board Art Collection in Washington, D.C., and The Bibliotheque Nationale de Paris, France, among many other fine institutions – now includes works from this Project. Look for the installation of these fine works later this year.

## Artist News

**Malcolm Bray**, whose work we plan to install in the STEM Building later this year, will be exhibiting some of his largest work in a group show at the Trenton City Museum until April 29. The exhibition is called "The Bigger Picture." The Museum is located at 299 Parkside Avenue in Trenton.

If you liked the **Michelle Doll** work, *Family*, that was installed outside the Benjamin J. Dineen, III & Dennis C. Hull Gallery last year, you might enjoy seeing more of her work in a group exhibition called "Leveling" at the Novado Gallery, 110 Morgan Street in Jersey City. For more information or to schedule a visit, please call or text Novado Gallery, at (201) 744-6713. The work *Family* is slated for permanent installation at HCCC later this year.

If you have been moved by the **Leon Golub** print installed on the third floor of the Journal Square Library, you might be interested to see the recent exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City through May 27. Golub made work about painful political issues.

People often ask why. Curator Kelly Baum says, "Golub's paintings were a response to the brutality he saw in the media. As an activist, his paintings represent the violence he was opposed to."

He deliberately made controversial art. "He wanted to get a rise out of people," said Baum. "He used the word 'contact' a lot and he painted his characters to look back at you."

Baum continues, "He was an artist, historian, and an advocate for social justice – he wanted to suss out oppression wherever it existed and throw it all into his paintings."

Golub himself wrote, "Artists manage extraordinary balancing acts, not merely of survival or brinkmanship but of analysis and raw nerve."

At the Whitney Museum in New York is an exhibit called: "An Incomplete History of Protest: Selections from the Whitney's Collection, 1940 – 2017." The curators note, "Whether making art as a form of activism, criticism, instruction, or inspiration, the featured artists see their work as essential to challenging established thought and creating a more equitable culture. Many have sought immediate change, such as ending the war in Vietnam or combating the AIDS crisis. Others have engaged with protest more indirectly, with the long term in mind, hoping to create new ways of imagining society and citizenship." Many of the artists featured in the exhibit also have work in the HCCC Foundation Art Collection, including **Emma Amos** (on view on the third floor of the Library Building), **William N. Copley**, **Larry Fink**, **John Giorno**, **Leon Golub** (on view on the third floor of the Library Building), **Gordon Parks** (on view on the fourth floor of 70 Sip Avenue), **Irving Petlin**, **Faith Ringgold** (on view on the third floor of the Library Building), **Jaune Quick-to-See Smith**,

Thanks to a gift to the Hudson County Community College Foundation Acquisition Program by Dr. Glen Gabert and Gregory Ratcliff, the work *Homes among the Rocks* by Wesley Lea has been dedicated in honor of the marriage of Dr. Paula Pando and Eric Saari. The work is installed in the lobby of 2 Enos Place.



**Nancy Spero**, and **May Stevens** (on view on the first floor of the Library). The works not currently installed are slated for installation later this year.

If you are interested in this subject, many of the works by artists on the third floor of the Library Building have themes related to social justice. We also have a newly installed gallery on the third floor of 2 Enos Place devoted to social justice art and the totalitarian state by Johanna Vogel-sang.

If you like the Japanese print exhibit recently installed in the basement of 2 Enos Place, you might be interested to know that Japanese prints played a powerful role in influencing Impressionist and Modern artists. An exhibit, "Van Gogh & Japan" at the Van Gogh museum in the Netherlands, on display through June 24, details how Japanese art influenced Vincent Van Gogh's work. Closer to home, you might enjoy looking at two of the recently donated Japanese prints in the exhibit at 2 Enos Place that date from the 19th century when Van Gogh collected.

## HCCC Foundation Student Art Awards Contest

April 6 deadline to enter

Have you studied this academic year at HCCC, and made some great art you want to enter in a contest?



Deadline to enter the HCCC Foundation Student Art Awards Contest is Friday, April 6. At the Spring 2018 awards ceremony, the HCCC Foundation will make up to six cash awards totaling up to \$1,600 to students enrolled at the College – up to two \$500 HCCC Foundation Student Art Purchase Awards and up to four \$150 HCCC Foundation Student Art Supplies Gift Certificate Awards.

Artwork eligible for the award includes painting, sculpture, drawing, photography, collage, and prints such as etchings, lithographs, wood block prints, digital art, etc.

To apply for the awards, submit a complete application by Friday, April 6. For a contest application, email Andrea Siegel before Thursday, March 29 at [asiegel@hccc.edu](mailto:asiegel@hccc.edu).

## EOF 50TH ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON



Dr. Paula Pando, Senior Vice President for North Hudson Campus and Student & Educational Services, congratulates the EOF Program on 50 years of excellent service to the Hudson County community, and discussed how they help HCCC students.

## HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOLDS MULTIFACETED EVENING FEATURING AN ANNUAL EVENT HONORING THE LEGACY OF THE LATE GEORGIA BROOKS



Glen Gabert, Ph.D., President of HCCC; Georgia Brooks' sister Lillian; and Michelle Vitale, Director of Cultural Affairs.



Pictured from left: Michelle Vitale, Director of Cultural Affairs, student docent Ambar Castillo, and James E. Crochet, curator of the "Out on Broadway: A Visual Legacy" exhibit.

Hudson County Community College Holds Multifaceted Evening Featuring an Annual Event Honoring the Legacy of the Late Georgia Brooks

On Friday, March 2, the Department of Cultural Affairs held an event honoring the legacy of Hudson County Community College employee Georgia Brooks, as well as a masquerade party and closing reception for the *Out on Broadway: A Visual Legacy* exhibit.

## HCCC EXPANDS DUAL ADMISSION PROGRAM WITH NJCU

Hudson County Community College and New Jersey City University have recently expanded our Dual Admission Program to include Early Childhood Education. Students who complete the Associate in Arts in Liberal Arts at HCCC and take prescribed courses (BIO 107, INTD 235, PSY 211, ECE 204, ECE 201, ECE 214, ECE 215, INTD 250, SED 235, MAT 100), can enter NJCU with full junior status.

Angela Pack, Assistant Professor of Education, helped map the curriculum with her NJCU counterparts. About the agreement, she said, "This is a wonderful opportunity for students. They can access the advantages of a four-year degree while enjoying the individualized support at here at the community college."

What makes this an attractive option to our students is that the State of New Jersey only requires senior institutions to accept six (6) credits of education classes from community colleges; NJCU will take 15 credits of education, special

education, and interdisciplinary coursework. Students who opt in to the Dual Admission Program will also enjoy additional benefits, such as pathway advising from the NJCU On-site Advisor, access to NJCU facilities like the library and athletic center, and invitations to NJCU academic and cultural events related to the Early Childhood Education degree.

For more information about dual admission with NJCU, please contact Nathalie Chiriboga, NJCU On-site Transfer Coordinator at (201) 360-5332 or njcu@hccc.edu.



Angela Pack (right), Assistant Professor of Education, reviews the curriculum included in the Early Childhood Education Dual Admission Program with Christopher Wahl, Assistant Vice President of Academic Affairs.

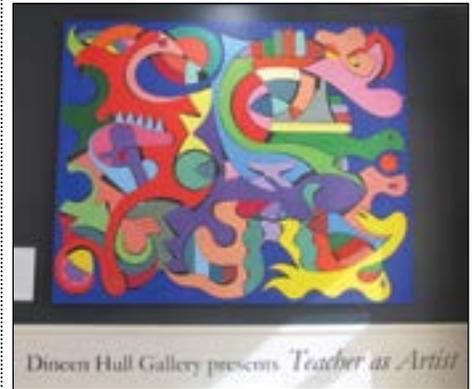
## REAL MONEY 101 TACKLES TAX RETURNS

Tax Return Basics was the topic for the first "Real Money 101" event presented by the Office of Financial Student Assistance for the Spring 2018 semester. On February 14 (Valentine's Day) in the Library Building of the Journal Square Campus, Derrick Laster of H&R Block outlined some of the recent changes in the Internal Revenue codes and some of its implications on students. He also spoke about basic tax return information, what forms to use when filing your tax return,

qualified deductions, deadlines, education tax benefits, filing status, dependents, and what qualifies as a business expense. Have you filed your 2017 tax return yet?

The Office of Financial Student Assistance also held a FAFSA workshop on Feb. 21 in the Library Building to help students and their families complete the 2018-2019 FAFSA. Both events were well attended.

## TEACHER AS ARTIST EXHIBITION



*The Force of Nature* by Antonio Nogueira.

Teacher as Artist Exhibition at HCCC Brings Insight into Contemporary Art.

The community is invited to view local artist Antonio Nogueira's grand scale, single-stroke murals of bold, swirling lines in a special exhibition at Hudson County Community College (HCCC) titled "Teacher as Artist." The works may be viewed through Monday, April 30.

## HCCC TO EXHIBIT SELECT ARTWORK FROM THE ACCLAIMED CARRIE HADDAD GALLERY



Kate Hamilton's "Pussy Bow Shirt: A Pretty Present to be Unwrapped?" (2016).

The Hudson County Community College (HCCC) Department of Cultural Affairs is proud to announce that several unique works from the Carrie Haddad Gallery in Hudson, New York are being exhibited at the College through Saturday, April 21. The exhibit is open to the general public and there is no charge for admission.

The exhibit – Selections from Carrie Haddad Gallery – is curated by Linden Scheff, and may be viewed in the College's Dineen Hull Gallery, located on the top floor at 71 Sip Avenue in Jersey City, just one block from the Journal Square PATH Transportation Center.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT NEWS



Scenes from Continuing Education courses: Decorating Cookies on February 17; Thai Cooking on Feb. 17; Watercolor Stationery with Katie Pea Studio on February 11; Food Business Bootcamp, co-sponsored with Hudson Kitchen on Feb. 24; and Chocolate Delights on March 17.

### Center for Business and Industry

The Statewide Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of New Jersey, in partnership with the Center for Business and Industry, is holding the third cycle of the Hispanic Entrepreneurship Training Program at Hudson County Community College. The sessions are held every Friday through June 29.

On March 16, the program hosted a panel of three prominent business people who have achieved outstanding success through the support of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Carlos Serrano from Empanada Guy, Rick Martinez from Senor Sangria, and Nelly Reyes from Freshie, shared their experiences with students. Special guest Luis De LaHoz, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's Vice Chairman, also spoke at the event.

On Sunday, March 11, 2018 Colombian National Parliamentary elections were held for 102 members of the Senate and 166 members of the House of Representatives. The vote was also the primary election for candidates who will contend in the May 27 presidential election. This was the first national vote in the post-conflict era.

As a result of a partnership between the HCCC Division of Continuing Education and Workforce Development and the Colombian Consulate in Newark, more than 700 Colombian citizens living in Hudson County were able to vote in the March 11 elections at the HCCC North Hudson Campus.

In 2016, the College opened the North Hudson Campus for Colombian citizens to participate in the historic peace agreement with the Colombia guerrillas. The HCCC North Hudson Campus will be a voting site for the May 27 Colombian presidential election, as well as the June 17 runoff election if one is needed.

### Continuing Education

On February 11, Continuing Ed partnered with Jersey City watercolor artist, Katie Perez, of Katie Pea Studio to host a Valentine's Day-themed watercolor stationery class. With individual instruction from Ms. Perez, students explored basic watercolor techniques and color theory. Ms. Perez also introduced lettering techniques and trends used in contemporary greeting cards. Students left the class with their own watercolor kit and their handmade artwork.

Continuing Education, in partnership with Hudson Kitchen, hosted its second cycle of the "Food Business Bootcamp" on February 24. The full-day event was specially designed for those who presently own or who wish to start a food business, and covered a number of topics related to operating a culinary business, including food trends, business plan basics, food safety, food product concept development, food law, marketing a food business, pricing food products for profitability, food business operations, and funding a food business.

Speakers included Regina Henry, Founder of Labyrinth Consulting; Jay Savulich, Chief Operations Officer at Rising Tide Capital; Annette Davidson, Founder of Icon Food Marketing; Victor Moruzzi, Instructor at the Hudson County Community College Culinary Arts Institute; and Djenaba Johnson-Jones, Founder of Hudson Kitchen.

The next "Food Business Bootcamp" is scheduled for Saturday, May 19. To register, go to: [foodbusinessbootcamp.eventbrite.com](http://foodbusinessbootcamp.eventbrite.com) or contact Chastity Farrell at [cfarrell@hccc.edu](mailto:cfarrell@hccc.edu) or (201) 360-4262 for more information.

Continuing Education, in partnership with Spezzanza Theater Company, held a successful session of the children's workshops, "Storybooks to Stage" and "Kids' Rock" this winter. These workshops are



Thanks to our student for sending in photo from our Sausage Making class with Chef Sami Khouzam on March 3. Some have already used the techniques at home for delicious results.

designed to bring children's literature to life through dance and art. Please call Carmen Guerra at (201) 360-4260 or CE office at (201) 360-4224 for more information.

### Continuing Education's Youth & Teen Summer Program Is Back!

Continuing Ed will begin accepting registration for our popular Youth & Teen Summer program this month. The program will run Monday through Thursday for eight weeks, from July 9 to August 30. There will be four sections: 1.) STEM – three weeks of video game creation, coding, and virtual reality; 2.) SAT Prep – two intense weeks of math and language instruction; 3.) Culinary – a week-long baking and cooking course; and 4.) Theater – acting, playwrighting, and stage production.

For more information please contact Continuing Education by phoning (201) 360-4224 or emailing [communityed@hccc.edu](mailto:communityed@hccc.edu).

## PROFESSIONAL NOTES



**Joseph Caniglia**, Assistant Professor of English, attended and presented at the 2018 NADE Conference (National Association for Developmental Education), which was held from Feb. 20 to Feb. 24, 2018 in Oxon Hill, Maryland. His presentation discussed how Enrichment and Bridge Programs enhance student success, completion, and retention rates. "My presentation was well-received from my colleagues," says Caniglia. "This conference also afforded me the opportunity to gain knowledge on how to improve the theory and practice of developmental education at all levels of the educational spectrum. The professional development workshops I attended enhanced my awareness regarding student learning and leadership. I was able to interact with colleagues from across the nation, sharing ideas on ways to improve developmental education programs. The entire conference was a very rewarding experience."

"Transformer: Ezra Furman's Songs of Innocence," a review of Furman's most recent album, *Transangelic Exodus*, was published in *The Village Voice* on March 7. The article was written by Gabe Friedman, son of **Eric Friedman**, Ph.D., Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs, and is available at <http://bit.ly/2FSTKXY>



*Photo on Left: Joseph Caniglia presented at the 2018 NADE Conference in February.*

*Photo on Right: Azhar Mahmood, Ph.D. (left) and Mojdeh Tabatabaie, Ph.D., P.E. at the National Science Foundation's "Mentor Connect" training in January.*

**Mojdeh Tabatabaie**, Ph.D., P.E., Professor, Engineering Science/Mathematics, and **Azhar Mahmood**, Ph.D., Instructor of Chemistry, are working on a proposal to get a grant from NSF (National Science Foundation) for the newly started Construction Management Program at the College.

NSF conducts a training workshop, "Mentor Connect," for selected faculty members to educate them about writing grants for NSF. In this regard, their proposal was selected and they were among 21 community colleges who were invited to this training workshop. The conference was held at Fort Lauderdale, Fla. from Jan. 31 to Feb. 2, 2018.

**Royal Ross** - Accounting and Business Adjunct Instructor; Program Assistant, Academic Affairs; and HCCC Alumni Association Treasurer - recently published *Stay Connected to the True Vine*. It is available for purchase from her website, <http://www.royalross.com>, as well as via Amazon and Barnes and Noble. Ross will be donating a copy of the book to each Library at the College.

## 'DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS'

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time HCCC students, reside in Hudson County, and maintain a 2.75 GPA. Additionally, a financial aid application to the college is required. The application consists of seven short sections, including a 200-word essay explaining future goals related to college degree education.

The College encourages high school seniors and current HCCC students to participate in the April 5 event so they may obtain their ideal class schedules and apply for savings on tuition costs through scholarship awards.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting the HCCC Enrollment Services office at 70 Sip Avenue in Jersey City at [admissions@hccc.edu](mailto:admissions@hccc.edu) or 201-714-7200.

## THE 2018 MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

By Joseph Caniglia

This February, I accompanied four students - Nasar Qadir (President of the Model UN Club), Jaye Rodriguez, Catherine King, and Yamina Shaheen - in attending the Harvard Model United Nations Conference. Hudson County Community College students had the opportunity to interact with 3,000 students from across the globe.

HCCC students met with these students to discuss and debate the greatest challenges facing the world today. Topics such as international peace, security, economic and social progress, and human rights were discussed. The goal of the conference was to begin a process whereby debates which take place today can lead to solutions for the future. Students were able to participate in a simulated United Nations experience, to ensure that all students get a sense of the real - world international negotiations.

Each college was assigned a country. Hudson County Community College was assigned Libya. HCCC students had to conduct intensive research and debate important issues which are occurring in Libya in today's world. This gave our students the opportunity to learn about international affairs. I am very proud of Nasar, Jaye, Catherine, and Yamina for their hard work and dedication to the conference. I also want to thank Hudson County Community College for allowing us to partake in this amazing experience.

your source of light. By venturing into the minds of our mentors using the power of conversation, we will explore the methods on how they searched for their light.

Welcome to the "Light Bulb," by the Model United Nations Club. Podcasts are available on Apple Podcasts and Podcast Addict.

## LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

**Monique C. Atherley**, CEO and Founder of The Atherley POWER Group, delivers the keynote address, "A 360-Degree View of Leadership and Power" to attendees of the Office of Student Activities' Student Leadership Conference on Friday, March 9.



## MODEL UNITED NATIONS CLUB PODCAST INTERVIEWS

by **Nasar Qadir**  
(President of the Model United Nations Club)

The Model United Nations Club, under the advisement of Assistant Professor Joseph Caniglia, will be conducting podcast interviews with various professors at Hudson County Community College. The first interview was conducted in February with Andrew Bishop, an instructor for the English Division. A description of

the first podcast is described below.

A mentor is a person who is described as someone who is trusted and looked up to, not only as an advisor but as a guide, a friend, and a beacon of light. We, as beings, have been thrown into the abyss of existence, and are now lost in the darkness of life, as it passes. Hopelessly, aimlessly wandering through, in search of light. This podcast aims and hopes to become that spark which might ignite

## GOLDMAN SACHS COLLEGE COLLABORATIVE UPDATE



The final whole-group session for the 2017-2018 Goldman Sachs Local College Collaborative was held on Friday, March 16, 2018 at the New York City headquarters of Goldman Sachs.

In a panel moderated by Megan Hogan, Vice President, Human Capital Management, Goldman Sachs, the group heard about non-traditional career pathways from Goldman Sachs employees Renee Greene, Associate, Operations; Kadian Tinto, Vice President, Merchant Banking; and Dennis Wall, Vice President, Credit Risk Management.

HCCC Digital Arts Major, Aminah Chaudhary asked the panelists how to best position herself as a possible future applicant. "It is amazing to think about how much I have learned so far from the Goldman Sachs College Collaborative. All the people I have met through this experience have left a memorable stamp on my life, no matter what career path I may choose to pursue."

Following the panel discussion, students were taken on a tour of the building spanning from the energy saving ice storage system in the basement, to the expansive views on the 43rd floor. "While the different sessions can show what GS values, being able to tour the headquarters and see the activity within, was a small look at what a typical day would look like at the firm, and helped me envision myself there one day," said HCCC Business Administration Major, Edward Bryan.

Later this month, students will be travelling to Hoboken, NJ to visit Newell Brands, the company they will present on in May. Stay up-to-date with everything GSLCC related with our monthly updates in HCCC Happenings and by following @HudsonCareer on social media. To learn how to get involved, please contact Aparna Saini, Director, Career Development at [asaini@hccc.edu](mailto:asaini@hccc.edu).

## JOB FAIR TIPS FOR SUCCESS:

### Before the Fair

- Register for the Job Fair at [tinyurl.com/HCCCJobFairReg](http://tinyurl.com/HCCCJobFairReg). Students who register and attend are entered to win a Beats Pill Speaker!
- Prepare to impress recruiters! Research companies' missions and values. Recruiters like to see that you are interested. See all the employers at [tinyurl.com/HCCCJobFair](http://tinyurl.com/HCCCJobFair).
- Practice your elevator pitch. A meaningful conversation starts with an engaging introduction.
- Arrange for child care if necessary.

No time to come to Career Development before the Job Fair? Find step-by-step guides on the HCCC portal. Search 'Employment Guide' to find our Interviewing and Resume & Cover Letter guides.

**Remember:** Take advantage of the opportunity – enjoy the process of learning about different employers and career paths. We look forward to seeing you there!

## CAREER CORNER

Each month we'll be answering your questions about Career Development. Submit your questions to be featured here! [career@hccc.edu](mailto:career@hccc.edu)

**Q: Dear Career Development, how can my students prepare for the Job Fair? -- HCCC Faculty Member**

**A:** Great question, Professor. HCCC students are encouraged to take advantage of all the resources Career Development has to offer before the Job Fair on April 17 in the Culinary Conference Center. Over 50 companies will be recruiting HCCC students!

Students can meet with a Career Advisor at both the Journal Square and North Hudson Campuses to create or update their resumes, craft an elevator pitch to introduce themselves to employers, and decide on the perfect professional outfit. Each student is given 1:1 personalized career guidance, so if they aren't sure what their goals are, a Career Advisor will be able to help.

**Here's what a Sarra Hayoune, Computer Science student at HCCC had to say about last year's Job Fair:**

"Last year, I attended my first job fair at HCCC. It was a great opportunity as a freshman to have a face-to-face conversations with people from my field of study. The event was well attended by both students and employers and it was an enriching experience! My career path became clearer after having my questions answered by industry experts. I submitted my resume to a few organizations and received two summer job offers. I am looking forward to attending the Job Fair again this year!"



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## 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 a 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](http://www.hccc.edu/testing)

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

**Before taking the CPT:**

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

**On day of CPT:**

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

**CPT Schedule:**

- JSQ walk in: Students can start test anytime between hours posted.
- JSQ/NHC start times: Students must start at indicated times.

**April 2018**

**Terms: Summer/Fall 2018**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>2</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>3</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m. NHC: 9 a.m.	<b>4</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>5</b> Journal Sq. walk-in: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	<b>6</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.
<b>9</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>10</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m. NHC: 9 a.m.	<b>11</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>12</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>13</b> Journal Sq. walk-in: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
<b>16</b> Journal Sq. walk-in: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	<b>17</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m. NHC: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>18</b> Journal Sq. walk-in: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.	<b>19</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>20</b> Journal Sq. walk-in: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
<b>23</b> Journal Sq. walk-in: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.	<b>24</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m. NHC: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>25</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>26</b> Journal Sq. start times: 9 a.m. & 1 p.m.	<b>27</b> X
<b>30</b> Journal Sq. walk-in: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.	<b>TESTING LOCATIONS:</b> Journal Square (Main Campus): 71 Sip Avenue, Library Building, Lower Level, Jersey City NHC: (North Hudson Campus): 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City			

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[www.hccc.edu/accuplacerstudyresources](http://www.hccc.edu/accuplacerstudyresources)

**College Placement Test**

\*Approximately 2-3 hours

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

**Writing Proficiency Test**

\*90 minutes

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

**English as a Second Language Placement Test**

\*Approximately 2.5-3.5 hours

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

**CLEP DATES:**

- Thursday, April 5 (9 a.m. & 1 p.m.)
- Wednesday, April 18 (9 a.m. & 1 p.m.)
- Tuesday April 24 (9 a.m. & 1 p.m.)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Monday, April 2

Library Book Club reading of "Everything I Never Told You" by Celeste Ng, 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., Library, 71 Sip Ave., and NHC Library

### Tuesday, April 3

Safe Space Training, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Room 515. Sign up at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

### Wednesday, April 4

Bagel Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., while supplies last, North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Honors Mixer, 11 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Real Money 101: Budgeting Basics, 11 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, Follett Lounge, 161 Newkirk St. Register at [hcccrealmoney101.eventbrite.com](http://hcccrealmoney101.eventbrite.com)

New Technologies for the Classroom workshop, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Educational Technology and Media Center, Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Room L026

Sandwich Making Event, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge. Sandwiches will be donated to Union City's Palisades Emergency Residence Corporation (PERC).

Library Book Club reading of "Everything I Never Told You" by Celeste Ng, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library, 71 Sip Ave., and NHC Library

Artist Reception featuring Carrie Haddad, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor

### Thursday, April 5

Instant Decision Day: Kean University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

PRIDE History Coloring and Pizza, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Video Game Friendlies, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Library, 71 Sip Ave., and North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

PB & J Day, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Lunch bags will be made and distributed around Journal Square.

Accreditation Review meeting by Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), 2 p.m., Cundari Center, 870 Bergen Avenue, first floor conference room

Lecture Series featuring B.D. Wong, 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street. Register at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

### Friday, April 6

Subscription Dining Series, 11:30 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Meet the Artist (Antonio Nogueira), 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., North Hudson Campus, 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Student Lounge

HCCC Foundation Night at the Races, 6 p.m., Meadowlands Race Track, Pegasus East

SALUTE Induction, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor

### Saturday, April 7

Gardening in Liberty State Park, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Group will depart from 25 Journal Square at 8:30 a.m. Volunteers will help to plant and take care of flowers, plants, and trees.

Trip to American Museum of Natural History; transportation leaves 25 Journal Square at 10 a.m. Students: \$5; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$15. Register at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

Phi Theta Kappa Chapter Meeting, 12 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

### Monday, April 9

Spring 2018 Culinary Cycle III (day) classes begin (through May 14)

Instant Decision Day: New Jersey Institute of Technology, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

PRIDE History Coloring and Pizza, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Penguin Lecture, 3:30 p.m., STEM Building, 263 Academy St.

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

### Tuesday, April 10

Safe Space Training, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., 70 Sip Avenue, 2nd Floor. Sign up at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

Instant Decision Day: New Jersey City University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

Psychology Film and Discussion, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge.

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

Twilight Tuesday – NJPAC: Alvin Ailey Presentation, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor

"A Bronx Tale" on Broadway, show time 7 p.m., Longacre Theatre. Students: \$20; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$40. To purchase tickets, visit [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

### Wednesday, April 11

Bagel Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., while supplies last, North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Instant Decision Day: Saint Peter's University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

NHC Graduate Salute, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Multipurpose Room

Graduation Yearbook Portraits, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Multipurpose Room

Course Design & Assessment workshop, 3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Room 312. In this roundtable discussion, the participant will be able to critique and select appropriate assessment strategies for optimal learning in alignment with overall course design.

### Thursday, April 12

Instant Decision Day: Fairleigh Dickinson University, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

#TruckinThursday, 12 p.m., outside 81 Sip Ave. and outside North Hudson Campus (while supplies last)

Indie Film Screening: Female Filmmakers, 2 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor. For more information, visit [www.hccc.edu/cultural-affairs](http://www.hccc.edu/cultural-affairs).

Soft Skills Workshop, 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Third Floor and North Hudson Campus, Room 204

"Get Started, Keep Going!" Creative Writing Workshop, 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., Library, 71 Sip Ave., Makerspace

### Friday, April 13

Movie Screening: "Freeheld," streamed throughout the day from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Trip to Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island; transportation leaves 25 Journal Square at 9:30 a.m. Visit the historical Ellis Island and learn about the immigrants who came to America between 1892 and 1954. Students: \$5; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$15. Register at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

Instant Decision Day: Montclair State University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

Subscription Dining Series, 11:30 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk Street

Induction ceremony for Chi Alpha Epsilon Honor Society, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Trip to Rubin Museum of Art; transportation leaves 25 Journal Square at 5 p.m. Students: \$5; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$15. Register at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

Friday Night Live Group Trip to the Albert Ellis Institute, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Register at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

### Saturday, April 14

Open House, 10 a.m., North Hudson Campus (4800 Kennedy Blvd., Union City). RSVP at [www.hccc.edu/openhouse](http://www.hccc.edu/openhouse).

Psi Beta Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor. (By invitation only)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, April 15

LGBT History Walking Tour of Greenwich Village. Group will depart 25 Journal Square at 11 a.m. Join us for a walking tour focused on LGBT history in NYC's own Christopher Street and Greenwich Village. Sign up to participate at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets). Students: \$5; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$15.

### Monday, April 16

3D Pens, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

### Tuesday, April 17

Indie Film Screening: Female Filmmakers, 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor. For more information, visit [www.hccc.edu/cultural-affairs](http://www.hccc.edu/cultural-affairs).

Job Fair, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Culinary Conference Center

"Kinky Boots" on Broadway, show time 7 p.m., Al Hirschfeld Theatre. Purchase tickets at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets). Students: \$20; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$40.

### Wednesday, April 18

Bagel Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., while supplies last, North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Federal Work-Study Appreciation Luncheon, 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. Please RSVP by April 16 to <http://hcccwsluncheon.eventbrite.com>

"How to Become a Cop" workshop, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor. Please RSVP to [jsharrock@hccc.edu](mailto:jsharrock@hccc.edu) or calling the Social Sciences & Humanities Division office at (201) 360-4752 by April 12.

Celebrate Asia, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., 25 Journal Square Campus, Student Lounge

Radiography Program Information Session, 3:30 p.m., 870 Bergen Avenue, Room 218

### Thursday, April 19

HCCC Spotlight: Urban Environment, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Avenue, Sixth Floor. Moderated by HCCC Professor and Coordinator of Sociology/Anthropology Nabil Marshood, Ph.D. In honor of Earth Day, HCCC will host a lecture on current urban environmental issues with NYU Professor Kristen Day, Ph.D.

HCCC Foundation Employee Scholarship Luncheon, 11 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Learning Community Day, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

JSQ Graduate Salute, 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

PRIDE Month Coffeehouse, 6 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Information session for New Pathways to Teaching in New Jersey, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., North Hudson Campus, 4800 Kennedy Blvd., Room N413, Union City. To RSVP, please email Luis R. Sosa Santiago at [lsosasantiago@hccc.edu](mailto:lsosasantiago@hccc.edu) or call (201) 360-4244.

### Friday, April 20

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

PRIDE Conference, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor Free to students, staff, and faculty. Sign up to participate at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

Subscription Dining Series, 11:30 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

Service Project: Garden State Episcopal Community Development Food Pantry Church of Incarnation, 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Group will depart from 25 Journal Square at 1 p.m. Volunteers will help prepare bags of groceries that will be distributed on Saturday morning.

EOF Graduation Dinner, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. (By invitation only for EOF graduates)

### Saturday, April 21

Trip to Amish Country, Bird-in-Hand, PA. Transportation leaves 25 Journal Square at 8:30 a.m. Students: \$15; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$25. Register at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

Service Project: Community FoodBank of New Jersey, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Group will depart from 25 Journal Square at 10 a.m. Volunteers will help sort and re-pack food items, clothes, toiletries, and various items that are shipped to homes or given to individuals.

### Monday, April 23 – Friday, May 4

Basic English, Math, and Algebra Boot Camps, Session 3

### Monday, April 23

Celebrate What's Right with the World, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Follett Lounge, 161 Newkirk St.

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

Club and Leadership Awards, 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

Alumni Panel, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor

### Tuesday, April 24

Trip to Cacao Prieto chocolate factory, Brooklyn, NY. Transportation leaves 25 Journal Square at 9 a.m. Students: \$5; Faculty/Staff/Guests: \$15; register at [www.hccc.edu/tickets](http://www.hccc.edu/tickets).

### Wednesday, April 25

Bagel Wednesday, 9:30 a.m., while supplies last, North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Instant Decision Day: Saint Peter's University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

Real Money 101: Entrepreneurship, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Follett Lounge, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. RSVP at <https://hcccrealmoney101.eventbrite.com>

Honors Paper Presentations, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, Room 512, 161 Newkirk St.

STAR Employee Luncheon, 12 p.m. Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

General Meeting of All College Council, 3:30 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Multi-Purpose Room

Drag Bingo, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge. Sponsored by the Office of Student Activities and the LGBTQTIA Club

### Thursday, April 26

Instant Decision Day: New Jersey City University, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

Blood Drive, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

#TruckinThursday, 12 p.m., outside 81 Sip Ave. and outside North Hudson Campus (while supplies last)

Honors Poster Showcase, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

### Friday, April 27

Movie Screening: "Freeheld," streamed throughout the day from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., North Hudson Campus, Student Lounge

Instant Decision Day: New Jersey Institute of Technology, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., 70 Sip Ave., Second Floor

Career & Technical Education Spring Speaker Series featuring Luis Hernandez, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Scott Ring Room, Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. Event is limited to CTE students and faculty/staff.

Administrative Professionals Day Luncheon, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St.

### Saturday, April 28

Indie Film Screening: Female Filmmakers, 1:30 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor. For more information, visit [www.hccc.edu/cultural-affairs](http://www.hccc.edu/cultural-affairs).

### Sunday, April 29

Open House, 10 a.m., Culinary Conference Center, 161 Newkirk St. RSVP at [www.hccc.edu/openhouse](http://www.hccc.edu/openhouse).

Sigma Kappa Delta Induction Ceremony, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Library Building, 71 Sip Ave., Sixth Floor (by invitation only)

### Monday, April 30

Graduation Yearbook Portraits, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 25 Journal Square, Student Lounge

## ALUMNI CORNER

### Leon Tucker, Jr.

Class of 1997

Associate of Arts – Liberal Arts, Criminal Justice



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

Upon retiring from the United States Navy and returning to my hometown of Jersey City, NJ, I followed a strong desire to pursue an advanced education. I began this quest at Hudson County Community College (HCCC).

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

I enjoyed adding to my classroom and book studies by conversing with professors, support staff and fellow classmates.

**How did you become interested in criminal justice?**

One of my many duties in the Navy was as a military policeman; it was in this capacity that I got the taste for criminal justice.

During my course of studies, I served with the Jersey City Police Department. This made the course even more challenging and my career in law enforcement the more exciting.

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

The Jersey City Police Department looked favorably on both my military police training and my course of study at HCCC by initiating upward moves for me within the department.

**What is a typical work day for you?**

A typical work day for a seasoned police officer involves the training of newly appointed officers. This means instilling in them survival skills and acquainting them with knowledge in both policing efficiency and community relations that they will be respected by the public they serve.

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

Remembered by me with satisfaction are the days I was assigned to Lincoln High School. Here, I was able to break down initial hostility to the uniform among the youth population and even in the general community. To be dubbed by them "RoboCop" continues to give me pleasure. And adapting to a different set of parameters

in the service of the Hudson County Prosecutors Office was both challenging and fruitful.

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

I will always derive pleasant memories of riding with senior and junior officers and the challenging times spent working and surviving the patrol areas we were tasked to keep safe.

**What advice would you give to recent HCCC graduates?**

The initial piece of advice I can share with you is to find a place you would like to be a part of and pursue the field of study that takes you there. Next, measure the distance and time it will take for you to get there. Once you have those two pieces of information, gather all the necessary tools required to complete your journey. And mark this: if by chance someone attempts to lure you from your goal, use your resistance as fuel to accelerate faster. Second place is first loser. Peace lies at the end of a long harsh road.

If you make the commitment to any course-of-study, then be wholly committed to it. Lost time and lost dreams cannot usually be recovered. (A paraphrase from Anthony Browder.)

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

Words of Wisdom: Idleness is the slow diminishing of the spirit of life. An idle person fulfills no dreams or purpose to himself or the world. One who embraces a life of idleness exists like the living dead. Unconcerned with the surrounding world, the idle man lives like parasite off the fruits and struggles of others. Like parasites, when the end comes nothing is left behind for memory but a scar. In order to be more one must participate in life, and get of the merry-go-round of familiarity. Step into a new world where everything is new and exciting. Let yourself be bigger than the fear of the unknown and most all have faith that each and every situation in life holds a lesson that is the key to happiness and success. Reach for it ... don't sit back and spend your life in the world of "could have."

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