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Office of Career & Transfer Pathways Monthly Newsletter

☀️ Did You Know That April Was National Community College Month? ☀️

A WONDERLAND OF OPPORTUNITY:
CELEBRATING COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH

CELEBRATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE AWARENESS MONTH THIS APRIL WITH A TEA PARTY TRIVIA EVENT! ENJOY DELICIOUS SNACKS, FREE GOODIES, AND TEST YOUR TRIVIA SKILLS. COME LAUGH, PLAY, AND REMEMBER – WE'RE ALL MAD HERE!

LOCATION: JOURNAL SQUARE, STUDENT CENTER, FIRST FLOOR
TIME: 12:00-2:00PM
DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 24TH

SPILL THE TEA
Real Stories of Women from Community College

JOIN THE CAREER & TRANSFER PATHWAYS OFFICE AND LA HERMANIDAD FOR A SPECIAL EVENT

- Enjoy snacks, entertainment, and a tea party!
- Hear inspiring stories from women who attended community college.
- Connect with HCCC alumni & gain valuable insights for your journey.

Monday, April 28th, 2025 Time: 3:30pm-5:00pm
NHC, Multipurpose Room, Second Floor
Rsvp on Involved

FOR NATIONAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH, CAREER & TRANSFER PATHWAYS HOSTED TWO EXCITING EVENTS!

Hudson County Community College's Career and Transfer team organized two vibrant, engaging events that highlighted the community-college experience and showcased the inspiring stories of those who have thrived within it.

A WONDERLAND OF OPPORTUNITY 🐰

The Journal Square campus hosted an Alice in Wonderland-themed trivia event filled with whimsical décor, fun photo props, and a playful vibe. Students took part in HCCC and community college-themed trivia and riddles, using a colorful trivia wheel to determine their questions. Landing on a question mark meant solving a riddle for a bigger prize. The event featured laughter, games, snacks, and giveaways, offering a fun and engaging way to celebrate community college life.

SPILL THE TEA ☕

In partnership with La Hermanidad, the Career and Transfer team hosted Spill the Tea: Real Stories of Women from Community College, a heartfelt event where women shared their personal experiences as community college students. Set in a tea party-themed atmosphere with props and snacks, attendees played "Two Truths and a Lie" using Kahoot, making the storytelling fun and interactive. The event brought people together with laughter and connection, wrapping up Community College Month in a meaningful way.

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HUDSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Hudson is Home!

MISSION STATEMENT: Hudson County Community College provides its diverse communities with inclusive, high-quality educational programs and services that promote student success and upward social and economic mobility.



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☀ Career Connections and Transfer Opportunities Took Center Stage at HCCC ☀

HCCC Hosted the First-Ever Career & Transfer Fair Under the New Pathways Office!

This spring, Hudson County Community College hosted its first large-scale **Career & Transfer Fair** since the Career and Transfer offices officially merged to become the **Career & Transfer Pathways Office**. The two-part event was a major success, bringing together students, employers, and university representatives in a dynamic setting focused on helping students take the next step in their academic and professional journeys. Held on March 18th at the North Hudson Campus (NHC) and April 9th at the Journal Square Campus (JSQ), the fairs provided students with the opportunity to:

- **Network** with industry professionals and recruiters
- **Explore** internship and job opportunities
- **Meet** university representatives and learn about transfer options
- **Gain** valuable career and transfer advice

Attendance exceeded expectations at both events, with **82 students participating at NHC** and **134 students attending at JSQ**. These numbers surpassed RSVPs and highlighted strong student interest and engagement. The Career & Transfer Pathways Office expressed pride in the success of this event series and look forward to continuing to support students in achieving their career and academic goals.



CAREER & TRANSFER AMBASSADORS



Radiography

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A.F.A in Studio Arts (Computer Arts)

Claribel De Los Santos



Computer Science (Cybersecurity)

Gary Gaston



A.S. in Human Services/Pre-Social Work

Isabel Herrador



A.A. in Psychology (Liberal Arts)

Ana Mayorga



MEET OUR STUDENTS

We're excited to introduce our dedicated Career & Transfer Ambassadors, also known as our Federal Work-Study students! These student leaders play a vital role in supporting their peers through the career and transfer process. From helping students navigate our website and making appointments through EAB Navigate, to providing resources on cover letter and resume writing, they ensure that fellow students have the tools they need to succeed. Keep an eye out for their engaging presentations on our upcoming YouTube channel and our current Instagram, as they continue to enhance the student experience with creative and informative content.

**BANK OF AMERICA**

Star Employer: Bank of America

For this issue of the Pathway Press, Career and Transfer Pathways has the pleasure of introducing one of our esteemed employer partners—Bank of America.

Bank of America, one of the world's foremost financial institutions, provides an extensive array of banking, investment, and risk management services to individuals, businesses, and government entities across the globe. With a strong commitment to innovation and customer satisfaction, Bank of America remains a leader in the financial sector.

As a longstanding Star Employer, Bank of America offers our students a variety of career-enhancing opportunities, including:

- **Diverse Career Paths:** Opportunities in banking, finance, technology, and other high-growth industries.
- **Entry-Level Roles:** Accessible positions for students and recent graduates, offering a gateway into the financial industry.
- **Full-Time Opportunities:** Available across multiple departments, providing exposure to different facets of the organization.
- **Professional Development Programs:** Engaging workshops and information sessions designed to accelerate career growth and equip students with vital industry skills.
- **Networking Opportunities:** Tips and insights from experienced professionals to help students build meaningful connections and navigate their careers effectively.

Bank of America is also celebrated for its commitment to fostering a diverse and inclusive workplace. The organization actively promotes diversity through employee resource groups, partnerships with minority-serving institutions, and leadership programs aimed at empowering underrepresented groups. This dedication to inclusivity ensures that every employee has the opportunity to thrive, regardless of their background, and positions Bank of America as a champion of equity in the corporate world.

Scan to Apply!

When creating a new profile, use your HCCC email.

SCAN



Transfer College Partner: Rider University



Rider University is a welcoming and dynamic institution that offers transfer students a smooth transition to continue their academic journey. Located in Lawrenceville, New Jersey, Rider provides a supportive environment with small class sizes, personalized advising, and a strong commitment to student success. The university offers a wide range of undergraduate programs in business, education, the arts, sciences, and more, ensuring that transfer students can find a pathway that aligns with their career goals. Rider also has generous transfer credit policies, scholarships specifically for transfer students, and articulation agreements with many community colleges to make the transfer process easier. With vibrant campus life, career development resources, and opportunities for hands-on learning, Rider University helps students build a strong foundation for their future.

Transfer Representative Contact Information

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Listed below is the type of transfer agreement and how it works.

If you have any questions, please contact your assigned academic advisor.

HCCC Major	Bachelor Program	Type of Agreement
Computer Science, Cybersercuty Option, A.S.	Cybersecurity, B.S.	Articulation



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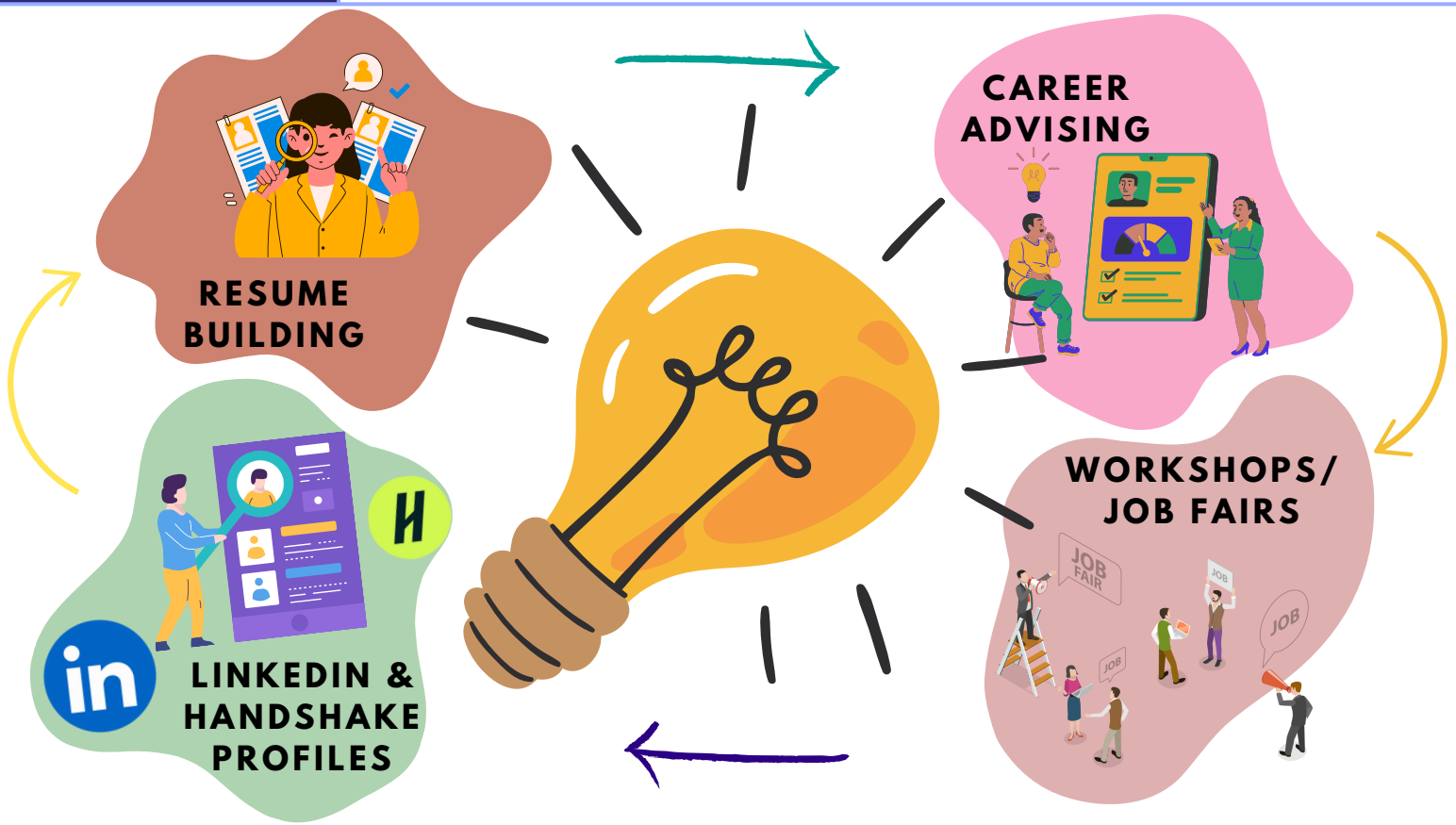
Rider has a "Transfer Success Guarantee," ensuring a smooth transition with personalized advising, generous transfer scholarships, and up to 90 accepted transfer credits! Plus, transfer students get access to the same exciting campus life, including over 150 clubs, Greek life, and even an on-campus Starbucks to fuel their studies!

Career Support Timeline

The career support timeline is a comprehensive guide that outlines the various stages and key milestones students experience as they prepare for their future careers. This timeline serves as a valuable resource for students, offering a clear understanding of the steps they should take at each phase of their academic journey to build a strong foundation for their professional life. Whether you are just starting to explore career options or are ready to launch your career, this timeline will serve as a roadmap to ensure a successful and strategic transition into the workforce.

Mid-Stages (15-30 credits)

- **Resume Building:** Create or update your resume by attending workshops and using resources available through Handshake. Submit your resume for review and feedback.
- **Career Advising:** Schedule a meeting with a career advisor to discuss your career goals, pathways, and strategies for gaining relevant experience. Book appointments via Handshake.
- **Workshops/Job Fairs:** Register for and attend career skills workshops (e.g., resume writing, interview techniques) and job fairs to expand your knowledge and connections.
- **LinkedIn and Handshake Profiles:** Create or refine your LinkedIn and Handshake profiles. Add any relevant experiences and start connecting with potential employers.



Transfer Support Timeline

The transfer support timeline is a comprehensive guide that outlines the various stages and key milestones a student typically experiences when transitioning to a new educational institution. This timeline serves as a valuable resource for transfer students, providing them with a clear understanding of what to expect during their journey. Whether you are considering transferring or have already embarked on this path, this timeline will serve as a valuable roadmap to ensure a smooth and successful transition to your new educational destination.

Mid-Stages (15-30 credits)

- **Target Schools & Career Services:** Narrow down your list of potential transfer universities based on your research and personal preferences. Visit their websites and attend transfer information sessions or college fairs to gather more information. Additionally, reach out to your community college's career services department for guidance on how your academic choices align with your long-term career goals. They can provide insights into which universities offer programs that best match your desired career path.
- **Major Exploration:** If you have an idea of your intended major, start exploring the prerequisite courses required by your target universities. Ensure that you are taking the necessary courses at your community college.
- **Maintain GPA:** Aim to maintain a competitive GPA, as many universities have minimum GPA requirements for transfer students. Strive for a GPA above the minimum requirement to enhance your chances of acceptance.

TARGET SCHOOLS & CAREER SERVICES



MAJOR EXPLORATION



MAINTAIN GPA





ASSOCIATE OF ARTS
IN ENGLISH



BACHELOR'S IN
ENGLISH WITH A
CONCENTRATION IN
CREATIVE WRITING



Saint Peter's
UNIVERSITY

MASTER'S IN SPECIAL
EDUCATION

CAREER & TRANSFER CHAMPION

Madai Garcia
Class of 2016



WHAT MOTIVATED YOU TO TRANSFER TO YOUR CURRENT COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY?

NJCU is local and easily accessible via public transportation. I also liked the campus and the overall atmosphere.

WHAT RESOURCES OR SUPPORT SYSTEMS WERE MOST HELPFUL DURING YOUR TRANSFER PROCESS?

Professors and advisors were helpful when it came to any questions I had in regard to the process.

WHAT MOTIVATED YOU TO PURSUE YOUR CHOSEN CAREER PATH?

I chose special education teaching to help students with unique needs reach their full potential. The resilience and progress I see in them motivates me. It's incredibly rewarding to support their growth and success.

HOW DID TRANSFERRING AFFECT YOUR CAREER GOALS OR OPPORTUNITIES?

Transferring from HCCC to NJCU opened up more specialized courses and resources, boosting my career prospects. I connected with professionals and mentors, enhancing my skills. This transition significantly increased my confidence. It ultimately helped me pursue my career goals more effectively.

On-site Visits

Date	Time	Campus	Location
Thursday, May 8, 2025	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Rutgers University-Newark	JSQ, G Bldg, Student Center, 1st Fl.
Thursday May 8, 2025	2:00 PM - 5:00 PM	NJCU	JSQ, G Bldg, 1st Fl.
Wednesday May 14, 2025	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Stockton University	JSQ, G Bldg, 1st Fl.
Thursday May 15, 2025	10:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Rutgers University - Newark	JSQ, G Bldg, 1st Fl.



ONSITE VISITS

WORKSHOPS AND TOURS

**For more
information
scan these QR
codes!**





MESSAGE TO OUR GRADUATING CLASS

Dear **Hudson County Community College** Graduates:

Today marks a significant milestone in your journey, one filled with hard work, perseverance, and achievement.

Class of 2025 —you have overcome challenges, adapted to change, and proven your resilience. Whether transferring to a four-year university, entering the workforce, or pursuing other passions, know that your time here has prepared you for what lies ahead. Take pride in how far you've come and trust in your ability to keep moving forward.

Congratulations, graduates! Wishing you success, fulfillment, and the courage to chase your dreams. The future is yours, go make it count, but never forget, Hudson will always be your home.

CAREER & TRANSFER PATHWAYS HOPES YOU HAVE A HAPPY, HEALTHY, AND SAFE SUMMER! HERE IS A LITTLE RECAP OF ALL THE WONDERFUL THINGS WE DID THIS SEMESTER:



WISHING YOU ALL THE BEST,
CAREER & TRANSFER PATHWAYS

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