## Broward College Update

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# **Broward College Announces New Programs and Bachelor Specializations**

Broward College has announced the addition of two new programs to its course catalog, as well as numerous new specializations in two Bachelor's degrees.



#### **BUSINESS EXPRESS WEEKEND PROGRAM**

Beginning in August 2016, Broward College will offer the Business Express program at its Central Campus in Davie. Business Express will make it possible for students looking to earn a Bachelor of Applied Science degree in Supervision and Management during weekend sessions and in three years. The goal is to offer working adults the opportunity to advance in the workplace by earning three technical certificates, their associate degree and their bachelor's degree through one, comprehensive program. For more information, visit broward.edu/businessexpress.

#### **FLIGHT OF THE DRONES**

Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)/Drones Flight School has launched a new, comprehensive, one-day, eight-hour ground and operations course titled "Flight of the Drones." The new course will prepare students with the knowledge to pilot a drone, and provide hands-on piloting practice. Classes will begin in late April. The one-day course currently is scheduled for April 30, May 21, June 18 and July 2. All classes begin at 8 a.m., and start at the Innovation Hub at Cypress Creek 6400 NW 6th Way in Fort Lauderdale, and end at Markham Park at 5 p.m.

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT SPECIALIZATIONS

In order to better prepare Broward College students for the competitive job market in Information Technology and Supervision and Management, the College has announced specialized tracks within the course curriculum. The addition of specializations was the result of in-depth conversations with students regarding their interests, labor market data that identified high-demand fields, and employer and faculty input. The following specializations will be available beginning August 2016:

- Supervision and Management (T100): General Management, Marketing & Sales Management, Human Resource Management, Project Management
- Information Technology (T300): Cloud and Virtualization, Cybersecurity, Network Administration – MCSE, Network Infrastructure – CCNP, Project Management

## **Bailey Hall Location for 2016 Florida Senate Debate**



The most experienced and trusted political debate partnership in Florida's modern history announced plans for a live, statewide-televised debate for the Florida U.S. Senate seat being vacated by Sen. Marco Rubio. Both major political parties' respective nominees are expected to participate in the debate – "Decision 2016: Before You Vote" – which will be broadcast in late October from Bailey Hall at Broward College Central Campus in Davie.

Civil discourse is paramount to democracy and the advancement of our country, and Broward College is committed to providing the community with a platform for discussion on topics of state and national importance. This will be the second debate Bailey Hall has hosted in partnership with Leadership Florida and the Florida Press Association. Broward College hosted the gubernatorial debate in 2014.

#### **New Members Appointed to Broward College Faculty Senate**



The Broward College Faculty Senate would like to congratulate the following faculty, counselors and librarians who have been elected/re-elected to serve a two-year term (2016-18). This is the first year adjunct faculty have been invited to participate in official roles on the Faculty Senate:

#### North Campus/CHSE/Coral Springs Center

Steven Gross, Business; Victor Lawrence, Library; James "Chad" Stewart, English; Oluyinka Tella, Counselor; and Yasmin Teja, Reading, Adjunct Representative.

#### **Central Campus**

Alan Applebaum, Business; Erin Burns-Davies, English; Catherine Leisek, Art; Horacio "Dan" Loschak, Math; Sherrie Sacharow, Communications; Amanda Thibodeau, English; Xiao Wang, English; and Schemmeka Mears, English, Adjunct Representative. South Campus, Pines Center, Weston Center, Miramar Center, Miramar West Center and Automotive & Marine Center Lori Albrizio, Library; Vijay Parkash, Science; Brittany Roberts, English; Rhonda Bobb, English, Adjunct Representative.

Members who have completed their term on the Faculty Senate include Robert Gallagher, Steve Godby, Debra Guild, Maria Hills-McParland, Kate LeGrand, James Martin, Karen Modrich, Angel Rodriguez and Damon Davis.

The Broward College Faculty Senate is comprised of elected faculty representatives from each campus. Their mission is to engage in the revision and creation of academic affairs policies, work with standing committees and ad hoc committees on continuing education and trainings, and work with the leadership of the College to support the academic success of students.

#### BC Math Team Takes Third Place

Earlier this month the Broward College Team was awarded third place at the Florida Mathematics Olympics, an annual state math competition held in Jacksonville. The competition consisted of several Florida colleges. Congratulations to associate professor and Broward College Math Team advisor, Dr. Sanford Geraci, on a fantastic showing!



#### **Annual Honors College Awards Celebration**



Over 80 students of the Robert "Bob" Elmore Honors College were recognized at the Annual Honors Awards Celebration on April 20th at Bailey Hall. Students were honored for their work in a variety of academic, leadership, and service areas on campus and in state, regional, and national conferences or competitions.

Among those who received awards include the eight semi-finalists for the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship: Sergey Sterlyadev, Ricksiane Mayard, Derrian Daron, Keyera Lyn, Ihsane Benkhadra, Jahan Balyshova, Dameisha Dacosta, and Meghna Prakash. Ayesha Sulaman (North), Yanelle Cruz Bonilla (Central), Nicholas Saint-Reid (South), and Glynneice McCray (Online/WHC) were honored with the Campus President's Awards and Karly Mixon received the Provost's Award. Honors College District Director Dr. Sheila Jones instituted two new awards this year. The first, the Unsung Hero Award, was

new awards this year. The first, the Unsung Hero Award, was instituted to recognize a College staff member for their support of Honors students. The second, the Honors Ambassador Award, acknowledges an Honors student who exemplifies the Honors College spirit. Rosa Benavides, Scholarship Coordinator, received the Unsung Hero Award and Brandon Aguiar, an Irm's Honors Scholar, received the Honors Ambassador Award.

The Honors College also paid tribute to retiring Senior Professor of English and South Campus Honors Coordinator, Dr. Barbra Nightingale, and recognized her with the Honors Faculty Service Award which will now be named in her honor.

## Broward College North Campus Hosts Six Pillars of Broward County

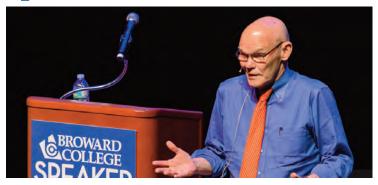
On April 6, Broward College North Campus had the distinct honor of hosting the Six Pillars of Broward County 2016 Annual Summit Report to the Community.

Community leaders and members of various organizations attended the breakfast meeting to hear the latest updates and success stories of the Six Pillars Community Strategic Plan, and lessons learned from the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance Leadership Trip to Austin, Texas.



L to R: Bob Swindell, Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance; J. David Armstrong, Jr., Broward College President; Robert Runcie, Superintendent, Broward County Public Schools; and Dale Brill, Florida Chamber Foundation.

## Provocative Political Insight from James Carville at Speaker Series



The 2016 Broward College Speaker Series presented by Hoffman's Chocolates and in partnership with Broward Center for the Performing Arts hosted its final speaker on Wednesday, April 6 with James Carville, renowned political strategist and CNN, NBC & FOX News Political Commentator. The event was sponsored by Katz Barron Squitero Faust and SunTrust Bank.

The political mastermind and fixture in U.S. politics shared his thoughts on current events, the GOP-controlled Congress, the final years of the administration of Barack Obama, the 2016 Presidential election horserace and the challenges facing the major political parties and players. During the hour-long talk, Carville provided enthusiastic, shoot-from-the-hip political commentary combined with quick and witty comments that kept the audience laughing throughout the evening.

#### **Broward College's Culinary Competition Crowns Winner**



L to R: Broward County Commissioner, Dale Holness; Dicky Sykes, district director, supplier relations and diversity, Broward College; Dr. Avis Proctor, BC north campus president; Melissa Waite, assistant catering director, S&J Catering, Travis Mosley, kitchen manager, S&J Catering; Jacqueline Mosley, president & catering director, S& J Catering; Dr. Rolando Garcia, BC south campus president; Steve Mosley, executive chef, S&J Catering, Orlando Soriano, sous chef, S&J Catering, Gregory Haile, BC general counsel, vice president, public policy and government affairs; Claire Taratina Rossi, captain, United Airlines; Thomas Olliff, BC senior vice president, administration; and Chef Jean Pierre, Chef Jean Pierre Fort Lauderdale Cooking School.

On Friday, April 1, contestants and judges gathered at Broward College's South Campus library for this year's cooking competition, Chopped2. At the end of the battle, S&J Catering of Miramar won the 2016 honor of being Broward College's Chopped Grand Prize champion. This fun, dynamic and creative contest, which introduces Small Disadvantaged Businesses (SDB) to departments at the College, was created by Broward College District Director of Supplier Relations and Diversity Dicky Sykes.

This year's prize package included 13 Broward College catering opportunities; a \$100 Williams-Sonoma gift card, courtesy of SDI International; professional Chef's knives and a signed cookbook courtesy of Chef Jean Pierre; and a host of gifts from the College's Department of Continuing Education.

This year's winning team was S&J Catering a family-owned

business based in Miramar, consisting of Jacqueline and Steve Mosely. Prior to starting their business in 2002, Jacqueline worked in corporate America, and Steve was the executive sous chef at the Tower Club in Fort Lauderdale, and a chef at the Diplomat's Hollywood Prime Steakhouse.

Judges for the event included: Dale Holness, Broward County Commissioner; Dicky Sykes, district director, supplier relations and diversity, Broward College; Dr. Avis Proctor, north campus president; Dr. Rolando Garcia, south campus president; Gregory Haile, general counsel and vice president of public policy and government affairs, Broward College; Claire Taratina Rossi, captain, United Airlines; Thomas Olliff, senior vice president of administration, Broward College; and Chef Jean Pierre, Chef Jean Pierre Fort Lauderdale Cooking School.

## IT Conversion to Single Sign-on for WiFi Access on Campuses



To better improve wireless accessibility while on campus, Broward College Information Technology is moving forward with a new wireless solution. There are two important pieces: the first is a universal SSID, and the second is a self-registration guest account.

In the past, Broward College has had various SSID names, such as BC Public, BC Private and BC guest. To simplify the login process, students will now log in with the SSID named "BC." Students will no longer have to log in multiple times while on campus, enhancing the ability to stay connected throughout the semester.

In addition, IT has implemented a new self-registration guest account for students. Any new student or prospective student who needs wireless access will now have the ability to request a login. Those requesting login access will be notified with the account name and password via email.

#### **Literary Festival a Page-Turning Success!**



Over 1000 Broward College, Florida Atlantic University and College Academy at Broward College students took part in the University College Library's Literary Festival, 2016. The three-day event hosted over 40 local authors, community organizations and Broward College and Florida Atlantic University agencies and programs.

Of special note was the Human Library, an interactive event where students had the opportunity to 'check out' a person to

learn about a specific subject within their expertise. More than 100 students spoke with experts on topics including Coloring for Stress Relief, Women of the Civil Rights Movement, and Growing up in Cameroon. Additional Literary Fair events included the Multi-Lingual Poetry Slam, hosted by Central Campus professors Holley Gilley and Nic Mansito. Finally, the Literary Festival capped off three days of activity with the evening College Read Reception. Students were asked to read *The Real Wes Moore* and write an essay on their impressions of the book. Winners included Margaret Apostolis, Jennifer Richard, and Brandon Ducar Hughes.



Margaret Apostolis

Jennifer Richard

Brandon Ducar Hughes

### **Broward College Hosts AFC Region V Spring Conference**



In April, the Association of Florida Colleges (AFC) held its Region V Spring Conference at Broward College.

Members in attendance included representatives from AFC chapters of Broward College, Florida Keys Community College, Indian River State College, Miami Dade College, and Palm Beach State College. The conference covered a wide variety of topics from "Connecting with Students from Day One" to "Motivational Factors to Succeeding in the Online Educational Environment."

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



2nd Annual Fort Lauderdale Fringe Festival **May 5-7**  May Commencement
May 10

Village Square Dinner Topic: Mass Transportation **May 11** 



## **Broward College American Dream Scholarship Benefactors Honored**

On April 2, the Broward College Office of Advancement hosted a special reception for American Dream Scholarship benefactors and friends, attracting 75 attendees to Bailey Hall on Central Campus. Chaired by Broward College Foundation Board Member Bacardi Jackson, the reception was followed by a performance of the Pedrito Martinez Group and the Broward College Jazz Combo.

The event honored donors for helping make the dream of receiving an education a reality for students with financial challenges. The Dream Maker contributors, whose leadership gifts are matching contributions to the American Dream and First Generation Scholarships, include Kyle C. Boos, The Hamilton and Blanche Forman Christian Foundation, The Charles F. and Esther M. Frye Foundation, The Leo Goodwin Foundation, Integrated Fire Solutions, David R. Maymon, The Osman Family Foundation, Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale North, The Salah Foundation, Wells Fargo, Lou and May Jean Wolff. Other benefactors recognized are Nancy Botero, Bacardi Jackson, Gregory McGowan, Philip McNally, Ann Porterfield, Lloyd Rhodes and Pamela Stephany.



Marissa Kelly, center, is a distinguished alumna of the college and donor. She is an attorney for Stearns Weaver.

# The 29th Annual Broward College Golf Classic Presented by Cigna Raises \$80,000

The Broward College 29th Annual Golf Classic, presented by Cigna, raised \$80,000 to help students achieve the American Dream of a college education. Since its inception, the event has raised more than \$2 million to benefit students and adult learners.



L to R: Nancy Botero, Lloyd Rhodes, Willis Holcombe, President Armstrong, and Jean-Marc Laloir, Workday College intern.

The tournament attracted a full field of 168 golfers who played on the North and South courses at the Fort Lauderdale Country Club. The first place team on the North Course was Alex Betancourth, Ryan Gourley, Richard Sardinas and Tony Morales. The winning team on the South Course included Peter Wilson, Andy Chabassol, Don Hadden and Ray Casey. Raffle winner Don Horen took home a 55-inch Samsung TV.

Post-event, there was a reception followed by dinner, live and silent auctions, and words of appreciation for all who participated. Live auction donations included: a yacht charter for four donated by Michael Landry aboard the 51-foot T/T Pillars; and a three-night stay at the Green Turtle in Green Turtle Cay, Bahamas with airfare for two donated by Silver Airways.

Presenting sponsor Cigna was joined by hole-in-one sponsor Alpine Jaguar and sponsors Fastrack MCI Management, Crestron Electronics, OK Generators, Pirtle Construction, Sunshine Cleaning Systems, The Rhodes Insurance Group, Workday, Advanced Roofing, Aetna, Inc., AvMed, Inc., Barefoot Financial, Cindy Schutt PR, Consultis Funding, Inc., EMC, Extreme Networks, and Consulting, Humana, Kaufman Lynn, Inc., Kip Hunter Enterprises, Lenovo, Leo Goodwin Foundation, Harry T Mangurian, Jr. Foundation, MEP Structural Engineering, Morgan Stanley, Randstad Technologies, Republic Services, Inc., Ricoh, Signature Consultants, Stiles, The Pillars Hotel and UDT.

### Broward College Receives Award from Junior Achievement

During the April Board of Trustees Meeting, Broward College was recognized by Junior Achievement with the Volunteer Service Award for the 2014-2015 program year. President and CEO of Junior Achievement Laurie Sallarulo presented President Armstrong with a special plaque commemorating the thousands of hours faculty, staff, and students have given to children in our community.



#### Recognitions

Julia Philyaw, district director for Academic Affairs, was recognized by Broward College Foundation for her commitment to supporting the College through the Abraham Biggs Scholarship. Julia said of the honor, "when I moved here, I hated Florida, but I would tell my husband that every day got a bit better because of my Broward College family. Anything I can do to support our students I will continue to do because they are my family, too."

Eight students of the Robert "Bob" Elmore Honors College have been chosen as finalists for the Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship. In addition, the Honors College provided attendees with a copy of a statement read during a Florida Senate meeting by Congresswoman Lois Frankel to celebrate the National Collegiate Honors Council. Two students were recognized for their scholastic achievement: Yanelle Cruz Bonilla will be attending the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill to continue her studies in international relations and sociology, and Sergey Sterlyadev was accepted to Northwestern University with a full scholarship, among other prestigious universities.

#### Retirements

#### Deborah Hefferin, Assistant Professor, Speech

Deborah Hefferin is retiring after 30 years. At North Campus, Professor Hefferin was awarded the Nation's Bank Endowed Teaching Chair from 1997-2000 and the Sun Sentinel Endowed Teaching Chair from 2007-2010. She was recognized by NCA as the 1996 Outstanding Community College Educator,



and recently was awarded the Susan Osborne Community College Outstanding Educator Award.

## Evette Royes, Specialist, Admissions & Registration, Campus Registrar's Office

Evette Royes began working for Broward College in 1989. During this time, she was coordinator of the mentor program at North Campus and worked in Enrollment where she built a legacy of helping students achieve their goals. In her retirement she plans to travel, learn Spanish, volunteer, and be a hip grandmother.



Osmond Duffis Sjogren, Senior Professor, English as a Second Language

Osmond Duffis Sjogren joined Broward College in 1991. When he began his career teaching English for speakers of other languages there were only seven classes at Broward College. Professor Duffis took it upon himself to spearhead the creation of a grant funded ESL library. In 2005 he was



awarded the Professor of the Year Award for South Campus.

Barbara Nightingale, Senior Professor, English

Barbara Nightingale began a career at Broward College in 1983. She served for 24 years as the Phi Beta Kappa advisor, and was awarded a James L. Knight Teaching Chair in addition to the Sun Sentinel Endowed Teaching Chair during her rich career with the College. She has been recognized as the South Campus Professor of the Year twice and has been nominated almost every year. She



also was awarded the Honors Faculty Service Award by the Honors College.

#### Howard Housen, Assistant Professor, Behavioral Science

Howard Housen has been a professor with Broward College for 35 years. He has been recognized with an endowed teaching chair, a mention in Who's Who of America's Teachers, Professor of the Year for Central Campus, and many more accolades. Outside of the classroom he was a Central Campus Honors College coordinator, a diversity expert and student success facilitator.

#### Jane Williams, Senior Specialist, Student Success

Jane Williams is retiring after 36 years of service to Broward College. She was a member of the National Advising Association, and she was twice awarded Outstanding PTS Employee of the Year. Outside of her role with the College she was a certified public school teacher and minority student advocate.

