

Broward College Update

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Broward College Graduates Highest Earners in the State

According to a recently released Florida Department of Education economic study, Broward College graduates with A.S. degrees, law enforcement certificates and general vocation certificates rank as the highest earners in the entire state. Average first-year earning for these three areas range from \$49,970 to \$59,092 and are as much as 20 percent higher than the state average.

The report also details that Broward College graduates not only meet the demands of the job market, but — across the board — they make more money their first year of employment than those completing the same degrees at other schools. The report, which is a result of the partnership between the State of Florida and College Measures, documents Broward College and statewide statistics by specific degree program.

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Welcome to the Fall 2014 Semester



As new and returning students fill the campuses and log on in preparation for the Aug. 25 start, the College is once again expanding educational opportunities:

- This fall marks the launch of the **Visual and Performing Arts Academy (VA&DA)**, a highly competitive, selective and intense program of study in the visual arts; as well as a bachelor of science degree in environmental science.

- The College has opened the new **Miramar West Center**, an 89,000-square-foot LEED-certified building at 1930 S.W. 145th Avenue, Miramar. The center features classrooms, science labs, meeting spaces and student commons, and offerings in traditional general education as well as a special focus on business, supply chain management, and global trade and logistics in an accelerated format.
- This semester also marks the opening of Broward College's **A. Hugh Adams Central Campus Health Science Simulation Center**, a three-story, state-of-the-art facility providing access to the latest advances in simulation technology.



Phi Beta Lambda Students Win at Nationals



Nine members of the Broward College chapter of Phi Beta Lambda won four awards at PBL's National Leadership Conference in Nashville in late June. Broward's top finishers were Madison Guintoli, Jade Jaime and Fernanda Pires, who finished second in the Integrated Marketing Campaign category. Brian Barcelo finished fourth in Impromptu Speaking and Dieunor Michel and Reshma Thomas teamed up for a fourth-place finish in Financial Services. Christina Braga, Mara Vega and Genesis Nobrega finished sixth in Business Ethics. Additionally, the Broward College Chapter of PBL was awarded the Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit, which recognizes outstanding local chapters.

Aviation Students Soar

Justin Macedo, of Boca Raton, was named recipient of a \$10,000 International Society of Transport Aircraft Trading Foundation Scholarship and Qing Luo, of Davie, an aircraft maintenance management student, was named recipient of ISTAT's Michael Metcalf Scholarship, valued at \$3,200.

Additionally, aviation students **James Davis** and **Daniel Lonsdale** earned first place after competing against some of the best flight schools in South Florida in the "Touch and Go" competition. Both students are doing their flight training with the college's onsite provider, National Aviation Academy. Davis and Lonsdale competed as a two-flier team.



Broward College students Daniel Lonsdale, left, and James Davis, right, receive their trophy for winning the Touch and Go competition in Operation SAFEE Flight.

Broward Student Named Gilman Scholar

Weston resident **Sophie Hazza** is one of more than 800 undergraduates from 330 U.S. colleges and universities selected to receive the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship designed to promote study abroad. Hazza will use her scholarship, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, to study at the International College of Seville, Spain, where she plans to create a photography presentation to share with students at her alma mater, Cypress Bay High School, and at Broward College.



As Seen on T.V. ...



Street Painting at Downtown Center



This summer, volunteers added to the Downtown Center's burgeoning arts focus by painting two intersections adjoining the center, infusing bursts of color to the area. In May, volunteers transformed the intersection at East Las Olas Blvd. and S.E. 2nd Ave. And last month, 75 volunteers — Broward College staffers and students among them — painted the Las Olas and S.E. 1st Ave. intersection, between buildings 31 and 33. Both intersections are part of Fort Lauderdale's "Connecting the Blocks" program designed by Miami-based artist Cecilia Lueza. A third downtown intersection, at S.E. 3rd Ave. and Las Olas, at the corner of Building 31, is scheduled for transformation later this month. The artwork is designed to help build the neighborhood's identity and make the area more bicycle/pedestrian-friendly by serving as a traffic-calming device.

Three BC Athletes Named Academic All-Americans



Whitney Irely



Morgan Gmytruk



Jimmy Wright

Three Broward College athletes were named to the National Junior College Athletic Association's Academic All-America Team and 21 qualified for the Florida College System Activity Association all-state honors for 2013-14.

Whitney Irely, an outfielder for the Seahawks softball team, compiled a 3.87 GPA and received an award for superior academic achievement. Irely's teammate, **Morgan Gmytruk**, and baseball player **James "Jimmy" Wright III** compiled 3.75 and 3.66 GPAs respectively to earn exemplary academic achievement honors.

The three also earned the FSCAA Award, which requires a minimum of 18 credit hours achieved and a GPA of 3.3 or better. Other Broward recipients of the award are: softball players Michaela Metcalfe, Micah Tew and Kelsey Tomblin; soccer players Jessica Cuadra, Jennifer Veira, Laura Suarez, Tori Williams and Cesar Lopez; volleyball players Michelle Brito, Daniela Herrera, Kathryn Horne and Taylor Charneco; basketball player David Gaberlavage; tennis player Samantha Arevalo and baseball players Kyle Vesnesky, Michael Agis, Austin Langhan and Carlos Garmendia.

MoonFest's a Blast at Buehler

Some 300 youngsters and their parents looked to the skies at Broward College's annual MoonFest, held in July at the Buehler Planetarium and Observatory on Central Campus. The day's activities included planetarium shows, a variety of hands-on exhibits and experiments, and the chance to build and launch chemical and compressed-air rockets.

Career Launch Welcomes Teens to North

Earlier this summer, the Career Launch program brought 210 students ages 13 to 18 from 11 Boys and Girls Clubs of Broward County programs to the Omni Auditorium at North Campus. Half of the students learned about health sciences careers (nursing, vision care technology, physical therapy assisting and respiratory care) and the group went to the engineering lab to learn about the variety of technology and engineering programs available at the College.



Faculty/Staff ACCOLADES

Wood Named Woman of Distinction

Linda Wood, dean of the Institute of Public Safety, has been named one of the eight members of the Class of 2014 March of Dimes Women of Distinction. Dean Wood earned her bachelor's degree from Temple University and her master's degree in public administration from Trenton State College. She joined IPS in 1998.

DeRosa Elected VP

Adam DeRosa, career center coordinator on South Campus, was recently elected as vice president of the Florida Association of Colleges and Employers — formerly known as the Florida Career Professionals Association. In that role, he will serve a three-year term on the organization's board of directors — first as vice president, then president and, finally, past president.

Magazine Recognizes BC Community Efforts

Broward College has long served as a national example of corporate volunteerism, service learning and servant-leadership among students, faculty and staff. An article in the July issue of *Go Riverwalk* featured a centerpiece photograph of Broward College employees meeting to discuss service opportunities for area non-profits.

Broward College Foundation News



On Friday, Sept. 12 at 8:30 a.m., the Broward College Hall of Distinction Awards will be presented at the Renaissance Plantation Hotel. The College's Endowed Teaching Chair recipients and the six alumni inducted into the 2014 Hall of Distinction will be honored.

Recipients of the 2014 Distinguished Alumni Awards are:
Merit award: Chief Franklin Adderley, Joshua Lenchus, D.O. and Robert Saxon;

Service to the community: Nancy Tanner; Service to the college: Sharry Kimmel, Ph.D. and Emerging Leader: Rick Mijares

The 2014 Endowed Teaching Chair recipients are: Dr. Richard Bernstein (Donald and Reba Schaffer ETC), Prof. Oyinka Coakley (William D. Horvitz ETC), Prof. Jeffrey K. Guild (Emil Buehler ETC), Prof. Jennifer Lunny (R. Irene Craney Fischley ETC), Dr. Nicolas Mansito (Bank of America III ETC), Prof. Laura McDermott (Wells Fargo ETC), Dr. Dianne Ruggiero (Robert Elmore Family ETC) and Prof. L. Jacob Skelton (Sensormatic Electronics Corporation Chair).

Tickets for the [Hall of Distinction Awards](#) are available now. RSVP by September 2.

From Social Media...



President J. David Armstrong, Jr.
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Visiting our partners in Mumbai, India at National Management School, West Campus, an international partner with Broward College. Visited with media at Mumbai Press Club yesterday and the new facilities, wonderful students, and with our Dean/CEO Dr. Sandaran Raghunathan and Ravi Whabi, Managing Director. For more information see westcampus.nms.edu.in — at West Campus. (4 photos)



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Meet Stefan DaCosta-VP of Student Gov at Central Campus. Check out his advice for students & remember change is good In.is/bit.ly/tpybY

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News From the August Board of Trustees Meeting

Guerin Lauded for Five Years of Service as Board Chair

Trustee Sean C. Guerin (second from left) was presented with a proclamation and memento thanking him for the accomplishments under his tenure, including the graduation of more than 35,000 students since 2009, being named a Top 10 community college by the Aspen Institute, the growth of bachelor's degree offerings and the opening of a number of buildings including the Fine Arts Bldg. on Central campus, the Miramar West Center and the Junior Achievement Center at North campus. The College will name a gun range at the Institute for Public Service in recognition of his efforts.



New BOT Officers Elected



John A. Benz has been elected Chair of the Broward College District Board of Trustees and **Pamela Stephany** was elected Vice Chair — a position previously held by Trustee Benz. Trustee



Sean C. Guerin stepped down as Chair after serving for five years in the position and will remain on the Board. New officers are elected annually by Board vote. Trustee Benz has served on the Board since 2010 and Trustee Stephany has served since 2011.

VP Izquierdo Departs

Vice President of Public Affairs and Marketing, Aileen Izquierdo — who is moving on to join the faculty of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Florida International University, her alma mater — was recognized for her service to the College community. President Armstrong noted that Izquierdo was one of his first hires after joining the College and presented her with a plaque saluting her efforts.



Summer Institutes at BC

President Armstrong and the Board of Trustees met with incoming Broward College students who spent time this summer attending the College's summer institutes. More than 600 students participated in pro-



grams that include the Broward College Academy of Excellence and the High School Student Test Preparation courses — as well as a classes in specific content areas including political science at North campus, visual and performing arts at Central campus, graphic arts at South campus and computer coding at the Downtown Center in Fort Lauderdale. Pictured with the President and the Board of Trustees are students from the Academy of Excellence a college transition program that focuses on study skills, time management and self-awareness.