BROWARD COLLEGE UPDATE



FROM PRESIDENT J. DAVID ARMSTRONG, JR.

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COLLEGE NEWS

Broward College Team Conducts Training in Indonesia



Members of the Broward College delegation with attendees at the training at Sampoerna University American College (SUAC) in Jakarta, Indonesia.

A five-member delegation from the College was in Jakarta, Indonesia from July 14 – 17 to offer training to faculty and staff at Sampoerna University American College (SUAC) on administrative matters, program structure and course delivery. SUAC will become the newest international partner for the College, pending approval by the Board of Trustees.

Presenters were Dr. David Shulman, president, Broward College Online and Willis Holcombe Center; Dr. David Moore, dean of international education; Jonathan Smith-Stern, associate registrar; Ms. Lisa Barnes, dean of students and Mr. Krzysztof Bryniuk, professor of business and accounting and faculty coordinator.

New Strategic Plan Launched

The College has unveiled its 2017-2022 Strategic Plan with goals under the categories of Start, Succeed and Soar – focusing on increasing enrollment, completion and post-graduation placements. The plan was developed by Dr. Deborah Posner, associate vice president of institutional planning and effectiveness and her team, following feedback and collaboration with faculty, staff and student representatives.

The strategy also updates the Broward College mission statement, which now reads, "Transforming students' lives and enriching our diverse community through academic excellence, innovation, and meaningful career opportunities."



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Broward College Sri Lanka Graduation

More than 40 students who completed the Associate of Arts degree at the Broward College and the American College of Higher Education (ACHE) International Center in Sri Lanka were recognized at a transfer and graduation ceremony on July 13. Dr. Scott Mason, director of international education and Claudia Sahagun, professor in the foreign languages department attended the event. Since the partnership started 22 years ago over 4,000 students have transferred to universities and colleges in countries such as the United States, China, the United Kingdom, Canada, Australia, Malaysia and Singapore.



Graduates take part in the processional at the 2017 Broward College and American Higher Education transfer and graduation ceremony.

Spirit Airlines Provides Two Scholarships for the New Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Sciences

Spirit Airlines has donated \$15,000 to fund two scholarships for students pursuing the baccalaureate degree in Aerospace Sciences which starts this fall.



The grants, Spirit Airlines Aviation Merit Scholarship and Spirit Airlines Aviation Opportunity Scholarship are valued at \$6,000 and \$9,000. To qualify, applicants must be a U.S. citizen or international student registered full-time in the program, have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and show financial need.



Broward College and Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) Partner for Para-to-Teacher program



An agreement between the College and the local school district will help alleviate teacher shortages in a number of critical areas such as Exceptional Student Education (ESE), mathematics and science. The program will help para-professionals working in high-need or underserved schools earn a bachelor's degree through the Broward College Teacher Education Program (TEP). The program will

begin with a cohort of 20 to 25 students from 32 schools. It will facilitate evening courses with participants fulfilling field experience at their current schools and allows for current teachers to be trained as clinical education supervisors. BCPS will cover the cost of tuition and fees for eligible paraprofessionals as part of the Teacher Incentive Fund (TIF) grant.

STUDENT NEWS 3

Student-Athletes Receive Academic Recognition from the National Junior College Athletic Association





Dana Birchall

Alex Carballo



Marjorie Conner Weknyne Dumorne

Austin Genao



Sabastian Liscano

















Christian Lue Young

Alyssa Mecoli

Clement Melkebeke

Valeria Merlos

Kristin Powell

Scarlett Rocha

Alyssa Rojas

Stefan Strohmaier

Broward College student-athletes continue to demonstrate their all-around grit and determination as 16 players were again recognized for their academic achievements.

The students were named to the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Academic All-American team. To be selected, students must attain a minimum of 24 credit hours and an overall Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.6 or higher. Alex Carballo, Gert Bineva and Kristin Powell qualified with a GPA of 4.0. Second team recipients who achieved a GPA between 3.80 and 3.99 were Austin Genao, Elin Jonsson, Clement Melkebeke, Valeria Merlos, Scarlett Rocha, and Alyssa Rojas. Recipients who scored an overall GPA between 3.60 and 3.79 include Dana Birchall, Marjorie Conner, Weknyne Dumorne, Sebastian Liscano, Christian Lue Young, Alyssa Mecoli, and Stefan Strohmaier.

Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) Members Win 2017 National Leadership Awards

Members of the Broward College Phi Beta Lambda team won top prizes at the National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, California in June. The students competed in 60 business and business-related events, against more than 1,800 of the best and brightest college students from across the nation.

Jacob Eshet won first place in the Accounting for Professionals category and \$1,200 in prize money, while Walter Sanchez, Jessica Lupo and Brianna Barcelo took home the third-place trophy in the Community Service category. Ana Diaz, Kemar Thomas and Tiffany Calestina placed fourth in Emerging Business Issues, while Joshua Burrion, Brenda Ortiz and Walter Sanchez ranked sixth in the Strategic Analysis and Decision-Making competition. In addition, Broward College Phi Beta Lambda was awarded the Gold Seal Chapter Award of Merit, which recognizes outstanding branches.

Foundation Receives \$250,000 Gift to Support Rosemary Duffy Larson Classical Music Series

The Rosemary Duffy Larson Trust has provided \$250,000 to the Broward College Foundation to create an endowment to support the Rosemary Duffy Larson Classical Music Series. The series is designed to raise awareness of classical music and the value of music education by engaging Broward College students in high-quality solo and chamber music, affording students the opportunity to work with guest artists in a master class setting.

Dr. Jure Rozman, an assistant professor of music who was awarded the Rotary Club's Endowed Teaching Chair in 2015, serves as artistic director for the series. The season opens on Friday, October 20 at 7:30 p.m. with a performance by the Amernet String Quartet: "Chamber Music Masterworks, 4 + 1."



Mrs. Larson, who died in August of last year, was an avid supporter of Broward College. Her gifts have funded scholarships, the health sciences, and the visual arts.



Former Broward College President Dr. Joe B. Rushing Gives to the American Dream Endowed Scholarship

The Broward College Foundation received a gift from Dr. Joe B. Rushing, the College's first president, to fund the Dr. Joe Rushing American Dream Endowed Scholarship. This is a part of the Broward College President's American Dream Scholarship Program, which Rushing created with the institution's fourth president, Dr. Willis Holcombe.

A native of Texas, Rushing led the institution between 1960 and 1965, when it was known as the Junior College of Broward County. He quickly made the College an educational asset for the community. After leaving, he returned to the Lone Star State to serve as the founding president of Tarrant County Community College in Fort Worth.

Contributions to the **AMERICAN DREAM SCHOLARSHIP** may be sent to:

Broward College Foundation, 401 East Las Olas Blvd., Suite 130-458, Fort Lauderdale FL, 33301

Broward College Hosts Family Fun Day and Picnic

The College celebrated its employees with the second annual Family Fun Day and Picnic on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie. Close to 300 people turned out for the event which featured great outdoor activities including water slides, lawn games, face painting, food and music.













Faculty and Staff Attend the 19th Annual National Summer Institute on Learning Communities



Building on its reputation as a leader in innovation, a group of Broward College faculty and staff participated in the Annual National Summer Institute on Learning Communities in Washington. The Institute, which ran from July 10 to July 13, equips teaching staff with the latest practices in pairing courses across Pathways. For the fall term, seven paired courses will be offered. In addition to bridging Pathways, pairing courses improves learning outcomes and gives faculty and students across various disciplines the opportunity to collaborate.

President Armstrong Leads Walking Team Under BC plays Initiative



The July heat didn't prevent Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr. and members of staff from taking a walking break along Las Olas. The walk was part of the new BC plays initiative which is designed to facilitate and promote engagement, health, well-being and quality of life among employees. Activities will be led by senior management and include walking, running, handball, golfing, tennis, trekking, dancing, and Zumba.

UPCOMING EVENTS @ BROWARD COLLEGE

CAMPUS SAFETY DAYS

Wed., Sept. 6, 10:30 a.m.

Wed., Sept. 13, 10:30 a.m.

Wed., Sept. 20, 10:30 a.m.

Miramar West Center

A. Hugh Adams Central Campus

Tues., Sept. 26, 10:30 a.m.

North Campus

MINI MBA

Mon., Sept. 11 – Fri., Oct. 20, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. Special introductory rate of \$1,999. To register visit broward.edu/MiniMBA or call 954-201-7885 or 954-201-7800.

2017 BROWARD VETERANS EXPO

Sat., Sept. 16, 10 a.m., Buehler Observatory, A. Hugh Adams Central Campus

BLOCK PARTY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Thurs., Oct. 5, 5 p.m., Downtown Fort Lauderdale Las Olas Blvd., between Andrews Avenue and S.E. 2nd Avenue

Representative Shevrin "Shev" Jones Receives Proclamation from Board of Trustees



Florida State Representative Shevrin "Shev" D. Jones was recognized with a proclamation at the August Board of Trustees meeting for his support to education. During the 2017 session, he held five committee assignments including two on education. Jones was commended for his efforts to protect the Florida College System and its beneficiaries during the recent Legislative budget cuts.

President Armstrong Receives High Marks

Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr., was given an A+ for his performance review for the 2016-2017 financial year. Members of the Board of Trustees indicated President Armstrong had excelled in every area.

Pantropic Power Recognized by the Broward College Foundation

Pantropic Power and two of its subsidiaries have been commended by the Broward College Foundation, for their philanthropic contribution valuing close to \$2000,000 since 2009. The funding has provided scholarships for 87 students. Two beneficiaries, Victor "Trey" Hebert and Monica Martinez shared how the scholarships helped them complete their programs. Company representatives Ed DeTorres, vice president and secretary of the Board of Directors of Pantropic Power, and Jacques Ceballos were at the Board of Trustees meeting for the recognition.

Board of Trustees Elect Chair and Vice-Chair

John Benz and Gloria Fernandez were unanimously re-elected by their peers as chair and vice-chair of the Broward College District Board of Trustees during the August meeting. The election for both positions is held each financial year.

Federation of Public Employees (FOPE) Ratifies Third Year of Collective Bargaining Agreement

The Federation of Public Employees has ratified the third year of its 2015-2018 agreement with the Broward College Board of Trustees. FOPE represents some full-time employees in campus safety and facilities. The agreement authorizes a Board of Trustees 2.5 percent pay for performance increase.

Retirements



Marcia Holloway started her tenure at Broward College in September 1997 and until recently worked as the executive assistant to the dean of student affairs on Central Campus.



Camille Keating was employed with Broward College for 23 years. She was assigned to the Student Affairs/Student Life department up to the time of her retirement.



Angela Michaels started her employment at the College in 2003. She was a professor of ESOL with the Central Campus Academics Reading and Communication department.

At the August meeting, the Board approved revisions to Policy 6Hx2-2.05 regarding the College's Mission Statement. Click **here** to view revisions.