## Broward College Update

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FROM J. DAVID ARMSTRONG, JR., PRESIDENT

### **Broward College Selected to Participate in Pathways Project**

Broward College is one of 30 institutions nationwide selected to participate in the Pathways Project, led by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC). The project is funded through a \$5.2 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and will allow the chosen colleges to be the first to participate in the pathways series for the next two and a half years. This program will contribute to the implementation of guided academic and career pathways at other institutions across the country.

AACC is coordinating a national partnership to build capacity for community colleges to implement a pathways approach to student success and college completion. Partners include Achieving the Dream, Inc., The Aspen Institute, the Center for Community College Student Engagement, the Community College Research Center, Jobs for the Future, the National Center for Inquiry and Improvement, and Public Agenda. Partners actively participated in the highly-competitive, national selection process. They also are substantively involved in designing a model series of six, two-day pathways institutes, each focusing on key elements in a fully-scaled pathway model for community colleges.



### **Graduation Slated for Dec. 17**

Broward College students who completed their associate's degree, bachelor's degree, or a certificate program will be honored Thursday, December 17 during the college's 84th commencement ceremony.

David Maymon, Broward College alumnus and District Board of Trustee member, will offer the commencement address. For more information, visit www.broward.edu/graduation.





#### **Broward College Professor Named 2015** Florida Professor of the Year

The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) have named Broward College assistant professor of philosophy, Joshua Kimber, the 2015 Florida Professor of the

Year. He was selected from more than 300 top professors in the United States.

The Professor of the Year program recognizes the most outstanding undergraduate instructors in the country, who excel in teaching and positively influence the lives and careers of students. It is the only national program to recognize excellence in undergraduate teaching and mentoring.

Kimber began teaching at Broward College in 2008 as an adjunct instructor, and was recognized as Broward College Adjunct Professor of the Year in 2009. In 2012, he became a full-time temporary instructor and then assistant professor in January 2013. He also was recognized as Broward College Professor of the Year in 2014. During his time at the BC, he participated in several student success initiatives, including the General Education Outcomes and Assessment Team, which assesses the school's numerous course offerings and looks at ways to modify and incorporate best practices in the classroom. Kimber is integral to the Quality Enhancement Plan, working to bring critical thinking into every academic venue at the college. He assisted in the overall creation of the plan and presentation during the college's ten-year accreditation reaffirmation.

This year, the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and CASE recognized a Professor of the Year in 35 states. CASE assembled two preliminary panels of judges to select finalists. The Carnegie Foundation then convened the third and final panel, which selected four national winners. Carnegie and CASE selected state winners from the top entries of the overall judging process. Criteria included the professor's impact on and involvement with undergraduate students; a scholarly approach to teaching and learning; contributions to undergraduate education in the institution; community and profession; and support from colleagues and former undergraduate students.

# Broward College Gives Back to the Community with MLK Day of Service Awards

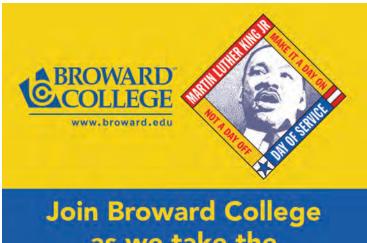
Broward College, in partnership with the 2016 MLK Day of Service Advisory Board, received \$200,000 from the Florida Legislature to fund community volunteer projects that aim to honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy, and transform Monday, Jan. 18, into a day of volunteerism in the community.

Broward College awarded 42 community groups with the Broward College MLK Day of Service Awards, intended to help nonprofits and community organizations create impactful service projects in the community.

Join the hundreds of thousands of people across the nation who serve on MLK Day by finding a Broward College MLK Day of Service volunteer opportunity, and join us as we take the "Day On" to impact our community.

For more information about any of the MLK Day of Service projects or to select a project and register to become a volunteer, visit **www.broward.edu/MLKservice**.

The first 1,200 people to sign up by December 14 at 12 p.m. will get a free Broward College MLK T-shirt.



as we take the "Day On, Not Off" this MLK weekend

### **Broward College Speaker Series Returns**

Broward College recently kicked off its 2015-2016 Speaker Series, and its first guest was 2015 FIFA Women's World Cup Champion, Carli Lloyd. The series will continue in 2016, featuring four distinguished speakers who will share their exciting experiences, insights, points of view and behind-thescenes stories regarding timely topics.

Each lecture will take place in the Amaturo Theater (201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale) beginning at 7:30 p.m., and include a question and answer session with questions submitted by audience members.

Upcoming speakers include:

- Mo Rocca, humorist, CBS Sunday Morning correspondent and Food Network/Cooking Channel host; Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2016.
- J.C. Watts, chairman of the J.C. Watts Companies, former Congressman, former chairman of the House Republican Conference, and Oklahoma Sooner football legend; Wednesday, March 23, 2016.
- James Carville, renowned and provocative political strategist and CNN, NBC, and FOX News political commentator; Wednesday, April 6, 2016.



Fort Lauderdale Mayor Jack Seiler, 2015 World Cup Champion Carli Lloyd and Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr.



#### Carli Lloyd

2015 FIFA Women's World Cup Champion & Golden Ball Award Winner, 2008 and 2012 Olympic Gold Medalist and U.S. Women's National Team Captain Monday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> | 7:30 PM

#### Mo Rocca

CBS Sunday Morning Correspondent, Contributor to NPR's Wait Wait Don't Tell Me and Host of the Cooking Channel's My Grandmother's Ravioli & The Henry Ford's Innovation Nation Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> | 7:30 PM

#### J.C. Watts

Chairman of the J.C. Watts Companies, Former Congressman, Former Chairman of the House Republican Conference and Oklahoma Sooners Legend Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> | 7:30 PM

James Carville

Renowned & Provocative Political Strategist and CNN, NBC, & FOX News Political Commentator Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> | 7:30 PM

#### Subscriptions Now On Sale!

For tickets and more information, please visit www.BrowardCollegeSpeakerSeries.com or call the AutoNation Box Office at 954.462.0222. For sponsorship opportunities, please call 954.765.1329.

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To purchase tickets, and for more information, please call the AutoNation Box Office at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts at (954) 462-0222, or visit www.BrowardCollegeSpeakerSeries.com.



### Broward College Named to 2016 Military Friendly<sup>®</sup> Schools List

For the sixth time, Broward College was designated a 2016 Military Friendly<sup>®</sup> School by Victory Media, publisher of G.I. Jobs<sup>®</sup>, STEM Jobs, and Military Spouse. The Military Friendly<sup>®</sup> Schools designation is awarded to the top colleges, universities, community colleges, and trade schools in the country that are doing the most to embrace military students, and to dedicate resources to ensure their success both in the classroom and after graduation.

#### Broward College Launches 'Take-Out Tuesday' with Discussion on Raising the Minimum Wage



Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr., and Commissioner Dale Holness (back row center), with students at the first Village Square Takeout Tuesday event, a discussion that focused on raising the minimum wage.

Broward College recently launched its new Village Square series, Take-Out Tuesday — an accessible, abridged version of the traditional Village Square dinner series. The first discussion focused on the pros and cons of raising the minimum wage.

Speakers for the event included Broward County Commissioner Dale Holness, and executive vice president and general counsel for JM Family Enterprises Carmen Johnson. J. David Armstrong, Jr., president of Broward College, served as moderator. Upcoming Dinner at the Square events at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts:

Location: Broward College Downtown Campus.

**February 10** — Topic: *Institutional Racism* **May 11** — Topic: *Mass Transportation in Broward County* 



Upcoming Take-Out Tuesdays at Broward College's Downtown Campus:

January 26, 2016 — Topic: Penny Sales Tax in Broward March 15, 2016 — Topic: TBA

For further information, visit www.broward.edu/villagesquare.

#### Broward College Earns Awards at AFC



In November, Broward College won several awards at the Association of Florida Colleges (AFC) Communications and Marketing Commission competition held in Orlando. The college won "Best in Show," for "I Heart BC," and was awarded \$250. First place winners were the President's Update monthly newsletter; Broward College North Campus' "What's Next" social media recruitment video series; Broward College North Campus' wRites of Spring Event Poster; and the "I Heart BC" video. Second place went to the 2014-15 Bailey Hall Signature Series brochure; Broward College North Campus' wRites of Spring event brochure; and the Career Pathways promotional pieces. The College's 'Creating Futures and Transforming Lives' commercial won third place honors.

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#### SACS-COC Approves Wuxi South Ocean College as Broward's 7th International Center



Broward College's affiliate in China, Wuxi South Ocean College (WSOC) now will offer Broward College courses in English, leading to the associate in arts degree.

South Ocean College becomes Broward's seventh international center, joining other locations in Vietnam, India, Sri Lanka, Peru, Ecuador and Bolivia.

David Moore and his staff at the Greene International Education Institute have been working with WSOC for more than four years to achieve this designation.

### **Stockade Facility Field Trip**



Professor Ben Botero's students from the Introduction to Corrections class participated in a field trip to the Broward County Stockade, which is operated by the Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO) Department of Community Programs. Students were greeted and escorted by two BSO corrections officers, and toured the various housing units, particularly the direct supervision style of inmate management, care, custody and control. Students were able to engage in dialogue, ask questions, and were informed of the various employment opportunities from within the Broward Sheriff's Office, particularly in the field of corrections and community control.

### **Debate Team on a Roll in Competitions**

Broward College's Speech and Debate team has enjoyed competition against other Florida teams. On October 24, the team finished as the top, two-year college at the Voice Matters tournament at Miami Dade College. The Seahawks team of **Adarris May** and **Daniel McVay**, who were competing in their first tournament, finished in fifth place. The team of **Juan Igarzabal** and **Jonathan Garza** finished eighth. Daniel McVay was ranked as the eighth-best speaker at the tournament and his partner, **Adarris May**, finished twelfth overall. Jonathan Garza was 14th, and Juan Igarzabal was 18th. At the Parli Joust Tournament at the University of Central Florida, Broward College again finished as the top, two-year team. Adarris May and Daniel McVay defeated the previous week's tournament champions from Southeastern University.

### Joe Lopez Named Region 8 Player of the Week

Broward College basketball player Joe Lopez, a sophomore forward from South Miami High School, was named National Junior College



athletic Association (NJCAA) Region 8 Player of the Week for November 2-8 after averaging 12.5 points, 18.5 rebounds, and 2.5 blocks to help the Seahawks split two games at the Palm Beach State College tournament. Lopez shot 61 percent (11 of 18) from the floor, and 63 percent (5 of 8) from the free throw line.

#### Seahawks Ranked 8th in NJCAA Region 8 Poll

Broward College's men's basketball team was ranked eighth in the November 10 NJCAA Region 8 Coaches' Poll. The Seahawks were unranked in the preseason poll (Oct. 26), but received 17 votes for their 3-1 start on the season.

The women's basketball team split a pair of games to start the season, losing 87-63 to Daytona State in the opener, but bouncing back to crush ASA College 85-34 in their second game. The 85 points represents the second-highest scoring output for the team in Coach M.J. Baker's two-year tenure at Broward.

Broward's three fall sports teams men's and women's soccer, as well as the volleyball team, completed their seasons, all posting winning records. The men's soccer team posted an 8-5-1 record and finished second in the Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA). The women's team finished 4-3-1, and the volleyball team ended the season at 8-6.

#### **Student Recognized for Holiday Card Art**



President Armstrong continued a tradition dating to 1997 by naming graphic arts student **Joshua Cartwright** winner of the College's holiday card competition. Each year, students in Professor Leo Stitsky's Graphic Design II class submit designs; the winning design is used as the President and Trustees' official holiday card.

Cartwright, receives credit on the card and a check.

This years design showcases the College's mascot Sammy the Seahawk, with a holiday message.

#### Movers



Jeanette Magee Dr. Steve Obenauf Jonathan Schwartz

Jeanette Magee has joined Broward College as the associate dean of Student Affairs for advisement at Central Campus. Before joining Broward's staff, she served as director of academic advising at the Huizenga College of Business and Entrepreneurship at Nova Southeastern University.

**Dr. Steve Obenauf** currently serves as the associate dean of Biological and Environmental Science at Central Campus and has been appointed interim dean of academic affairs of Central Campus.

**Jonathan Schwartz** has been appointed the associate vice president for operations planning and real estate at Broward College. Schwartz is responsible for the college's real estate development including the redevelopment of the Holcombe Center in downtown Fort Lauderdale.

Read more about Jeanette, Steve and Jonathan on the Broward College Blog. Click on the links below.

Jeanette Magee Dr. Steve Obenauf Jonathan Schwartz

#### Accolades



#### Washington-Brown Named Florida's Top Nurse Practitioner

Linda Washington-Brown, associate dean and professor of Broward College's RN-BSN program, was named Florida's Nurse Practitioner of the Year by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners.

Washington-Brown is a weekly volunteer at a homeless shelter, providing physicals

to individuals. In her role as a minister, she visits the sick, and counsels those in need of guidance. She also gives her time and talent researching, reviewing and writing grants for organizations that need funding for the services they provide. She serves as a board member for the Miami Rescue Mission, and volunteers with Broward Outreach Mission and the Broward Health Department. She also is a student mentor at Barry University, and in 2012 received the Life Changers Humanitarian Award from the Broward Outreach Center.

#### Muza Contributes to Emmy Award-Winning Production

Geology professor Dr. Jay Muza spent two years working on a production about America's geological panorama entitled "Geology Across the American Landscape," which received the Emmy Award for Educational Programming at the 67th Los Angeles-area Emmy Awards on July 25.



Muza also received a certificate for his contributions to the award-winning production. In addition to the film, the project Muza was part of produced a distance learning textbook, lab manual, and 14 short films covering each chapter in the textbook for distance learning or hybrid classes in physical geology. Muza served as the National Geology Advisor for the film, and lead editor for several of the chapters in the textbook, lab manual, and short films. View the production in its entirety at: www.emmys.com/video/la-2015-2458.

#### Foundation News

#### Lillian S. Wells Foundation Makes \$2.5M Donation to Support Nursing & Health Science Programs



Representatives from the Lillian S. Wells Foundation recently visited the Health Sciences Simulation Center and presented their gift in support of the nursing and health science programs.

The Lillian S. Wells Foundation recently donated \$2.5 million. The gift will support Broward College's nursing and health science programs by providing new equipment that will allow students and healthcare professionals to practice surgical simulation.

A part of the gift — celebrating three generations of the Wells family's philanthropic support of education and healthcare – will establish the Lillian S. Wells Health Sciences Simulation Endowment. The endowment will provide funding in perpetuity for maintenance and equipment, ensuring Broward College students will have the best educational technology that simulates the real-life environments and situations experienced by healthcare professionals. The remainder of the gift is designated for completion of the surgical operating suite, including operating table upgrades, additional surgical tables, specialized instruments, refurbished anesthesia machine, and a sternotomy manikin for heart and lung surgical simulation.

#### Broward College Foundation Receives \$81,306 for Scholarships

Madeline Pumariega, chancellor of the Florida College System, recently presented \$81,306 to the Broward College Foundation. The money will fund scholarships for students in nursing and allied health programs, and for first-generation students.



#### News From the November Board of Trustees Meeting

### Norm Seavers recognized at December Board Meeting



The Broward College District Board of Trustees recognized Norm Seavers at their December meeting on the occasion of his retirement.

Seavers has been employed by Broward College for more than two decades, much of it as the associate vice president for economic development. Before that position, he served as director of continuing education. He has spent his professional



career immersed in higher education, corporate training, and continuing education's role in helping organizations reach their business goals. He has held a variety of management positions with public and private-sector organizations including Chrysler Corporation, Cedars Medical Center, Saint Mary's Medical Center, North Broward Hospital District, Miami Dade College and Shawnee Community College.

Additionally, he has worked tirelessly in getting businesses and community organizations connected with Broward College. Consequently, he has been appointed to many positions within Broward County. Among them are the board of advisers for the Weston Chamber of Commerce and Start-Up Quest, the board of directors of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Economic Alliance, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Economic Development Alliance Education Excellence Builds Business Action Team, the Marine Industry Workforce Development Committee and the American Society for Training and Development.

Seavers earned his baccalaureate and master's degrees from Southern Illinois University.

In retirement, he and his wife Sandra will get to spend more time with their two children and six grandchildren and hope to carve out more time for marathons, triathlons and kayak expeditions.