

Broward College Update

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Broward College Ranks Among Top 20 Colleges and Universities in Graduating Hispanic Students



Broward College ranks as one of the top 20 colleges in the nation for conferring degrees on Hispanic students, according to a survey conducted by *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education*. The findings are based on the 2012-13 academic year, when the College awarded 1,973 undergraduate degrees to Hispanic students, an increase of nearly 34 percent from the previous year, earning Broward College a ranking of 16 nationally.

During that same year, Hispanic females earned more than 1,000 degrees, while nearly 800 were awarded to Hispanic males. Broward College also ranked sixth in the nation for enrollment of undergraduate Hispanic students with 12,754, representing 34 percent of overall enrollment of students at Broward College.

“Broward College is honored to be recognized for our diverse student body and a growing number of Hispanic students attaining their degrees,” said Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr. *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education* is a magazine published bi-weekly that informs college students,

organizations and community-based corporations of matters Hispanic students encounter on college campuses.



College Freezes Tuition for Third Consecutive Year

For the third consecutive year, Broward College’s District Board of Trustees announced that the College will freeze tuition for in-state students during the 2014-15 academic year. The decision to hold tuition and fees aligns with the College’s commitment to offer affordable education. With tuition at \$105.90 per credit hour for Florida residents for an associate’s degree, Broward College offers the lowest higher education cost in South Florida and the second lowest in the entire state.

Broward College Student Wins National Poetry Award

“Vessel of Opportunity,” a poem by South Campus student Jasmin Lewicki, earned first prize in the adult student division of Career Convergence Magazine’s 48th annual Poetry & Poster Contest. The magazine is published by the National Career Development Association.



Lewicki was the only national winner from Florida.

Vessel of Opportunity

Mankind’s path has varied,
a century’s errors recorded in history.
Marking the route which was taken,
Mapping the depths of the waters
for the next generation to plot their track line.
Ensuring that our future has longitude in its latitude,
so each bright mind of today charts the course
for the undiscovered terrain tomorrow.

Aware that the bearings we choose
can cause waves or part waters,
fill puddles or oceans,
create ripples or riptides,
we are the navigators of the second century,
the cartographers of the unknown.
The career we choose is our vessel of opportunity,
and that is where our journey begins.



College Accreditation Officially Reaffirmed

On June 19, 2014, the Committee on Criteria and Reports of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) voted to reaffirm the accreditation of Broward College for another 10 years — through 2024. The reaffirmation comes with no recommendations or findings — a first in the College’s history.

Regional accreditation is essential to recruit students, offer financial aid and create transfer opportunities to universities. It opens the door for the College to receive public and private grants and gives the general public a measure of confidence in the quality of the education Broward College provides. It also helps create and track continuous improvement requirements, the assessment of student learning outcomes and a Quality Enhancement Program (QEP) — in our case called "Question Every Possibility" — which targets our students’ critical thinking skills.

The approval comes eight months after the SACSCOC site visit. Find out more at www.broward.edu/SACS

Broward College's QEP Offered as National Example



The National Institute of Learning Outcomes Assessment (NILOA) — the "premier" organization for the assessment of student learning in higher education — features Broward College as one of the institutions in the group's "Transparency Frameworks in the Field." NILOA has also asked the College to contribute a summary how the framework is being used.



Find out more at www.learningoutcomesassessment.org/TFField.htm

Broward College Proud

Be sure to check out then latest videos in our Spotlight series highlighting Broward College students, faculty and alumni.

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Avis Proctor Appointed President of Broward College's North Campus



Avis Proctor, Ed.D., was formally appointed president of Broward College's North Campus earlier this month. She has been serving as interim president since 2013. As the campus' chief executive officer, Proctor is primarily responsible for campus operations, including academics, student and business affairs, health sciences, learning resources, information technology and facilities.

"It is an honor to serve North Campus, and I am eager to continue my work with students, faculty, staff and the community to meet local needs, and contribute to the national discourse on student success at a community college," said Proctor.

Proctor joined Broward College in 2000 as a mathematics faculty member and subsequently served as associate dean of the North Campus mathematics department, before moving on to be the College's associate vice president for academic affairs. She has more than 20 years of experience as an educator and academic administrator. She received her doctoral degree from FIU, her master's degree from FAU and her bachelor's degree from Florida A&M University.

Former Dean and BC Alumna Justice Among Those Joining Foundation Board

The Broward College Foundation has announced a number of new members, including former Dean of Academic Resources and proud Broward College alumna Terri Justice; Bacardi Jackson, Counsel with Tucker Law Group, LLC; philanthropist Roy Krause; Dr. Dianne Ruggiero, President of Broward College's Faculty Senate; and Trevor A. Hansen, Broward College Student Government President.



Justice worked at the College for 35 years tenure – actively serving for many fundraising efforts, including the annual golf classic and the American Dream Scholarship Luncheon.

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Rousseau, Downey Named to Supply-Chain Council's Board of Directors

Mary Rousseau, project manager of the Leveraging, Integrating, Networking, and Coordinating Supplies (LINCS) grant program, was recently re-appointed president of the 2014-15 Council of

Supply Chain Management Professionals South Florida Round Table. Rousseau currently heads the \$24.5 million LINCS grant program, in which Broward College leads a consortium of 11 other higher education institutions to expand targeted training programs for unemployed workers, veterans, and workers who are at risk of displacement due to outsourcing. The LINCS grant is focused on developing training and industry credentials in the field of supply chain management. Robert Downey, an assistant professor of business and management at South Campus, was named co-vice president for education of the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals' South Florida Roundtable Board of Directors.

Dunne Named to Non-profit Boards

Jason Dunne, associate dean for health sciences on the North Campus, has been named to the board of directors of the Mental Health Association of Southeast Florida and the Second Chance Society. Both appointments were effective in May and expire in 2017.



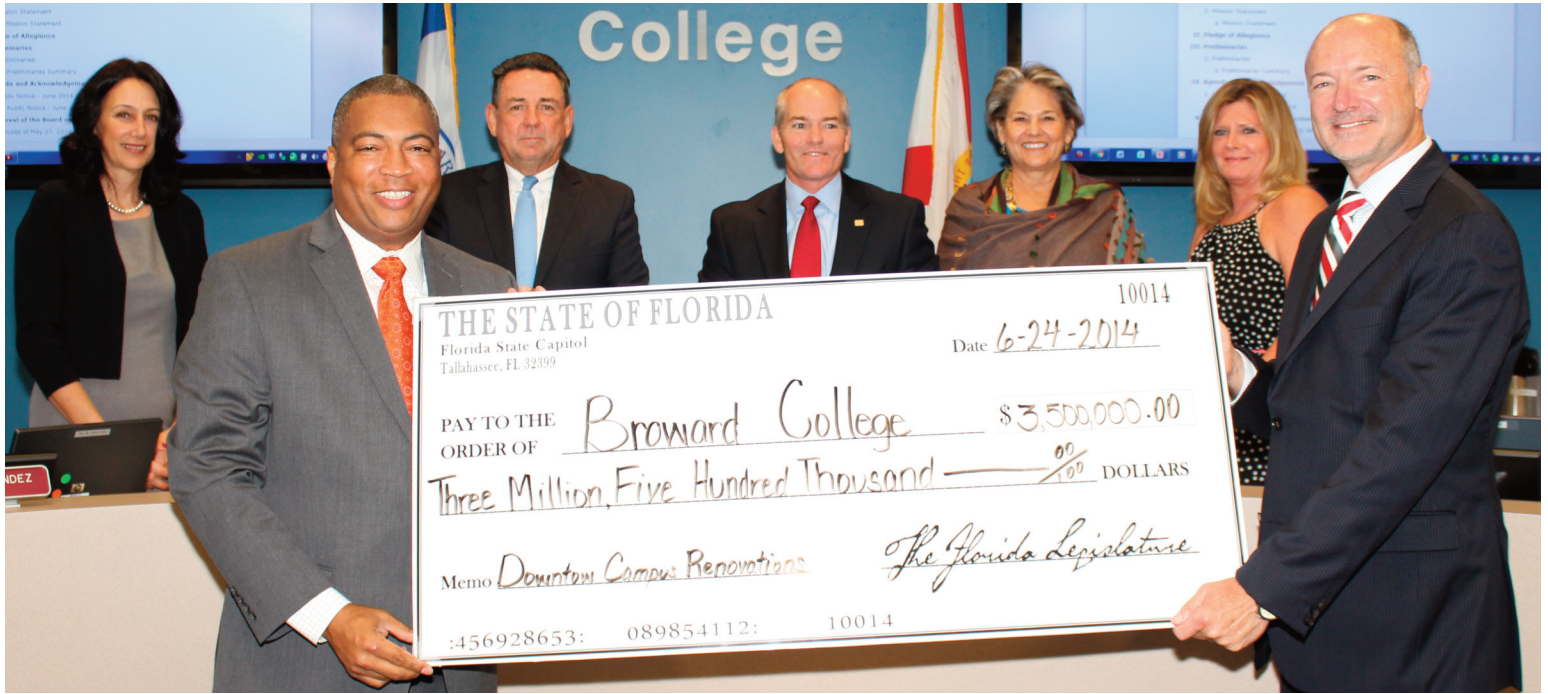
Jones Keynotes National Conference

Scot Jones, clinical coordinator of the Respiratory Care program on the North Campus, was the keynote speaker at the FOCUS Spring 2014 in Orlando last month. He presented to an audience of 1,000 respiratory therapists on the topic, "The Impact of Obesity on Breathing and Sleeping".

10 Peer Choice Award Winners Named

Ten members of Broward College's Professional-Technical Staff were named recipients of PTS Peer Choice Awards last month for service supporting the college's mission. The recipients, who each received \$500, are: Rosa Benivides, Nancy Calderon, Sheila Dawson, Latarsha Dukes, Jose Camacaro Latouche, Toni Lewis, Elaine Muirhead, Jonathan Smith-Stern, Gwen Williams and Sonja Williams.

News From the June Board of Trustees Meeting



Florida Senator Christopher L. Smith (left, holding check) — whose district covers much of eastern Broward County including areas in and around Fort Lauderdale and Pompano Beach — presented a check representing \$3.5 million from the state to help address some of the facilities needs of the college's Downtown Fort Lauderdale site. The Board of Trustees was also able to salute Sen. Smith for his work outstanding support of Broward College during the 2014 Legislative Session supporting the College and his successful advocacy for in-state tuition for undocumented students.

Bradley, Elam Retire After Combined 70 Years of Service



Two Broward College employees retiring after 70 years of combined service to the college were recognized at the June board of trustees meeting. Linda Bradley, a Broward College employee for 36 years, came to the college as a clerk typist II in 1978 and leaves as executive assistant to the associate dean of enrollment services. During her time at the college she earned her A.S., A.A. and B.A.S. “Being at Broward College has been like a family to me,” Bradley said. “My sons attended classes here in the summer when they came home from college.” Some of her 11 grandchildren also attend Broward College.

Communications professor Jerry Elam devoted 34 years at Broward College, teaching and serving as an administrator on the North and Central campuses. In addition to teaching classes, Elam served as the campus advisor for North Campus’ then-student newspaper, *Polaris*, and later, when the college changed to a single collegewide student newspaper, *The Observer*, he helped lead it to a pair of Pacemaker Awards, community college journalism’s equivalent of the Pulitzer Prize. Elam also was the recipient of the 1993 A. Hugh Adams Endowed Teaching Chair. “Over half my life, I’ve worked at Broward College,” Elam told the trustees. “The college has given a lot back to me. I don’t know what I’d have done without it.”



President's Evaluation — An 'A' for 2013-14

The Board of Trustees lauded President J. David Armstrong, Jr.'s performance for the year in its annual performance review, issuing a grade of "A".

All five trustees' evaluations were in alignment, according to Board of Trustees Chair Sean C. Guerin. The President was specifically commended for leading the college successfully through the SACS reaffirmation of accreditation process.