

# BROWARD COLLEGE UPDATE

FROM PRESIDENT J. DAVID ARMSTRONG, JR.

JUNE 2017

## COLLEGE NEWS



### President Armstrong Appointed to the Advisory Board to the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES)



President Armstrong recently was appointed to the Advisory Board to the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES), the

scholar division of the Institute of International Education (IIE). He was formally inducted in June at the monthly board meeting in New York, NY.

For more than 70 years, CIES has managed the Fulbright U.S. Student Program on behalf of the Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA). The program offers college seniors, graduate students, and young adults the opportunity to study, conduct research and/or teach abroad.

### College AVP Gets National Appointment



Barbara Rodriguez, associate vice president for the Center for Teaching Experience and Learning (CTEL), was appointed to the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) Commission on Academic, Student

and Community Development. During the three-year term Rodriguez will have the opportunity to participate in conversations that impact community colleges.

### Broward College Named to Forbes' "America's Best Employers 2017" List



Forbes has ranked Broward College in the top 100 companies of its "America's Best Employers 2017" list. The annual list recognizes companies that are "best at making their employees feel happy, inspired, and well-compensated." The 800 companies ranked in the general "Best Employers" list are divided into two sub-categories: large employers with more than 5,000 employees, and midsize employers with between 1,000 and 5,000 employees. This is the first appearance for Broward College on the prominent ranking.

### Upcoming Events @ Broward College

**SUNDAY — TUESDAY, JULY 23-25**

Continuous Improvement Conference  
Central Campus, Davie

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 25**

Supplier Diversity Day, 11 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.  
Omni Auditorium, North Campus, Coconut Creek

## Broward College Recognized with National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) Accreditation

In May, the art and design programs received accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD). Broward College is the only institution within the Florida College System (FCS) to earn this designation.

The accreditation is the culmination of a five-year comprehensive process which included applying for candidacy, conducting a self-study, on-site visit and answering post assessment questions. NASAD representatives will return to the College to reassess the programs in five years with ongoing, regularized self-evaluation and peer review conducted before then.



## Broward College Receives \$3.9 Million in U.S. Department of Education Grants

The College received three U.S. Department of Education TRIO Upward Bound grants, totaling \$3.9 million over five years. The grants will finance activities and incentives for students at three high-poverty, low performing high schools. During the 2017-2018 academic year, the programs will start with Deerfield Beach High School, McArthur High School and South Broward High School and support 60 students each year.

Upward Bound is the second TRIO program at Broward College. In 2016, the institution received a U.S. Educational Opportunity Centers (EOC) Grant, totaling \$1.18 million over five years, to fund Project ENROLL (Educational Network for Readiness and Opportunities for Lifelong Learning). Project ENROLL works to encourage residents in communities with low college enrollment to continue their education.

## CAMPUS NEWS



### Veteran's Digital Photography Coming in August

Beginning in July, the Corporate and Continuing Education department will offer a unique digital photography course for veterans and their dependents. Classes will be held at Central Campus and the curriculum will provide a creative outlet and therapeutic experience for participants.

## “Refugees Keeping the American Dream Alive” Symposium Hosted on Central Campus

Project RENEW (Refugees Entering New Enterprises and Workforce) and the Broward Area Refugee Task Force, which offer services to refugees locally, hosted the “Refugees Keeping the American Dream Alive” symposium on Central Campus. In celebration of World Refugee Day, the event highlighted the contributions of refugees in the community while promoting solidarity and social and economic inclusion. Guest speakers included Patty Grogan, director of Refugee Services for the Department of Children and Families; Nitza Wright, enforcement manager for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity, and Dr. Eileen Davis Jerome, Broward County chapter of the United Nations – USA.



*Caryl Hattan, Town of Davie council member, presents a World Refugee Day proclamation to Jocelyn Martinez, Project RENEW director with (left) Jesus Garcia, Youth Co-op Inc. refugee programs coordinator and (right) Silvio Padilla, Palm Beach Sub-Office director for Church World Service.*

## “Bold Beauty Project” Exhibit Opens



The new “Bold Beauty Project” opened with a reception at the North Regional Library on North Campus. The visual arts exhibition features women with varying disabilities as seen through the lenses of award-winning photographers. The “Bold Beauty Project” has been shown at major international art shows across the country.

The collection is also meant to create transformative experiences for participants and viewers while expanding the concept of what it means to be beautiful. The exhibition will run through August 31.

## Naturalization Ceremony Marks Milestone



The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) hosted its naturalization and refugee awards ceremonies at the Omni Auditorium on North Campus. The event, held in partnership with the Broward Refugee Area Task Force and Project RENEW coincided with World Refugee Day. Adriana Fazzano Ficano, Broward College chief of staff and associate vice president of corporate relations, delivered an inspiring keynote address. In all, 100 became American citizens representing 29 different countries. Later in the day, awards and scholarships were presented for categories including short story and outstanding refugee student and volunteer.

## Students and Faculty Participate in Mass-Casualty Exercise



Students, faculty and staff joined local anesthesia, emergency medicine and general surgery residents for a mass-casualty simulation on Central Campus. They worked with medical, fire rescue and health professionals on the scenario, dubbed “Sun Shade Down,” from start to finish.

More than 40 “victims” made up of volunteers and high-fidelity mannequins were treated on site or transported to the Health Sciences Simulation Center “Sunny Side Hospital.” Injuries included everything from a severely disfigured leg needing amputation to chest pains and smoke poisoning. To further create a real-life and immersive environment, a professional special-effects team applied moulage (makeup and prosthesis) to the patients. Data gathered from the exercise will be compared to current action and response plans to determine best practices and areas for improvement.

## Student-Athletes Named to the FCSAA and Southern Conference All-Academic Teams

Broward College boasts many outstanding student-athletes who prove they excel not only on the court and on the field, but in the classroom as well. Thirty-six athletes who competed during the 2016-17 year were named to the Florida College System Activities Association (FCSAA) All-Academic

## Students Win Car and are Featured in Ford Commercials

Two Broward College student veterans were surprised by Dan Marino with new cars and featured in South Florida Ford commercials. Sheila “Shae” Desinat, student and Student Veterans Association Club president; and Benjamin Guzman, former student and VA part-time employee were chosen for the giveaway as part of the “Ford Will Surprise You” initiative to give back to veterans. To watch the commercials, click on the images.



team. This requires a minimum of 18 credit hours achieved and an overall cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or better. In addition, Scarlett Rocha was named FCSAA Women’s Scholar of the Year.

## American Dream Scholarship Benefits More than 850 Students



*American Dream Scholarship recipients and their benefactors at the American Dream Graduation Celebration at Bailey Hall on Saturday, April 29, 2017.*

Through the American Dream initiative, the Broward College Foundation demonstrates its commitment to helping men and women improve their lives through higher education and life-sustaining careers. Those who meet the criteria and pledge to complete their degree within three semesters receive scholarship support that allows them to advance their education without the burden of heavy student debt.

During the 2016-2017 Academic Year:

- 859 American Dream Scholarships were awarded
- 361 (42 percent) of American Dream Scholars graduated in December or May
- Nearly half of American Dream Scholars were the first in their family to attend college
- The average age of an American Dream Scholar was 26
- The median grade point average of an American Dream Scholar was 3.04

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

Donors may also make a secure gift online at [giving.broward.edu](http://giving.broward.edu)

## Dental Hygiene Students Celebrate Dr. Koch's Birthday



On June 1, Dental Hygiene students surprised Dr. Floyd F. Koch with an 85th birthday celebration. Dr. Koch has gifted more than \$3 million to the dental hygiene program, annually providing scholarships to every dental hygiene student, including current and deferred commitments. In August 2016, the Dr. Floyd F. Koch Dental Hygiene Program was named in his honor.

## The Observer Editor Selected for POLITICO Journalism Institute Program



Sara Varela, editor-in-chief of The Observer was among 12 college students chosen from across the country to participate in the POLITICO Journalism Institute (PJI) summer session. During her time in Washington D.C. she worked in the newsroom writing and shooting video for the outlet.

## South Campus President Participates in College Peru Commencement



L to R: Dr. David Moore, Summer Ferguson, Dominique Charlotteaux, and Dr. Rolando Garcia attended the Center for Global Education commencement ceremony at the Universidad San Ignacio de Loyola (USIL) in Lima, Peru. The international center of Broward College offers Associate of Arts degrees.

## Senator Gary Farmer, Jr. Honored for Outstanding Representation



Senator Gary Farmer was recognized by President Armstrong at the Board of Trustees meeting in June for his representation and support of the Florida College System (FCS) during the 2017-2018 Legislative Session. Farmer was presented with a proclamation by the College and an award from the Association of Florida College Council of Presidents as Legislator of the year. The senator, whose father attended then-Broward Junior College, expressed his gratitude and commended the FCS as one of the greatest in the country.

## President Armstrong Attends International Forum on Industry and Education in China

President Armstrong traveled to Zhumadian, China to participate in the 4th Annual International Forum on Industry and Education.

The conference was hosted by the Ministry of Education's National Center for Schooling Development Program and China Alliance Universities of Applied Science. He presented on school-enterprise interaction and cooperation for colleges/universities.

## Foundation Contributor Recognized at BOT

The Leo Goodwin Foundation was recognized by the Broward College Foundation during the June Board of Trustees meeting for its support to the institution since 1994. President and Trustee of the Leo Goodwin Foundation, Alan Goldberg, was in attendance as the organization was acknowledged for its commitment to providing scholarships and its assistance to other programs including STARS and the annual Golf Classic. This year, with its \$30,000 challenge grant to the American Dream Scholarship, the Leo Goodwin Foundation's generosity to the College exceeded half a million dollars.

## Retirements

Doris Butler started her career at the College more than 20 years ago as a work study student. She was given an administrative role in 1998 and has excelled ever since.



Osman Canizales began at Broward College in 1986 and is retiring after more than 31 years. He most recently served as lead painter.

## Policy or Procedure Changes Approved by BOT

At the June 27, 2017 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board approved revisions to the following policies (*click on the policy number to download and view*):

- Policy 6Hx2-3.29 regarding College Innovations
- Policy 6Hx2-8.05 regarding College Copyright
- Policy 6Hx2-8.08 regarding Cybersecurity
- Policy 6Hx2-6.17 regarding Bonds for Board Members and Employees

The Board adopted:

- Policy 6Hx2-3.56 regarding Amorous Relationships
- Policy 6Hx2-8.08 regarding Cybersecurity