# PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

from President Gregory Adam Haile, Esq.



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#### **COLLEGE NEWS**

### **Celebrating our Spring Commencement Graduates**



L to R: Robert Olsen, Sawdah and Sofin Asin, Deloris Rudolf, Lucas Araujo Ferreira, and Christian Del Valle celebrate together before the start of the ceremony.

The College celebrated spring commencement, Tuesday, May 7, at the BB&T Center, in Sunrise. The ceremony featured 1,360 graduates, the highest number on record to participate, of the more than 4,000 students who qualified for graduation. Among the graduates were Dual Enrollment and College Academy students, 168 veterans, 256 students who earned bachelor's degrees, and 2,849 students earning associate degrees. The youngest graduate was 16, and the oldest was 72. Florida State Representative Chip LaMarca delivered the ceremony's keynote address.

#### Among the notable graduates were:

Lucas Araujo Ferreira, the recent recipient of the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship, valued at \$120,000.

Christian Del Valle, who graduated with an Associate of Arts, is the first in his family to finish college. A DACA recipient, Christian has faced poverty and homelessness. A college education seemed impossible until he was introduced to the College's Get Real! Program.

Sofin and Sawdah Asim are a mother-daughter-duo who graduated together with an Associate of Science degree in nursing and an Associate of Arts degree, respectively. Sofin and her daughter moved from the United Kingdom in 2016 to take care of Sofin's ailing mother. Sawdah participated in the College's commencement ceremony, May 7, while Sofin participated in the nursing program's candlelight ceremony, May 8.

Robert Olsen graduated with an Associate of Science degree in Respiratory Therapy at the age of 58. He enrolled in Broward College when he lost his job after working for more than 20 years in the tech industry.

Deloris Rudolph is 72 years old, this ceremony's oldest graduate. She received her Associate of Arts degree in health and plans to continue her education by pursuing a bachelor's in Nursing.

Read more about these and other students on the Broward College blog —  $\underline{\text{https://browardcollegeblog.com/}}.$ 

### Broward College Participated in the 2019 eMerge Americas Expo



Broward College panelists (L to R): President Haile, Dr. Mildred Coyne, Henry Mack, Mason Jackson, and Steven Gross.

The 2019 eMerge Americas Expo was held on April 29-30 in Miami. The two-day event, which attracted thousands of visitors from around the world, showcased the College's Innovation Hub; particularly, the progress of Startup NOW and the J. David Armstrong, Jr. Student Venture Fund.

In addition to hosting a booth, Broward College representatives led a panel discussion on "How Broward College Mapped a Strategy." Panelists included President Haile; Dr. Mildred Coyne, executive director, Workforce Education & Economic Development; Steven Gross, executive director, Marketing & Strategic Initiatives; and Henry Mack, associate vice president, Workforce Education, Innovation & Impact. They were joined by Mason C. Jackson, president & CEO, CareerSource Broward. For the past six years, eMerge Americas has hosted the forum for global enterprises, leading startups, and government leaders to promote innovative digital solutions for transforming industries.

### Broward College Expands International Education Network at the 2019 BC World Conference

More than 80 delegates from educational institutions from across the globe gathered in Marbella, Spain at the 2019 Annual BC World Conference, May 12-16, hosted by The American College in Spain, a Broward College international center. The conference featured



Dr. David Moore, executive director, International Education looks on as President Haile and Professor Catherine Bachleda, acting vice-chancellor of the University of Gibraltar sign the letter of intent.

sessions in which delegates shared best practices in international education, discussed common challenges, and explored avenues of collaboration for the benefit of Broward College and its students and communities.

President Haile, Provost Marie DeSanctis and Dr. David Moore, executive director of International Education, were among the many presenters addressing specific aspects of the Broward College International Programming Model. The conference also included visits to The American College in Spain and the University of Gibraltar with media and local dignitaries.

The College continues to expand its international education network to offer students greater access to education beyond the shores of the U.S. by building partnerships with education institutions. At this conference, a letter of intent was signed with the University of Gibraltar on May 13, with the goal of entering into an agreement to facilitate the transfer of students who complete their associate degree at Broward College or any of its international centers, to earn a bachelor's degree from the University of Gibraltar.

### Hill Harper Wraps up 2019 Speaker Series



L to R: President Haile, Hill Harper, and Darryl Forges.

In the final engagement of the 2019 Broward College Speaker Series, Hill Harper, the award-winning actor, bestselling author, and philanthropist spoke to an audience of 500, Wednesday, April 24, at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts. Harper, who stars as Dr. Marcus Andrews on ABC TV's popular drama "The Good Doctor," shared a message of inspiration on topics ranging from social justice and higher education to financial literacy and professional success. Darryl Forges, an award-winning reporter with NBC 6 Miami, moderated the presentation.

Before the event, Harper spoke with students from Broward College as well as visitors from Broward County performing arts centers during a Fireside Chat moderated by professor Rudy Jean-Bart.

## City of Lauderhill Accesses Higher Education Programs through Broward UP™ Partnership with Broward College

A partnership between the City of Lauderhill and Broward College will boost access to postsecondary education opportunities to the city's residents and employees.

This marks the first municipal partnership of Broward UP, the College's community-centric approach to realizing the Unlimited Potential of residents throughout Broward County. Three of the zip codes targeted to receive direct support from Broward UP are within the city of Lauderhill. Broward College is coordinating with Lauderhill to implement various programs and services that include, but are not limited to::

- College-readiness and career development workshops, such as scholarship searching, financial aid application support, online student strategies, and picking a major or career pathway
- Certification and training programs, such as Lean Six Sigma
  Yellow and Green Belt, substitute teaching, and Microsoft Office
- Community focus groups to provide insight into education and training





## Dinner at the Square Focuses on Sea Level Rise



Students join panelists and other attendees at the event for a photo.

In the second of a series of Dinner at the Square events, Broward College Village Square hosted a non-partisan community debate on "Can Sea Level Rise Be Stopped? Ultimately Who Will Pay for It?" Wednesday, May 1, at the Funky Buddha Brewery, in Oakland Park. Rosemary O'Hara, Editorial Page editor at the *Sun Sentinel*, moderated the panel discussion, which addressed the difference between weather and climate; slowing down global warming; and reducing the effects of warming already underway. Panelists were John Morales, chief meteorologist at NBC 6 Miami, and Alec Bogdanoff, Ph.D., president and co-founder of Brizaga, Inc.

The next Broward College Dinner at the Square is Wednesday, May 29, at Funky Buddha. Visit <a href="http://broward.villagesquare.us/">http://broward.villagesquare.us/</a>.

## Broward College Trains More Faculty and Administrators in Nationally-Accredited Program



The second cohort of faculty and administrators who completed the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE) certificate program in Effective Teaching Practices was recognized at a pinning ceremony, Friday, April 26, at Bailey Hall on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. The ACUE program is part of student-success efforts at the College to improve teaching and learning outcomes. The 2018-2019 ACUE cohort ran from September 2018 to April 2019. The cohort included 69 full-time and part-time faculty from all eight Pathways, representatives from Student Services, and some administrators who also teach.

# Women in Distress Honored Broward College at its Starfish Luncheon



L to R: Felicia Alvaro, executive vice president and CFO, Ultimate Software; President Haile; Kim Bentley, associate vice president, Corporate Philanthropy, JM Family Enterprises, Inc.; Karen Leikert, senior vice president, Wells Fargo Bank; and Mary Riedel, president & CEO, Women in Distress.

Women in Distress of Broward County, Inc., recognized Broward College for its significant contributions to improve the lives of survivors of domestic violence at its Starfish Luncheon, May 9, at the Signature Grand, in Davie. President Haile accepted the award on behalf of the College, which has partnered with the nonprofit organization for more than 16 years to build awareness and provide education about domestic violence issues that affect the community. Notably, Broward College professor Richard Bernstein has been particularly insrumental to this partnership.

## Broward UP™ Capitalizes on Free Comic Book Day to Promote Reading Literacy



Broward College professor Eileen Santiago and her team of students in the Teacher Education Pathway capitalized on National Free Comic Book Day to promote reading literacy to K-12 students during an afternoon event, May 4, at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, in Hollywood. The out-of-the-box programming, which enabled students to watch a Spiderman movie and take home a free comic book, was coordinated under the umbrella of Broward UP.

### 2018-2019 Professors of the Year Recognized

The College recently recognized 12 full-time and part-time faculty as outstanding Professors of the Year. The faculty members were nominated by their peers or students and reviewed by a committee on each campus.



Some of the Professors of the Year during their recognition at the spring commencement ceremony.

A. Hugh Adams Central Campus

- Professor Brian Faris, Computer Science & Information Technology
- Dr. Behnoush Memari, Science
- Professor Jennifer Millien, Visual & Performing Arts
- Professor Serge Komovsky, Mathematics

North Campus

- Professor Amber Abels, Science
- Professor Marcus Sousa, Mathematics
- Dr. Leon Weissberg, Social/Behavioral Science

Judson A. Samuels South Campus

- Professor Simone Keize, Business Administration
- Professor Yvonne P. Morris, Arts/Humanities/Communications
- · Professor Jennifer Killam, EAP

Broward College Online

- Professor Margo Butler, Liberal Arts
- Professor Douglas Phinney, Liberal Arts

# Student Life Director Honored for Exemplary Practice



The Association of Florida Colleges presented the 2019 AFC Student Development Commission Exemplary Practice Award to Stephanie Repaci, director of Student Life at A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. Repaci was honored for her presentation on a "Student Life Leadership Retreat," at the 2019 AFC Student Development Commission spring conference, in Ocala.

# RN-BSN Nursing Faculty Receives Award as 2019 FNA Nurse Educator



The Florida Nurses Association (FNA) has recognized Barbara Lovell-Martin, assistant professor in the RN to BSN Nursing Program, as a "FNA 2019 Nurse Educator." Lovell-Martin received the award at the ninth Annual Florida Nurses Association South Region Symposium and Awards Ceremony, in April, at Gulfstream Park, Hallandale. FNA has a membership of 5,000 registered nurses.

## Broward College and Magic Leap Partner to Impact Students and Faculty via Spatial Computing

The College teamed up with Magic Leap, a leader in spatial computing technology, to launch one of the first spatial computing degree programs in the nation. Courses in spatial computing technology will begin during the 2019–2020 academic year. Through the partnership, Broward College will have access to Magic Leap's spatial computing platform and support from its network of highly skilled professionals. Also, Broward College will establish a lab on A. Hugh Adams Central Campus, in Davie, that will be used by students, faculty, and researchers in the program.

Dedicated to delivering cutting-edge educational opportunities to students, Broward College and Magic Leap will also engage with Broward  $UP^{\mathsf{m}}$  communities and local high schools throughout the year to offer demonstrations and hackathons.

### **Nursing Graduates Light the Way**



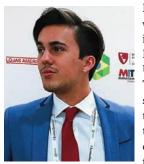
Broward College introduced 89 graduates from among the next generation of nurses at a candlelight ceremony, Wednesday, May 4, on North Campus. The candlelight ceremony is conducted in the spirit of Florence Nightingale, who would take her oil lamp late at night to care for the sick during the Crimean War. The "Lady with the Lamp" served as a beacon of hope whose legacy lives on as an iconic figure within the field. In 2019, students from the College's nursing program earned a 98.21 percent pass rate for the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX), surpassing both the state and national averages.

# **Celebrating Our Outstanding Honors Students**



The Honors College awards, held annually for the past 37 years, recognized Jack Kent Cooke finalists and Phi Theta Kappa nominees along with other discipline awards.

### Lucas Araujo Ferreira Named Jack Kent Cooke Scholar



Lucas Araujo Ferreira, who graduated with an Associate of Arts in the spring, is one of 61 recipients of the 2019 Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's prestigious Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. The highly competitive national scholarship will provide Ferreira with up to \$40,000 annually for a maximum of three years to complete his bachelor's degree. Ferreira, of Hollywood, is a former student government president

and new student orientation leader who overcame poverty in his native Brazil before immigrating to the United States to enroll at Broward College. Since the launch of the Jack Kent Cooke scholarship in 2000, 21 Broward College students have won the award.

#### **IPS Hosts Mock Trial**

Nova Middle School and the Institute of Public Safety, through professor Laura Pazarena's course in criminal evidence, collaborated on a mock trial. The event presented students pursuing or interested in law or criminal justice with insight into the processes and components of a trial including roles of the judge, jury, prosecutor and legal defense team, as well as how to testify and answer questions under cross-examination. Future collaboration is planned.



## Dental Hygiene Students and Faculty Offer Free Kids Care Clinic

On April 24, Broward College students and faculty provided dental screenings, check-up radiographs, and sealants to the local community through the Florida KidCare Program, a state-funded initiative aimed at delivering high-quality, low-cost dental and medical insurance to children in need.

# President Haile Awarded Honorary Doctorate at NSU Commencement Ceremony



Nova Southeastern University bestowed upon President Haile an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters at commencement ceremonies for graduate and doctoral students in the Dr. Pallavi Patel College of Health Care Sciences, College of Pharmacy, and College of Optometry, on Friday, May 17. President Haile, who delivered the keynote address, was honored for his record of public service and community leadership.

# New Broward County Sheriff Tony Gregory Visits Institute of Public Safety



Broward County Sheriff Tony Gregory toured the Institute of Public Safety on April 17. Gregory spoke with students and met with President Haile and other administrators.

### **SAMMYs Awards Recognizes Students**



More than 300 students and staff attended the 2019 'SAMMYs,' a joint ceremony coordinated by the Student Life departments at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus and Judson A. Samuels South Campus. More than 40 awards were presented to students and staff at the dinner including prizes for Outstanding Member of the Year, Outstanding Program of the Year, Seahawk Spirit, Seahawk Service, Outstanding Leadership, Volunteer, and Outstanding Advisor.

#### Law Enforcement Memorial



A police officer salutes the plaque with names honoring law enforcement officers who lost their lives in the line of duty at the Annual Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony, April 24, at A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. The names of the fallen officers are engraved on the concrete memorial between Buildings 21 and 22.

#### JUNE 15 | 8 p.m.

Raul Midón and Lionel Loueke Trio Bailey Hall, A. Hugh Adams Central Campus

#### AUGUST 13 and 15

Adjunct and Full-Time Faculty Welcome Bck Omni Auditorium, North Campus

### **Upcoming Events**

#### SEPTEMBER 6

Employee Recognition Day Bailey Hall, A. Hugh Adams Central Campus

### **Ground Broken for Aviation Expansion Project**

President Haile and the Broward College Foundation took part in a groundbreaking ceremony, April 25, at the Emil Buehler Aviation Institute, where work will begin on expanding facilities to include a hangar and additional classroom space.

Representatives from three of the Foundation's transformative aviation donors in attendance were George Weaver, lead trustee with the Emil Buehler Perpetual Trust; Jerry Taylor and Nancy Bryant, of The Jerry Taylor & Nancy Bryant Foundation; and Jonathan DeLuca and Dr. Angelika Schlanger, of The Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation. The project has also received significant backing from The Batchelor Foundation and The J.P. Morgan Chase Foundation.



L to R: Nancy Bryant; Dr. Rolanda Garcia, president of Judson A. Samuels South Campus; Russ McCaffery, dean of Transportation Programs; Frank Ortis, former trustee and Mayor of the City of Pembroke Pines; President Haile; Dr. Angelika Schlanger; George Weaver; Nancy O'Donnell-Wilson, vice president of Advancement; Jerry Taylor; and Jonathan DeLuca.

## Jill Horowitz Joins Office of Advancement as New Alumni Engagement Officer



Jill Horowitz is well-known in the region as a former manager of corporate sales and events for Brightline, director of membership and fundraising with the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, vice president of business development with South Florida Business & Wealth, and regional director of sales and marketing for Global Travel International. She earned her Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing from the University of Michigan – Stephen M. Ross School of Business.

Horowitz plans to enhance alumni relations and benefits, regularly spotlight alumni success stories, and coordinate events and activities for various alumni constituencies. She is currently working on a survey to gauge interest and determine how the Alumni & Friends Network can better serve Broward College graduates.

# Broward College Recognizes Partnerships with Wyncode and Labcode



L to R: Dr. Mildred Coyne, Juha Mikkola, President Haile, and John Mareno-Escobar.

The partnership allows students enrolled in the Bachelor of Applied Science in Information Technology to gain accelerated knowledge and experience with coding and ultimately access to high-quality jobs in the region. As part of the curriculum, the students earn 15 of the 27 credits required for industry certification. John Mareno-Escobar, founder and CEO of Labcode and Juha Mikkola, co-founder and CEO of WynCode, both commended the College and its academic team for the collective approach to help students develop the talent and skills that companies need.

# Executive Director of Talent and Culture Introduced to the Board



Sophia Galvin assumed the role of executive director of Talent and Culture on May 13. Galvin, will oversee the Human Resources team and lead the College's organizational culture. Galvin who has spent the past 15 years in talent management leadership roles, including culture transformation, was selected after an extensive search.

Addressing the Board, Galvin said she was excited and honored to have the

opportunity and has spent the past two weeks touring the campuses and meeting with different stakeholders as she seeks to understand the College's culture and mission.

# Contract Extension with Barnes and Noble Announced

The contract for outsourcing of Broward College bookstores to Barnes and Noble has been extended for another five years. John Dunnuck, the chief operating officer who made the announcement, explained that the initial five years was successful, allowing the College to gain \$400,000 a year from the arrangement. He said the partnership with Barnes and Noble has helped the College strategically address the changing needs of students.

## Broward College Foundation Recognizes Bev Yanowitch as Heritage Society Inductee

Yanowitch was a financial consultant to the Broward College Foundation for 11 years before joining the board of the Broward College Foundation. She is the newest member of the Heritage Society which the Broward College Foundation created to recognize individual donors who intend to leave a legacy donation to the College. Yanowitch announced she had included the Broward College Foundation as a beneficiary in her will in support of the health sciences program with an emphasis in palliative care. Yanowitch and other members of the Heritage Society will be honored at a luncheon on June 27.



L to R: Gloria Fernandez, vice chair Broward College District Board of Trustees; Nancy O'Donnell Wilson, executive director and vice president for Advancement; Bev Yanowitch, Heritage Society honoree; Matthew Caldwell, trustee; Mike Rump, trustee; and President Haile.