

BROWARD COLLEGE UPDATE

FROM PRESIDENT J. DAVID ARMSTRONG, JR.

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COLLEGE NEWS

President Armstrong named 2017 Hall of Fame Honoree



The Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce has named Broward College President J. David Armstrong, Jr., as its Salute to Business Hall of Fame Honoree. President Armstrong will be inducted during the signature

event on Thursday, October 26. The Hall of Fame Honoree is the Chamber's highest award to outstanding individuals and businesses that have made significant contributions to the community.

Broward College Hosts First TEDx Event

TEDxBrowardCollege will host its first event at the Simulation (SIM) Center on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus on Thursday, October 26.

TED^x BrowardCollege

x = independently organized TED event

Licensed by TED, a nonpartisan non-profit devoted to spreading ideas, usually in the form of short talks, TEDxBrowardCollege features students, faculty, and community speakers presenting on interdisciplinary topics related to the progression of ideas within art, culture, technology, science, and society. Titled "Evolution," the invitation-only event will be divided into two sessions, each highlighting four speakers. The talks are a strategic approach to uniting the various career pathways in conversation about "ideas worth spreading."

Broward College Selected to Compete for 2019 Aspen Prize

Broward College has been named one of the 150 community colleges eligible to compete for the 2019 Aspen Prize. Selected from a pool of nearly 1,000 public two-year colleges nationwide, the College will move to the next round of the competition for a spot on the top ten Aspen Prize finalists list. Broward College was recognized as a Finalist with Distinction for the 2017 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. The Aspen Prize recognizes institutions with outstanding achievements in learning; certificate and degree completion; employment and earnings; and high levels of access and success for minority and low-income students.

Projects Being Selected for 2018 MLK Day of Service



Through a \$185,000 grant from the Florida Legislature, Broward College will, for the third year, partner with the MLK Day of Service Advisory Board to support projects that honor the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Organizations will receive awards of up to \$5,000 to fund service projects slated for completion between January 8 and 15, 2018. Applicants must prove how their proposals will benefit the community. Visit [Broward College MLK Day of Service website](#).

Speaker Series Features A-List of National Presenters

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Bret Baier
Host of Fox News Channel's "Special Report with Bret Baier" and chief political anchor for the network.
Wednesday, January 24 | 7:30 PM
Moderator: Sean Smith

Thomas Friedman
Renowned author, reporter and columnist.
Recipient of three Pulitzer Prizes and the author of influential books.
Wednesday, February 21 | 7:30 PM
Moderator: Rosemary O'Hara, Sun Sentinel

Laila Ali
Former professional boxer and daughter of legendary boxing champion Muhammad Ali.
Actress, writer and child activist.
Tuesday, March 27 | 7:30 PM
Moderator: Camille Hughes, WFLX Channel 10

Charles Osgood
Radio and television commentator, writer and former host of "CBS Sunday Morning".
Wednesday, April 19 | 7:30 PM
Moderator: Rick Feldman, WFOR CBS 4

For tickets or more information, visit www.BrowardCollegeSpeakerSeries.com
For sponsorship opportunities, please email info@browardcollege.com

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Now in its fifth year, the Broward College Speaker Series—known to educate, enlighten and entertain—features a line-up of notable speakers who will bring their perspectives on local and national events. The schedule from January to April 2018 includes Fox News Channel's Chief Political Anchor Bret Baier;

Pulitzer Prize-winning *New York Times* Foreign Affairs Columnist Thomas Friedman; four-time undefeated world champion boxer Laila Ali, and renowned CBS reporter Charles Osgood. Tickets are \$60 and can be purchased at www.BrowardCollegeSpeakerSeries.com.

STUDENT NEWS

Facial Recognition Software and Rescue Support Among New Apps Developed at 2017 Hackathon

A photo recognition application titled "What's This?" won the Best Overall prize at the third annual Broward College Hackathon. Hosted by the Computer Science Department from Friday, October 13 to Saturday, October 14, the 24-hour contest challenged young technology enthusiasts enrolled in universities and colleges across Broward County to develop new software programs. Other winners were Teermates: a platform for finding volunteer events which took home the trophy for Code for a Cause; Res-Q-Me: an application for search and rescue support awarded for Most Innovative Idea; and Book Swap: An e-commerce site for buying and selling textbooks won the prize for Best Presentation.

Disney Institute Partners with Broward College to Offer Professional Training



The Disney Institute and Broward College have partnered to offer a second professional development course to South

Florida. Disney's Approach to Employee Engagement will be held at the Hard Rock Stadium in Miami on Thursday, October 26.

The training is designed to help professionals explore and adopt strategies that drive confidence and excellence in service. It incorporates business insights and time-tested examples from Disney parks and resorts worldwide to inspire individuals and organizations to enhance their own customer experience. As part of the package, the Disney Institute offers a 90-minute professional training to Broward College staff.



Members of "What's This?" show off their trophy as they pose with President Armstrong.

Broward College Student Publications Receive Top Awards

During the recent Florida Colleges Student Publications Association (FCSPA) conference held in Orlando, Florida, student-run publications *Panku* and *The Observer* brought home a combined 25 awards. *Panku*, walked away with 22 awards including:

- First place for Best Poem, Best Poetry, and Best Two-Page Spread Design
- Second place in the categories of Fiction, Photography, Artwork, and Design
- Third place for Fiction, Editing, Artwork, Design, Two-Page Spread Design, Cover and Staff Page

Panku also received special recognition through the Inner Circle Award and a General Excellence award. Student Shamar Harriott received the Debra Vazquez Memorial Award-Excellence in Poetry for his piece, "Argentine Baths."



Observer team (l to r): Rehan Ally, online editor-in-chief; Manicia Reneus, North Campus bureau chief; Sara Varela, editor; Collin McCoy, photography editor; and Chris Stauffer, Central Campus bureau chief.

The Observer team won three top prizes for their work in journalism:

- First place for General Column and second place for In-Depth Reporting both went to Sara Varela, the newspaper's editor-in-chief
- Third place for Sports Photography went to Bella Riccitelli, former editor-in-chief and copy editor

Assistance to Students from Puerto Rico

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Broward College is among the first institutions in the state to open its doors to students relocating from Puerto Rico who were affected by Hurricane Maria. Following an initiative by Governor Rick Scott, the College is waiving out-of-state fees to transfer students and new applicants. For those who are unable to get official transcripts, the College will accept unofficial paper transcripts and offer a grace period.

UPCOMING EVENTS @ BROWARD COLLEGE

Public Safety Career Day Speaker Series & Career Fair

Wednesday, November 1, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

A. Hugh Adams Central Campus
Bldg. 22, Room 136

Steam Visiting Artist Series - Richard Dupont Lecture

“Technology and Body Morphing”

Thursday, November 2, 2 – 4 p.m.

Judson A. Samuels South Campus
Art Gallery

Native American Heritage Month Presentation

Wednesday, November 8, 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

A. Hugh Adams Central Campus
Bldg. 17 (Library), Room 425

Thank You, Dr. Koch!



During the August 2017 Pinning Ceremony, graduates of the Broward College Dental Hygiene Program expressed their appreciation after learning each of them had received a \$3,000 Dr. Floyd F. Koch Dental Hygiene Award.

Cigna Foundation Makes Contribution to Broward College Dental Clinic

The Broward College Foundation received a \$24,736.55 Healthier Communities Grant from the Cigna Foundation to support an initiative of the Broward College Dental Clinic.

The money will be used to provide preventative services to individuals in underserved populations. According to the U.S.

Department of Health and Human Services, there are striking disparities in oral diseases among various disadvantaged and underserved population subgroups. The Broward College Dental Clinic provides an opportunity for the underserved population access to dental care.

Welcoming New Degree Students in Shanghai, China



President Armstrong speaks to students during the inaugural ceremony for the 2017 class of Broward College and Shanghai Polytechnic University in September. A total of 180 students are now pursuing an associate degree at the partnership center.

Safety First



Hundreds of students, faculty, staff, and members of the community participated in the annual Campus Safety Days in September. Held in recognition of National Campus Safety Awareness Month, the event rotates between the three main campuses and the Miramar West Center. More than 20 public safety agencies participated in this year's series.

Affordable to Whom?



The 2017-2018 Village Square season kicked off on Wednesday, October 18, with a Dinner at the Square discussion on "The affordable housing crisis in South Florida." Panelists were Jim Ellis, founder of Ellis Diversified Inc. and Nan Rich, commissioner, Broward County Commission and member of the Florida Legislature Affordable Housing Workgroup. The moderator was William Russell, III, president and CEO of Sarasota Housing Authority.

Pictured above (left to right): Mayor Bob Seiler, moderator William Russell, III, Commissioner Nan Rich, Jim Ellis and President Armstrong.

Seahawks in Seville



Stephanie Sylvester and Gabrielle Pizzato, the 2017 recipients of the William E. Greene Scholarship (WEG) are welcomed by staff at The International College of Seville (ICS) in Spain. As part of the scholarship, the students received funding for travel, accommodation, and tuition to study abroad for the fall semester. From left: Gina de los Santos, housing director, ICS; Violeta Rivera, specialist Study Abroad, Broward College; Stephanie Sylvester, WEG scholar; Gabrielle Pizzato, WEG scholar; Justine Garcia, student, ICS; and Lisa Dolan, student affairs representative, ICS.

Quarterly Performance Report Shows Positive Gains

The Quarterly Performance Report presented by Dr. Deborah Posner, associate vice president of the Office of Institutional Planning and Effectiveness, at the October Board of Trustees meeting shows the College has made positive achievements across all three 2017-2022 Strategic Goals.

The dashboards indicate good progress for Goal 1 - Start, which gauges new student enrollments; Goal 2 - Succeed, which measures the number of awards earned by students; and Goal 3 - Soar, which focuses on post-graduation placement.

Broward College Board of Trustees Support Resolution to Protect Dreamers

During its October meeting, the Broward College Board of Trustees approved a resolution to urge the U.S. Congress to support a permanent legislative solution to protect Dreamers: undocumented immigrants who were brought to the United States as children, who have lived in the U.S., attended school in the U.S., and who consider the U.S. their home.

The President of the United States and the Justice Department recently announced that the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, created by an executive order which protects the 800,000 Dreamers brought to the U.S. as children, will end in March 2018. A significant number of Broward College students will be affected by the end of DACA. The Broward College resolution is part of a series of initiatives led by Achieving the Dream, a national network of 220 colleges in 39 states and the District of Columbia committed to helping their students achieve their goals for academic success, personal growth, and economic opportunity.

Retirements



Sanford Langbart has given 40 years of service to Broward College. He started as an adjunct professor of art and later transitioned to information technology. Langbart joined the College full-time in 1993 as a

computing coordinator and developed the institution's first website. He held various positions with the Information Technology department before being promoted to senior web applications analyst.



Sharon Rifkin started her employment with Broward College in 1978 as an adjunct professor on South Campus. She has worked in a variety of roles during her tenure; her most recent position was district director of

eLearning Programs and Services. Rifkin is credited with developing the College's first online program and has won two national awards for the quality of her online courses.

Policy Changes

At the October 24, 2017 Board of Trustees meeting, the Board approved revisions to six College Policies. Click the links below to review a redline of the approved revisions to the policy.

- [Standard of Ethics and Professionalism for Public Officers and Employees of Agencies](#)
- [Student Code of Conduct](#)
- [Student Media](#)
- [Intercollegiate Athletics](#)
- [Student Life](#)
- [HIV / AIDS](#)