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CCM EVENTS

- Dr. Martin Luther King Day**
January 16
College Closed
- Talk Radio Auditions**
January 18 and 23, 6:30 p.m.
Dragonetti
- The Scarlet Pimpernel Auditions**
January 19 and 24, 6:30 p.m.
Dragonetti
Call Backs January 26



[Public Safety Visitor's Registration Link](#)

COVID-19 Protocol Update

There is currently no public health emergency associated with COVID-19 in New Jersey. As such, there is no longer a requirement for Human Resources or the Office of the Dean of Students to collect vaccination records, require weekly testing, perform contact tracing, report exposures or notify coworkers or the college community when an employee or student tests positive for COVID-19. Effective immediately:

EMPLOYEES

- If you are sick, you should not come to campus. Contact your supervisor to report your illness.
- Requests to work from home must be approved by your Vice President.
- A doctor's note may be required. Please review your union contract or contact Human Resources for more information.

STUDENTS

- Students should review the absence reporting policy in their syllabus for each class.
- Student absences do not need to be reported to the Office of the Dean of Students.

At the last Pandemic Response and Support Team meeting, there was consensus that the college return to pre-pandemic methods for reporting illnesses. As a result, the above changes have been made.

Contact Vivyen Ray at vray@ccm.edu (ext. 5039) or Karyn Norberg at knorberg@ccm.edu (ext. 5035) if you have questions.



Tom Schnipp, Project Manager Instructor for the Center for Workforce Development, recently was notified that he will be receiving an Honorable Mention for the Project Manager of the Year Award from the New Jersey Chapter of the Project Management Institute (PMI). The award recognizes individuals whose work has significantly advanced the concepts and practices of project management. Schnipp has more than 20 years of experience managing IT, finance and business projects in the nonprofit, telecommunications, governmental and financial services sectors for mid-size and Fortune 500 companies. At CCM, he developed a Project Management curriculum to advance students' knowledge in the field and enhance their career pathways.

CCM in the News

[New NSF Funding To Bolster Community College, HBCU Capacity For The Innovation Economy](#), Forbes, scroll down to the table listing K-12 programs

**Meet the Drones on Saturday
CCM Offers Opportunity to Pursue Drone Pilot Careers**



Come and meet the drones and speak with instructors from CCM's commercial drone pilot program on Saturday, January 14, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the HPE building.

The Center for Workforce Development will offer its next Drone Pilot Certification course January 24 – April 29. The course prepares individuals to take

The CCM Marketing Calendar

If you would like a 2023 CCM Marketing Calendar, please email Kathleen Brunet at kbrunet@ccm.edu. Over the last several years, Marketing & Public Relations has produced a calendar to highlight the accomplishments of faculty, staff and administrators and the college's service to the community.



advantage of in-demand emerging careers as certified commercial drone pilots.

Certified drone pilots Kelvin King, Carlos Velasquez, Andrew Flor and Devon Keena teach the course and instruct students in both the practice and theory of piloting commercial drones.

“Drone pilots are in high demand in industries such as photography, real estate, forestry, logistics and distribution, emergency management, surveillance and agriculture,” says King, who is also an airline pilot. “This course allows CCM students to be among the first in New Jersey to earn drone pilot certification.”

The course is taught in a hybrid mode, combining remote instruction with in-person labs. Classes meet Tuesdays from 6 – 8:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m. – noon. Labs take place on Saturday. The cost is \$3,999, which can be broken down into two payments, and students can register at www.ccm.edu/workforce/drone-pilot/. Internship opportunities also are available for those who complete the course.

Home Basketball Games



Women
1/19/23 vs. Monroe 6 p.m.

Men
1/17/23 vs. Orange 7 p.m.
1/24/23 vs. Prestige Prep 7 p.m.

New Employees and Positions

Congratulations to the following employees whose positions were approved by the Board of Trustees at its December 20 meeting.

Alannah Badini, Instructor, Radiography

Aslihan Cakmak, Dean, School of Business, Mathematics, Engineering and Technologies

Lia Carruthers, Reference Librarian, Learning Resource Center

Tatiana Costa, Instructor, Nursing

Sonia Dahik, PT Custodian I, Custodial Services

Julian Gomez, Executive Director Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and EOF Program

Thomson Ling, Dean, School of Liberal Arts

Merlina Nunez, Learning Support & Opportunity Services Analyst, EOF

Victoria Pignatelli, Department Administrative Assistant, Nursing

Matthew Seals, Security Officer, Public Safety

Yeh-Wen Nancy Yiin, Assistant Professor, Extension One Semester, Engineering Technology/Engineering Science

Enrollment Teams to Offer Extended Office Hours

To better serve students leading up to the start of the Spring Semester, several departments across the campus will be offering extended hours. Bursar, Financial Aid, Counseling, Campus Life, Testing, Accessibility Services, Admissions, TASC, Records & Registration and the Bookstore will be providing extended hours from 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- Tuesday, January 17
- Wednesday, January 18
- Thursday, January 19
- Monday, January 23
- Tuesday, January 24
- Wednesday, January 25
- Thursday, January 26.

Fridays are excluded and those offices will be open during regular business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Starting the week of January 30, those offices will resume regular hours of operation:

- Mondays and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Watch PBS Videos for Free

You can stream PBS videos from the CCM Library: Nova, American Experience, Nature, Great Performances, Ken Burns, Poetry in America and more.

To access:

Go to www.ccm.edu/library

Click on Articles & Databases

Scroll down and click “PBS Video Collection”.

Enter your CCM Username and Password.

Search by keyword or browse through the PBS collection.

Click on the play button.

Questions? Please call the library at ext. 5300.

A Sense of Place Exhibition



Gain a new perspective and appreciation of Northwest New Jersey landscapes at a solo exhibit of artwork by Fine Arts Professor Todd Doney.

The “A Sense of Place” exhibition runs January 20 to March 14. An Artist’s Reception will be held Thursday, February 2, 7 to 9 p.m. The gallery is located in the Morris County Courthouse, 10 Court Street.

STUDENT SERVICES

The Library
[In-Person and Remote Service](#)

Online Tutoring Center
For more information, click [here](#).

HR CORNER

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AIG (formerly VALIC) representative MaryAnn Bradford is available for individual appointments. Select this link to schedule an appointment [Click here to schedule a virtual meeting or phone appointment](#)

Empower (formerly MassMutual/Hartford) representative Kenneth Quarnaccio is available for individual appointments, contact him at 848-248-4313 or by email at kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com.

Empower (formerly Prudential) representative Raymond Allocco is available for individual appointments for the ABP or the DCRP plans, contact him at 973-908-9619 or by email at Raymond.allocco@empower.com.

Equitable representative Marc Sheridan is available for individual appointments, contact him at 908-230-2042 or by email at Marc.Sheridan@equitable.com

MetLife/BrightHouse representative David Sharpe is available for individual appointments, contact him at 973-575-3254 or by email at dsharpe@financialguide.com.

TIAA representative Christian Hawkinson is available for virtual appointments: Click here to login and schedule a meeting with me or in-person appointments: www.tiaa.org/schedulenow.

Voya representative John Murray is available for individual appointments, contact him at 609-234-3369 or by email johnhmurray@voyafa.com.

NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to Kathleen Brunet at kbrunet@ccm.edu.

Submissions must be received by 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Looking for past issues of the CCMemo? [Find them here.](#)

2023 Mileage Rate

Beginning on January 1, the standard mileage rate for business use of a car is 65.5 cents per mile.

Nurse Pinning Ceremony



Celebrate the college's latest nursing graduates and watch the January 11 Pinning Ceremony at <https://youtu.be/-ppF2fLdj7s>.

The pinning ceremony is a special graduation ceremony for the nursing community. It recognizes the nursing students' hard work and dedication to their coursework and clinical training.

Resources to Grow in the New Year

Are you looking to grow personally and professionally? Your Employee Assistance Program (EAP), New Directions, offers quick, cost-free webinars designed to help you become your best self at work and home.

Webinars are available on eap.ndbh.com. Use company code **ccm** and start growing today.

For a full list of prerecorded videos, click [here](#). For a list of free live webinars, click [here](#).



Free Exercise Classes

Free Faculty and Staff Fusion Exercise Class of Yoga/Light Cardio/Strengthen and Stretch with professor Trayer Run-Kowzun

Where: CCM HPE 120

When: Monday, 5-6 p.m. from January 23 to May 8

Where: Remote Webex (CCM email needed to join the class)

When: Friday, 4:30-5:30 p.m. from January 20 to May 26

An Alternative to So Many Passwords



Do you hate passwords? Are you tired of constantly logging into new websites or can't remember all your passwords? Frustrated

by having to generate new passwords for new accounts or having to change passwords for existing accounts? This month's issue of OUCH! shares that there is a solution called biometrics that helps make cybersecurity easier for you. Read [here](#) about what biometrics are, how they can make your life simpler and why you will start seeing more of them.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Help us communicate all of the good things happening at CCM by liking, sharing or commenting on the college's social media posts and pages.

