



CCM is #1 in the State for Best Associate Degrees Ranked #19 on Top 50 Best Colleges in New Jersey

CCM faculty and staff have many good reasons to take pride in all the work they do to ensure the success of our students and graduates. That work has been gaining significant recognition in recent years and continues to grow. Adding to its growing list of distinctions, CCM now is named #1 for “Best for Associate Degrees” in the 2021 [“The Best Colleges in New Jersey”](#) ranking conducted by Intelligent.

CCM also earned the #19 position on the list of Top 50 Best Colleges in New Jersey that includes such prestigious institutions as New Jersey Institute of Technology, Princeton, Rutgers and Stevens Institute. CCM is one of only two community colleges listed in the top 20 in that ranking. The rankings are based on data that looked at curriculum quality, graduation rates, post-graduate employment and potential return on investment. Intelligent provides research and information to help students make informed decisions about higher education and to transition from college to the workforce.

Earlier this year, the college was ranked #44 out of over 1,100 community colleges in the U.S. for [“Community Colleges Whose Graduates Earn the Most Money,”](#) as reported in Newsweek. The college also continues to maintain its #1 position in the state in PayScale’s [“Best Community Colleges in New Jersey by Salary Potential,”](#) a distinction it has held for four years in a row.

As these rankings all show, CCM students receive a high-quality education, a great ROI and are well positioned to secure excellent earnings upon graduation. Take some time to reflect today on how your work makes a positive impact on the lives of so many.



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CCM EVENTS

Father of the Bride
Thursday and Friday, March 4 and 5
at 7:30 PM
Dragonetti Auditorium
General Admission \$15
CCM Students and Alumni, Children
under 12 and Seniors 62 and over \$10
Online pre-sales only. More
information [here](#).

**Surviving the Rwanda Genocide
with Eugenie Mukeshimana**
Thursday, March 4, at 12:30 pm via
Zoom. RSVP Legacy@ccm.edu

**Shooting Ghosts: A U.S. Marine, a
Combat Photographer, and Their
Journey Back From War with
Finbarr O'Reilly**
Tuesday, April 6, at 12:30 p.m. via
Zoom. RSVP Legacy@ccm.edu

STUDENT SERVICES

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

[Online Tutoring Center](#)
More information, click [here](#)

NEW EMPLOYEES & POSITIONS

The CCM community congratulates the following employees on their new positions, which were approved by the Board of Trustees at its February 23 meeting.

Eric Byk, Custodian II, Plant & Maintenance
Stephanie Williams, Officer, Public Safety

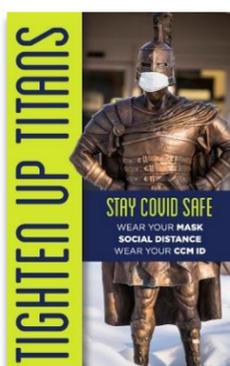


Congratulations to the School of Liberal Arts on its receipt of a \$4,000 grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities to participate in the Democracy Conversation Project, an exploration of democracy and civic engagement. The grant, funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, will allow several CCM faculty members to host panel discussions in late April on the “Value of Democracy” and “Monuments and Memory in America.” The professors who will be hosting the sessions are Dr. Candace Halo, Department of History and Political Science; Professors David Pallant and Robb Lauzon, Department of Communication; Dr. Mark Uffelman, Department of English and Philosophy; Dr. Gianmarco Savio, Department of Sociology, Economics and Anthropology; and Dr. Brian Sahotsky, Department of Art and Design. Looking forward to another informative program from CCM faculty!

Tighten Up Titans and Stay COVID Safe

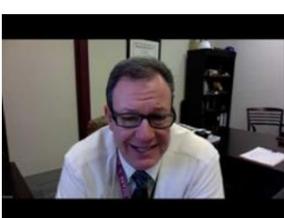
As part of its ongoing initiatives to protect against the spread of COVID-19, CCM has launched a new campaign “Tighten up Titans” to remind everyone about the steps they should be taking:

- Wear your mask
- Social distance
- Wear your CCM ID



Posters will be appearing around campus and notices posted on social media and the CCM website. You can view a video made by Sergeant Charlie Monk on the campaign at

<https://youtu.be/EkdEenVx66Y/>.



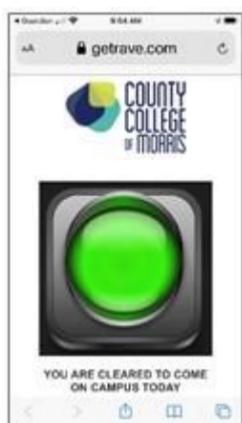
College Council

If you missed this week’s College Council meeting, you can view it [here](#).

Rave Guardian App to be Updated

On Monday, the Rave Guardian app CCM has been using to clear people to enter campus facilities and help protect against the spread of COVID-19 will be updated. The following messaging will now be found on the app.

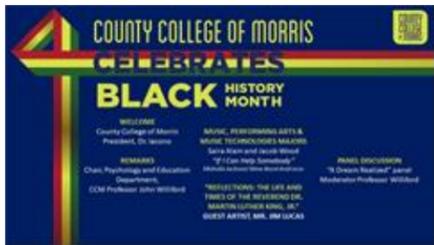
For everyone’s protection, do not enter campus or college-related facilities if you answer yes to any one of the following questions:



- Are you experiencing a fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills, or fatigue today?
- Within the past 14 days, have you been directly exposed to anyone experiencing symptoms or who tested positive for COVID?
- Or are you currently in a 14-day quarantine?

If the answer to any one of the questions is yes, individuals will get the DO NOT COME TO CAMPUS message and will be directed to HR if they are an employee and to the Office of Student Development & Enrollment Management if they are a student.

Reflections on the Life and Times of Dr. Martin Luther King



“Reflections: The Life and Times of the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,” one of CCM’s Black History Month

events, featured a riveting performance by actor James Lucas as he offered a view of the civil rights movement through the eyes of Dr. King. Also included was a question and answer session led by Professor John Williford, chair of the Department of Psychology and Education. If you missed this informative and inspiring event, you can view it <https://youtu.be/MJNCyCVQuLo/>.



Work-Life Harmony and Stress Relief for Caregivers

New Directions, the college’s employee assistance provider (EAP), has numerous resources for CCM employees and their immediate family members to help with life. Each month, New Directions offers both live webinars as well as pre-recorded sessions on various topics that can help you be more productive, satisfied and happy. Check out the offerings for March:

Work-Life Harmony – Live Webinar

Wednesday, March 17, noon – 1 p.m. and 3 – 4 p.m.

Our lives are busy, and different responsibilities can pull us in many directions. In this session, learn how to flow with your responsibilities and find harmony and happiness in your life.

Stress Relief for Caregivers – Pre-recorded Webinar

Taking care of others can take a major toll on your life, your mood, and your mental and physical health. Participants will learn to focus on what they can control in their lives, so they can better manage the strain of heavy responsibilities. This session will provide a series of simple steps to reduce stress and avoid burn-out, including relaxation techniques, healthy sleeping habits, coping skills and building a support system. Participants will also learn about online resources and the importance of avoiding social isolation for mental and physical health.

All webinars are free! To register, go to the New Directions website at <https://eap.ndbh.com> and enter company code **ccm**. Once on the site, scroll down to the bottom of the page to “Check out our webinars...” Or contact our EAP at 800-624-5544.

If you have questions about New Directions, please feel free to reach out to Human Resources.

President Iacono Again Named to Education Power List

For three years running, Dr. Anthony Iacono has been named to the 2021 ROI Influencers Power List for Higher Education. He is only one of three community college leaders to be so honored. Opening the Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Center was one of CCM’s many accomplishments under his leadership in 2020. The \$11 million facility was promoted and celebrated via a virtual opening on December 8, 2020. Industry partners, elected officials and local schools have been touring the facility to highlight the opportunities within its doors. Congratulations Dr. Iacono – we are CCM Proud!

How to Access the Student Issues Notification Tool

If you have not heard already, the link to the Student Issues Notification Tool (SINT) has been relocated to Titans Direct for the use of faculty. Faculty please follow the steps below to submit an alert for students who are in need of support from a member of Counseling and Student Success (CSS) or The Academic Success Center (TASC).

1. Log into Titans Direct (TD) from the college’s main web page using your CCM network credential – www.ccm.edu

Student Email **Titans Direct** Blackboard

2. Once on home page of TD navigate to the Faculty tile.



Faculty

Here you can view your active classes and submit grades and waivers for students.

3. Once inside of the Faculty tile look for the words faculty (underneath the TD logo) and click on the word ‘faculty’ to expose the drop down list. Select SINT

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Daily Work **Faculty** Faculty Overview

Mobile Users: If you are having trouble viewing this site, please

4. In selecting SINT you will be taken to the new CRM-Advise system where you can create and alert. Please view the video for a detailed overview – <https://ccm.techsmithrelay.com/ppVY>
5. Please direct all questions/concerns to Jan Caffie, Dean – Student Development and Enrollment Management at jcaffie@ccm.edu.

Please Do Not Come to Campus if You Have COVID Symptoms



While the CCM community has been doing a good job to keep COVID-19 rates down at the college, employees and students are reminded that they should not come to campus if they are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms. Those symptoms include:

- Cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fever or chills
- Muscle or body aches
- Vomiting or diarrhea
- Loss of taste or smell

Employees who experience any of these symptoms, should notify their supervisor. Currently, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that anyone experiencing COVID-19 symptoms should contact their healthcare provider and remain at home at least 72 hours after they are symptom free without the use of medications. Employees who report to work while ill will be sent home on sick leave.



For Your Viewing Pleasure

The latest episode of CCM All Access features CCM student Patrick O’Neill, an Electronic Music major and avid musician. <https://youtu.be/YujLwIKM-lk>

HR CORNER

RETIREMENT CONSULTATIONS WITH NEW JERSEY STATE APPROVED VENDORS

Save for retirement –

Receive free, no pressure retirement counseling sessions. Make your appointment today. You do not need to be a member to speak with the representatives.

Equitable representative Mark Sheridan is available at all 908-230-2042 or email

Marc.Sheridan@equitable.com

Access Marc’s calendar to schedule an appointment:

<https://app.zynbit.com/zynca/schedule/marc-sheridan>

MassMutual (formerly Hartford) representative Kenneth Quarnaccio is available at 848-248-4313 or email

kquarnaccio@gittermanwealth.com.

MetLife/Brighthouse representative David Sharpe is available at

973-575-3254 or email

dsharpe@financialguide.com.

Prudential

Call 732-428-2314 or email

alicia.smith@prudential.com to make an individual appointment to discuss ABP or DCRP investments.

TIAA representative Tatiana

Novozhilova is available at 800-732-8353 or visit

www.TIAA.org/schedulenow to make an appointment.

VALIC representative MaryAnn

Bradford is available for individual appointments.

Call 908-470-4114 or email

Maryann.bradford@valic.com

Schedule a virtual meeting or phone call:

<https://my.valic.com/seminarregistration/availableseminars.aspx?regcode=5296NEW11AA>

VOYA representative John Murray is

available for individual appointments.

To make an appointment email

johnmurray@voyafa.com or call

609-234-3369.



See if You Can Get a Better Price on Insurance

Saving money is always a good thing. See if you might be able to save on insurance. NJM Insurance is offering quotes for auto, homeowners, renters, condo and umbrella insurance. To find out if you might be able to obtain insurance at a lower cost, schedule an appointment with NJM representative Judy Thomson by clicking here.



While Morris County is generally considered a wealthy community, food insecurity touches the lives of many in the area. When COVID-19 arrived, getting food on the table became a struggle for even larger numbers of people. Responding to that need, Table of Hope partnered with CCM to host several food distribution events on campus. To date, how many Table of Hope events have been held on campus?

Email aognibene@ccm.edu with your answer. First three correct submissions will receive a CCM canvas bag. Please include your room number with your answer.

NOTICES FOR CCMEMO

Email material to both Kathleen Brunet at kbrunet@ccm.edu and Theresa Gehring at tgehring@ccm.edu.

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

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

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.

