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Students Provided Direct Transfer to RU's Bloustein School



County College of Morris (CCM) and Rutgers University signed a formal agreement on March 31 launching the Bloustein Direct Admit Program. This program will enable CCM students majoring in health administration, public health, public policy, and urban planning and design to directly transfer with full credit to their third year at the Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy.

The articulation agreement, signed by CCM President Edward J. Yaw and Dean James Hughes of Bloustein, allows students who graduate with an associate degree from CCM to have all their credits, up to a maximum of 60, considered for transfer to a bachelor's degree program at Bloustein located on Rutgers' New Brunswick campus. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/jr4jhta>.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Where applicable, click event title for more information

Space Extreme

April 8, 7 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

Shapes in the Sky

April 9, 3 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

Tour of the Planets

April 9, 5 p.m.

Longo Planetarium

Pajama Game

April 13-16, 7:30 p.m.; April 16, 2 p.m. matinée

Dragonetti Auditorium, Student Community Center

Spring Music Concert

April 21, 7:30 p.m.

Dragonetti Auditorium, Student Community Center

Spring Open House

April 23, 10 and 11:30 a.m.

Student Community Center

Frankenstein

May 5-7, 7:30 p.m.

Dragonetti Auditorium, Student Community Center

Professional Days

May 18-19, 2016

IN MEMORIAM

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Charles Butcher, an employee in Plant and Maintenance. Charles, a valued member of CCM and most recently a night custodian, passed away last week and will be missed.

KUDOS

Governor's Reception Showcases Professor's Painting

Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf and First Lady Frances Wolf are hosting a private reception showcasing the latest exhibition of art at the governor's mansion on Wednesday, April 13. The reception, "Threads: From Traditional to Today," will feature an oil

Science Program Deemed a Model for Industry Partnerships

Over the last several years, CCM has developed links with several major chemical and pharmaceutical companies to ensure its biotechnology and chemical technology programs remain relevant and to provide students with internships and possible employment.

The college's success in that area has drawn the attention of the American Chemical Society (ACS) which has listed CCM as a model for developing industry partnerships. It also has appointed Anthony Di Stasio, assistant professor of chemistry, to a national task force charged with addressing workforce needs through two-year college partnerships. Chairing that task force is Mary Engelman of Eastman Chemical Company.

At CCM, Di Stasio has led the charge to develop effective partnerships by overseeing and chairing an Industrial Advisory Committee of business representatives and developing internship opportunities for students. The committee assists the college with incorporating applicable laboratory, technical and soft skills, and hands-on course work into the biotechnology and chemical technology programs so students are well prepared to enter the workforce or transfer to earn a bachelor's degree. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/z4yfhv7>.

Goodwill Trip Teaches Students to Be Citizens of the World



This past March, William Solomons, assistant professor and assistant chair of criminal justice at CCM, traveled with three students to Peru on a goodwill tour that changed lives both for the travelers and those they visited. Accompanying him were students Julia Sloan, Julia Craig and Alex Gasiewski.

The group started off in Lima, the capitol of Peru, which overlooks the Pacific Ocean; then journeyed to Machu Picchu, a deserted Incan citadel set high in the Andes Mountains; and finally visited Cusco, another city in the Peruvian Andes, which was once capital of the Incan empire.

painting by Dr. James Gwynne, professor of visual arts at CCM. For more on how the painting, *Sunset with Telephone Pole*, was selected, read <http://tinyurl.com/jofcyug>.



FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Foundation Gala Special Pricing

This year's CCM Foundation Scholarship Gala will be held at the Sheraton Parsippany Hotel on Friday, May 6. It begins with cocktails at 6 p.m., followed by dinner and the awards program at 7:30.

This year's event will have special meaning, as it honors Dr. Edward J. Yaw with the 2016 Foundation Leadership Award. Yaw will be retiring this August after 30 years as president.

In addition to honoring Yaw, four alumni will be receiving awards: Michael D. Klinger '03 (Alumnus of the Year), Holly M. Lusardi '07 (Alumni Achievement), Maria N. DeAngelis '09 (Alumni Service), and Matthew W. Roché '03 (Alumni Humanitarian).

Faculty and staff tickets are \$195 per ticket, \$180 off the external price of \$375 per ticket.

The invitation that contains the internal price can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/zd4d818>.

Join the foundation as it raises funds for CCM's General Scholarship program.

Entering to Win a GoPro Helps Raise Scholarship Funds

Even if you are unable to attend the CCM Foundation Scholarship Gala on Friday, May

Along the way, the tourists performed volunteer work to help underprivileged teenagers, children suffering from serious illnesses and students at a rural grade school. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/zokfzcz>.

New Jersey Poets Prize Winner to be Honored on Campus

On Wednesday, April 13, CCM will host a reception to celebrate the publication of the 2016 issue of the "Journal of New Jersey Poets" and honor this year's New Jersey Poets Prize recipient, Timothy Walsh.



The event, featuring a reading, book signing and reception, is free and open to the public. It begins at 7 p.m. in the Davidson Rooms of the Student Community Center on the college's Randolph campus, 214 Center Grove Road.

The "Journal of New Jersey Poets," the only annual compendium of poetry by authors who were born, raised or have an association with the state, began at Fairleigh Dickinson University, which published the first

issue in 1975. CCM has been home to the journal since 1990, and 2016 will mark the seventh year of the New Jersey Poets Prize.

This year's issue is dedicated to Dr. Edward J. Yaw, who retires at the end of August after more than 30 years as CCM's president. Yaw's presidency has been marked by its support of the arts.

Walsh will read his winning poem, "My Father's Royal Standard." His most recent poetry collections are "When the World Was Rear-Wheel Drive: New Jersey Poems" and "The Book of Arabella." Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/j8h9oyf>.

CCM Students Showcase Artwork at Morris Museum

For the fourth year in a row, the Morris Museum will be hosting the CCM Portfolio Class Exhibitions, providing students enrolled in the Department of Art and Design portfolio courses with the opportunity to showcase their work. Work by Visual Arts, Design and Photography students will be exhibited during various days this month. Read more at <http://tinyurl.com/jatpu2a>.

Purchasing Deadlines for Fiscal Year 2015-16

Please note the purchase requisition deadlines for 2015-16 as the fiscal year comes to an end. The deadlines help ensure Purchasing has adequate lead time to procure all goods and services.

If you are planning to purchase any capital equipment or audio-visual equipment, please email Purchasing immediately. CCM is currently in a bid situation for audio-visual equipment and specialized capital

6, at the Sheraton Parsippany Hotel, you can still help raise funds for scholarships. For \$25 you can enter for a chance at winning a GoProHero4. Only 100 chances will be sold. Contact Colleen McArdle at cmcardle@ccm.edu to purchase yours.

De-Stress Workshop Sponsored by EOF

The CCM Educational Opportunity Fund is sponsoring "De-Stress with Expressive Art" on Thursday, May 5, from 11 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. in DeMare Hall, Room 216. The workshop is designed to help attendees relax and let out anxiety and negative emotions while having fun creating their own art. All talent levels are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Spring Student Workshops

The CCM Office of Counseling and Student Success is hosting multiple upcoming workshops that are designed to help students in a number of important areas. A full schedule of Spring Semester workshops can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/oncs8b2>. The following is a description of this spring's final workshop.

Stress and Anxiety Management Tuesday, April 12, 11 a.m. in Cohen Hall, Room 153.

Sometimes it is difficult to know what to do when feeling overwhelmed, stressed or frustrated. These feelings can turn in to stress and/or anxiety. This workshop will assist students in learning a variety of techniques to help reduce stress, anxiety and the symptoms associated with them.

Job Fair Comes to CCM on April 13

The Spring Job Fair, hosted by CCM Career Services, will be held on Wednesday, April 13, from 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Student Community, Davidson Rooms. More information can be found at the events webpage at <http://tinyurl.com/n6vwj2b>. A list of attending employers, updated on an ongoing basis, can be found directly at <http://tinyurl.com/og5bdyz>.

HR CORNER

Special Pricing for CCM Employees

CCM employees are able to purchase discounted tickets for the upcoming **Monster Jam** and **Monster Energy Supercross** events coming to MetLife Stadium in East

equipment. Therefore, Purchasing cannot guarantee a June 30 delivery date unless the item(s) are available under a state or consortium contract.

Deadline dates are:

- **Miscellaneous (excludes repair and maintenance):** May 13
- **Blanket Order Change Request:** June 3
- **WB Mason Office Supplies:** June 3
- **Blanket Order Releases:** June 13
- **Check Enclosed Orders:** June 13
- **Chartwells (Food Service):** June 13

Purchasing asks that you make sure there are sufficient funds to support your blanket order increases. Blanket Order Change Requests with insufficient funds will be returned. When processing Blanket Order Releases, please monitor your remaining balance to ensure that your release is not flagged as an Unauthorized Purchase. All releases must be processed no later than June 13.

Book Discussion Group

The CCM employee book discussion group will be discussing the plays of Tennessee Williams on Tuesday, May 24, at 12:30 p.m. in the library. All employees are welcome. Those with questions should call Lynee Richel at ext. 5278.

Head to the LRC for National Library Week

Next week is National Library Week. Why not celebrate it by taking a visit to the CCM Library? The new book display currently includes books about photography, foreign interests, gardening and landscaping, and computer software and programming. You can also browse its collection of eBooks at <http://www.ccm.edu/library>. More on National Library Week can be found at <http://tinyurl.com/85yky7z>.

Rutherford. Monster Jam takes place on Saturday, April 23, and Monster Energy Supercross takes place on Saturday, April 30. Deadlines for ordering are coming up. More details on the events can be found in the flyers at <http://tinyurl.com/hwov7q4> and <http://tinyurl.com/hzeg3xv>.

Retirement Consultations

One-on-one counseling sessions are available as follows with state-approved representatives:

TIAA-CREF representative Zhee Sarabia will be on campus Wednesday, April 13, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 800-732-8353 to make an appointment. She will also be on campus May 11 and June 9.

Prudential representative Lily Lau will be on campus on Thursday, April 28, from 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 732-236-6782 to make an appointment. She will also be on campus May 18, June 6 and July 7.

Voya (formerly ING) representative Brandon Zisa will be on campus on Thursday, April 14, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in Henderson Hall, Room 107. Call 732-326-5625 or email brandon.zisa@voyafa.com to make an appointment. He will also be on campus on May 10 and June 14.