

Board Briefing Summary

Student Recruitment and Enrollments / Student Activities and Services

Dean of Students

We will soon host our annual campus celebration honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through a weeklong series of events. For more information, please refer to the details below or visit [MLK Celebration](#). This year's program offers a meaningful opportunity to engage our community in Dr. King's vision, as he spoke of the "audacity to believe that peoples everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality, and freedom for their spirits." Sixty years later, we reflect on how close (or not) we are to realizing his dream. What do we as individuals and a collective in 2025 have the audacity to believe? Reverend Dr. Darin Mercy, who has been a valued participant in our program in past years, will join us again for a performance of Dr. King's "I Have a Dream" speech, which will conclude the Community Peace Walk on Thursday, January 23rd at 2:30pm.

We look forward to participation of our campus and local community in this important conversation. Please mark your calendars! Unfortunately, at the time of this summary, we are uncertain if Reverend Dr. Darin Mercy, who has been a valued participant in our program in past years, will be joining us this year.

Admissions

Admissions recently conducted FAFSA Nights at Clear Spring and Tech High along with HCC's Student Financial Aid Office. Broadfording Christian Academy visited for a campus tour.

Justin Burnett continues to work with the Cash N Dreams Program which is run by the Chamber of Commerce and Bester Community of Hope "to support teens from South End neighborhoods identify and support key investments towards their future and learn some key financial lessons to assist in their journey." <https://besterhope.org/shhs-students-move-dreams-into-action/>

Registrar

Fall 2024 Graduation Numbers are as follows:

- 151 credentials awarded to 150 students.
- 122 associate degrees awarded (67 students indicated plans to participate in the May 17th ceremony)
- 29 short-term credentials awarded, including 23 CVT/Truck Driving students.



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- MLK

HCC Graphic Design Student selected for this year's poster: Robert Alongi

Saturday, January 18

- **MLK Day of Learning Event** - 10am-2pm. Franklin County, PA – Chambersburg. Free and open to the public. This event is coordinated by Racial Reconciliation Franklin County, a nonprofit organization that nurtures, equips and mobilizes people to work for racial justice in Franklin County, PA and beyond.

Monday, January 20

HCC Closed in Observation of the Federal Holiday Marking Dr. King's Birthday

- **MLK Jr. Beloved Community Commemorative Service** - 10am – Ebenezer Baptist Church (Atlanta, GA), sponsored by www.thekingcenter.org. Established in 1968 by Coretta Scott King, the MLK, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change ("The King Center") empowers people to create a just, humane, equitable, and peaceful world. Participate in the annual service honoring Dr. King's birthday.
- **1964 Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Speech** (12 minutes)
- **Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have A Dream" Speech | History** (5 minutes)
- **The March On Washington: The Spirit Of The Day | MLK | TIME** (6 minutes)

Tuesday, January 21

- **National Day of Racial Healing** - Reflections throughout the day in the Student Center.
- **MLK Week Posters** - 1:00pm, Lunch & Learn: HCC Graphic Design 146 Class Poster Presentations. Hear from our digital student artists who created this year's MLK Week Posters and learn what inspired their designs. Posters will be on display throughout the week. Location: Student Center Main Dining & 182

Wednesday, January 22

- **Reflections on Dr. King's 1964 Nobel Peace Prize Speech** - 11:30am, Lunch & Learn - Join others in viewing Dr. King's 12-minute speech and participating in a guided discussion. Location: Student Center Upper Dining Room.

Thursday, January 23

- **Second Annual Community Peace Walk** - 2:30pm – 4:00pm, Take an active role in keeping Dr. King's message alive by participating in a short ceremony followed by a walk through campus. Beginning in the Student Center, participants will embark on a reflective journey around campus with brief stops to dive deeper into Dr. King's vision while taking a break from the winter chill.

Friday, January 24

Day of Service

- **Children In Need Day of Service** - Two shifts: 9:30am - noon and 12:30pm - 3pm – Faculty, staff and students are invited to participate in a day of service at this downtown non-profit providing essential clothing items and educational supplies to children living at or below the federally recognized poverty level. CIN operates out of what was originally called North Street School (now the Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center), built in 1947, to provide the first secondary education of African-Americans in Washington County. Transportation from campus provided. Employees may use two hours of their standard work day to participate (with supervisor permission). Space is limited, so [sign up today](#) to get more information and reserve your spot.

Credit Curriculum Development and Teaching and Learning Matters

Academic Divisions

BTC

Two companies, SGI and Danfoss Refrigeration have partnered with BTC and providing reimbursement to and sending employees here to take the MIT program. BTC is working to create more partnership with additional companies in the area.

DV

The Learning Support Center's Online Writing Center is growing in popularity with students because they can submit drafts of papers online and receive feedback from the

writing professionals. This is a great option for online students who might not be able to come to campus to work with tutors. There were over 100 submissions this past fall, and one student said "This was super helpful and pointed out things I had not thought of. I really appreciate it!"

HU

Here are the dates for HU events this spring semester:

Graphic Design, Interactive Design and Game Development, and Web Site Development Concentrations host their Portfolio Review: Thursday, April 17, 5-7pm
ATC 132

Art Showcase: Thursday, April 24, 4:30-7:30pm (Kepler Lobby and Black Box)

- This will include work created in our studio arts classes, performances from our music ensembles, as well as work created in courses across the English and Humanities division.
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Spring Musical (Anything Goes): Friday-Saturday, April 25-26, 7-9pm and Sunday, April 27, 2-4pm. (Kepler Theater)

Dance Recital: May 2, 7-9pm (Kepler Theater)

The **Kepler Theater Building** is filled with activity! Here are some highlights from the fall that show building usage:

- There were at least 25 students that used the music practice rooms regularly throughout the semester. All 5 practice rooms were used for a majority of each day Monday – Thursday.
- The Kepler Theater building hosted 38 Events in the fall including, rentals, concerts, dance programs, theatrical productions, meetings and special events. The Attendance – 5,300

NUR

The graduation/pinning ceremony was held on Tuesday, January 7 at 7pm in the Kepler. We had 19 graduates. Out of the 19---14 have already taken and passed the NCLEX exam and are RNs. Dr. Klauber presented them with their diplomas and Director Karen Hammond pinned each of them. This was an academically exceptional class. A quote from Director Hammond, "It was a joy to watch them as they were able to graduate on Tuesday evening."

Academic Affairs Office

Articulation Agreements

Frostburg University: A.S. Biology Option to B.S. Biology

Frostburg University: A.S. Computer Science to B.S. Computer Science

New Student Orientation

There were about 400 students and guests that joined us on January 10, Friday to prepare for the SP25 semester! Guest speakers, break-out sessions to review specific programs, and lunch was provided.

PTK: All-USA Academic Team Nominees

Contact Advisor: Alicia Drumgoole; Co-Advisors: Dr. Stacy Reikowsky and Jessica Baker

Career Students

Rebecca B Vandiver
Rebekah Sanders

Transfer Students

Richard S Petty
Thomas B Weidmyer

QM Certification Update

- HCC is now ranked #1 across community colleges and #2 across all institutions of higher learning in Maryland for the number of certified QM courses

Workshop Week

Due to the late start for the SP25 semester, workshop week was slightly modified, but we still offered the following workshops: Using TEAMS, Navigating Grants, College Advancement 101, Faculty Wellness: Yoga, Title III Progress Report, Promotion/Tenure Workshop, Using AI to Create Course Resources, Faculty Wellness: Mindfulness, and Faculty Wellness: Winter Fitness and Nutrition

Faculty Assembly

Suzannah Moran, Professor of Geography recently had her World Regional Geography, GEO 105, course QM certified.

Tom Crawford, Professor of Mathematics attended The American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (AMMATYC) annual conference in Atlanta, GA from Nov 13 – 16, 2024.

His Statistical Reasoning, MAT 116, was received QM certification. Lastly, his Quantitative Reasoning, MAT 115, just went to external QM review for certification.

Stacey McGee, Associate Professor of Business and Accounting attended a webinar ‘*Balancing Bots and Balance Sheets: Infusing AI with Humanity in Accounting Education*’. Instead of viewing AI as a threat, the webinar looked at ways to utilize AI as a tool to augment human skills and values. Information that can be used in future teaching.

Ed Sigler, Associate Professor of Engineering, worked with JLG and they are donating in January \$6000 towards the purchase of 15 Lego Robot kits for the HCC Engineering program.

Gina Yurek, Assistant Professor of Nursing, and the nursing faculty are very proud of our HCC nursing students. The current graduating class has a 100% pass rate on the Comprehensive Predictor for ATI. This exam tells faculty how likely our graduates are to pass their licensing exam, NCLEX. This is the first graduating class that has done this.

Megan Dayhoff, Associate Professor of Medical Imaging Programs,

- She attended the annual Excellence in Education Conference, sponsored by our program's accrediting agency the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (JRCERT) in Chicago from Nov 11-13, 2024. The conference took a deep dive into accreditation standards and had presentations from the CEO of the American Society of Radiologic Technologists and the CEO of the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists (our profession's national credentialing body). The conference was awesome!
- In the past year, the Medical Imaging program has added 4 new clinical affiliates:
 - Jefferson Medical Center,
 - WellSpan Chambersburg Urgent Care,
 - WellSpan Chambersburg Orthopedic Group
 - Himelfarb Surgical Center
- The Rad programs is also in process with our accrediting agency reviewing documents to approve Fulton County Medical Center as an affiliate as well. A decision is anticipated for this month.
- The Rad program is increasing the cohort size to 32 students accepted annually (this is a two-student increase over cohort sizes of the last 5 years). The next cohort of students (class of 2027) will be 32 students.
- Megan is working on developing curriculum relating to the use of medical imaging in the operating room environment.
 - The Rad program may receive some grant funds for the purchase of some new equipment to enhance this curriculum.
 - The hope is to have curriculum developed and implementation by FA25.

Jane Choi-Doan, Associate Professor of Environmental Studies/Life Sciences, took the Environmental students on a visit to the Conococheague Wastewater Treatment Plant a few weeks ago. Students fully experienced the rapid biological processes needed to clean the water to re-enter the watershed. Pictures of the field trip are provided below and on Facebook.





Margaret Yaukey, Assistant Professor of Art, would like to highlight:

- HCC student Art Showcase included performance by both the contemporary and choral ensembles. The Alumni Board purchased 5 works to be framed and hung in STC 182.
- Studio enrollment has increased in the last two semesters. Now offering the following classes every semester
 - Two-Dimensional Design
 - Drawing and Painting classes
 - Digital Painting
 - Drawing I and II
- New club: ArTech Studio
 - joins together visual art, graphic design and game/web design clubs.
 - Students are collaborating to create a game to be unveiled at the Student Arts Showcase in the spring.
 - The club students also curated the Fall Student Arts Showcase.

Melinda May, Professor of English and Humanities, has attended webinars sponsored by MCCEAG

- “How Teachers and Technology see Students of Color” by Kofi Adisa
- “Using Generative AI in the English Classroom” by Anna Jones
- “Dual Enrollment: WTF (Wins, Transformations, and Frustrations)” by Lisa Tittle

Doug Leisher, Assistant Professor of Information Systems Technology, was invited by the local IT company, Tech Team Solutions, to their luncheon. The founding members of this company and several of their employees are HCC graduates from our Network Administration and Cyber Security programs. This company is very receptive in having HCC interns work for them and have hired some of these interns.

Workforce Solutions and Continuing Education

- WSCE continues to award scholarships to workforce development students via several different grants including:
 - MHEC’s Workforce Development Sequence Scholarship funded 43 students for a total of \$21,464
 - Rural Maryland Grant funded 80 students for a total of \$72,780
 - The Radcliffe Foundation Grant funded 8 students including 7 HCC incubator clients for an Entrepreneurship program for a total of \$8903
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- ***WSCE Allied Health***
 - Winter CNA/GNA is waitlisting (30 applications) – Working with Asian American Center of Frederick (AACF) to sponsor a second cohort beginning in March to sponsor waitlisted students.
 - New Dental Hygiene Prescription writing course will begin in February – the class is currently full with 30/30 students registered. Additional offerings have been added for Spring 2025
 - Massage Therapy curriculum developer is currently working on course descriptions and textbook selections. Anticipated start date is January 2026
 - Washington County DES Paramedic program agreement is being updated to meet the requirements for accreditation.
 - CNA/GNA at High schools begin clinical rotations January 13th
 - Asian American Center of Frederick to create a hybrid Medical Assisting contract training set to begin in March.
- ***Summer Youth Programs Formally College for Kids***
 - The Summer Program VIP kickoff event is scheduled for February 1, 2025, with an inclement weather date the following Saturday. A few summer teachers will be onsite to provide a glimpse of class offerings this summer. This event allows students and parents to register before the general registration opens.
 - Our Summer Youth Program registration will open on February 12, 2025, with 80 camps for students in grades 1st-12th grade.

- Payment plans will be offered again this year for parents to assist in offsetting upfront costs and provide more opportunities for various financial demographic families to participate.
- ***Personal Enrichment***
 - Students from Personal Enrichment are taking advantage of partnership classes with CCBC and cross-listings with credit classes.
 - Our homesteading classes will expand with Chicken-ology. The instructor with 20-plus years' experience and professional inspector training will be on campus to assist students in effectively starting their flock.
 - This winter offers a new opportunity for Personal Enrichment students to learn current podcast communication trends. This is a resource they can build a hobby from or add to their business marketing portfolio.
- ***Business, Certification and Licensure:***
 - Partnering with the Professional Childcare Association of Washington County to offer space for their monthly training.
 - Started the process of developing a Pet Grooming for Pet Owners series as well as a Pet CPR course.
 - Partnering with Baltimore City Parks and Recreation to offer a Management Bootcamp series on campus for their new supervisors.
 - On January 31 we will be offering a student leadership training day for HCC students involved in campus clubs. This has been initiated by the Student Activities department and Heather Barnhart.
 - HCC received a grant offer A Nonprofit Symposium. This event, in partnership with the United Way, is being planned for May 2.
- ***Transportation/Trades/Tech***
 - Attended the annual Gatekeepers returning citizens ceremony on December 7 where Dr. Klauber was given an award for prison education efforts.
 - Washington County Emergency Services has scheduled their first firefighter for CDL training; additional CDL started for other Washington County agencies.
 - Began work with the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association to develop a 2025 spring schedule for training employees across that state on heavy equipment operation safety.
 - Hired a new construction trades instructor to begin offering pre-apprenticeship classes at the Bowman Family Workforce Training Center in April; students would then feed into Registered Apprenticeship in the Barr Construction Institute.
 - Winter welding classes are full and a renovation project is creating more efficient access to class materials and more storage for equipment.

- Working with Jamie Cannon on a zoning issue for one of the tenants
- Learning Technology is looking into podcasting equipment
- Preparing a list to take to CHIEF for CPG
- Working on a grant with Becky McDermott