

# Gettysburg Campus Update

## Message from the Campus Vice President

Happy New Year!

I hope that each of you had a wonderful break and enjoyed special time with friends and family. Time away from our everyday tasks can be remarkably restorative. The **New Year always brings a myriad of emotions - excitement, thankfulness, gratitude, a bit of introspection and hopefully a renewed focus on creating positive educational experiences**, that, as Dr. Ski said in his Welcome to 54 Message will “contribute not only to the success of our students but to the enduring success of our institution.”

This semester, as a Campus, each of us will have **an opportunity to impact the success of our students and the enduring success of our campus** as we work TOGETHER to develop the 2018—2021 Gettysburg Campus Master Plan.

I hope you will join me on **Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup> Noon to 1:00 p.m.** to participate in the Kick-Off of our Campus master planning process. Our agenda for this kickoff event will be as follows:

- 12:00 Light Lunch (sandwiches, chips, drinks provided)
- 12:15 Highlights from 2014—2017 Campus Master Plan  
Overview of 2018—2021 Campus Master Plan timeline
- 12:30 Economic Profile of Adams County
- 12:50 Q & A

Your awareness, engagement and input to our **2018 – 2021 Campus Master Plan** will allow us to better drive decisions about campus operations and the most effective and efficient use of College resources. If you have not already done so, please **RSVP your attendance to Judy Alder ([jaalder@hacc.edu](mailto:jaalder@hacc.edu))**.

Thank you for all you do each and every day to make the Gettysburg Campus a thriving, student centered community! Have a great semester!

~ Shannon



Welcome,  
new faculty

### NEW SPRING SEMESTER FACULTY

- Derek Gingerich (CHS Math)
- Lewis Jones (Anthropology)
- Mark Leib (Nursing)
- Marie Rierdon (Nursing)
- Benjamin Roberts (Theater)
- Mary Swartz-Viersma (Nursing)

## Welcome New Staff



**Alexandra Barbush, Public Services Library Specialist.** Alexandra comes to us with a varied background, having worked in a public library, historical archives, and as a technical writer. She earned Honors degrees in English and Spanish from Millersville University, and taught bilingual classes for K-5<sup>th</sup> grade students in Madrid, Spain. Alex is currently pursuing her Masters degree in Library Science through Clarion University with plans to graduate in August of 2018. In her free time she enjoys yoga, hiking and of course reading!

## Successful Student Book Drive

**Wendy Brubaker, advisor and English faculty member,** observed that many of her students struggle with academic and leisure reading simply because reading is not often a regular part of their daily lives and thus poses an issue when it comes time to require this skill for their academic success. To encourage reading over the winter break, Wendy and **Tracy Anne Travis, professional tutor and interim academic coach,** initiated a project to collect and distribute novels for Gettysburg Campus students to take and keep over the winter break to read. **Over 80 books were donated and distributed to students.** Given the success of this project, the Student Success Committee agreed to work with Wendy to continue this activity every semester. Please **consider saving your novels from any genre and level** (young adult to adult) to donate to the spring book collection that will occur in April/May. We anticipate an even greater interest in the Spring as we encourage students to continue reading over the summer. **Thank you Wendy and Tracy Anne for leading this initiative!**



## HACC FOUNDATIONS SEEKS BOARD MEMBERS

The HACC Foundation, a nonprofit educational trust established in 1985 to raise private and corporate revenues in support of HACC, is seeking professional, ethical, knowledgeable and hard-working individuals to join its Board of Directors.



The Board raises funds for the College, directs the business and financial affairs and serves as the policy-making body of the HACC Foundation. The Board is comprised of corporate and community leaders who are committed to raising funds for and awareness of HACC and its students, programs and facilities.

Qualified individuals are encouraged to apply for membership on the HACC Foundation Board. Applications are accepted any time and should be submitted using an [online application](#).

To see why others enjoy serving on the HACC Foundation Board, please view these [photographs](#).

For more information on the HACC Foundation, visit [www.haccfoundation.org](http://www.haccfoundation.org).

## Mount St. Mary's Interested in Partnership



< Dr. Ski and Shannon Harvey recently met with Barbara Marinak, education division executive director and Mount St. Mary's president Tim Trainor. The Mount is interested in the following partnerships with HACC:

- Education articulation agreement
- Cyber Security/Computer Information Security articulation agreement
- Possible dual admission agreement

Associate provost Kathy Doherty will be working with faculty from HACC and Mount St. Mary's to pursue these new opportunities. Stay tuned!



## ENGL101 - Conference on Consumerism

Using posters, brochures, videos, taste tests, crafts, and interactive activities, **Cristal Renzo's ENGL 101 students shared their research with the Campus on various topics related to Consumerism.** The class theme, "the search for happiness," was studied through various lenses, culminating with its relationship to consumerism and marketing of happiness in America. Topics presented at the interactive sessions held in the HUB the week of December 4 included eco-friendly house design, product branding to children, meditation, organic food, factory farming, micro-loans, recycled art, hoarding, and the study of happiness itself! Students engaged in conversation and demonstration to share what they had learned with those who attended. **Thank you Cristal for creating an assignment that addressed one of our campus lowest CCSSE aspects of student engagement** "worked with other students on projects during class."



The folly of endless consumerism  
sends us on a wild goose-chase  
for happiness through  
materialism.

Bryant H McGill

## THE 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NOREEN NEITZ MEMORIAL RUN AT THE ROCK AND SUFFICIENTLY RADICAL WALK



On Saturday, December 16, **Kathy Brickner, Shannon Harvey**, York Campus director of counseling **Crystal Myers** and former student affairs dean **Scott Simonds**, volunteered to represent HACC, staffing the 5K and 10K water stations, for the Noreen Neitz Memorial Run. **Noreen was a Gettysburg Campus part-time advisor who lost her battle with cancer on July 10, 2013.** During her last months, Noreen spent much of her time writing on her blog titled Sufficiently Radical and continued to stay active by walking wherever she

could within a mile of her house. With Noreen's tenacious spirit in mind, a scholarship fund was developed in her name at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School where Noreen served as the Spiritual Leader for the Youth Group. Noreen's favorite quote was "*You must always remember, you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. I'll always be with you.*" ...Winnie the Pooh



## *2 NEW Collaboration Rooms Added*

**Rooms 139 and 146 have been updated to function as Collaboration Classrooms.** These collaboration rooms now feature the following improved interactivity:

- **Interactive ultra-short-throw projector**, which combines the ability to display content from your PC and document camera with new capabilities such as screen drawing and digital whiteboarding. You'll be able to draw on your screen share (such as annotating documents) and interact with your computer content directly from the board. These rooms also feature enhancements for using multimedia content in class. The **higher resolution and brightness of the projector** allow for improved display of full HD video content.
- **Ceiling-mounted speakers** will ensure that all students can hear the sound regardless of their location in the classroom.
- **Wireless sharing to the projector from any device** will allow students to share work back with the rest of the class. Faculty can ask students to connect to the in-room sharing device from any modern laptop or mobile device, allowing faculty to harness the power of student devices without complicated work-arounds. This also allows faculty to do the same - share your own device to the front screen, and you can work on your displayed content even as you roam around the room working with groups of students.
- **Additional digital whiteboards.** Studies have shown that providing faculty and students with increased "writeable" space in a classroom can have a dramatic impact on student engagement.

These classrooms are designed for teaching methodologies that promote small group work, peer sharing, and social construction of knowledge.

Thank you to the following staff for their efforts to bring these classrooms to fruition:

- **Jason Beaudin**
- **Kegan Brauning**
- **Kevin Cheng**
- **Scott Decker**
- **Doug Docimo**
- **Bob King**
- **Josh McKinsey**
- **Brian Miller**
- **Josh Rumpff,**
- **Nathan Tasker**
- **Dory Uhlman**

This summer the Campus plans to add additional Presentation (Rm.147) and Collaboration (Rm310) rooms.





## Thank you from Dr. Ski

12-7-17

Shannon and campus  
community —  
Thank you for naming  
a tree on your campus  
in my honor. I am deeply  
touched and humbled by  
your profound kindness.  
Ski



^ In recognition and gratitude of Dr. Ski's commitment to students and his regular presence on the Campus, the Gettysburg Campus faculty, staff and students named a Green Vase Zelkova tree, at the main entrance to the HUB, in honor of Dr. Ski. Dr. Ski was presented with the tree plaque during the Campus Holiday luncheon on December 6, 2017.

# Spring Faculty Campus Day Event

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### "A look at the Sociological Changes Coming in Higher Education"

And

### "A Look at Current Campus Demographics"

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

5:00—8:00 p.m.

Thank you to **Sociology instructor PJ Verrecchia** and  
Gettysburg Campus **student affairs dean Tracey Smith**  
for a presentation that was steeped in research and

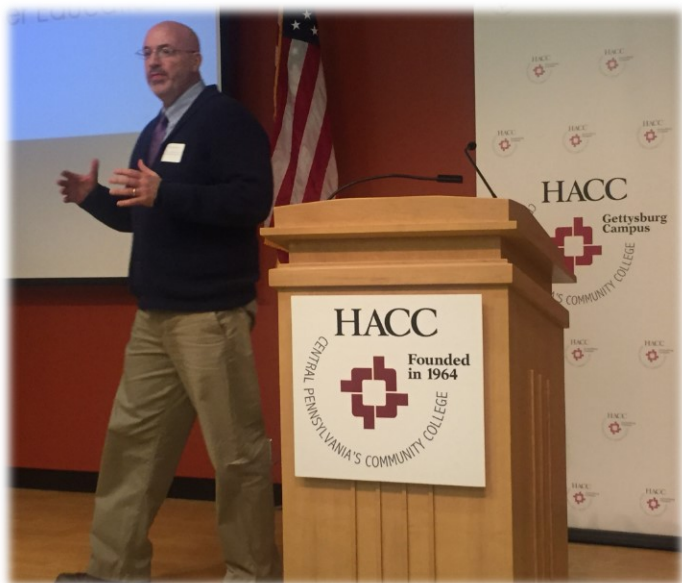
informative Campus student demographic information.

Breakout sessions on D2L, the Collaborative Classroom, the Learning Commons, and HACC policies and procedures were offered, along with an exceptional Dual Enrollment (DE) Student panel featuring Gettysburg Campus DE students.

Comments from faculty who attended included:

- "Great panel of students"
- "Inspiring students"
- "Loved the student panel"
- "Fantastic"
- "Great group of students"

Thank you to **Dory Uhlman & the Academic Affairs team** for a great evening!





## Governor Wolf Coming to Campus



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

AT 1:00 PM

HACC  
GETTYSBURG CAMPUS731 OLD HARRISBURG RD  
GETTYSBURG, PA

JOIN THE DISCUSSION WITH

MEMBERS OF

GOVERNOR WOLF'S CABINET TO

TALK ABOUT ISSUES THAT ARE  
IMPORTANT TO YOU AND YOUR REGION.

SPECIAL GUEST PANELISTS:

DENNIS M. DAVIN

SECRETARY OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

CINDY DUNN

SECRETARY OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

TERESA D. MILLER

ACTING SECRETARY OF HUMAN SERVICES

LESLIE S. RICHARDS

SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

JOHN WETZEL

SECRETARY OF CORRECTIONS

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On Thursday, February 8, the Robert C. Hoffman Room on the Gettysburg Campus will be the location for **Governor Wolf's Cabinet in Your Community** event. The Cabinet in Your Community initiative is a series of town hall-like events in which **members of the community are given the opportunity to interact with cabinet secretaries** and talk about the issues important to each region.

This event will include secretaries and acting secretaries from the departments of Community and Economic Development, Conservation and Natural Resources, Human Services, Transportation and Corrections.

Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to attend.

**RSVP is required and must go directly to [cacoleman@pa.gov](mailto:cacoleman@pa.gov) or (570)614-2090.**

## Nursing Pinning

Twenty three students successfully completed the Associate Degree RN program requirements and were pinned during the December 2017 Nursing Pinning Ceremony on December 14, 2017. They are all now **eligible to take the NCLEX RN exam to become licensed Registered Nurses**. Three students received awards for outstanding performance in the areas of Leadership, Art of Nursing, and Excellence.

The January 2018 nursing class marks the **15 Year Anniversary** of the admission of the first Gettysburg Campus nursing class in January of 2003!





# HOLIDAY SPIRIT

On behalf of HACC's Board of Trustees, Santa visited the Campus to share holiday cheer and candy canes with students, staff and faculty.



KEEP  
CALM  
BECAUSE  
SANTA  
IS COMING TO TOWN



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