End of Semester Greetings!

As we complete the final weeks of the fall 2014 semester, I want to express my appreciation for everything each of you has done to educate and assist our 6,000 online students this semester. In addition to our many classroom and college activities, HACC is also completing its 50th anniversary celebrations. Please take a few moments to watch “Celebrating 50 Years of HACC: An Oral History” at http://youtu.be/RVPfk94QBK0

I wish each of you and your students a successful end to your semester! Happy Holidays to all!

— Amy Withrow

There are no traffic jams along the extra mile.

— Roger Staubach
Full-Time Virtual Learning Faculty Search Update

**Communications**, Spring 2015  
On-campus interviews completed and an offer has been made.  
Search Committee Chair: Cheryl Wilson  
**English**, Fall 2015  
**Exercise Science/Health**, Fall 2015  
**Marketing/Management**, Fall 2015  
**English**, Fall 2015  
Postings open until January 11, 2015.  
Search committees being formed now.  

Fall 2015 positions are pending Board of Trustee approval in February. All positions are replacement positions or currently open positions being repurposed.

Faculty/Staff Kudos

Congratulations to October eVolution Studio graduate!  

**Kari Pincin**  
*Massage Therapy*

Go with the GoPro

Do you take field trips with your class? Do you have your students doing active or collaborative activities? You can now record video of these special events hands-free!

For each campus, Virtual Learning has purchased a GoPro video camera for faculty and staff use. The GoPro can be strapped to your head, a vehicle, or a bike in order to record hands-free video of your classroom adventures as they happen. The result is an immersive video experience that can be posted to your D2L course or shared with other faculty or students.

You can read more about the GoPro and see examples of videos on the GoPro website: [http://gopro.com](http://gopro.com). If you are interested in using the GoPro, contact your campus Center for Innovation and Teaching Excellence (CITE) representative.

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Desire2Excel Collaboration Award Case Study

Brightspace (Desire2Learn) recently released a case study video highlighting HACC’s award-winning, multidisciplinary “Zombies in Contemporary Culture” blended course. Watch as Jason Beaudin (left), assistant professor of English and humanities; Matt Harris (right), assessment chair and assistant professor of humanities; and Dr. JuliaGrace Jester (center), interim chair of social sciences and assistant professor of psychology, discuss how they and their colleagues leveraged technology to create an immersive, collaborative student learning experience:

Virtual Learning Strategic Planning Survey

If you have not done so already, please offer your thoughts about the future of online education and how our unit can better serve students, our communities, and our own internal colleagues — [https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VZSKCN3](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VZSKCN3). This survey will remain open through the end of December 2014.

Shared Software Licenses at HACC!

The following software is available for HACC-owned desktops or laptops for use by HACC faculty and staff. To acquire, contact the IT Support Center.

Adobe Acrobat Pro
Adobe Creative Cloud Master*
Camtasia Studio
MathType (Math faculty only)
Microsoft Office
Microsoft Project pro

Microsoft Visio
Microsoft Visual Studio
Snagit
(*limited copies available)
With the aid of Skype, HACC Recruiters Jill Matolyak, Laura Brito, and Emily Fox presented international and virtual opportunities for students in Peru. Webinars scheduled in November included Bangladesh, Bolivia, Cyprus, Ecuador, Kazakhstan, Cyprus and more. International Education Week was November 17-22.
Fundraising Notice

Please remember that all solicitations from anyone at HACC (staff, faculty and/or students) must occur with the help of a paid fundraiser through the HACC Foundation. Please contact foundation@hacc.edu with questions.

Collegewide Announcements, continued

Freedom of Information Act Requests

When you receive telephone inquiries related to Right to Know or Freedom of Information Act requests, please do the following:

- Direct the caller to our website: www.hacc.edu.
- Ask the caller to type in “Right to Know” in the search function to find the Web page about the Right to Know process (Note: This is the direct link to the Web page: http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm).
- Ask the caller to follow the detailed instructions on the website.
- Tell the caller that his or her request will be handled when he or she follows the detailed instructions.
- Do not engage in any conversation beyond this, because it might be used against the College later – especially if you share erroneous information with the caller.

When you receive email inquiries related to Right to Know or Freedom of Information Act requests, please do the following:

- Forward the email to righttoknow@hacc.edu (this email address is also listed on http://www.hacc.edu/AboutHACC/Administration/RighttoKnow/index.cfm).
- Do not respond to the writer. Upon receipt of these telephone and email inquiries, the Office of College Advancement team will handle them and confer with the necessary individuals.
Upcoming Events

Twitter Chats
*Wednesday, December 3, 12:00pm
Health Careers with Michael Turi

*Wednesday, December 17, 6:00pm- TBD
Moderated by Virtual Recruiter, @Emily_J_Fox

Login to www.tweetchat.com and use #haccvirtual to participate or watch the action!

Get to Know Virtual Learning Webinars: http://hacc.adobeconnect.com/knowvirtual/
*Tuesday, November 25, 12:00pm
*Tuesday, December 9, 6:00pm

The 30 minute webinar is a great way for prospective virtual learning students to learn more about online education. Students can register and receive additional information by visiting www.hacc.edu/virtual

Staff Meeting:
Friday, December 5, 1-2:30
W-226D or VoicePlus ext. 211305;
Conference ID 211011#
You are welcome to be a guest at any of our staff meet-

Virtual Learning Forum
December 1 from 3:30-4:30 PM
Log in at hacc.adobeconnect.com/virtualforum

Virtual Learning Facebook Page:
Stay update with events and news!
Facebook.com/HACCVirtual

Virtual Learning Team

Faculty Leadership:
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Xiaoqing Zhu, from Operations House

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