Nursing at WCCCD

The Wayne County Community College District continues to lead the community in developing healthcare workforce. Our Nursing Program continues to maintain NCLEX scores above the national level demonstrating our continued commitment to excellence. We applaud the hard work of the students and faculty and pledge continued support for the various programs. For more information on how to apply for the Nursing Program, please visit our website at www.wcccd.edu, or contact the program office at 313-943-4000 extension 4055 during regular business hours.

WCCCD Hires 23 Full-time Faculty

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development leader in the region. Financial vigilance and rigorous planning allowed the District to maintain its services, programming and stability, and to emerge in a position to now add key supportive staff.

The District grew its offerings to respond to the emergent needs of the region during the financial challenges of the last decade including career training and innovative workforce development programming with public and private partners. The District is proud of the dedication of the faculty.

New faculty began in the spring 2017 semester.

Letter from the President

Welcome to the Downtown Campus of the Wayne County Community College District. As a District, our strength lies in the depth and breadth of committed faculty and staff who work diligently to make sure you have an exceptional experience. This is also a very important time for us as we look forward to celebrating our 50th Anniversary this year.

The Downtown Campus, situated on an international border, offers many in-demand programs. We are proud to house the Wayne County Community College District’s Language Institute in collaboration with Mango Languages of Southfield. WCCCD offers a comprehensive program that provides students the opportunity to learn over 71 different languages through the use of SCOLA and Mango Language. We offer German, Chinese, Japanese, French, Spanish, Arabic and American Sign Language.

The Downtown Campus is located in the heart of Detroit’s financial District, a stone throw from Mexican Town; the Detroit Windsor Tunnel crossing and the Ambassador Bridge. We are also proud to offer in partnership with the District’s School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development, cross-cultural programs including our flagship programs such as Passport to Africa; the Chancellor’s Reading Carnival and the Brown and Juanita C. Ford Art Gallery.

I encourage you to visit the campus and take advantage of the cross-cultural programs, workshops and seminars that showcase WCCCD’s commitment to excellence.

Sincerely,

Denise Shannon
President
Downtown Campus

WCCCD is Ramping up Programming with New Dual Enrollment Offerings

The latest addition to the growing dual enrollment roster is the new Step Into STEM Program. The Wayne County Community College District (WCCCD) is a participating partner for Step Into STEM: a specialized dual enrollment program available to high school juniors and seniors as well as recent high school graduates. This program introduces students to STEM careers and research opportunities in exciting fields fueled by science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM).

Step Into STEM! is a one credit course that exposes participants to the vast world of STEM and related opportunities. The components of this course include mentoring, research orientation, career exploration, STEM applications, and a STEM symposium. The program provides students access to state of the art facilities, and one-on-one sessions with experienced faculty from the University of Michigan.

Students who wish to get involved with Step Into STEM! simply need to be recommended by a parent, teacher, advisor or an adult. Once a student is recommended and goes through the application process, a course schedule will be provided.

Students who complete Step Into STEM! courses have direct access to multiple options, including additional courses, academic advising and transferrable credit to WCCCD and other higher learning institutions.

For more information on how to apply, call 313-496-2600 or visit the college’s website at www.wcccd.edu.
Students Honored at Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony

This spring, 159 students from WCCCD were honored during the annual Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) induction ceremony. The number of PTK inductees rose from 148 in the fall 2016 to 159 this spring 2017 bringing the total number of members to 1,840. From 2011-2016, PTK has inducted 1,681 members at WCCCD.

The Honors Program recognizes and cultivates academic excellence through active participation in coursework and seminars, study abroad opportunities, service learning projects, internships and mentoring. Participants selected for the program have the opportunity to present papers at local conferences and attend special events including those sponsored by the international honors society for two-year colleges, Phi Theta Kappa, Inc.

WCCCD Leads Region in Workforce Development Training and Programming

The School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development continues to grow its training and programming with new partnerships, training facilities and courses.

The opening of the Regional Training Center (RTC) at the District’s Eastern Campus has helped to provide both onsite and remote training opportunities for students and companies around the region. The RTC works to identify talent and fill employment and training gaps in the region by providing a space for the development of skilled trades, training capacity, local workforce preparedness, sustainability, credentialing, collaboration and economic opportunities.

The District has also facilitated a new program with the Wayne Regional Training Center (RTC). The RTC will be able to provide training to qualified participants to prepare for employment opportunities in commercial driving. The new Truck Driver Training Program will prepare residents to pass the licensing exam to receive a Class A Commercial Driver’s License. The program will teach them to drive a combination tractor-trailer, as well as passenger, van, delivery, school bus and double or triple trailers. The program began in March 2017.

The District is also proud of its Cyber Center which offers a virtual environment designed to enhance an individual’s or organization’s capability to implement strategies and test techniques for cyber security performance. Cyber professionals will be trained through active engagement with “live fire” exercises and simulations that will test the detection, reaction, and mitigation skills of participants in a variety of situations. WCCCD offers a short term, 1-year certificate and 2-year Associate Degree in Cybersecurity through the Wayne County Generation Cyber Program. The curriculum is based on the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Education (NICE) framework.

In addition to these updates, several new programs have also been added to the District’s catalog including Personal Fitness Training and Graphic InDesign. Students or emerging fitness professionals can now earn a certificate in Personal Fitness Training. The Personal Fitness training program is designed to provide both beginning and experienced students with theory-based training on building communication skills, adherence, self-efficacy and behavioral change in clients.

The Graphic InDesign certificate program meets the current need for graphic design professionals in an array of career opportunities. The InDesign program was designed to help combine artistic ad technical talents to develop practical skills that employers are demanding.

For more information on these new initiatives or additional courses offered by the School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development, visit the college’s website at www.wcccd.edu.