



Fulton-Montgomery
Community College

Annual Report

2014-2015

Message from the President

As you read through Fulton-Montgomery Community College's 2014-15 Annual Report, one theme will shine through - our dedication to students. From recognizing scholarship, to international trips, to strong athletics, to art shows, to community involvement, FM is totally focused on providing students opportunities to learn and grow inside and outside of the classroom.

I am always pleased to meet with students. Each month, the Leadership Team of FM holds a student luncheon. We discuss their experiences at FM and we're always pleased to hear how much they love attending our college. We also use this time to discuss opportunities to improve. But overwhelmingly, students tell us how friendly our faculty and staff are; how much they like attending our classes; and, how FM exceeded their expectations as a college.

Whether students are enrolled in our General Studies (Liberal Arts) program, our Communication and Broadcast Media program, our Nursing program, our Electrical Technology program,

the new Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Technology program, or any one of our degree or certificate programs, FM strives to help students succeed in their academics. We also help them prepare for life.

Learning at FM goes beyond the classroom. Students have leadership opportunities through student clubs or the Student Senate Association. They get to interact with students from a variety of backgrounds. Talking and learning with students from other countries, from other states, or from New York City, brings perspectives perhaps never explored by many of our students. Meeting students who see the world differently provides new and unique discussions.

I am confident that you will be as impressed with FM and our students' successes as we are. We're honored and proud to have so many students meet and surpass their potential as they prepare for a career, continue their education, or explore new topics of interest.

FM is truly a place where we can say: Futures Made. Here.

Sincerely,



Dr. Dustin Swanger
President



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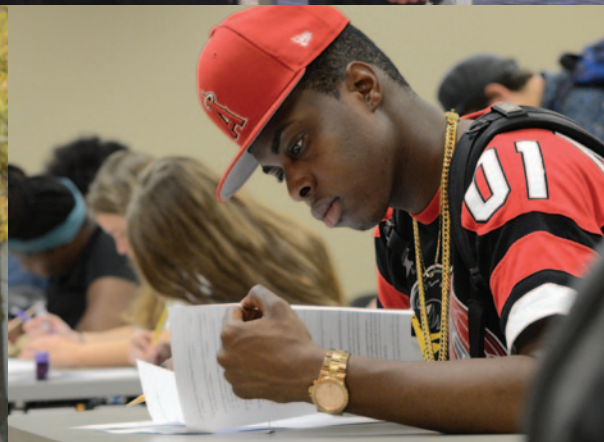
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Civility Statement

FM is committed to fostering an environment of civility. All members of the FM community and visitors have the right to experience and the responsibility to create and maintain an environment of mutual respect and support that is civil in all aspects of human relations. Civility facilitates professional growth and achievement and promotes an environment where each person can reach his or her full potential.



2015-2016 Board of Trustees



Core Values

Fulton-Montgomery Community College has identified the following as core values in its approach to serving students and the community:

- Excellence in education and teaching
- Student learning and scholarship
- Innovation
- Civility and integrity
- Caring personalized service
- Diversity
- Accessibility
- Quality environment
- Community engagement

Vision

Fulton-Montgomery Community College strives to be recognized as a model community college that offers quality education, excellence in student support, innovative approaches, and programs that reflect our values.

Mission

Fulton-Montgomery Community College is the region's partner for quality, accessible higher education; responsive programs; economic development; and cultural and intellectual enrichment.

Achieving Success



Professor/Director of Nursing Robert Warner with students in the Nursing Lab

Nursing Program Receives Accreditation

The Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN) granted FM's Nursing program its initial accreditation through Spring of 2020. The ACEN accreditation program is founded on the belief that specialized accreditation contributes to the centrality of nursing for the public good and provides for the maintenance and enhancement of educational quality through continuous self-assessment, planning, and improvement.



Donor Lisa Queeney-Vadney, a financial advisor at Wells Fargo Advisors, along with President Swanger, present student Justin Ward with the John D. Vadney Mathematics Scholarship award.

John D. Vadney Mathematics Scholarship Recipient

Justin Ward of Gloversville was named the recipient of the John D. Vadney Mathematics Scholarship Award. This \$3,000 annual scholarship is the largest offered to an FM student who plans to continue his or her studies, after FM, in Mathematics, Physics, or Engineering.

Students Place 3rd in Annual Competition

Students in Amsterdam High School's Science Technology Entry Program (STEP) attended the statewide STEP conference which included a robotics and scientific research competition. Junior Samantha Bishop and Senior E. Cole Amissah placed 3rd in their research category (Human Services) and for their age division (senior division). Their project, What are you Smoking?, was targeted towards teenagers on the understanding of E-cigarettes, the marketing of those products, and the health concerns regarding these cigarettes.

STEP is a program of the New York State Education Department grant through Fulton-Montgomery Community College, serving the Greater Amsterdam School District, grades 7-12.



Student Sonali Kumar, Vice President for Student Affairs Jane Kelley, and student Leanne Mercadante

SUNY Chancellor's Award: Student Recipients

The Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence acknowledges students who have best demonstrated, and been recognized for, the integration of academic excellence with other aspects of their lives, which may include leadership, campus involvement, community service, creative or performing arts, athletics, and career achievement. Awards were presented to students Sonali Kumar and Leanne Mercadante.



TRI0 Student Shaunce Harris with Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Greg Truckenmiller

TRI0 Program Celebrates Graduates

This year 42 TRI0 students, most of whom are first generation college students, received academic and personal support through this federally funded program. The program provides academic, financial and transfer advisement as well as professional tutoring to 160 students on FM's campus.



Senior E. Cole Amissah and Junior Samantha Bishop



Radiologic Technology Assistant Professor Karlyn LaBate with student Taiwo Ekundayo

International Student Awarded Scholarship

Radiologic Technology student Taiwo Ekundayo of Nigeria was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from Radiologists without Borders (RWB), whose mission is to bring lifesaving diagnostic imaging solutions to medically underserved populations worldwide. "As caregivers, it is our moral, ethical, and professional obligation to level the playing field by providing the best of the best to all, independent of geography and socio-economic status," says Dr. Tariq Gill, RWB founder and a generous supporter of the College.

Vice President for Student Affairs Jane Kelley, Male and Female Athletes of the Year Tyrone Davis and Whitney Ostrander, President Swanger, and Athletic Director Kevin Jones



Recognizing Athletes

Awards were presented to the following student athletes at the Annual Raider Awards Banquet:

Athletes of the Year: Whitney Ostrander (volleyball) and Tyrone Davis (men's basketball)

Academic Athletes of the Year: Elizabeth Hayward (volleyball) and Chance Steele (men's soccer)

ALL-REGION AWARDS

Women's Basketball – Stephanie Rice, Second Team

Volleyball – Whitney Ostrander, *First Team*; Zara Hyde, *Second Team*; Kaylee Gillen, *Third Team*

ALL-CONFERENCE AWARDS

Conference Champions - Head Volleyball Coach Rachael Salvione and her team were recognized for winning the Mountain Valley Conference Championship and establishing themselves as one of the premier teams in Region III.

Women's Basketball – Stephanie Rice, *First Team*; Evanda Redwood, *Second Team*; Jessica Woney, *Third Team*

Men's Basketball – Tyrone Davis, *Second Team*

Volleyball – Whitney Ostrander and Zara Hyde, *First Team*



Helping Others

"This symbol represents a gathering together, creating a visual representation of Peace, during our annual Civility Week. It is another reminder that by choosing Peace and Civility in our interactions, we can foster an environment helping us to all reach our full potential."

– FM's Civility Committee



Student Nurses' Association co-advisor Marcia Wojcik, SNA members Ylonka Schuyler, Saleena Maxon, Domestic Violence Community Educator Ginger Cato, Matthew Blackford, Tabitha Majors, SNA Donation Drive Co-Chair Alicia Homkey, Kelly Griffin, SNA Donation Drive Co-Chair Amy Jones, and SNA co-advisor Lynne Illsley

A Time for Giving

The Student Nurses' Association (SNA) sponsored a presentation by Ginger Cato, Domestic Violence Community Educator from Catholic Charities of Fulton and Montgomery Counties, for the campus community.

After the presentation, SNA sponsored a collection of hygienic products, while Phi Theta Kappa, the National Honor Society at FM, sponsored a collection of "Comfort Bags." PTK also presented a check for \$250 to the program to be used as needed.

SNA Donation Drive Co-chair Amy Jones said, "There are many people in need throughout the world, but we wanted to keep our donation local. Serving Fulton and Montgomery Counties is part of FM's Mission, it's what the College is all about."



Community Outreach Club members Ashley Colvin, Kristen Musgrave, Alexandria Ott, and Amanda Miles. Students painted pumpkins for a \$1 donation.

Community Outreach Club Sponsors Fundraiser for St. Jude

The Community Outreach Club sponsored a pumpkin painting fundraiser. With their efforts, the students raised over \$200; all proceeds were donated to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The pumpkins were provided at a discounted rate by Coyote Hill Farms in Johnstown.



Dr. Paula Brown-Weinstock and her Child Development class

Literacy Matters

Associate Professor of Psychology Dr. Paula Brown-Weinstock and her Child Development class organized a book drive in the fall. The project was an effort to support Gloversville School District's "Literacy Matters" school year theme, reminding students of the importance of reading, writing, speaking, and problem solving. A total of 503 books were collected and donated to Boulevard Elementary.

FM Receives Sportsmanship Award

FM was presented with the 2014 Sportsmanship Award in recognition of exhibiting dedication to the honor and integrity of intercollegiate athletics and for the display of outstanding sportsmanship during competition by student-athletes and staff.

"Displaying good sportsmanship is a priority for the NJCAA and Region III," said Jeffrey Wiley, NJCAA Region III Men's Director as he congratulated FM's Athletic Director Kevin Jones on receiving the award.

"This is a great achievement and a genuine sign of civility as we teach our students to interact in our society," said President Swanger.

Helping Others



Thanking Our Vets

A "Thank You for Your Service" luncheon was held for any student or employee who has served or is actively serving in the military. The luncheon included a presentation given by personnel from Adaptive Sports/National Games at Stratton VA Medical Center.

Veteran students and staff, along with FM's Veteran Support staff, advisors, and guests from Adaptive Sports/National Games at Stratton VA Medical Center, gather for a photo after the "Thank You for Your Service" luncheon.



Back row l-r: Karlyn LaBate R.T. (R)(CV)(M)(CT) - Assistant Professor Radiologic Technology, Suzanne Hagadorn - Health Education and Promotion Coordinator, Cancer Services Program of Fulton, Montgomery & Schenectady Counties, Aubrey Stegel, Tristen Satterlee, Maggie Hotaling, Amanda Moore, Ally Hanke, Pete Bagwell, Paige Bala, Dorothy Kline and Mike Rooney - Front row, l-r: Julianne Broadwell, Taylor Negus and Ali Hunter

FM Rad Tech Students Learn Through Service

At the beginning of the fall semester, sophomore Radiologic Technology students were tasked with a "Service Learning Project." With classmate Maggie Hotaling, a recent breast cancer survivor, on their mind, the class decided to focus on breast cancer awareness, honoring Maggie. Groups presented their research on the various stages of breast cancer, held fundraisers to support breast cancer awareness, volunteered at St. Mary's Hospital Breast Cancer Screening Day, participated in the Susan G. Komen Walk for A Cure in Albany, and hosted a free community mammography lecture led by Dr. Phillip Fear, chairman of Millennium Medical Imaging.

Forward Thinking



STEM & P-TECH Activity

Elementary school students from three area schools participated in hands-on STEM activities, part of FM's outreach to area schools, which aims to help

Instructor Laurie Lazinski with STEM students in FM's Chemistry Lab



excite K-12 students in Fulton and Montgomery counties to develop interest in physics, astronomy and other STEM fields at an early age.

Along with STEM, Pathways in Technology Early College High School, or P-TECH, is a new type of school that brings together the best elements of high school, college and the professional world. This was the first operational year of the P-TECH program through HFM BOCES which brought 50 students from 14 area school districts into the mostly project-based learning environment. Students in P-TECH spend their summers on FM's campus earning college credit. Within six years, they will complete an associate's degree at FM through this free program.

New Programs

A new degree program was added: Physical Education and Sport Management A.A.S., along with two new certificates programs: Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration Technology (HVAC/R) and Automation Systems/Mechatronics.



Josh Fleming, Dr. Greg Truckenmiller, Steve Ricco, Ronalyn Wilson, David Goyette, Diana Putnam, Emil Kreiger, Jeremy Sowle, Mark Nearbin, Kristen Crocetta, Erik Bruhns, and President Swanger in HFM BOCES HVAC/R Lab.



Garrett Simera, a high school junior from Saugerties, NY and his mom, Krista Barringer, visit with Admissions Office representative Kathy Deal during the Student Services Expo.

Campus Visit Day

FM hosted its first Campus Visit Day, similar to an Open House, for high school students and parents. The day included presentations about the admission process, opportunities to sit in on a college class, a Student Services Expo, and campus and housing tours.



The Business Lab with Assistant Professor Laurence Zuckerman

Up-to-the-Minute Education

Accounting and Business students taking courses such as Macroeconomics and Principles of Investments, which integrate the live stock quotes from CNBC-TV, now take advantage of watching real time

world business news thanks to Perkins grant funding. The Business Lab now has a mounted large screen television, allowing for a much more modern learning experience, infusing up-to-the-minute economic developments into the daily pedagogy.



The curriculum and web content development project team: Electronic Services Librarian Dan Towne, Instructor Mark Swain, Associate Professor Alex Henderson, Library Director Mary Donohue (Project Manager), Public Services Librarian Michael Daly and Coordinator of Financial Aid Becky Cozzocrea

Library Grant

The Evans Library has been awarded a \$91,000 grant from the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) Investor Education Foundation and the American Library Association (ALA) as part of the nationwide Smart investing@your library® Program. Through a competitive process, the Evans Library was one of 21 libraries nationwide awarded this grant, which will help to build the capacity of the Evans Library, in partnership with the College's Financial Aid and other campus departments, to provide

effective, unbiased financial and investor education to its students and larger community. This funding allows the development of financial literacy programs for students enrolled at the College including FM's residential student population, first-generation college students, returning adult students, and the military and veteran population. The grant also provides sponsorship for regional programming on financial literacy for the public as well as high school libraries in Amsterdam, Johnstown and Gloversville.

Forward Thinking

Criminal Justice

The Criminal Justice Program's Advisory Committee, an independent committee consisting of criminal justice professionals in education, policing, corrections, courts, youth services, security, and various community agencies, meet annually to assist the College in making important decisions impacting the delivery of its curriculum. By partnering with community agencies and listening to their needs, the program can provide courses that not only meet their needs, but meet the needs of the community-at-large.

Criminal Justice Professionals and FM Administration



Dual Agreement with The College of Saint Rose

FM partnered with The College of Saint Rose for a dual admission agreement intended for college freshmen interested in pursuing a Bachelor's degree at Saint Rose, but wishing to start their degree at FM. Students apply to both FM and The College of Saint Rose simultaneously, and after earning their Associate's degree, transfer as a junior to Saint Rose to continue work on their four-year degree.

Vice President and Provost Dr. Greg Truckenmiller and President Swanger signing the dual admission agreement with The College of Saint Rose.



Leading The Way

SUNY Chancellor's Award Recipients

Robin DeVito, Accessibility Coordinator, and Alexandra Henderson, Associate Professor of Business, were recipients of SUNY's Chancellor's Award for Excellence.

Cheryl Murphy Schiemer was named recipient of the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Adjunct Teaching. Schiemer has been an Adjunct Instructor at FM since 2010 teaching American Sign Language courses.

President Swanger, Cheryl Murphy Schiemer, and FM Board of Trustees Chair Michael Pepe



Nancy Carr, Executive Director/CEO Amsterdam Family YMCA with Lucas Prime at the award program

Outstanding Educator

Lucas Prime, Director of the Liberty Partnership Program (LPP) and Coordinator of the Science Technology Entry Program (STEP) at Amsterdam High School, was honored at the annual YMCA Outstanding Student and Educator Awards as the school's Outstanding Educator for 2015.

"This honor is well-deserved and especially notable since LPP and STEP are projects of F-M. This demonstrates the level of integration and the high regard the school has for these programs and Luke," said Jean Karutis, FM's Associate Dean for Student Retention and Success.



Alexandra Henderson and Robin DeVito

Leading The Way

Multicultural Service Award

Psychology Instructor John van Bladel was awarded the 2014 Leadership Council on Inclusion (LCI) Multicultural Service Award. The mission of the LCI is to enhance and promote diversity and multicultural programs at educational institutions and agencies in the Capital Region of New York State. The Council serves as a resource, advocate, and catalyst for the implementation of institutional change related to local and national issues of inclusion in education.

Human Services Professor Marlene Guiffre, Psychology Instructor John van Bladel, Outreach and Retention Coordinator JeanMarie Reinke, and Science Professor Laurie Freeman.



Front Row: Student Aleish Suarez, Senator George Amedore, Student Gabrielle Mitchell, President Swanger – Back Row: FM Board of Trustees Vice Chair Edmund Jasewicz, Student Jason Duma, Student Gary Thomson, and Student Activities Coordinator Gwen Ossenkop

First Row (l-r): Students Kayla Day, Whitney Martuscello, Ashley Ostrander, Paula O'Neil, Crystal Hayward, Jamie Quinn, and Advisor Gwen Ossenkop - Second Row (l-r): Students Cody Arminio, Matthew Ellsworth, and Advisor Meghan Power



National Society of Leadership and Success

With the guidance of two advisors, eight students were initiated into The National Society of Leadership and Success which serves over 200 college campuses nationwide and offers an array of scholarships and college discounts to initiated students. This first-time offered training program allowed students to learn and practice real life leadership skills throughout the fall and spring semester.

Top Workplace

For the second year, FM was selected as one of the Times Union Top Work Places in the Capital Region. This recognition is provided via an employee survey that is reviewed by the Times Union.



Students Advocate

A group of student leaders attended New York Community College Trustees (NYCCT) Community College Advocacy Day at the Legislative Office Building in Albany. Students met with legislators, asking for an increase in base operating aid to keep FM and other community colleges strong; to support the SUNY Investment Fund; and to support community college capital funds.



Enriching Lives

Making Donations

The A.B.L.E. Club (Abilities Beyond Limitation Through Education) presented a donation to the Mental Health Association's Community Education Program. The A.B.L.E. Club is a student-driven group on campus whose mission is to raise awareness of disability issues within the community, the College campus, and also within the members themselves. This year, A.B.L.E. has also raised money for Liberty's cooking program, helped sponsor speaker Jason Padon and the Nothing to Hide photo exhibit on campus, and sponsored members to attend the Disabled and Proud Conference at Syracuse University.

Left to right: Club members Courtney Heroth, Nikolette Bailey, club advisor Robin DeVito, club president Haley Martin, and Community Health Educator Renee Carr



Lanzi Honored by Zonta

In honor of Zonta's Rose Day, the Zonta Club of Montgomery-Fulton recognized Lesley Lanzi, Chief Advancement Officer and Executive Director of the Foundation of FM, for her current and past work to assist individuals with accessing health services, community services, and education. Founded in 1919, Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women worldwide through service and advocacy. The Yellow Rose is a Zonta International emblem, which signifies "Radiance and Beauty."



Business Club and Wall Street Club students with faculty advisors outside of Independence Hall, where both the United States Declaration of Independence and the United States Constitution were debated and adopted, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Business Students Tour Philadelphia

Students from the Business Club and Wall Street Club spent a day in Philadelphia where they toured the Franklin Mint, learning where official legal coin currency is produced. The group also visited the Liberty Bell, the Betsy Ross House, Signers' Hall, Ben Franklin's home, the Corn Exchange Bank, and many other historical and financial sites.

22nd Annual Golf Classic

The 22nd Annual Golf Classic raised \$30,000 to support scholarships and capital projects through the Foundation of FM. This year's Classic included a 'Chopper Drop' thanks to Billy Perrone; Perrone flew his helicopter over Green 18 prior to the start of the tournament and dropped 144 balls from the sky. Once all balls landed, the golfer who had the same number ball as the one nearest to the hole (or in it) won golf and lunch for two at Saratoga National and Prime.



Distinguished Alumni

The Foundation's Eighth Annual Distinguished Alumni Awards Dinner honored graduates Terri G. Easterly '97; Wally Hart '78, '82-'84; and Erik D. Wert, D.O., F.A.C.O.I. '92.

Group L-R: The evening's emcee Michael J. Pepe '78 (a recipient of the first Distinguished Alumni Awards 2007), Keynote Speaker Pierre Alric (Foundation Board member and Distinguished Alumni recipient 2011), 2014 Distinguished Alumni Recipients Wally Hart, Terri G. Easterly, Dr. Erik Wert, President Swanger, and Foundation Board Chair Del B. Salmon



Supporting Students

John Lesniewski, Assistant Vice President and Branch Manager of NBT Bank, Amsterdam with Lesley Lanzi, FM's Chief Advancement Officer and Executive Director of The Foundation. Lesniewski presented Lanzi with a \$10,000 check on behalf of NBT Bank, the fourth installment of NBT's \$50,000 pledge to The Foundation.



Enriching Lives

Broadening Horizons

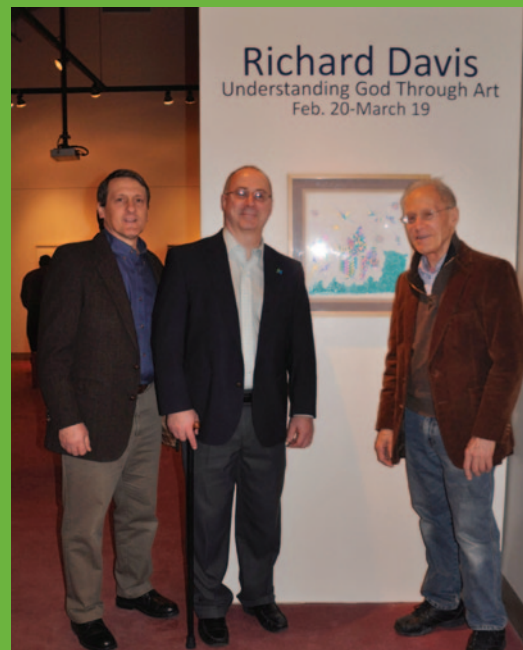
Perrella Gallery Exhibits

Angelus featured 70 plus works by Albany, NY native Gail Nadeau. Nadeau's work combines her interest in photography, printmaking, and painting to create a theme, manipulating a single photograph that has been reinterpreted through a series of images utilizing a variety of media.

Understanding God through Art by Johnstown artist Richard Joel Davis, featured approximately 30 of Davis' mixed-media works that included pastel, acrylic, gel pen and ink media. Davis' work centers on the theme of spirituality and faith that are often inspired by biblical passages.

The 23rd Annual Regional High School Exhibition included 57 student works selected from works submitted from 10 school districts within a 50-mile radius of the College. The Juror was Torrance Fish, artist and Head of Installations at the Tang Teaching Museum in Saratoga Springs.

The Annual FM Student Art Show contained 38 works of art selected from over 90 pieces submitted for judging by Juror Sandra Grace Smith, a regional artist. The exhibition featured a broad selection of works created in drawing, painting, sculpture, photography and digital media.



Gallery Director Joel Chapin, President Swanger, and Artist Richard Joel Davis



Graphic Arts Professor Joe Marcuccio, FM Student Artists Crystal Phinn, Jennifer Colon, Tyler Schrader, Leanne Mercadante, Kelsey Blanton, Emily Havlicek, Ayumi Shibata, and President Swanger



A piece from Angelus by Artist Gail Nadeau

The Fabulous Beekman Boys Share Their Story

The Fabulous Beekman Boys, Josh Kilmer-Purcell and Brent Ridge, spoke to hundreds of guests on "Entrepreneurship in Upstate New York." The Beekman Boys purchased the historic Schoharie Beekman 1802 Farm in 2007 and, according to Nasdaq, "they had no idea that it would launch one of the fastest growing lifestyle brands in the country." The presentation was part of the Dr. William M. Barto Memorial Lecture Series. Dr. Barto was a faculty member killed in an automobile accident in August 2000. It was Dr. Barto who initiated the practice of inviting significant guest lecturers to the campus.

Assistant Professor of Biology Susan MacLeod, Brent Ridge, Josh Kilmer-Purcell, and President Swanger



Cultural Experience

As part of the study abroad course, Belize: A Confluence of Art and Nature, Fine Arts Professor Joel Chapin, along with seven students, traveled to Belize to learn about the Mayan civilizations of Central America and their relationship with the rainforest environment.

The group on a hike in the rainforest



Buck Moon Arts Festival

The 2nd Annual Buck Moon Arts Festival included an Alumni Art Show, musical performances, strolling artists, vendors with displays varying from paintings and handmade jewelry to a farmer's market and wine and hard cider sampling tents, and hands-on art activities for children and adults alike.

Meet Reggie!

After 51 years, the Raider mascot finally has a name – Reggie! President Swanger announced the new name at a Midnight Madness event in the Raiders Den.

Standing left to right: Men's Basketball Head Coach Ed Collar, Vice President for Student Affairs Jane Kelley, President Swanger, Reggie the Raider, Women's Basketball Head Coach and Athletic Director Kevin Jones, Women's Basketball Assistant Coach Clyde Clymer and FM Athletics Website Manager Jay Holcomb; front row: Campus Activities Assistant Meghan Power and Campus Activities Assistant Charles Beekman



Showcasing Faculty

FACULTY HIGHLIGHTS

Gilbert Ayuk

Physics Instructor



- Ayuk satisfactorily completed the Open SUNY Center for Online Teaching Excellence New to Online Competency Development program.
- He attended a five-day NASA/New York Space Grant workshop for community and technical college STEM faculty on “Implementing a Methods of Scientific Research Course” for community college students.
- He has developed a one-semester Methods of Science Research course that will be offered to FM students beginning in the spring semester of 2016. The course will prepare FM STEM majors to compete for NASA funded New York Space Grant scholarships and summer research internship positions at NASA centers.
- Ayuk has been awarded a Meggers Project Award grant of \$4,750 by the American Institute of Physics for his outreach project titled, “Physics of Rockets Summer Institute for Low Income High School Students.” The objective of the Meggers Project Award is to support projects for high school students designed to raise the level of interest in physics.

Cynthia Close

Radiologic Technology Assistant Professor & Director



Karlyn LaBate

Radiologic Technology Assistant Professor



Each year the American Society of Radiologic Technologists (ASRT) selects 20 candidates from the United States and Canada to attend the ASRT Leadership Academy for Educators on a full scholarship. This experience is a unique opportunity for technologists in the educator role to build a foundation of shared values and resources to ensure the continued success of the radiologic technology profession. In 2014, **Cynthia Close**, Assistant Professor and Director of Radiologic Technology, was selected to attend and in 2015, **Karlyn LaBate**, Assistant Professor of Radiologic Technology was selected to attend.

In 2014, Close also developed and implemented a Clinical and Didactic program in Mammography.

Michael V. Daly

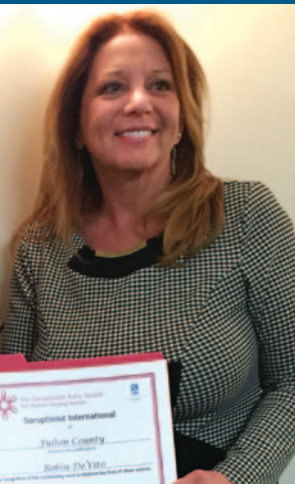
Assistant Professor, Public Services Librarian



- Daly was a Co-Principal Investigator on the third iteration of the Library Instruction Leadership Academy, sponsored by SUNY-Innovative Instruction Technology Grants.
- Daly was a regional planner for the Albany-area cohort and a co-instructor for the recently completed active learning/flipped classroom module.
- Along with English Assistant Professor Michael Youngs and Chemistry Instructor Laurie Lazinski, Daly presented, “Communities of Openness: Educators as Open Resources” at the SUNY Conference on Instruction & Technology at SUNY Geneseo. He also served as a panelist on the topic, “Mentoring for the 21st Century Classroom: Who and How Will We Teach to Meet a Global Audience?”
- In fulfillment of certificate requirements for the Open SUNY COTE Instructional Design Competency Development Program, Daly completed four online courses: Helping Faculty with New Course Development, Creating Useful Resources for Faculty, Training Faculty: Strategy, Presentation and Follow-up; and, Professional Foundations: Researching and Networking.

Robin DeVito

Accessibility Coordinator



DeVito was presented with the Fulton County Soroptimist International Ruby Award which honors women who have worked to improve the lives of women and girls through their professional and/or volunteer work.

Bridges: Crossing Silos to Inspire Student Success, detailed an in-progress assessment project by the Evans Library in collaboration with the Student Retention Office. As part of the ACRL's "Assessment in Action: Academic Libraries & Student Success (AiA)" program, the project provides "at risk" students with targeted library resources, specifically the availability of a personal librarian. Outcomes of the project include persistence, retention and confidence of use of library resources and services.

Ken Vennette

English Assistant Professor



Vennette read two of three recently published poems at a publication launch at the Gaineville Café in Rutherford, New Jersey. The three poems, "Scurf," "Rotgut" and "Kindling" are autobiographical in nature and were recently published in the Rutherford Red Wheel Barrow #8, a White Chickens Press publication.

The publication and launch were sponsored by *The Red Wheelbarrow Poets* who were organized in the hometown of William Carlos Williams to foster and promote the writing and appreciation of poetry.

Frank Yunker

Computer Science Professor



- Yunker presented: "Predicting the Success and Struggles of Community College Students" at the International Conference: Assessment for Learning in Higher Education 2015, at the University of Hong Kong.
- He also presented "Profile of a Community College Student: Assessing their Barriers (and Ladders) to Success" at Capital District Educators Technology Group at Hudson Valley Community College.

Robert Jones

Foreign Language Professor



Jones presented "What Is the True Saturation of Cornish and Welsh?" at the Annual North American

Association of Celtic Language Teachers Conference in Portland, Oregon. He was elected president of the group and will be hosting the 2016 conference.

He serves as Curriculum Coordinator for Cymdeithas Madog, Welsh Studies Institute, and taught on their 2015 course also in Portland, Oregon.

Mary Donohue

Professor, Director of The Evans Library

JeanMarie Reinke

Outreach and Retention Coordinator



Donohue presented a poster at the National American Library Association meeting in San Francisco, California as part of the *Assessment in Action: Academic Libraries and Student Success Learning Community* project. The Evans Library was one of 73 institutional teams nationwide selected to participate in the second year of the program, which culminated in the presentation, and was one of four New York State academic libraries and the only SUNY college selected for program participation.

Reinke, along with Professor Mary Donohue, presented at the 3rd Annual Assessment Network of New York Conference at Dobbs Ferry, New York. The program, Building



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