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A Brief Word From The CCCO

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OFFICER



Since opening its doors in 2009, the University of the District of Columbia Community College (UDC-CC) has continuously affirmed its mission to provide opportunities for students to obtain the requisite skills for today's workforce, and to prepare them for the demands of tomorrow. The Community College continues to serve as a beacon for the community by offering boundless opportunities to gain higher learning and advancement.

You are the heart of the Community College, and I hope that as we go into the 2018-2019 academic year, you all continue to give 100 percent to the students who seek your guidance, support, and knowledge.

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today." -Malcolm X

MEET THE UDC-CC DEANS



Dr. Marilyn Hamilton
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Dr. Marilyn Hamilton serves as the Dean of Academic Affairs at the University of the District of Columbia – Community College (UDC-CC). Her professional career in postsecondary education spans over 30 years. Dr. Hamilton's major responsibilities include oversight of academic planning and programs, academic services, and academic policy. She also oversees faculty appointments and evaluation, governance, and budget. Since taking on an administrative role in academic affairs at the College in August 2012, Dr. Hamilton has provided consistent, sustained, and strong leadership to UDC-CC, overseeing the implementation of innovative, such as those advocated by Achieving the Dream and Complete College America, which serve the academic needs of the CC's diverse student population.

Prior to her administrative appointments, Dr. Hamilton served as an instructor for several years in UDC's Early Childhood Education Associate of Arts degree program. Dr. Hamilton received her master's degree in education and administration from Howard University, and her Ph.D. in education (focus – Educational Technology) from Walden University.



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Dr. Hermina "Pearl" Peters serves as the Dean of Student Achievement for the UDC - Community College. As the dean, she strives to engage students, faculty, staff, and administrators, in enhancing student learning and facilitating student persistence toward graduation. She brings to this position an abiding commitment to customer service, student success, as well as years of experience serving in combined administrative and teaching capacities in higher education. Dr. Peters' broad expertise spans strategic planning, budget management, marketing, student recruitment, student advisement, faculty/staff development, teaching, program delivery, program development/management, and working with diverse constituencies.

Dr. Peters earned a Ph.D. from Mellen University in New York City, a graduate certificate in human resources from the Keller Graduate School of Management, a certificate of advanced graduate studies from the University of Massachusetts – Amherst School of Education, an MPA from the Suffolk University School of Management, a bachelor's degree from the Boston College School of Management, and an A.S. degree in management from Roxbury Community College.



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Dr. Tony D. Johnson serves as the Dean for the Division of Workforce Development and Lifelong Learning, and is responsible for overseeing planning and implementation of workforce programs, budgeting and finance, and public relations and coalition-building. His previous roles have included supporting public policy advocacy for early childhood education, K-12, at-promise youth, workforce programs and higher education. Dr. Johnson implements accountability systems and manages funding to support educators, oversees programs that support children with special needs, engages stakeholders, and prepares students for success both within and beyond the classroom. Dr. Johnson began his career as an alternative education teacher and has worked in a wide range of leadership positions in education for over 16 years. He holds dual Bachelors of Science degrees in Political Science and Criminal Justice, a Master of Science degree in Public Administration/Public Policy and a Doctorate in Educational Leadership.

Importance of Departments

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

<https://www.udc.edu/cc/cc/academic-affairs/>

The Office of Academic Affairs is committed to the pursuit of excellence in all academic activities of the Community College. The goal of the Office of Academic Affairs is to attract and retain the best faculty and staff to ensure an outstanding education for each student.

Additionally, the Office of Academic Affairs ensures that each program is designed to help students obtain the requisite skills for today's workforce and prepare them to meet the needs of tomorrow.

STUDENT SUCCESS

<https://www.udc.edu/cc/cc/student-success-center/>

The Student Success Team is responsible for facilitating a smooth transition for new students into their academic and campus life. We connect students to faculty, staff, and programs. Our hope is that students will utilize our services to become familiar with the University and to learn about what happens in and out of the classroom.

At UDC, we offer a wealth of resources designed to make our students feel valued, welcome, and prepared. Incoming students will not only receive vital information related to student life, they will participate in sessions that offer support and guidance as they begin their UDC journey.

We have a long history of supporting students and helping them achieve their dreams. We encourage students to get involved in academic programs, broader extracurricular campus activities, and community.

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Online Course Offerings:

<https://www.udc.edu/cc/continuing-education/>

Continuing education (CE) is a term to describe courses and programs for adults of all ages who seek to further their educational, career or personal development. CE courses:

- ...offer personal enrichment, professional career development and leisure courses;
- ...are generally shorter in length than traditional college semester courses;
- ...focus on acquiring specific skills or knowledge in a particular area or field of study; and
- ...are affordable and conveniently scheduled for evenings and Saturdays.
- ...are offered online and face-to-face

Face to Face Course Offerings:

Leadership Skills in the Workplace

First Aid and CPR

Project Management Principles and Practices

Divorce Recovery

Creative Writing

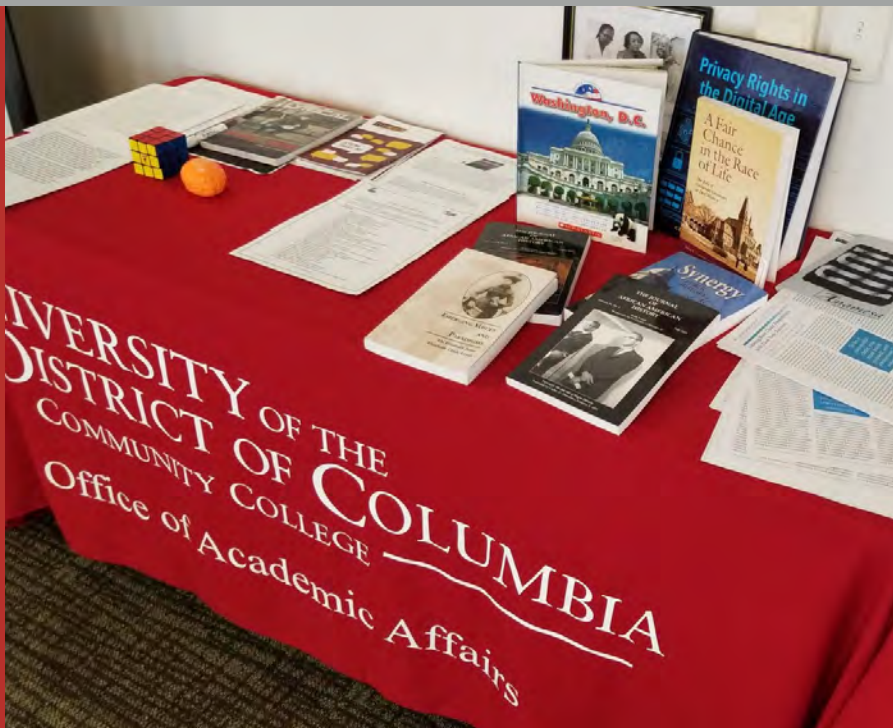
Meeting and Event Planning

Freelance Writing

Workplace Communications in the 21st Century

Team Building to Produce Highly Effective Teams in the Workplace

English as a Second Language



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

<https://www.udc.edu/cc/workforce-development/>

The Division of Workforce Development provides career training in seven career pathways at no cost to District residents. The Division serves approximately 3,000 students per year across four campuses and four community partnership centers. Additionally, the Division of Workforce Development prepares District residents for careers that are high-wage, high-demand, and high-skilled. Through certificates and industry-recognized certifications, graduates are able to validate their knowledge, skills, and abilities to employers. The District of Columbia is a knowledge-based economy and as such skills-based training is essential to gain employment and for career advancement. Mayor Muriel Bowser's Pathway to the Middle Class provides support and a strategic direction for workforce development in Washington D.C. and WDLL is aligned with those efforts. The areas identified by the District of Columbia as most in demand are:

Pathway 1: Automotive and Truck Maintenance and Repair

Pathway 2: Construction and Property Management Pathway 3: Early Childhood Education

Pathway 4: Healthcare-Direct Care and Healthcare Administration

Pathway 5: Hospitality and Tourism

Pathway 6: Information Technology and Office Administration

Pathway 7: Infrastructure, Transportation, and Logistics

These pathways form the basis of the training offered by WDLL. Training provided by WDLL is free to residents of the District of Columbia.

WDLL also provides training to improve the literacy and numeracy skills of DC residents. Those skill are foundational to student success in the training programs provided by WDLL. Those programs include preparation for the Accuplacer, the placement test for entrance to the University of the District of Columbia Community College (UDC-CC) and the University of the District of Columbia (UDC).



A LOOK BACK AT 2017-2018 (HIGHLIGHTS)



Forty Faculty Earn ACE-Recognized Higher Education Teaching Credential

Forty faculty members earned a highly coveted teaching credential by becoming certified in the Association of College and University Educators (ACUE) Course in "Effective Teaching Practices."

Nationally Recognized Teaching Awards Assistant Professors Albert Pearsall (Business) and Stella Ayika (Nursing), both Dean's Teaching Fellows, and Adjunct Professor Pamela Perkins (Public Speaking) were recognized (March 2018) on a national stage during the League for Innovation in the Community College's 2018 Innovation Conference as winners of 2017 John & Suanne Roueche Excellence Awards.



UDC-CC Outstanding Staff & Faculty Awards Winners of the Excellence Awards, Professors Albert Pearsall, Stella Ayika, and Pamela Perkins, along with Ms. Jessie Price (Project Manager, Academic Affairs) and Mr. William Hacker (Adjunct Professor and Director of Academic Support Services, Academic Affairs) were all named inaugural winners of UDC-CC Outstanding Staff & Faculty Awards presented by Dr. Summers at an employee appreciation luncheon at the Community College in December of 2017.

2018 Innovation of the Year Award Winner – Dr. Sandra Jowers-Barber

As a member institution of the League for Innovation in the Community College, UDC-CC's Dr. Sandra Jowers-Barber, Humanities Division Director and Associate Professor of History, was presented with a 2018 Innovation of the Year Award—one of only forty-four awarded nationally. Dr. Jowers-Barber's direct efforts led to an MOU executed between UDC-CC and the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). UDC-CC now provides instructional support and leadership from Dr. Sandra Jowers-Barber to the MPD utilizing two adjunct History professors, Dr. Sharita Thompson and Dr. Bernie Demczuk, regarding the historical relationship between the African American community and the MPD. As a result, Dr. Jowers-Barber will present at the 2019 Innovations Conference.



Dr. Sandra Jowers-Barber, Humanities Division Director and Associate Professor of History

A successful alignment of the Van Ness and Community College Student Success Offices under the Assistant Vice President of Student Success

A complete overhaul of Academic Advising at the Community College (Comprehensive Training Protocol, Caseload Alignment based on Major, Cross-collaboration with the Academic programs and Data-driven monthly reports)



100% of the Student Success team is trained in Gallup Strength-Finders

RECAP: Fall 2018 New Student Orientation and Faculty Professional Development



Dr. Tony Summers, Chief Community College Officer, speaks with incoming students during New Student Orientation Week at 801 North Capital Street NE on Tuesday, Aug. 14.



Students were met with a warm welcome sign at the entrance of 801 North Capital Street NE.



UDC President Ronald Mason speaks with adjunct professors during Faculty Professional Development at 801 North Capital Street NE on Thursday, Aug. 16.



Dr. Marilyn Hamilton, Dean of UDC-CC Academic Affairs, welcomes the full-time faculty during Faculty Professional Development at 801 North Capital Street NE on Thursday, Aug. 16.



Full-time faculty participated in a team building and course management training during Faculty Professional Development at 801 North Capital Street NE on Thursday, Aug. 16.

NEW UDC-CC STAFF/FACULTY MEMBERS

- Mr. Paul Holston, Communications Specialist – Room 333-C (3rd Floor)
- Ms. Tara McNair, Student Success Specialist – Room 216 (2nd Floor)
- Ms. TiQuoria Jackson, Student Success Specialist – Room 217 (2nd Floor)
- Mr. Kenneth Jerrod Cooper, Student Success Specialist – Room 213 (2nd Floor)
- Mr. Derrick Jordan, Coordinator of Employment Outreach – Office of Career Services (2nd Floor)
- Ms. Talisha Jefferson – Career Counselor – Office of Career Services (2nd Floor)
- Mr. Jeremy Wood – Disability Counselor – Room 218 – Office of Counseling and Disability (2nd Floor)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

!!!OPEN FOR BUSINESS!!!

UDC Community College Reproduction Center

Location: Room 621

Hours: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays

Closed: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm for Lunch

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Staff: Office of Auxiliary Enterprises (OAE) Staff/Contractor

Layette Patrice Buchanan

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UDC-CC Reproduction Center Manager

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