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# Student Affairs Updates

## ***Student Affairs is integral to the mission of SCCC***

The committed Student Affairs staff serves as collaborative partners in pursuit of institutional goals and objectives. With tremendous pride and dedication, these individuals pursue the institutional vision, mission, and values.

**Student Affairs Vision** - The Student Affairs Division creates an unparalleled experience where students embrace learning and diversity to become leaders in the service of the global community.

**Student Affairs Mission** - The Student Affairs Division offers opportunities for engagement, learning and discovery in a diverse environment that optimizes the college experience and prepares students to serve a global community.

**Student Affairs Values** - As members of an inclusive community, value is on: excellence; leadership and service; knowledge; critical thinking; respect for self and others; diversity; exploration and communication.

**Visit Student Affairs at**  
<http://www.sunysccc.edu/student/student.htm>

## **GREEN INITIATIVES: PLEASE VIEW THESE PUBLICATIONS ONLINE:**

### **SCCC HANDBOOK AND PLANNER**

[http://issuu.com/sunysccc/docs/handbook\\_2011-2012](http://issuu.com/sunysccc/docs/handbook_2011-2012)

### **Club Manual for 2011-2012**

[http://issuu.com/sunysccc/docs/club\\_manual2011.2012](http://issuu.com/sunysccc/docs/club_manual2011.2012)

### **Student Affairs Annual Report 2010-11**

[http://issuu.com/sunysccc/docs/student\\_affairs\\_annual\\_report/1](http://issuu.com/sunysccc/docs/student_affairs_annual_report/1)

**Athletics Updates:** Baseball team opened on Sept. 17 on the "B" Diamond in Central Park with a 4-3 win over the Montreal Titans. Repeated the win on Sept. 18 with a 12-1 victory over the Brooklyn Bonnies and a 7-1 win over FMCC. Coach Tim Andi begins his 21<sup>st</sup> season with a 3-0 season with 11 returning players and 22 new recruits. Pre-season basketball workouts began on Sept. 7 and Women's Crew began with conditioning on Sept. 12. For more information: contact David Gonzalez, Athletic Director, 381-1356.

### **Career and Employment Services Updates:**

1. Career and Employment Services is being recognized for the increase in participation of students in the Federal Workforce Recruitment Program for students with disabilities. This past summer, 4 students were chosen to participate in valuable federal internships that are helping them to gain skills and experience for future success. For the first time since the College has participated in this recruitment process, there was a waiting list of candidates. SCCC is hosting a recruiter on campus on Monday, October 31, currently 13 students have expressed interest in applying for these internships. For more information: contact Dawn Jones, Non-Traditional Career Specialist, 381-1334.
2. The office coordinated a regional community college recruitment event for Global Foundries that targeted students and alumni interested in technical careers; almost 150 people attended from central NY!
3. Robert Frederick and Dawn Jones are co-chairs of the Capital Region Career Consortium that provides collaborative training and outreach to local businesses. The group will initiate a new online job and internship posting system specifically targeted to local employers seeking to hire capital region college students and alumni. This portal, launching this fall, and will provide employers with a more efficient means to publicize opportunities and become more involved in campus career functions.

**STAFF UPDATES:**

1. A special thank you is extended to: Matthew Beebe, Maureen Codd, Marty Friedman, Evelyn Rybaltowski and Patrick Smith for your service in the Academic Advisement Center this summer. We could not have done all that we did without you!
2. Special congratulations to the three members of the Division who began their 'new' full-time positions on September 1: Heidi Borofsky, Academic Advisor, Mitzi Espinola, Academic Advisor and Mary Dornbush, Financial Aid Advisor!
3. Welcome to Justin Cook. Justin has been hired by the Student Government Association and the Faculty-Student Association to serve as the Student Activities Advisor for the upcoming year.
4. Bold moves were made by Suzann Burke and Patricia Ostrander this summer to aid the Division in "staying afloat" - thank you!
5. Thanks to Steve Fragale, Counselor, for agreeing to take on additional responsibilities to assist the Vice President with issues pertaining to student conduct management.

**Admissions Updates:** Over the summer, the new student registration process was evolved to meet the needs of all individuals seeking to make an appointment or just walk-in. This proved to work well. The enrollment report for new admitted students for the Fall 2011 term reflect we are 4.97% ahead for new full-time students and 3.57% up for new part-time students.

**Transfer Fair 2011** – was a huge success with over 30 colleges and universities attended from across the state and New England Region. For more information: see Bernie Dunn, Transfer Counselor.

**SCCC Introduces a NEW Rotaract Club:** Robert Frederick is the College Liaison for the Rotaract Club of Schenectady! Rotaract is an international program founded by the Rotary International and will be co-advised by the Rotary Clubs of Schenectady, Niskayuna and Glenville. The focus will be to conduct local and international community service projects and participate in professional and leadership development workshops. A general organizational meeting will be held on September 28 at College Hour in the Library Conference Room for interested SCCC and Delhi students.

**Academic Advisement:** Great strides have been made to build a solid Academic Advisement Center. The additional staffing has made a world of difference. In August and September alone, reports show over 2000 individuals have come through the Academic Advisement Center in person. In addition, over 500+ phone calls and e-mails have been addressed during this same time period. The usage of the new Skype advisement feature is also on the incline! This is amazing considering SCCC was closed for 7 business days during the month due to "damp conditions"! Advisors have worked to make commute to and from the Center City site a proper fit in our student's schedules. In addition, the CDTA FREE Bus Rides and The Late Start Program have proven to be a valued option for our students.

**Behavioral Assessment Team Training** – A group from SCCC attended a training seminar on June 6 at SUNY-Cobleskill with national expert in police psychology and violence risk assessment programs, Dr. John Nicoletti. This training will assist as we strengthen our "B.A.Team" at SCCC. Look forward to updates in the near future on how the team is evolving.