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Thank you,
Office of College Relations

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Marketing Project Requests

LCCC's College Relations staff can turn your creative ideas into reality. Whether it is an event, a new program, a website update, a social media campaign or beyond, our staff will work with you to get the best results.

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Registration Status Reports

To view registration status reports, go to the Institutional Research link on [Faculty and Staff Resources](#).

Working @ LCCC

Duplicating Center and Mail Room Service Window Hours
8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Lobby Hours
7:30 a.m. – 7 p.m., Monday through Thursday; 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Friday.

Courier services Monday through Friday to all sites.

Bookstore Hours
Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Friday: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday: CLOSED.

Library Hours
7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Wellness Center Fall Hours
Monday through Thursday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Friday: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday: CLOSED.

*All hours subject to change.

President's Cabinet Members Open Office Hours

President Dr. Ann D. Bieber
Appointments can be made via Zoom. Email Tracy Bean at tbean@lccc.edu to schedule an online meeting.

VP Dr. Cindy Haney
1st and 3rd Mondays from 4 to 5 p.m. and 2nd and 4th Thursdays from 4 to 5 p.m. Email Ronnie Blue at rblue@lccc.edu to schedule a Hangouts meeting.

VP Larissa Verta
Access virtual office hours on Mondays from 9 to 5 p.m., Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., and Thursdays from 12:30 to 2 p.m., or email lverta@lccc.edu to arrange a scheduled meeting.

VP Stefanie Nester
1st and 3rd Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m. and 2nd and 4th Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. Email Maria Bowen at mbowen4@lccc.edu to schedule an online meeting.

Dean Peggy Hoim
Mondays from 9 to 5 p.m.
Email [pfoim@lccc.edu](mailto:phoim@lccc.edu) to schedule online meeting.

Interim Dean Dr. Jodi Rowlands
Wednesdays, 8 to 9 a.m. or 4 to 5 p.m.
Email jrowlands@lccc.edu to schedule a meeting.

Dean Dr. Andrea Granum-Mosley
Mondays from 1 to 5 p.m.
Email agranummosley@lccc.edu to schedule via Hangouts.

Interim Dean Elke Reichardt
Wednesdays from 9 to 5 p.m.
Email EReichardt@lccc.edu to schedule online meeting.

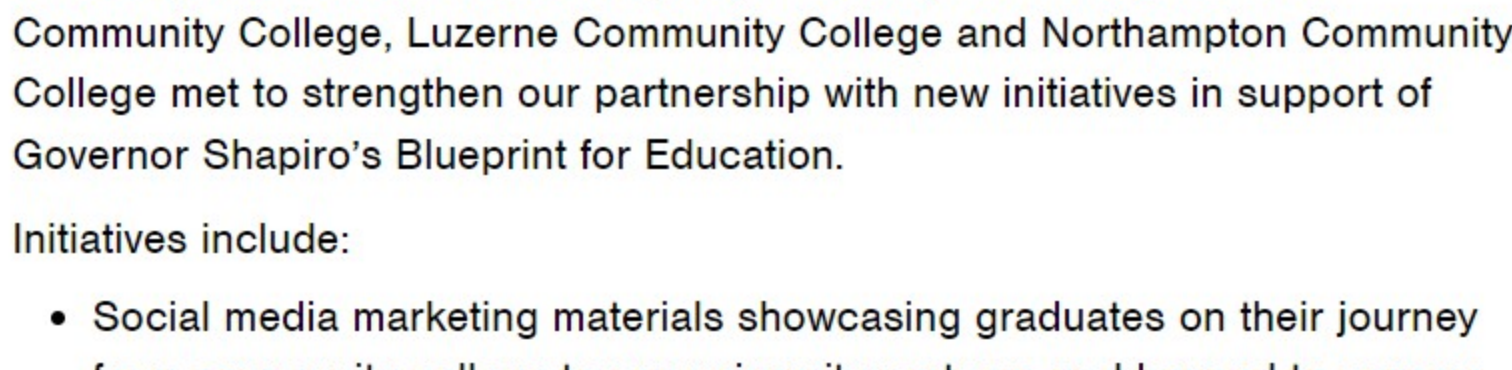
Dean Dr. Kelly Trahan
Mondays from 9 to 5 p.m.
Email KTrahan@lccc.edu to schedule an online meeting.

CIO Joshua Mitchell
Tuesdays from 11 a.m. to noon.
Email JMitchell1@lccc.edu to schedule online meeting.

Dean Scott Aquila
Email saquila@lccc.edu to schedule an online or face-to-face meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSHE/CCs Regional Partnership



Governor Shapiro and legislators diligently work every day on behalf of all members of our state's high school student, veteran and returning adult population to ensure they have access to affordable educational opportunities close to home. This is a commitment to economic development that provides a trained workforce for our business communities.

Presidents and teams from Commonwealth University, East Stroudsburg University and Kutztown University in partnership with Lehigh Carbon Community College, Luzerne Community College and Northampton Community College met to strengthen our partnership with new initiatives in support of Governor Shapiro's Blueprint for Education.

Initiatives include:

- Social media marketing materials showcasing graduates on their journey from community college to our university partners and beyond to careers in their chosen fields, including posts and videos highlighting seamless transfer possibilities
- Billboards and digital display ads promoting institutional partnerships
- A common marketing landing page that incorporates transfer success stories from both institutions and lists the many benefits of the partnership
- Links to corresponding pages on partner websites with further information
- Financial support in the form of awards, funding and merit scholarships (same as they would have received if they had been accepted as freshman at university)
- Information on state-level support and PHEAA Scholarships linked on landing pages
- Reverse Transfer information
- Waiver of application fee
- Personalized advising from transfer expert
- Shared physical community
 - Community college students can live in dorms on the university campus and attend events with their community college identification cards.
 - Community college faculty can get university identification cards and have access to university facilities.
 - Partners can teach on each other's campuses.
- Guarantee to transfer all credits (in most programs)
- "It's Not Over" initiatives wherein all partners exchange lists of students who have dropped out so they can finish their degrees at one of our other schools

Meetings will be ongoing among the partners to assess these initiatives and increase areas of partnership to serve the students of our region.

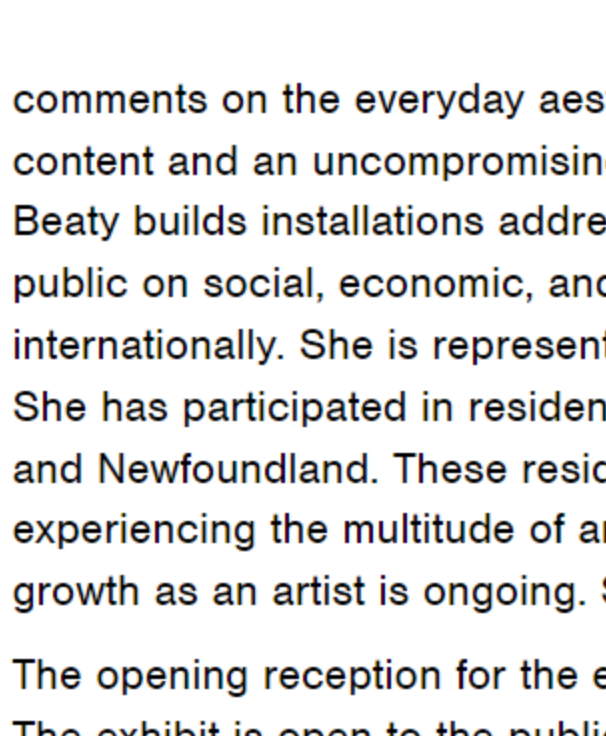
You're in the Know! The Who, What, When, Where and Why about Reaccreditation

This will be the first of many communications on or about LCCC's Middle States institutional reaccreditation process. These ongoing informational nuggets will be dropped along with future announcements on our Middle States Institutional webpage, Portal Self Study Report working page, and many other posters, flyers, activities, meetings, webinars, and presidential email reminders.

Who is Lehigh Carbon Community College's institutional accreditor?
The Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) is an institutional accreditor recognized by the United States Department of Education (USDE) that serves as an independent voice in higher education. MSCHE establishes equitable standards for accreditation with member institutions that advance the impact of accreditation in the ever-changing landscape of higher education and promotes educational excellence through innovation across diverse institutions.

Middle States Commission on Higher Education
1007 North Orange Street
4th Floor, MB #166
Wilmington, DE 19801
Now you're in the know.

Francis Beatty Solo Exhibition in the Glass Box Gallery: Opening Reception Oct. 3



Join us for Francis Beatty's Solo Exhibition "Spontaneous Connections" in the Glass Box Gallery (located inside Rothrock Library).

Francis Beatty is a contemporary installation artist, painter, and sculptor known for her interdisciplinary work and introspective style. Her works incorporate found and constructed elements with a unique conceptual inventiveness. She takes daily life as a subject matter and comments on the everyday aesthetic. She creates work with a clarity of content and an uncompromising attitude toward ephemerality and minimalism. Beatty builds installations addressing issues that resonate with the general public on social, economic, and global concerns. Beatty exhibits nationally and internationally. She is represented by the 10 Dence Gallery in the Netherlands. She has participated in residencies in Japan, France, Nevada, Pennsylvania, and Newfoundland. These residencies allow her to expand her vision while experiencing the multitude of artistic expression throughout the world. Her growth as an artist is ongoing. She works in her studio in Philadelphia, PA.

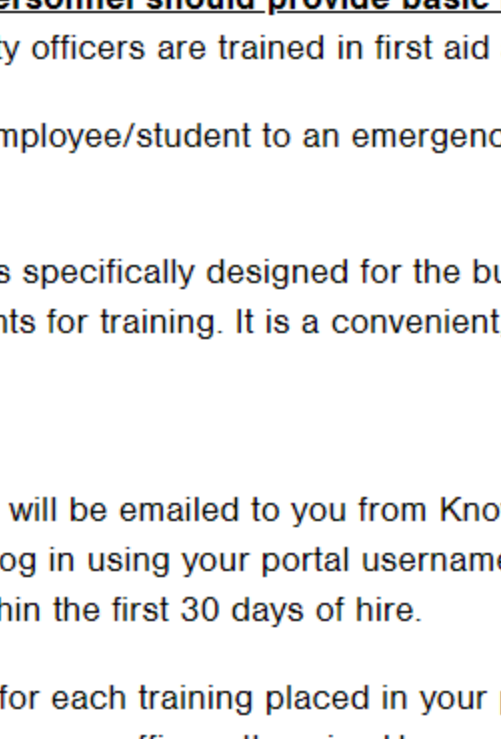
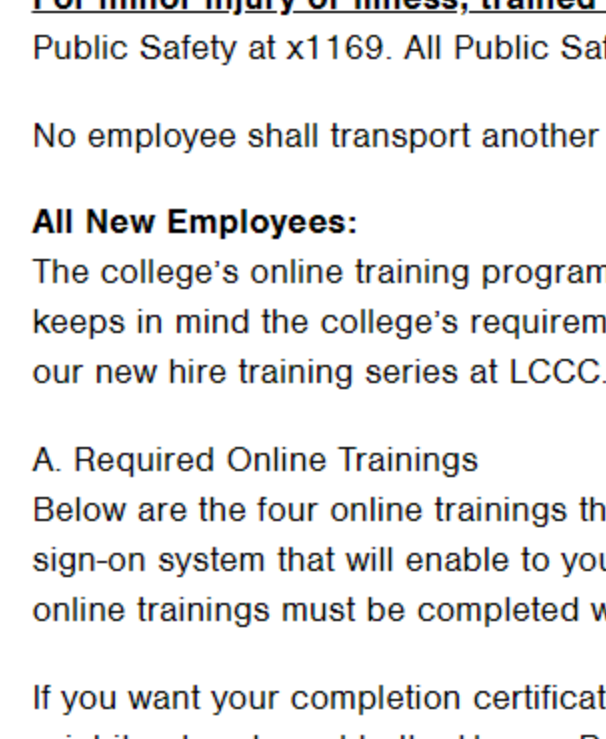
The opening reception for the exhibit will be Thursday, Oct. 3 from 6p-8p.m. The exhibit is open to the public and runs from Oct. 3 – Nov. 4.

2024 October Edition of the Online Learning Newsletter

View the [October edition](#) of the Online Learning Newsletter. This edition includes information about the training programs we offer. It also includes news on submitting a course for Quality Matters, an article on AI in advancing Accessibility, a How to Talk to Students Suspected of Cheating training from OLC, and SpeedGrader updates in Canvas. There is also a page on some events around the Lehigh Valley this month. If you have any questions about anything in this edition contact us at Onlinelearning@lccc.edu.

TESA – Teacher Education Student Association

The 2024 Teacher Education Student Association (TESA) team participated in the At Your Service & Activities Event on September 18 & 19. Our President, Lizbeth Fernandez and Vice President, Graycee Kovalchick greeted interested students with TESA brochures and information, promoted the Parkland Program, and had book markers for participants to color. All enjoyed a tasty slice of pizza too! TESA would like to thank Gene Eden for her hard work coordinating this wonderful event.



ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

Human Resources News

New I-9 Form

The new version of the I-9 has been released. Please begin using the new version for all new hires. The form can be viewed [here](#).

Nominate a Colleague for Spotlight on Knowledge
Is there a faculty or staff member you excel smooth over an unexpected bump during a project or event? Do you know someone who went above and beyond to provide excellent customer service? Human Resources invites you to nominate that person for a Spotlight on Excellence recognition. Recognized members of the college community will be announced in the College Voice and will receive a token of appreciation for a job well done. Please use the [nomination form](#) to spotlight the excellence of a fellow employee!

Slip, Trip and Fall Prevention
Slips, trips, and falls account for a large percentage of medical incidents on campus and are the result from some kind of unintended or unexpected change in the contact between the feet and the ground or walking surface. [AttachedWord](#) are tips to aid in the prevention of slips, trips and falls.

Quick Reference for Medical Emergencies on Campus
If serious injury or illness occurs on campus, CALL 911. After you call 911, call Public Safety at x1169 to inform them you called 911. Public Safety will report to where the injured person is until arrival of the ambulance.
For minor injury or illness, trained personnel should provide basic first aid care. Call Public Safety at x1169. All Public Safety officers are trained in first aid and CPR/AEDS.

No employee shall transport another employee/student to an emergency facility or hospital.

All New Employees:
The college's online training program is specifically designed for the faculty or professional but keeps in mind the college's requirements for training. It is a convenient, easy way to complete our new hire training series at LCCC.

A. Required Online Trainings
Below are the four online trainings that will be emailed to you from Know4. This is a single sign-on system that will enable you to log in using your portal username and password. These online trainings must be completed within the first 30 days of hire.

If you want your completion certificate for each training placed in your personnel file, please print it out and send to the Human Resources office, otherwise Human Resources maintains a database of your completed trainings.

FERPA – Privacy and Security Awareness
Protected Classes – Intro to Discrimination
Intro to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Workplace
Creating Strong Password – Security Awareness Training

B. Run-Hide-Fight Video
To view this video, go to the [Department of Public Safety website page](#) and click on the Run-Hide-Fight video link.

If you have any questions, please contact Human Resources at x1107 or x1108.

Online Learning News

View the [September edition](#) of the Department of Online Learning Newsletter. This edition includes information about the training programs we offer, including the new Canvas Certification Course. It also includes: Recognition for Robin Musselman's QM Course; the article and training of the month; how to take attendance in your Canvas Course information on Regular & Substantive Interaction; recognition for our badge earners; and this month's events around the Lehigh Valley. If you have any questions please reach out to onlinelearning@lccc.edu.

Online Learning Courses Available
Register online for our live and self-paced trainings. Trainings include: Canvas Course Certification, Remote Course Certification, Excellence in Instruction, Zoom, Canvas Studio, Blooms Taxonomy, and more!

Office Hours
Schedule a [meeting](#) with Rachel Peters to ask any questions on training, course development, professional development, and other tools/topics.

Digital Badges
Faculty and staff will have the opportunity to receive digital badges to display on LinkedIn, email signature and other areas, highlighting their professional achievements and commitment to continued learning. A number of different badges are available to anyone who completes the required training or series of trainings. The training requirements for each badge are outlined on the [flyer](#). If you have any questions about the digital badges or the requirements for them please contact onlinelearning@lccc.edu.

REMINDERS

Directly Connecting Students to Food Options

The LCCC Cougar Cabinet Food Pantry program will be assisting eligible students in need of transportation for accessing food resources. Options for fuel cards, transportation vouchers, and bus passes will be available for students who are experiencing limited access to food due to challenges with transportation.

As a reminder, there is a Cougar Cabinet Food Pantry at our Schnecksville, Allentown and Tamaqua sites and this assistance will be available to students at each site.

For more information please contact Liz Rivera at rivera1@lccc.edu.

LGBTQ+ Equity 101 Training on Nov. 8

Through a Strategic Innovation Grant the college will be offering LGBTQ+ Equity 101 training on Friday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. The training will be led by Robin Gow, LGBTQ+ Equity Trainer and Consultant.

LGBTQ+ people live, work, and simply exist everywhere but often face barriers and biases that impact our lives. This training equips attendees with the basic tools to understand and reflect on key concepts in the LGBTQ+ community, space to practice supportive and affirming practices, and together work to create a more inclusive community for LGBTQ+ people.

This training will be offered in-person on Main Campus in the Alumni Center and via Zoom at the Allentown and Tamaqua sites.

Coffee, breakfast pastries and lunch will be provided for all attendees at each site. Seating for the Main Campus is limited to 40.

*Please note, this same training was held in fall '23 as well as spring and summer of this year.

Register by Friday, Oct. 18 [here](#). For questions email Jill Yapsuga at jyapsuga@lccc.edu or Doug Brace at dbrace@lccc.edu.

Fall 2024 Movement Challenge

Join the LCCC Spirit Committee in our ambitious and friendly Movement Challenge promoting a healthier and happier you through daily movement: walking, running, swimming, yoga, barre or your favorite and more. It all counts! Starting Oct. 1, and continuing through Oct. 31, get up and move. Each Monday, you will receive a reminder email to enter your movement totals for the previous week. Dick's gift cards will be randomly awarded at the end of the challenge.

View the [flyer](#) for more information and [register](#) today. Reach out to Ginny Hertzog, vhertzog@lccc.edu or Erin Vermeulen, ermeulen@lccc.edu with any questions.

BONUS: Join us for Afternoon Move with Rachael Toonder outside the Student Union, Wednesdays at 2 p.m. Take a few minutes of "you time" with light stretches to help with your movement challenge!

Pizza with the President

Dr. Bieber is hosting "Pizza with the President" for students at all sites.

- LCCC Main Campus – Monday, Sept. 30 at 12:00 p.m.
- LCCC Airport – Monday, Sept. 30 at 3:30 p.m.
- LCCC Tamaqua – Tuesday, Oct. 1, at 12:00 p.m.

See the [event flyer](#) for more details. RSVP to Tracy Bean at tbean@lccc.edu. Students will have an opportunity to discuss their ideas, thoughts and concerns with Dr. Bieber. Please encourage student attendance.

Fall 2024 Lunch and Learn Series

In September and October, we invite the LCCC community to explore DEI topics during the Lunch and Learn lecture series. Please join us at the Morgan Center from 12 – 1 p.m., on the dates below, to learn, listen, and discuss social topics while enjoying a shared lunch!

These events, sponsored by the Title III: Pathways to Success grant, will address the following topics:

Binary Limitations: Wednesday, Oct. 9
In connection with National Coming-Out Day, this session will provide historical perspectives of how and why binary social structures impact our daily lives. For more about National Coming-Out Day, Oct. 11, visit [this website](https://www.2025.org).

Healing a Community from Erasure and Binary Harm: Tuesday, Oct. 22
Understanding identity, erasure and binary belief systems extends our ability to communicate and honor diversity in the community. To move forward, toward equity and inclusion, healing from the harm caused by social structures becomes necessary. This gathering will feature individual and group practices and reflections to repair and renew lives.

For more info about this series contact Carrie Myers at cmymers@lccc.edu.

Strategic Innovation Grant Now Open

The Strategic Innovation Grant is designed to encourage faculty and staff innovation to enhance the lives of our students and college community and improve educational delivery. Consideration will be given to progressive, inventive, creative ideas that transform curriculum, college activities, student life, partnerships, and/or support services. Funding is typically available for projects requiring less than \$35,000. The amount awarded may differ from the requested amount, but will not exceed the amount budgeted annually by the college. Click [here](#) or more information including the criteria, deadlines, and the application.

Rocky Bleier Tickets for Sale

Tickets for the motivational evening with Rocky Bleier on Monday, Nov. 4, at the Glasbren Inn are available. Support our scholarships for veterans by attending. Tickets can be purchased [here](#).

4:30 p.m., Monday, November 4, 2024
Glasbren Inn, Fogelsville
Free tickets for veterans
Sponsored by the Foundation

SPIRIT & WELLNESS

Wellness Center Fall Hours

Wellness Center fall hours will be effective through Friday, Dec.13.

The Wellness Center will be open this fall for the following hours:

- Mondays-Thursday 9 a.m. – 5p.m.
- Fridays 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- Saturdays and Sundays Closed

*All hours subject to change

The Wellness Center will be closed on the following dates:

- Wednesday, Nov. 27
- Thursday, Nov. 28
- Friday, Nov. 29
- Monday, Dec. 23 through Wednesday, Jan. 1

Wellness Center winter hours will be Monday, Dec. 16 through Thursday, Jan. 23 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Spirit Committee Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events, brought to you by the LCCC Spirit Committee!

October
Movement Challenge – All Month
Spirit Day: Halloween Costumes – Tuesday, Oct. 29

For questions about any upcoming events, please reach out to Tina Dowling-Hackett at tdowlinghackett@lccc.edu or Ginny Hertzog at vhertzog@lccc.edu.