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FSCJ's Military and Veterans Service Center Fosters Academic Goals

For 50 years, Florida State College at Jacksonville has supported the military and veterans on base, at the campuses and, at one time, on ships underway. FSCJ's reorganization in 2013 signified a new era with the inauguration of a Military and Veterans Service Center (MVSC). The Center supports and enhances various programs throughout the College that are designed to assist active duty military, veterans, guard and reserve and family members with all aspects of education, career re-entry and career development.

The Center is located in the historic Main Street Building (MSB) at 940 Main Street, and houses Military Program Specialists and Veterans Affairs Specialists. FSCJ participates in a Veterans Affairs program called VetSuccess on Campus. The program places experienced VA counselors on campus to assist veterans with counseling and referral services as they transition to college life and complete their education.

The VSOC counselors' services include: assistance applying to their VA educational benefits, vocational exploration, medical/mental health referrals and coordinating with the college's faculty/staff to ensure the veteran is successful in their pursuits.

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The Military and Veterans Service Center is a one-stop shop for information on events and services offered throughout the College. The Center has a lounge area equipped with a state-of-the-art computer lab where veteran students can work on school projects and research employment prospects. The lounge is a convenient place where veterans can hang out with their peers and relax. Tutoring opportunities are also available, allowing students to participate in group study, peer tutoring or other tutoring possibilities.

The dedicated staff is able to provide academic resources to active duty military, veterans and their family members. It is hoped that this will increase academic success leading to degrees, certifications, licensures and job placement in high-demand careers.

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New Required Online Course Now Available for Registration

FSCJ employees may now register for the course "Purchasing Guidelines and Requirements" online through ARTEMIS. This course is a pre-requisite requirement for all employees for access and security to PeopleSoft FSCM, and goes beyond completing specific PeopleSoft UPKs.

The course reviews College guidelines for employees who are required to make or approve requests for the procurement of goods and services by way of purchase requisitions, P-Cards, vouchers and OPS agreements. If you're not sure you need to complete this course, ask your supervisor or contact the purchasing and/or finance departments.

You can register by clicking on the "College" tab in ARTEMIS. Once you click "Register," you should then enter reference number 435801. After clicking "Add Classes," the course will appear on Blackboard within 24 hours.

You do not need to register for this course if you have successfully completed the original Orion Purchasing training course previously taught by Regina O'Hara. Also, if you have attended a face-to-face training course with Dennis Blank and Chas Dodge, you have completed this training.

Please notify Chas Dodge so he can verify your training and notate your completion of this course. If you need any assistance registering, please email Brenda Baldree at bbaldree@fscj.edu.

FSCJ's Dr. Andrew Holt Presents Lectures to US Marines



United States Marines risk their lives daily to protect our country, and staying well-informed of potential threats is essential to their preparedness. FSCJ's Dr. Andrew Holt recently took the time to talk to Marines from the reserve unit in which he previously served as sergeant. The history professor considers last month's lectures some of the more rewarding teaching experiences of his career.

Having studied the Islamic State in depth over the past 18 months, Dr. Holt's lectures on January 9 and January 23 offered a background on the militant group, and emphasized to Marines the importance of knowing any dangers it could pose.

Dr. Holt's opportunity to deliver these lectures arose after a conversation with Captain Luis Jones, commanding officer of Company B, 4th Assault Amphibian Battalion. Captain Jones expressed concerns about the readiness of his Marines in any potential conflicts with what has been called the most well-funded terrorist state in history.

"He said that young Marines need to keep this threat, as well as other potential threats, on their radars, as they may well end up fighting them at some point," Dr. Holt said. "I was enthusiastic about the idea, seeing it as a small way in which I could offer something to these fine Marines who so regularly have risked their lives for us."

Dr. Holt said the experiences were far from teaching the typical history lecture. Though he did cover the recent history of the organization, which rose to international prominence in June 2014, he also discussed the dangers the Islamic State poses to international, national and even local security. Dr. Holt highlighted recent arrests of Islamic State sympathizers in North Florida, stressing to the Marines the need to be alert and careful.

Both lectures received a positive response, and one Marine even expressed interest in becoming a professor someday. The Marines also made a positive impression on Dr. Holt. "I came away from these talks inspired by the extraordinarily high quality of the people serving in our Marine Corps and comforted to know that such men are defending us," he said. "If my talks were successful in fostering awareness and readiness, then I certainly count them as among the most important lectures I have given." [To read Dr. Andrew Holt's blog about his experience, click here.](#)

Artist George Hart Fabricates Sculpture with FSCJ Students

Last month, guest artist George Hart visited the South Campus to work with students in the art, digital media and math departments. His hands-on building activities encouraged students to collaborate on complex physical structures, using materials ranging from paper to computer animation modeling software.

These workshops crossed disciplinary lines, allowing students to create art objects while touching on aspects of math beyond the textbook, such as 3-D geometry, topology, graph theory, problem solving and more. The culminating event was the five-by-five foot sculpture designed by Dr. Hart and fabricated with his direction by FSCJ students. The artist designed the sculpture specifically for the College, and even used our logo as a reference.

He named the sculpture "Ostinato," which means a continually repeated musical phrase or rhythm. The sculpture is made up of approximately 60 identical pieces held together with cable ties. The students were asked to figure out how the pieces fit together, and then construct the object themselves – with a few hints from Dr. Hart.

Dr. Hart is an organizer of the annual Bridges Conference on mathematics and art and the editor for sculpture for the *Journal of Mathematics and the Arts*. His research explores innovative ways to use computer technology in the design and fabrication of his artwork, which has been exhibited widely around the world.

"Ostinato" is now part of the College's permanent art collection and will remain on display in the Nathan H. Wilson Center for the Arts through April.



FSCJ's Fire Academy Director Appointed to Technical Committee Role

Florida State College at Jacksonville's (FSCJ) Director of the Fire Academy, Sheldon Reed, has been appointed to the Technical Committee of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

Sheldon, who has served as director of the fire academy since 2009, joins 19 members of a committee comprised of fire service educators, training center designers and fire prop manufacturers.

"This is a reflection of the reputation of the Fire Academy as a premier training center and our commitment to continuous improvement in the student experience," Sheldon said of his appointment.

Founded in 1896, the NFPA devotes itself to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. The global nonprofit organization delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy.

NFPA codes are reviewed regularly to ensure they remain current with industry practices and emerging technologies to reflect the consumer's needs.

To be selected for the committee, Sheldon underwent an application review process in which his credentials, experience and knowledge of fire design were evaluated. The Technical Committee will review the Facilities for Fire Training and Associated Props (NFPA Code 1402) over the next 18 to 24 months.

This review will address the design and construction of fire service training facilities. The committee members will use teleconferences and meetings to analyze input and construct a revised standard to place before the general membership for approval. That revised standard is then brought to the NFPA membership for discussion and adoption.

Sheldon will serve through the revision cycle.

FSCJ Artist Series Offers "Phantom of the Opera" Discounts for Staff and Students

The FSCJ Artist Series season continues this month with shows that are sure to please. You're encouraged to take advantage of a special FSCJ staff and student discount to see the Broadway classic, "The Phantom of the Opera," at

the Times-Union Center. Cameron Mackintosh's spectacular new production of Andrew Lloyd Webber's play premieres in Jacksonville from February 10-21 as part of a brand new North American Tour.

This production, which retains the beloved story and thrilling score, boasts exciting new special effects, scenic and lighting designs, staging and choreography. It has been hailed by critics as "bigger and better than ever before." Discounts are available on select performances: 2/10, 2/11, 2/12, 2/16, 2/17, 2/18, 2/19 for \$43.50, all inclusive. To receive your discount, use the following code: FSCJ.

Phantom of the Opera Performance Schedule

Wednesday, February 10, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 11, 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Friday, February 12, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, February 16, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 17, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 18, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, February 19, 8 p.m.

Discounts are subject to change. Watch your FSCJ email for updates on staff/student discounts. Restrictions apply. The deadline to purchase tickets is 3 p.m. the day of the show. For weekend performances, the purchase deadline is 3 p.m. on Friday prior to the performance. Please contact the FSCJ Artist Series box office with any questions at (904) 442-2929.

For the full 2015-2016 season schedule and to watch video previews of upcoming shows, check out the FSCJ Artist Series website at fscjartistseries.org for new content and features uploaded regularly.

>> Board Highlights

Following are the highlights of the February 9, 2015 special meeting of the FSCJ District Board of Trustees:

- The District Board of Trustees approved the Academic Calendar for 2016-17. The approved calendar can be found on the February agenda [here](#).
- The District Board of Trustees approved the Strategic Plan update, 2016-17. A copy of the revised Strategic Plan can be found [here](#).

Who's New:

- This list includes those individuals who are filling the newly appointed Faculty full-time positions, A&P positions and full-time Career Employee positions.

Faculty Full-Time

- Ranjan Chhibber was appointed to the position of Professor (Humanities)
- Ruby Hurley was appointed to the position of Professor (Practical Nursing)

A&P Full-Time

- Logan Becker was appointed to the position of Budget Analyst
- Amanda Burgess was appointed to the position of Assistant Director of Communications
- Christy Campbell was appointed to the position of Chief Information Technology Officer
- Judy Chaitan was appointed to the position of Director of Treasury Operations
- Paul Herman was appointed to the position of Interim Director of Curriculum Services
- Anita Kovacs was appointed to the position of Associate Vice President of Finance
- Lindsey Thomas was appointed to the position of Director of Accounting
- Amy Unick was appointed to the position of Director of College Data Reporting

Career Full-Time

- Gerald Abbott was appointed to the position of Maintenance Site Manager
- Dennis Ardley was appointed to the position of Security Officer I

- Clarissa Barclay was appointed to the position of Advisor I
- Dionne Cobourne was appointed to the position of Interim Business Office Specialist II
- Melanie Ferren was appointed to the position of Project Coordinator
- Angela Gaines was appointed to the position of Library Assistant II
- Jeremy Griner was appointed to the position of Interim Plant Service Worker
- Kelly Harbert was appointed to the position of Student Support Coordinator
- Esmeralda Hill was appointed to the position of Security Officer II
- Prionya Kellam was appointed to the position of Plant Service Worker
- Jan Kerwin Levius was appointed to the position of Project Coordinator
- Cordell Manning was appointed to the position of Warehouse Clerk II
- William McCool was appointed to the position of Culinary Program Food Service Manager
- Bonnie Mosley was appointed to the position of Assessment Coordinator
- Shannon Oliver was appointed to the position of Student Success Advisor
- Donna Robinson was appointed to the position of Case Manager/Career Specialist
- Melissa Watson was appointed to the position of Interim Senior Plant Service Worker
- Rodney Wickham was appointed to the position of Tradesworker III
- Brandy Williams was appointed to the position of Interim Project Coordinator
- Sara Wollitz was appointed to the position of Administrative Assistant II
- Scott Yaun was appointed to the position of Distance Learning Assessment Specialist
- Anthony Yertzell was appointed to the position of Interim Learning Commons Advisor

You can find more information on the Board of Trustees meeting on our website.

Administrator Spotlight

Meet FSCJ's New Chief Information Technology Officer



Welcome Christy Campbell as our new Chief Information Technology Officer. Christy shared some of her thoughts and goals as she joins the FSCJ family.

Q. What are some current technology applications not currently utilized at FSCJ that you would like to implement?

A. Although I have not fully analyzed the enterprise architecture for providing systems and services to support the administrative and academic computing at FSCJ, I do know that higher education institutions are moving in several major directions that require new technology, thought and innovation.

The new ERP Project (continued deployments through 2016 and 2017) will allow us to improve in consolidation of systems; information technology and business process standardization; and overall support and maintenance in finance, human resources, payroll, student information systems and self-service, budgeting and data analytics. These applications will provide consolidated reporting to allow FSCJ leaders the ability to make data-driven decisions at all levels of the institution and provide the College with a competitive advantage.

Another area is mobile computing. Our world is moving from eLearning (the use of electronic media, educational technology and information and communication technologies) to mLearning (learning across multiple contexts, through social and content interactions, using personal electronic devices) at a rapid pace. Here at FSCJ, we need to focus on the needs of the learners through new and improved enterprise systems, applications, processes and services.

Q. With technology constantly evolving, how do you plan to keep FSCJ at the forefront?

A. To keep FSCJ at the forefront with constantly evolving technology, it is important to design a technology landscape for the College that includes forward thinking and planning of the computing architecture and applications to support the administrative and academic needs at the College.

Additionally, we'll need to continue to build new skills, stay at the edge of emerging technologies and build the reputation of FSCJ as an innovative technology thought leader going forward.

Q. What technology trends do you see emerging now that could be an asset to FSCJ in the future?

A. I see the most significant technology trends emerging in the areas of mobile computing. This allows for computing anywhere and at any time, which is critical for today's learners. Allowing the learner to connect through a mobile device from school to professional and personal life and supporting the shift of education which includes personal learning clouds and managed digital presences.

Q. What areas do you plan to focus your attention on first?

A. The first areas of focus will be to analyze the Information Technology Services (ITS) organization at FSCJ. This will help me understand past and current success of ITS as well as provide opportunities for improvements in systems, processes, standardization, communications and overall Information Technology Services at FSCJ.

Q. What advice/thoughts do you have for employees as you join FSCJ?

A. I am excited to join the FSCJ family and the Jacksonville community. Working together we can continue to provide great services to our students, faculty and staff as well as identify new capabilities and educational technologies that enable FSCJ to stay at the forefront of higher education today and continue to grow and prosper into the future.

Q. When you were a child, what did you hope to be when you grew up?

A. When I was a child, I wanted to work in a field that would allow me to help people. I had thought this would be in the medical or legal field, but the technology boom in the 1990s led me down a technology path as I was pursuing my undergraduate in business management and later master's degree in computer information sciences. I have not changed that much over the years; I still help people and problem solve but accomplish this at more of a strategic level through the use of systems, applications, processes and services focus.

Q. When you have 30 minutes of free time, how do you pass the time?

A. When I have 30 minutes of free time outside of work, I usually try to stay connected with family and friends via text or talk. I have four sons, one in Florida and three in California, so staying connected and involved is important to me. Like many of you, I enjoy listening to good music, reading and a good movie or play from time to time.

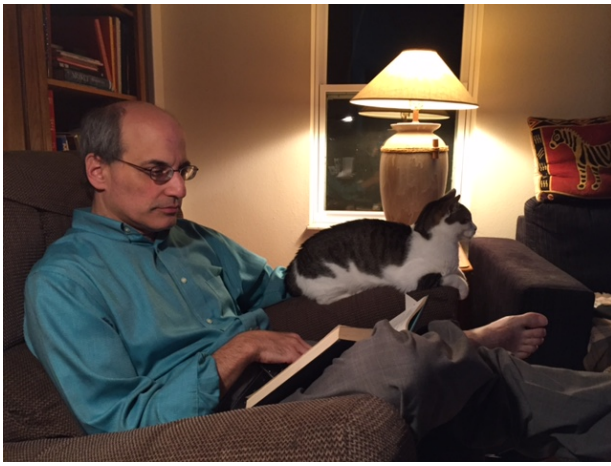
Faculty Spotlight

Faculty-to-Faculty Spotlight

FSCJ has the best and brightest faculty who are committed to providing meaningful and rewarding educational experiences for our students.

As a way to continue the 2015-16 theme of "engagement," Dr. Angela Browning will be highlighting the extraordinary work of a faculty member each month to share his/her teaching and engagement techniques, professional development, community service and unique College contributions.

This month's spotlight is Bill Meisel, professor of mathematics at Downtown Campus.



Engaging with and supporting students:

- Teaches math in a “less visual,” language-oriented way, which allows students to see different approaches to math problem-solving
- Appreciates diverse approaches to teaching that can result in student success
- Believes in the importance of giving students information early in the semester about his teaching approach
- In particular, he tells students that if they had success with online homework systems and liked that approach, they might want to seek out an instructor who uses an online system
- Adopted the use of free, open-source texts or his own materials in an effort to mitigate the high cost of textbooks and to ensure students’ immediate access to course materials.

Reimagining course assignments:

- Creates an active learning environment that encourages student-faculty interaction
- Works with his students and guides their problem-solving
- Ensures that in-class problems exemplify the types of problems students will see on their exams
- Shows statistics students a short video revealing how psychics, palm readers and astrologists use “cold reading” to deliver a “reading” of a person’s personality
- Students learn about “confirmation bias” by viewing the responses of young people who first believe the psychic reading is 80, 90 or 95% accurate, but when it is revealed that all “readings” are identical, they [become aware of the fraud](#)
- Uses specific information from the state of Illinois’ bi-annual raffles to teach students about math, and to illustrate how using math can reveal truth about who “wins” these state drawings, raffles or lotteries.

Engaging with the College and the community:

- FSCJ International Conference on College Teaching and Learning, presenter:
 - 2013 - “A Crash Course in Voting Theory and Apportionment”
 - 2014 - “Calculus II: Trigonometric Substitution Using Imaginary Numbers”
 - 2015 - “Finding Particular Solutions to Second Order Differential Equations with Constant Coefficients Using Operators”
- FSCJ Faculty Senate, member (2013 – current)
- United Faculty of Florida, treasurer (2015 – 2016)
- Downtown Campus Governance Committee, member (2012 - 2014)
- Center for the Advancement of Teaching and Learning / Center for Learning Enrichment, member (2012 – 2014)
- Volunteer chorus member, Jacksonville Symphony Chorus; weekly rehearsals at JU in preparation for annual performances produced by the Jacksonville Symphony

*Tell me about the engaging activities in which you and your students are involved. Email angela.browning@fscj.edu with information about your class or a colleague’s.



The Administrative & Professional Collaborative (APC) is the representative voice for the Administrative & Professional employees of FSCJ. In an effort to build cohesiveness, awareness and collegiality, each month we put a "spotlight" on one of our members.

February's Administrative and Professional Collaborative spotlight shines on Dr. Monica M. Franklin, associate dean of career education/allied health and professional programs at North Campus.

Monica has worked at the College since 2008. She served as a professor of dental hygiene and as the faculty liaison for the School of Health Sciences before transitioning into her current position. Monica believes that "when you teach you learn, and when you learn you teach," and she constantly strives to keep students actively engaged in the learning processes. She is considered a leader in multidisciplinary collaborations and interprofessional education.

Monica received her Associate in Science (A.S.) in dental hygiene from Florida Community College at Jacksonville in 2000 and her Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S.) in dental hygiene from St. Petersburg College. She earned a Master of Health Science with a concentration in higher

education from Nova Southeastern University, where she also received a doctoral degree in health science.

Monica is blessed to have a supportive family which includes a husband, four children and one grandchild.

Our spotlight shines on each campus/center at least once a year. Nominations for the spotlight may be directed to your campus representative or any officer.

Program Spotlight

Human Services Program Prepares Students to Help Others



As the population ages and mental health needs expand, FSCJ's Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Human Services provides students the opportunity to pursue higher education in a rapidly growing field.

FSCJ's Human Services program fully prepares them to assist some of the most vulnerable populations in our society, from children to the elderly. The program offers a wide array of rigorous courses led by professors who are passionate about their subjects. Course offerings range from case management to basic counseling anchored in mental health, social problems and group dynamics. Upon completion, graduates are ready for careers such as community health counseling, child advocacy and substance abuse counseling.

After conducting a regional workforce assessment in 2010, the College recognized an unmet need for human services professionals. FSCJ was in a unique position to fill that void, because no other Region 8 institution offered a B.S. in Human Services at that time. South Campus President Dr. Margarita Cabral-Maly worked with several faculty members, including Dr. Neal Henning, to develop 20 courses needed for 60 credits. With the help of local agencies such as Hubbard House and Clara White Mission, they developed a program to address the Human Services needs of community residents.

According to Associate Dean Dave Garner, the program's enrollment has grown to more than 200 students, compared to just 13 students when it first began. Graduates from the program are able to take on entry-level positions at the Council on Aging, Gateway Community Services, Hubbard House and other agencies providing mental health and family services to community residents. Students interested in furthering their education are prepared for master's degree programs in counseling, psychology, social work and sociology.

The Human Services program also provides internship opportunities at agencies including Daniel, Northeast Florida Community Action Agency and the Department of Children and Families. Current Human Services student and DCF intern Sharon Hoose says she is proud of the work she has both witnessed and assisted with as part of the child investigators team. "Helping families receive the training and wellness help they need to remain a family unit has been very rewarding and has helped to fulfill my lifetime goals," Sharon said.

Sharon also feels confident in the College's ability to adequately train its Human Services students before working in this field. "It is important to the staff and College to assure that we are sending out students that are trained well, are empathetic to the needs of the people they serve and thorough enough to be sure they are given all the assistance possible to assure a successful change in their lives," she said.

As the program rapidly grows, the College is currently working to add a capstone course to the Human Services curriculum. It would allow students to conduct research and participate in alternative classroom assessments.

>> Alumni Spotlight

Class of '09 Alum Has the Drive to Succeed



The inspiring success stories of our FSCJ alumni never cease to impress. Donald Wagner is a 2009 graduate of Florida State College at Jacksonville, completing his Bachelor of Applied Science in Business Management and Supervision. He is a member of the program's inaugural class, earning one of the first bachelor's degrees the College offers.

Donald currently serves as director of operations for Autobahn Indoor Speedway, the second largest owner/operator of indoor go-kart tracks in the United States. He oversees operations for all six East Coast locations, including one in Jacksonville, in addition to bringing three new locations online. He joined Autobahn in 2013, and notes that giving back to communities is one of the company's focuses.

"I think FSCJ would be proud to know that I lead a company that has supported numerous charities in Jacksonville and will continue to do so. Being involved in the Jacksonville community is something I am very passionate about," he said.

FSCJ has been a part of Donald's life for decades. "My mother, Colleen Wagner, has worked at the College for 20 years, so I have always been around the College and on campus." He credits his mother with being the FSCJ employee who has made the greatest impact on his life. "She has always been a strong advocate of education and always made sure that I had the opportunity to receive a solid education," Donald said. "She also served as a mentor, helping me navigate my degree and made sure I was staying on track."

When asked what advice he would give to current students, Donald replied, "Don't take your time in college for granted. Focus on getting the most out of every semester, every class, every minute. In the business world, knowledge truly is power and having a solid education as a foundation will help you build a strong and successful career."

>> Student Spotlight

FSCJ's Student Government President Chosen as Essay Contest Finalist



Congratulations to Anna Marie Siegel and Student Government President Nadia Esha on their selection as finalists in the Humans of Jacksonville Collegiate Essay Contest.

The international student's inspiring essay outlined her journey to college and the assistance she received from Director of International Student Services Anna Marie Siegel. Nadia credits Anna Marie with making the FSCJ admissions process a smooth one.

In addition to applicants from FSCJ, the essay contest is open to students enrolled at the University of North Florida, Jacksonville University and Edward Waters College. This year's theme prompted students to nominate a hero or heroine who has made a significant impact on their lives.

As part of the contest, Nadia nominated Anna Marie as her "unsung heroine," highlighting her mentor's positive influence on her education. In her essay, Nadia described the difficulties she faced while applying to North American colleges from her native

Bangladesh.

Anna Marie guided Nadia throughout the application process and continued to offer support well into her studies. Nadia wrote that a reference from her mentor helped secure her current position as student government president.

"I am ever grateful to her for everything she has done for me to fit into this new environment in a new country to discover the person in me," Nadia said. "I hope everyone gets a mentor like her."

Both Nadia and Anna Marie were invited to attend the Atlantic Institute's Peace and Dialogue Awards Dinner on February 9.

>> Faculty and Staff Achievements

- FSCJ has been selected as one of only 150 colleges (from 1,200 colleges nationally) to be eligible for the \$1 million Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. The Aspen Prize is the country's signature recognition of high achievement and performance in community colleges that have demonstrated exceptional levels of student success and is open only by invitation. [Click here to learn more about the Aspen Prize.](#)

>> BlueWave Athletics

FSCJ Softball Team Kicks Off Season 5-0 in Tournament

FSCJ's BlueWave softball team played well in their season-opening games at the Clearwater JuCo Kickoff Tournament on January 29, going 5-0.

Included in the team's victories were wins over Division-I nationally ranked Wallace-Hanceville, and eighth-ranked Division-II Illinois Central. The BlueWave opened the season ninth-ranked in the state poll. They knocked off fifth-ranked Tallahassee and seventh-ranked State College of Florida, as well as Hillsborough Community College.

Freshman pitcher Shaina Reed was 3-0 for the season-opening weekend with one save and an earned run average of 1.00. Fellow freshman Jenn Tellefsen was 2-0 with an ERA of 1.135. The team crushed the ball all weekend to post a team batting average of .434. Freshmen Kailey Perry and Veronica Frees both hit .611 for the five games. Freshman Lanie Rogers hit .412 with a slugging percentage of .882 as she had two doubles and two home runs.

Sophomore Jess Delawder led the team with 10 RBIs, hitting .467 with two doubles and a home run. Sophomores Maddi Johnson (.438, 5 doubles) and Alyssa Halpin (.467) also helped to pace the offense. Pitcher Shaina Reed helped herself by hitting .400, while Mackenzie Jahn hit .417 with a double and a home run. The team played with a lot of energy and set the tone for an excellent season.

New Coach for FSCJ Women's Tennis Team



Switching coaches midyear didn't stop the girls from training hard and making their way to Nationals.

BlueWave tennis finished strong at last year's Nationals, placing fourth in the country. Most of the final-year FSCJ students transferred to other schools. Chelli Chemlay relocated to a college in Texas near her family. Kami Thomas now attends Florida State University and is focusing solely on her academics.

Olivia Rolle was accepted into Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU) and is about to begin her first season with them. Krista Tyson and Thais Castiglioni transferred to Missouri Baptist University (MBU) and are also gearing up for a great season. Efrosina Kariqi and Shannon Donaldson were the only two returning veterans, leaving room for six new players.

This year, the girls underwent another transition as the previous coach moved out of state. New coach Igal Buberman and assistant coach Andrew Rifkin are working hard with the girls and pushing them to prepare for another successful season. It's an exciting year as both coaches have many years of experience coaching both at the collegiate and professional level.

Patricia Regel has signed on to join the team, leaving her home in Germany. Sarah Hatcher comes to FSCJ from Coker College. Myiah Collier, Allison Berry, Amanda Crews and Brittany Stewart are all from the Jacksonville area. The BlueWave Tennis team is excited to see what this season holds.

>> In the News

WJCT: Jacksonville Stalking Experts: Be Careful Online, 'Trust Your Gut'

Aired on WJCT on January 21, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Campus Concealed Carry bill could cost schools millions

Aired on First Coast News on January 20, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Examiner: Broadway's production of 'The Phantom of the Opera' comes to Jax

Published on examiner.com on January 19, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

TU: New FSCJ program to fill community needs

Published on jacksonville.com on January 15, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Examiner: 'Mutts Gone Nuts' will be in JAX for two shows

Published on examiner.com on January 15, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

FSCJ forensics team wins top spot in invitational tournament

Published on jacksonville.com on February 2, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Earn Up program's goal is to better educate workers

Published on jaxdailyrecord.com on February 2, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Daily Record: 50 years ago: President of new Florida Junior College begins organization

Published on jaxdailyrecord.com on February 1, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Florida Politics: Jax Council OKs Pension Bills, FSCJ Downtown Housing, Term Limit Expansion

Published on floridapolitics.com on February 1, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Local Challenger finalist takes no day for granted

Published on WXJT.com on January 26, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

FSCJ Senior Educational Technology Specialist Brandi Bleak reviews organizational app

Aired on The Chat on January 26, 2016. [Learn more »](#)

Upcoming Events



SAVE the DATE



FSCJ President, Dr. Cynthia Bioteau
and the Center for Learning Enrichment welcome

President Tim Nelson
Northwestern Michigan College

Discussions on Global Education and
Workforce Initiatives

Thursday, February 11, 2016

FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE
AT JACKSONVILLE

FSCJ Film & Forum:
Jacksonville & the LGBT Community

SIX WORDS

This event will focus on Jacksonville's Human Rights Ordinance and its impact on Jacksonville and the LGBT community.
All FSCJ students & faculty are invited to attend!

FSCJ Open Campus/Deerwood Center presents

00:21:59

BOSNIA ESCAPE

A Puzzle Room Adventure
Brought to you by Student Engagement

Participants collaborate to find clues, decipher codes, and problem solve to complete challenges and "escape" the room before the time is up.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 3, 2016
10 A.M. - 7 P.M.

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BlueWave News Quiz

Test your knowledge. To ensure all faculty and staff have an opportunity to submit answers, the quiz winners will be selected at random from all entries that have all four questions correct. You have until 6 p.m. on the day the newsletter is distributed to email your answers to bluewavenews@fscj.edu. The three winners will receive a BlueWave promo pack!

Please note: Previous quiz promo prize pack winners, while eligible to submit answers, are not eligible for additional prizes for six months.

1. Sheldon Reed has recently been appointed to the technical committee of what organization?
2. What is the name of the new BlueWave women's tennis coach?
 - a. Brad Frick

- a. International Association of Fire Fighters
- b. National Fire Protection Association
- c. Jacksonville Association of Fire Fighters
- d. National Volunteer Fire Council

- b. Dunia Taylor
- c. Jay Redfern
- d. Igal Buberman

3. How long has Dr. Monica M. Franklin worked at FSCJ?

- a. 20 years
- b. Four years
- c. Eight years
- d. No one by that name is employed by the College




4. In relation to the College, what does VSOC stand for?

- a. Virago Star Owners Club
- b. Varsity Soccer on Campus
- c. VetSuccess on Campus
- d. Virtual Security Operations Center

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