

BlueWave **NEWS**

March 2019



FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE AT JACKSONVILLE
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Don't Forget: FSCJ's 2019 Commencement Ceremony is May 9

The 2019 Commencement Ceremony is scheduled to take place on Thursday, May 9 at 4 p.m. at the Jacksonville Veterans Memorial Arena.

Like last year, the ceremony will begin with a full processional, beginning with our students, followed by faculty/staff and platform guests in full regalia. As a reminder, faculty and staff will sit together in reserved rows directly in front of the stage.

All faculty members are asked to participate in the formal procession leading in to the ceremony. Your involvement will require that you arrive at 2 p.m. to ensure ample time for check-in, robing and receiving ceremony directions. Please remember the arena has implemented additional security measures which include metal detectors. The ceremony will begin promptly at 4 p.m.

[Learn More and Register](#)



FSCJ Author Series Welcomes Dr. Damon Tweedy Tomorrow

The 2019 FSCJ Author Series will welcome Dr. Damon Tweedy, author of The New York Times bestseller, "Black Man in a White Coat: A Doctor's Reflections on Race and Medicine" on March 20 and 21.

The March 20 event will be held at South Campus at 7 p.m. and the March 21 event will be held at Kent Campus at 11 a.m. Registration is not required but seating is on a first come, first served basis.

[Learn More](#)



Game Changers:
Disruptors in Various Industries
Tuesday, April 16, 2019 | 6-7:30 p.m.
FSCJ Nathan H. Wilson Center for the Arts

RSVP TODAY

Free event. Online registration is required.
Visit fscj.edu/business-speakers to register.

FSCJ Florida State College at Jacksonville

Attend the April Business Speaker Series

Join us on April 16 at the Nathan H. Wilson Center for the Arts as Melissa Ross, host/producer of "First Coast Connect," WJCT, leads a panel of local experts from the logistics/supply chain, news/communications and medical industries as they provide insights on how their organizations identify opportunities and ensure relevance by strategically preparing for their futures. Seats are limited. Register today.

[Learn More](#)



Join us for the 2019 TEDxFSCJ Main Event: Reimagine the (Im)possible

Registration is now open for the 2019 TEDxFSCJ Main Event: Reimagine the (Im)possible, which will be held on April 6, 2019, at FSCJ South Campus.

Speakers include:

- Marissa Alexander who is an activist for survivors of domestic violence, professional speaker and success coach;
- Dr. Erin Amerman, an anatomy and physiology professor at FSCJ and founder of Critter Creek Farm Sanctuary;
- Ron Davis whose activist career was born from the tragedy of his youngest son's unprovoked killing;
- Bilawal Khoso, a professor of art, marketing expert and visual storyteller;
- Mamie Morrow, a longtime educator who now focuses on coaching teachers and administrators;
- Hanan Rasheed who has devoted her life to bringing people of conflict together to promote peace; and
- Eileen Reeve, a hospice and palliative care nurse who helped develop the Compassionate Ventilator Withdrawal program.

Tickets are \$5 each. Register at tedxfscj.com.

There's Still Time to Make Celebration of Student Success Nominations

It is time to nominate deserving students for commendation at our annual Celebration of Student Success ceremonies. Faculty and staff are invited to select one to three students from your respective courses, academic programs, student organizations or workplace for recognition of their excellence. Students may be selected from the Summer 2018, Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 Terms.



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SPRING CAREER FAIR

This event is open to the public.
APRIL 4, 2019 | 10 A.M.-1 P.M.



Mark Your Calendar for the Spring Career Fair

The Spring Career Fair will be held on Thursday, April 4 at the Advanced Technology Center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Students and alumni looking for internship and employment opportunities are encouraged to attend to network with more than 90 local and regional employers. Attendees should bring updated resumes and arrive in professional attire.

Students who need resume or interviewing assistance can contact Career Development at careerdevelopment@fscj.edu.

Campus Community Meet and Greets Begin This Week

Join us for a meet and greet opportunity with Interim President Kevin Hyde and Executive Cabinet members: Dr. Marie Gnage, Dr. Linda Herlocker, Mr. Al Little, Ms. Jana Kooi and Dr. John Wall. You are encouraged to stop by any one of the upcoming events to visit and converse with the leadership team.

Monday, March 25
1:30-2:30 p.m.
Downtown Campus, ATC-140/141

Wednesday, April 17
11 a.m.-noon
South Campus, Lakeside Room

Monday, April 22
3-4 p.m.
Cecil Center Auditorium, A0109

Tuesday, April 23
11 a.m.-noon
Kent Campus, D-120

Thursday, April 25
11 a.m.-noon
North Campus, Auditorium

Monday, April 29
2-3 p.m.
Deerwood Center, The Academy, B-1204

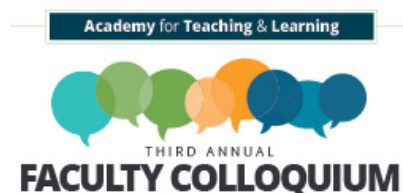
Tuesday, April 30
2-3 p.m.
Nassau Center, Nassau Room

Student Life Skills Conference and Faculty Colloquium

The 2019 Student Life Skills (SLS) Conference will, once again, offer workshops and networking opportunities to enhance academic and non-academic skill sets for students while they are in college. The student-focused day will be April 11, 2019. To register and learn more, visit fscj.edu/sls.



Learn More



In conjunction with the Academy for Teaching and Learning's third annual Faculty Colloquium, April 12 will be the faculty-focused day where we will welcome two keynote speakers and offer a wide variety of professional development courses. View the [full list of courses](#) and register in myFSCJ.

Women's History Month Celebration Continues

Throughout the month of March, we've been celebrating Women's History Month.

Click on the links below to learn about the remaining events and [watch the latest episode](#) of Downtime with Day.



[Women's Appreciation Day](#)

March 20, 2019, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Downtown Campus, C-101

[Women's History Month Networking Mixer](#)

March 20, 2019, 6-8 p.m.
Advanced Technology Center, T-140/141

[Who Inspires You? Important Women in Your Life](#)

March 25-29, 2019
South Campus, Cafeteria

[I'm Every Woman](#)

March 25, 2019, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Kent Campus, Student Engagement Center

[The Secret History of Women in STEM](#)

March 27, 2019, 11 a.m.-noon
Downtown Campus, LLC (A-2102Q)

[Hats Off to Women](#)

March 28, 2019, noon-1:30 p.m.
South Campus, Wilson Center (Lakeside Room)

[Stand Up & Stride Domestic Violence Walk](#)

March 30, 2019, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Duval County Courthouse

FSCJ Participates in Jacksonville Science Festival

The 7th Annual Jacksonville Science Festival kicked off on March 2 at the Seawalk Pavilion in Jacksonville Beach, and continued at FSCJ South Campus on March 7 and 8. The Festival is made possible by the sponsorship of FSCJ, The Foundation Academy and many others.

Each year, students work on STEAM-related projects, under the guidance of teachers and parents, to present at the Jacksonville Science Festival, allowing students to meet industry experts and showcase their work.

Recognizing the need for ASL interpreting at the Jacksonville Science Festival, FSCJ and DeafTEC partnered with the University of North Florida and Ponte Vedra High School this year to make this year's event accessible to the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing community.

Click [here](#) to read an article that was published on jacksonville.com.



FSCJ Launches Mopar Career Automotive Program LOCAL

FSCJ kicked off Mopar Career Automotive Program (CAP) LOCAL on March 7 at the Advanced Technology Center. Representatives from Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA) and National Coalition of Certifications Centers (NC3) were on hand to give an overview of the Mopar CAP LOCAL partnership and what it means for FSCJ's automotive program.

[Learn More](#)

Recruitment Updates

The Recruitment and Admissions Office participated in a variety of events throughout the month of February and into early March. Inaugural FSCJ exclusive career fairs were held at West Nassau High School and Terry Parker High School with solid participation from many academic areas as well as a great turnout of students.



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Get to Know Your Fellow A&P Colleagues - Kristine Hibbard

March's Administrative and Professional Collaborative (APC) Spotlight shines on Director of Financial Aid Kristine Hibbard.



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FSCJ Hosts 10th Annual FACTA Conference

FSCJ hosted the Florida Association of College Test Administrators (FACTA) 10th Annual Conference on February 6-8 at Deerwood Center. The conference theme, "Show Me The Money," depicted ways colleges can generate revenue for their institutions and welcomed test administrators employed by regionally accredited postsecondary institutions from across the state.

[Learn More](#)



Alumni Spotlight

Julie Dossantos '16, who graduated from FSCJ with a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education, was named Glendale Elementary School's Teacher of the Year. She was also a top five finalist for the School District of Indian River County's Teacher of the Year.

"Hard work really does matter, and as long as you are giving your best, your dreams can come true!" – Julie Dossantos, First Grade Teacher

Sign Up for a Free Biometric Screening to Earn an Amazon Giftcard

Full time employees who participate in the College's Florida Blue Health Insurance plans can complete a free biometric screening (also commonly known as a PHA) and work toward earning a free \$15 Amazon Gift Card. If you didn't complete your assessment at the March 1 Passport to Wellness Fair, there are four more opportunities coming up. [Reserve your appointment time now.](#)

Wednesday, March 27, 8 a.m.-noon
Deerwood Center, A1005

Wednesday, April 3, 8 a.m.-noon
South Campus, Lakeside Room

Thursday, March 28, 8 a.m.-noon
Kent Campus, D120

Thursday, April 4, 8 a.m.-noon
North Campus, A236

2019 Passport to Wellness Fair

FSCJ hosted the 2019 Passport to Wellness Fair on March 1. All employees were invited to visit more than 30 vendors and explore the five elements of wellness: Physical, Nutritional, Financial, Emotional/Social Health and Spiritual.



The event was a great success with 81 Personal Health Assessments, 12 registered blood donors, free services through FSCJ's School of Health, Education and Human Services and over 35 door prize winners! [Check out the event photos.](#)



BlueWave Athletics Supports the Community

FSCJ's student athletes are actively involved in giving back to the community. Over the past few months, students on the basketball, baseball, volleyball and softball teams have supported various youth- and animal-focused programs.

[Read the Spotlight](#)

Faculty/Staff Accomplishments

The National Center for Developmental Education, McGraw-Hill and The Kellogg Institute named **Dr. Betsy Stoutmorrill** the winner of this year's McGraw-Hill Scholarship for Developmental English and Reading Instructors which will allow her to attend the 2019 Kellogg Institute for Developmental Educators and Learning Assistance Specialists at Appalachian State University.

Professor Rebecca Levy was recently selected for the Jacksonville Business Journal's 2019 40 Under 40. She and other FSCJ representatives will attend the awards ceremony on April 25. See the full list of honorees [here](#).

Directors of Program Development for TRiO Student Support Services **Cherry Stallworth** and **Wanda Martin** recently received awards from the Southeastern Association of Educational Opportunity Program Personnel (SAEOPP). Cherry received a professional scholarship award, sponsored by the Minority Education Initiative, which will allow her to further her professional development. Wanda received the Unsung SAEOPP Supporter Award which is named by their state president as someone who contributes to the program's mission, goals and objectives, has made significant contributions to TRiO, and consistently promotes TRiO positively.

Comings and Goings

Who's Retiring

As of March 1, Susan Haley retired after 24 years.

In the News

FSCJ's faculty, staff, students, programs and leadership are often highlighted by local and regional media outlets - online, on air and in print. Read all of the recent articles regarding important activities happening within the College.

Judges Pick Winner of "Waitress" Musical Pie Contest

Published on firstcoastnews.com on February 27, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

Mayoral Ad Wars; Moveable Feast; America Saves Week; Therapy Animals

Published on news.wjct.org on February 27, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

FSCJ Artist Series Announces Two Local Young Actresses Cast As "Lulu" in WAITRESS THE MUSICAL

Published on broadwayworld.com on February 27, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

Beatles tribute band, Rain, to play in Jacksonville next month, celebrating Abbey Road anniversary

Published on firstcoastnews.com on February 27, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

Avenado makes second cut in Florida

Published on daily-journal.com on February 25, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

Darby Adds Author to Legacy of Excellence

Published on news4jax.com on February 19, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

FSCJ Artist Series Presents STOMP! This February

Published on jacksonvillefreepress.com on February 15, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

FSCJ Artist Series Presents IT'S NOT YOUR IT'S ME - THE SECOND CITY

Published on broadwayworld.com on February 15, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

Chef Celestia Mobley's latest concept is Jazzy's Restaurant and Lounge

Published on jaxdailyrecord.com on February 15, 2019. [Learn more.](#)

Local diners ordering more diverse cuisine, seeking new experiences

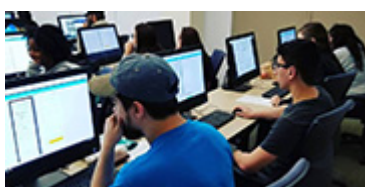
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Upcoming Events





[View All Upcoming Events](#)



During Black History Month, students, faculty and staff volunteered in a **Black Soldiers of the Civil War Transcribe-a-Thon**, where they transcribed and digitized Civil War enlistment records of the U.S. Colored Troops.



More than 20 students, faculty and staff partnered with United Way on February 22 for a **Beach Clean-up Day** at Jacksonville Beach Pier. They collected and properly disposed of litter and trash.



In partnership with S.P. Livingston Primary Early Learning Center, New Town Success Zone, FSCJ Foundation and Hunger Fight, 40 FSCJ students, faculty and staff helped prepare more than 10,000 bags of food to be sent home with 640 S.P. Livingston Elementary School students who were in need of food during Spring Break.



Now Accepting Online Orders

20West Cafe just made it easier to order a great lunch! Online ordering is now available on their website. Visit fscj.edu/20-west-cafe.

Plus, don't forget FSCJ employees still get 20% off with your College ID.

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 answered all questions correctly. 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) How many speakers will TEDxFSCJ's main event feature this year??
 - a. 2
 - b. 4
 - c. 7
 - d. 5

- 2) What was the topic of the most recent episode of Downtime with Day?
 - a. Black History Month
 - b. Women's History Month
 - c. What I Learned
 - d. None of the above

- 3) Where is reserved seating for faculty and staff for the 2019 Commencement Ceremony?
 - a. Back of the arena
 - b. Left of the stage
 - c. Directly in front of the stage
 - d. Right of the stage

- 4) What day in April will the next Business Speaker Series event be held?
 - a. 6
 - b. 9
 - c. 15
 - d. 16

- 5) What was the topic of the latest FACTA Conference?
 - a. Show Me the Money
 - b. Reimagine the (Im)possible
 - c. Gamechangers
 - d. Black Man in a White Coat



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