

BlueWave NEWS

October 2020



College and COVID-19: Teaching and Learning Through Crisis

Join us on Friday, October 23, from noon-1:30 p.m. as the presidents from northeast Florida's premier higher educational institutions reflect on what they have learned from the COVID-19 crisis, how their institutions are changing and innovating and what they envision for the future of higher education in our area and beyond.

All faculty, staff and community members are invited to attend and hear from the presidents as they share how they have worked diligently to preserve academic continuity for their students over the past seven months. This event is free and open to the public, but registration is required. WebEx details will be provided upon completed registration. Email servicelearning@fscj.edu with questions.

[Learn More and Register](#)



FSCJ Partners with UNC for Global Scholars Distinction

FSCJ Center for International Education and The University of North Carolina (UNC) World View have partnered for the Global Scholars Distinction program. FSCJ is the first higher ed institution outside of North Carolina to participate.



Fall Data Summit Recap

On Friday, September 18, faculty and staff participated in the first-ever virtual Data Summit to discuss student, staff and service area demographics, a review of FSCJ's #RealCollege Survey results and an overview of the effects of COVID-19 on the 2020 Spring Term.

UNC World View prides itself on providing state/community college educators with global knowledge, best practices and resources to prepare students to engage in our interconnected and diverse world.

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More than 200 attendees were led through presentations and discussions centered on shaping FSCJ's future one equity gap at a time.

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Six Sigma at FSCJ Updates

[My6sigma](#) is the new SharePoint site for Six Sigma at FSCJ. It provides a centralized location for you to learn about Six Sigma and current projects at FSCJ, as well as the opportunity to submit project ideas for future teams.

White Belt Training Certification is here and the next project Gate Review, Financial Aid Awarding Define/Measure, will be on October 15 from 1-2 p.m. To learn more and participate, visit [myLearning](#).



Click on the green button below to read more and to see which of your colleagues have advanced beyond the White Belt level to Yellow, Green and Black belts.

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myGradPlan Update



The myGradPlan team continues to work toward the launch of our new student success management system. We are well-positioned to meet our goal launch dates for faculty/staff in fall 2021 and students in spring 2022, and fully expect to conduct registration through myGradPlan for Summer Term 2022.

We have completed technical and functional validations of the staff-facing side and will finish that process for the student-facing side within the next few weeks. The Library and Learning Commons are currently piloting the staff-facing side and have begun to track student usage and appointments through the system. The implementation team will conduct training for the initial group of advisors who will be piloting myGradPlan.

A great deal of work has also gone into the degree-planning component. The top 70 Associate in Arts transfer degree roadmaps are being built out in the system and that work will continue. Over time, the focus will transition into building roadmaps for Technical Certificate, Associate in Science and baccalaureate programs as well.

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Visionary Impact Plan (VIP) Update

Thanks to everyone who has participated in the creation

of the College's new one-year strategic plan and to those who continue in service. Currently, we have 32 teams working to implement the goals and objectives identified earlier this summer through a variety of College stakeholder engagement.



Below are some areas where we've made some early progress:

- Implemented fall marketing campaign
- 75 A.A. degree academic roadmaps under review
- White Belt Six Sigma training workshop completed
- Gate Reviews underway for Priority 3, Goal 1
- Six Sigma [SharePoint site](#) developed with Collegewide access
- A webpage dedicated to high school principals and counselors is coming soon

Additional progress of our 2020-21 VIP will be regularly updated through the following venues:

- [2020-21 VIP Webpage](#)-The full strategic plan, regular updates concerning the overall progress and the list of implementation teams are located here.
- [Six Sigma SharePoint](#)-In addition to Priority 3 project updates, you'll find information about Six Sigma strategies and tools. There's also an opportunity to suggest projects that may benefit from process improvement methods.
- Gate Reviews-Gate reviews occur at the end of each phase of Six Sigma projects that comprise Priority 3, Goal 1. Watch for opportunities to learn from these updates through email announcements and posts on the Six Sigma SharePoint.

With questions or ideas, please contact Dr. Deb Fontaine at deborah.fontaine@fscj.edu.

Student Technology Lending Program

The College is mindful of the struggles many students experience due to a lack of access to basic online learning technologies such as computers, webcams and internet access. A new Student Technology Lending Program began on Monday, October 12, just in time for the Fall C7 Term. Students who are currently enrolled will be able to borrow a laptop and charger or a webcam for use throughout their full course term.

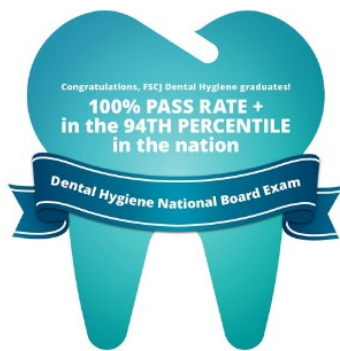
To request equipment, students will simply visit the Deerwood Library and Learning Commons (LLC) and complete a form accepting responsibility for the check-out period. At the end of term, they will return their items to the Deerwood LLC.

Click on the button below to learn more and to read about the details regarding program opportunities, student responsibilities and current equipment availability.

[Learn More](#)

Congratulations to our Dental Hygiene Graduates

FSCJ's Dental Hygiene graduates recently achieved a 100% pass rate on the Dental Hygiene National Board Exam. They even scored in the 94th percentile in the nation! In addition, they achieved a 100% pass rate on their licensing exams.



Get to Know Your A&P Colleagues: Dr. Kip Strasma

October's Administrative & Professional Collaborative (APC) spotlight shines on Executive Director of Project Development and Management Dr. Kip Strasma. In his role, he provides Collegewide leadership in Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) and Six Sigma Process Improvement Methodologies.



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FSCJ BlueWave Cross Country Teams Nationally Ranked



One month into the 2020 NJCAA Cross Country season and the most recent U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) polls have the FSCJ Men's and Women's Cross Country teams ranked 13 and 17.

"We are excited that we are competing this fall and we are really excited that our teams are running well," said Head Coach Jody Hale.

The 2020 season concludes with the Region 8 Championships on October 30 at Apalachee Regional Park in Tallahassee and the NJCAA DII National Cross Country Championships on November 14 in Fort Dodge, Iowa.

Faculty and Staff Accomplishments

Congratulations to Professor of Nursing Carol Jenkins Neil, Ph.D., RN, for being named 2020 Nurse of the Year for Community Service by the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA)! The awards were given



during the NBNA Virtual Conference Experience Scholarship and Awards Ceremony.

Her article titled "First Coast Black Nurses Association of Jacksonville Tackles Health Disparities" was also featured in the [NBNA News Special COVID-19 Report](#).

Dean of Business Annette Barrineau, Professor of Business Christina Goodell and Compensation and Classification Analyst Glenda Parrish were all featured in an article on the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) Blog, "[Why I'm Pursuing a Career in HR #HRProfessionalsDay](#)."

Dr. Jametoria Burton with FSCJ's Center for Civic Engagement served as a speaker during the third annual Changing Homelessness Breakfast: The Virtual Coffee Edition.

Congratulations to Laboratory Manager Cynthia Motzny on completing the Managing at FSCJ Certificate program!

October Recruitment Update

Fall is in full swing, and for Recruitment and Admissions, that means an increased focus on our partnerships with our K-12 School Partners along with a forward-looking gaze towards the Spring 2021 Term. They have hosted meetings with principals and counselors and have been participating in outreach events, with a mix of virtual and in-person events scheduled throughout October and November. The College will also participate in the NACAC National College Fair on October 18, 2020.

[Read More](#)

Benefits Open Enrollment Begins October 19



The Open Enrollment period gives employees an opportunity to review benefit plan options and make changes for the next plan year. Open Enrollment for the 2021 plan year will be held October 19, 2020 through October 30, 2020. Due to the pandemic, all help sessions will be 100% online.

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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 more articles featuring important updates and activities happening within the College by clicking [here](#).

Online forum hosted by FSCJ focuses on racial diversity
Published on news4jax.com. [Learn more.](#)

Upcoming Events



SPRING TERM

REGISTRATION

Class Schedule Available Now for Online Viewing

- OCT. 19** Priority Registration for Athletes, Veterans and FSCJ Honors Program Students
- OCT. 20** Priority Registration for Bachelor's and those with 45+ Credit Hours
- OCT. 21** Open Registration

THE CENTER FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION
Celebration of Cultures
PHOTO CONTEST
September 7 to October 25

[CLICK HERE](#) for Contest Rules and Submission Form

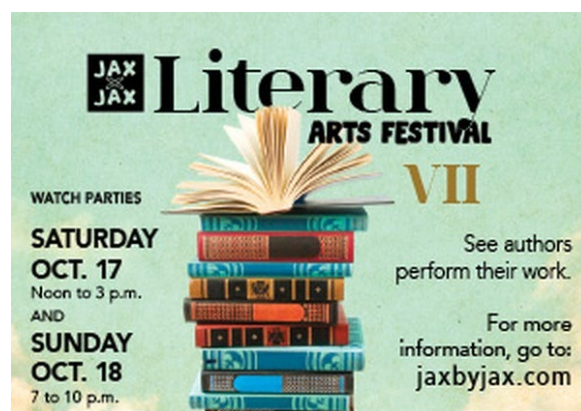
FSCJ's Academy for Teaching & Learning
THIRD ANNUAL
Science Symposium
JOIN US
Friday, October 16, 2020 | 9 a.m.-noon
FSCJ Virtual Conference

This event is open to all college and K-12 educators.
#Root2STEM

MEASURING CAMPUS EXPERIENCES + SERVICES
SEPTEMBER 21-NOVEMBER 1
YOUR VOICE MATTERS

Florida State College at Jacksonville DramaWorks presents
Much Ado About Nothing
a comedy by William Shakespeare

Virtual Learning Week
October 19-22, 2020



Save the Date! The TEDxFSCJWomen virtual event will be Saturday, November 14, from 7-9 p.m. Be on the lookout for more information coming soon.

[View All Upcoming Events](#)

Getting Back to Campus

Check the "Getting Back to Campus" [website](#) for helpful information on our COVID-19 response, including the Return to Campus Plan for [faculty and staff](#) as well as the version specifically for [students](#).

[Learn More](#)



Professional Development at FSCJ

Did you know that there is a training calendar in myLearning where you can see all of the scheduled professional development opportunities? myLearning makes it simple to find and sign up for courses. Click on the button below to check out all of the upcoming courses and more important professional development news.

[Training Calendar](#)

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 entries with all questions answered 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 prize pack! **Please note:** Previous quiz winners, while eligible to submit answers, are not eligible for additional prizes for six months.

1) Where should you go to find out about all upcoming professional development courses?

- a. myGradPlan
- b. fscj.edu
- c. myLearning
- d. Six Sigma SharePoint

2) Where should students visit to participate in the Student Technology Lending Program?

- a. Downtown LLC
- b. Deerwood LLC
- c. Deerwood Student Life Center
- d. Deerwood Assessment Center

3) What university has FSCJ partnered with for the Global Scholars Distinction program?

- a. University of North Carolina
- b. University of North Florida
- c. University of Florida
- d. Jacksonville University

4) FSCJ's Men's and Women's Cross Country teams have been ranked in what positions in the U.S. Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) polls?

- a. 5 and 2
- b. 3 and 7
- c. 13 and 16
- d. 13 and 17

5) What date will Benefits Open Enrollment begin for the 2021 plan year?

- a. September 19, 2020
- b. October 19, 2020
- c. October 30, 2020
- d. October 31, 2020

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