

# Bristol Community College Spring Newsletter

Summer  
2015  
Registration has  
already begun!

## Attleboro Campus

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### Dean Clark's Message:

Now that the snow is behind us (I hope!), spring and summer weather is on its way....finally! Each change in season is a reminder to our students, both current and future, that it's time to focus on their educational progress. Our academic advising and summer course registration process began a couple of weeks ago, and the process for fall classes begins in the middle of April. To make ourselves as accessible as possible, we offer classes here at BCC/Attleboro seven days per week – but we also have academic advisors here seven days per week because we fully realize how busy students can be while juggling the responsibilities of family, work and their education.



The semester we're now in got off to a very snowy start, but our students (and faculty and staff) persevered! We routinely encourage students to continue pushing forward in their educational careers, to take full advantage of the high-quality and low-cost education that's quite transferrable to other baccalaureate institutions or in the workplace. But we also remind them of the many support services available at this campus. The pages that follow give a very brief overview of what's taken place here since the last newsletter. It's also our opportunity to let readers know what's on the horizon.

As you'll be able to see, BCC's Attleboro Campus is vibrant community of diverse learners straight from high school as well as those further along educationally. We take our commitment to the residents of this region very seriously, but we absolutely enjoy what we do. Please review these pages and let us know how we can continue pointing individuals in the right direction. It's our pleasure to partner with you!



### Hours of Operation

**Monday – Thursday**  
**8:00am – 7:30pm**

**Friday**  
**8:00am – 4:30pm**

**Walk-In Hours**  
**Saturday – Sunday**  
**8:00am – 2:00pm**

To schedule an appointment with an advisor, please call 508-226-2484 or via email: [attleboro@bristolcc.edu](mailto:attleboro@bristolcc.edu)

### Mentoring Program

#### **Did you know that BCC Attleboro has a new peer mentoring program for first year students?**

Our mentoring program matched our first group of mentors to their students this semester. Students who had successfully completed at least one year of college volunteered to become mentors by participating in a Service Learning project. They attended orientation and training sessions and met their students at the beginning of the semester. Student mentees will have the opportunity to work with a mentor who will listen, guide and support them throughout the semester. They will meet weekly during the semester and also check in regularly with program staff.

The goal of BCC Attleboro's mentoring program is to guide and support first year students to overcome challenges and to assist them in achieving academic and personal success. Many first year students face multiple challenges when they begin college, including balancing work, school and family responsibilities. Mentoring helps students feel more connected and engaged on campus which can ultimately improve student outcomes. To learn more about our mentoring program, refer a student for mentoring, be matched with a mentor or volunteer to be a mentor, please contact: Judy Bolandz or Joe Yasaian at BCC Attleboro.

### Financial Aid

The purpose of the Financial Aid Office is to ease the burden of monetary costs associated with being a college student. Our counselors are here to assist you with the financial aid process, including completing the FAFSA application and submitting any needed paperwork. We provide students access to one-on-one appointments, walk-in FAFSA workshops, walk-in loan workshops, and other various informational events. Tim Cabral, our counselor here at the Attleboro campus, is available Monday through Friday to assist you with your financial needs. You can reach him by phone at: 774-357-3327 or by email at: [timothy.cabral@bristolcc.edu](mailto:timothy.cabral@bristolcc.edu).

### Library

The library at BCC Attleboro is buzzing with the energy of student research projects of all kinds. Many students receive library research instruction via 45-60 minute classroom sessions, if requested by their instructor; however, any student can schedule **personalized research consultations** using our new **Book-a-Librarian** online request form. A link to the form is found on all library online research guides and at <http://libguides.bristolcc.edu/home>.

Don't forget: April is National Poetry Month! Join us for the following special events in the BCC Attleboro Auditorium, which are free and open to the public:

- April 24 @ 11:15: Film screening of **Deaf Jam**, an uplifting documentary of a young deaf woman who brings her unique artistic expression to the poetry slam scene in New York.
- April 29 @ 1:30: **Writing Matters: A Look into the Heart of Creativity** - poetry reading and discussion with BCC Humanities professor, Dr. Keith Carreiro.

## 2015 Events

**January 15, 2015** – Attleboro New Student Orientation

**February 4, 2015** – Attleboro Transfer Fair, students met with over 20 colleges and universities Admissions representatives to get information on transferring.

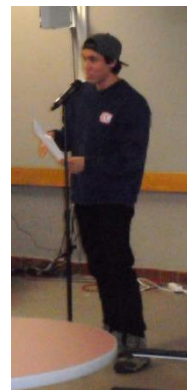


**February 26, 2015** – American Red Cross Blood Drive, the most successful blood drive to date!

**March 4, 2015** – "Ain't I a Woman" a wonderful one-woman performance by Core Ensemble Music Theatre.



**March 9, 2015** – Attleboro's Got Talent Night was a great success, many students, faculty and staff participated in our first open mic night. The atmosphere was filled with artistic music, song, dance and poetry.



## Upcoming Spring Events

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**April 7, 2015** – Multicultural Event, **Diversity in Neuroscience**, Dr. Alycia Mosely-Austin, Neuroscience researcher and Professor will speak on her own issues in the field on neuroscience, her focus on how the brain functions in developing and adult brains. *(Thanks to Professor Nancy-Lee Devane, approximately 60 people attended!)*

**April 13, 2015** – President Sbrega visits! Get all your questions answered.

**April 15, 2015** – FALL Registration Begins!

**April 16, 2015** – **Clothesline Project** (CLP), is a vehicle for women affected by violence to express their emotions by decorating a shirt. These shirts will be displayed in our lobby to be viewed by others as testimony to the problem of violence against women.

**April 29, 2015** – Scoop-by-Scoop; Enjoy ice cream sundaes served by our very own President and the President's Council.

**May 4, 2015** – Health Science Information Session provided by BCC's Office of Admissions.

**May 7, 2015** – End-of-Year Bash; Hot dogs, Karaoke and Photo Booth!

**May 7, 2015** – Economic Development Summit, sponsored by the United Chamber of Commerce, Bridgewater State University and BCC.

**May 12, 2015** – Next Steps to Success, **Gain all the Essentials of How to Succeed in College!**  
Learn About: Who's Who at the Campus, Tutoring, Writing Center, accessBCC, Parking Permits, Transferring, Work Study Job Opportunities, Disabilities, Coping with College, Bookstore and much more...

**May 28, 2015** – **STEM Event** - BCC as a Southeastern Massachusetts STEM Network Partner has hosted for the past two years a STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) Workshop for neighboring BCC Attleboro middle school students. Due to the overwhelming response, the area middle schools in 2013 and 2014 filled the workshops to capacity. BCC Attleboro's goal is to inspire middle school students to learn about all the great opportunities available in science and technology, and get them excited about pursuing further education in math and science-related fields. There is a growing recognition that increasing our science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) workforce is essential. We need to connect students to jobs of the future by reengaging them in these important fields. Stay tuned for details for 2015's STEM workshops.

**May 30, 2015** – BCC's Commencement Day activities at the Fall River Campus

**June 1, 2015** – Summer Classes Begin!



## Fall 2015 Registration

Fall 2015 classes begin on September 8, 2015. Advising and registration is ongoing 7 days per week at BCC's Attleboro campus. Call us at 508.226.2484 or email us at [attleboro@bristolcc.edu](mailto:attleboro@bristolcc.edu) for more details.

### How can you connect?

#### Connect to a great future.

Don't wait - you can do it this Fall at Bristol Community College in Attleboro.

#### Schedules that are flexible

- Day, evening, weekend, and online options – courses in Attleboro, Fall River, New Bedford, and Taunton
- Learn about BCC eHealthCareers at BCC/New Bedford – Hybrid onsite and online learning!

#### Costs that are affordable

- Financial aid is available

#### Connect to the people, programs, and potential of you and your world!

- More than 150 Associate degree and certificate programs
- In-demand programs in healthcare, business, and engineering

**Registration is going on now.** Visit [www.bristolcc.edu](http://www.bristolcc.edu) or email us at [attleboro@bristolcc.edu](mailto:attleboro@bristolcc.edu).

