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Jackson College to offer first bachelor's degree

Jackson College turns a new page this fall when it offers its first bachelor's degree in energy systems management.

The Bachelor of Science in Energy Systems Management degree curriculum was recently approved by the Higher Learning Commission, and it marks the first for Jackson College. In December 2012, Gov. Rick Snyder signed a bill allowing community colleges in Michigan to offer bachelor's degrees in certain applied and technical programs. House Bill 4496 allows community colleges to offer bachelor's degrees in culinary arts, energy production technology, cement technology and maritime technology.

Increasing access to baccalaureate level education and training is a benefit to the community with this new program, said College President Daniel J. Phelan. Jackson College is more affordable and accessible to many, and this will help those who are limited by distance or finances from furthering their education at a university. "This legislation provides a level of higher education access to students, for whom a baccalaureate degree is out of reach," Phelan said.

College faculty and administration have worked with and gained input from local utilities in designing the new programs. "I am thankful for the work of Consumers Energy staff in helping to advance this new Bachelor of Science in Energy Systems Management, which will begin enrolling students this fall. Our partnership with local industry is central to our success as we seek to meet the current and emerging needs of our employing community," Phelan said.

The new bachelor's degree will be a four-year program providing the advanced skills necessary to embark on a professional career in the energy industry. Students interested in the bachelor's degree may get their start with a new associate degree in energy production technology, and then continue on to get their bachelor's degree in energy systems management. The new associate degree

program will allow students to enter the field of energy production as entry-level technicians in environments like a power plant. It will be a broad-based technology degree, giving students experience with control systems, electrical systems, welding, fabrication, safety regulations, and hands-on experience through internships. Students will earn the Energy Industry Fundamentals certification from the Center for Energy Workforce Development.

The bachelor's degree program will give technicians the necessary skills in project management, communications, business and decision making to be promotable to supervisory and management positions. Instructor Doug Baker said the degree will offer students the opportunity to find a good job that offers good wages. With Consumers Energy located nearby, jobs should be available close to home. Michigan utility companies – like many career fields today – expect to see a high turnover from retirements in the next few years, prompting many job openings. "We're trying to meet the need out there in the energy industry for individuals who are both technical-minded and with supervisory capabilities," Baker said.

For more information please visit www.jccmi.edu/bsenergy

Jackson College to offer first bachelor's degree program

Exciting changes continue at Jackson College as we begin to enroll students in our first-ever baccalaureate degree program! The College received official notice recently from the Higher Learning Commission, authorizing our offering of a new Bachelor of Science in Energy Systems Management. The launch is scheduled for fall 2014!

This marks a significant milestone in the College's history. Community colleges were founded in the early 20th century to provide more high school graduates with the further education and training they would need for the changing marketplace. As decades have passed, and our economy has continued to grow, the need is greater than ever for higher education. While community colleges have offered traditional two-year associate degrees for years, the time has come to offer a number of four-year bachelor's degrees at the community college. Thanks to our State Legislature and Governor Rick Snyder, Michigan community colleges can now offer a limited number of bachelor's degrees in certain technical fields, including energy technology. Additional baccalaureate degree offerings are being requested from the Michigan Legislature for nursing, allied health, and other areas, thanks to a bill introduced by Representative Mike Shirkey.

The opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree from Jackson College will allow greater accessibility for area residents who may be limited by geographical or financial boundaries from enrolling in a university. As a great benefit to students, they may continue their education with a campus and faculty that are familiar to them, and at an affordable cost. With careers in the utility industry such an important segment in our local economy, this first bachelor's degree will be a good fit for students, the community and the marketplace and at a time when this industry is witnessing many retirements. We are grateful to Consumers Energy for their help and support with the advancement of this new degree program.

Learn more about the new bachelor's degree in this edition, as well as many other developments at Jackson College! We continue to enhance our programs to educate students for today's career fields. Why go anywhere else?

Dr. Daniel J. Phelan
President, Jackson College



College's home-grown faculty passes on love of nursing to future generations

Jackson College's nursing programs have long been known for their outstanding record in graduating quality nurses to serve in the health care community. Not surprisingly, a majority of JC's nursing faculty got their start at the College!



"My ultimate goal was to teach in the nursing program," said instructor **Lisa Dunlap**. She was a first generation college student, and she thanks teachers at Addison High School and then the LISD TECH Center in Adrian with

urging her to go to college to become a nurse. She first became a licensed practical nurse through a local hospital, and then attended the College to become a registered nurse. She continued her studies, earning a bachelor's degree from Ferris State University and a master's degree from Michigan State University, and has worked for 30 years in the tri-county area. "Now I have been able to see my career come full circle. I have taught and hopefully encouraged and motivated high school students to pursue a nursing career at the same tech center that I got my start, and now I am able to do the same with nursing students here at JC."

Professor **Colleen Chadderton** started at the W.A. Foote School of Nursing in the early 1970s, which was affiliated with Jackson Community College before the College had a full registered nursing program. "I always felt a very welcoming spirit from this College.



What I remember most about JCC was that all my professors were very approachable and totally dedicated to the student." That personal approach helps so many students as they become nurses. "I loved being part of a community and the

individualized approach to the students at this College. We see so many students make great changes in their lives because of the start, direction and personal approach to their success given by their teachers and support staff. That is why we have some many 'old timers,' because this is truly a place where teachers care about the individual students, their goals and eventual success... it is so rewarding."



Assistant Professor **Erin Mazur** became fascinated with nursing as a child. "I wasn't a strong student in high school. Going to JCC helped me to gain confidence in my ability to do well in school." She continued her

Faculty and administration recognize students at the April pinning ceremony.

studies at the University of Michigan, where she earned her bachelor's degree, and her master's degree from Michigan State University. She is a Certified Family Nurse Practitioner. She has taught full-time at Jackson College for eight years, and served as an adjunct instructor before that. "It renews my passion for the profession with every class. JC gave me the opportunity to build my confidence and go further than I could have ever imagined. I want to give back to students as my professors did so long ago!"



Professor **Paula Hopper** was inspired to become a nurse as a little girl reading the book "Nurse Nancy." She attended Jackson Community College, then continued her education at Spring Arbor College, and

completed her Master of Science in Nursing at Wayne State University. She has taught for 27 years, 22 at JC, has co-authored a nursing textbook, and has served on the State Board of Nursing since 2011.



Assistant Professor **Deb McEldowney** attended JCC in the early 1990s, and then continued her bachelor's and master's degrees at Eastern Michigan University and Michigan State University.

"Jackson Community College changed my life! The nursing program not only provided me with the education to help provide for my family, but the instructors and the College made a large impact on my life," she said. "I was so proud to come back and teach at the College that made such a big difference in my life. I felt like I was so lucky to be at the College."



Assistant Professor **Christine Davis** wanted at first to go to medical school, but being a people-person, she was drawn to the caring and interaction involved in nursing. Now as a teacher, she has the best of both

worlds. "Whether it's in the clinical or the classroom, it's nice to be able to work with students and teach them, to see the light bulb go on when they learn something new. Our program is well-respected, students get a good education, and we produce quality, professional nurses."



Professor **Marina Martinez-Kratz** earned her associate degree in nursing from JCC, her Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and Master of Science in Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing also from U-M. She has taught at the College since 1998. "I prepared for my eventual teaching career while in grad school at Michigan. I love my job and working with students. It is a great honor and responsibility to teach."



Associate Professor **Jennifer Wheeler** earned her associate degree in nursing from JCC in 1995, and then continued her bachelor's degree at Ferris State University and

her master's degree at University of Phoenix. She worked as a pediatric nurse at Allegiance Health for 15 years, and taught 10 years as an adjunct instructor. She has taught full-time at the College since 2008. She followed in the steps of her mother, Jackie Williams, a graduate of JCC nursing program herself who still teaches as an adjunct nursing instructor. "I would get jealous because so many people loved her directly because of the great nursing care she provided. I was too young to understand the just how significant a reward nursing was in her life until I became a nurse myself."

She is proud today to teach among those who taught her, and to see her students succeed in the field she loves. "There is no greater payoff for me in my career than watching my students walk across that stage in tears for the honor they themselves have earned in becoming a professional care provider. To me, there is no greater gift God could have given me than to have the profound influence on people's lives as their educational mentor, colleague and friend. I am whole because I teach!"

Professor **Michael McGlynn** first became interested in nursing because of an interest in health care and the flexibility of the profession. He attended Jackson Community College and then continued at Michigan State University, where he earned his Master of Science in Nursing and Family Nurse Practitioner certification. "I enjoy the challenge in teaching," McGlynn said. "It is a privilege and a joy to be a member of the JC nursing department. Their commitment and dedication to our students is inspirational."

Nursing student receives Outstanding Student Award

Jackson College student Joy Gebhardt has dreamed about becoming a nurse her whole life.

For her academic excellence and service to others, Gebhardt is the 2014 George E. Potter Outstanding Student Award winner. Gebhardt is in the second year of the registered nursing program, with one semester remaining.

"It is very humbling to be honored. I was very surprised and excited to learn about the award," Gebhardt said. "I take great pride in the quality of education I have received here at Jackson College, and I feel I am exceptionally well prepared for my field and profession of nursing."

Gebhardt is an excellent student academically, and has also given back to her community through service. She was the opening speaker for the Grass Lake Relay for Life following her son's passing from brain cancer, and participated to help raise money for cancer research. She is active with the Aware, Inc. Shelter, where she is a volunteer on-call advocate for victims of sexual assault. She has volunteered to speak to schools about domestic violence and dating violence awareness, and also volunteers for the Girls on the Run program, geared to help build confidence and self-esteem in young girls. In the past, she traveled to New Orleans in the wake of Hurricane Katrina as part of a relief effort, where she helped cook meals for those displaced by the storm. She and her husband belong to the Spring Arbor Free Methodist Church, where she sings in the choir and serves on the hospitality committee.



Jackson College salutes **outstanding employees**

Gamel honored for outstanding teaching

Amy Leighton Gamel loves motivating students to accomplish what they think is out of reach. For her excellence in teaching, Gamel is the 2014 J. Ward Preston Outstanding Faculty Award winner.

Gamel has taught full-time at JC since 2010, and taught as an adjunct instructor nine years prior. Before JC, she taught elementary school at Jackson Public and Vandercook Lake schools. "I was overwhelmed to hear about the award! It is an honor. I am grateful to be part of such a respected, talented group of colleagues, both present and past faculty who have received the award," Gamel said.

Gamel teaches college reading for students at Jackson College, and improving students' reading ability is a focus of her efforts with both students and teaching faculty. She has worked with other faculty in an effort to teach reading skills across the many subject areas. With the Reading Apprenticeship Mentoring Program and the Faculty Inquiry Reading Meetings, Gamel reaches out to faculty and students to teach strategies that will embed reading skills in different subject areas, such as math, sciences, or health occupations.

"Receiving the award made me feel like my work is validated. It's satisfying to me to see that what I view as vital to success, reading, is also valued by my colleagues and the College itself."

Gamel helped organize the College's student groups the Men of Merit and Sisters of Strength, designed primarily for African-American men and women, to help them connect and persist in College.

In her spare time, Gamel finds herself reading and studying about how to better teach and help students learn. She also enjoys spending time with her husband, Kiernan, and her two sons.

Valente recognized for leadership of JC Foundation

Jason Valente, president of the Jackson College Foundation, wants to help JC students find success at each stage of their educational journey. For his leadership and guidance, Valente received the 2014 Outstanding Administrator Award.

The JC Foundation and Office of Advancement is the fund-raising and legislative affairs arm of the college, working with donors, alumni and friends to support student scholarships and College initiatives. Valente provides leadership over the Foundation, as well as the W.J. Maher Campus.

"It was completely unexpected," Valente said. "I look at the work the other executives do and feel like they are more deserving than I am. If anything, I think it is recognition of the great work the Foundation board and staff are doing to leverage resources on behalf of students. The innovative projects we have engaged in would not be possible without visionary board leadership."

Each year the Jackson College Foundation awards hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarship assistance to deserving JC students.

"I truly love what I do and feel blessed to be able to lead the foundation and Maher Campus," Valente said. "What motivates me most about my job is that we get to come to work and change people's lives. What we do is like throwing a pebble into a pond, we start a chain reaction of ripples that are far-reaching. Often scholarships are the deciding factor for someone to be able to attend college and finish a degree. It changes the trajectory of their lives and their family's lives."

Valente came to JC in 2008 from Schoolcraft College, where he was director of development. Valente is active in the community and in his church. His wife, Elizabeth, is a teacher at Trinity Lutheran School. They have one daughter, Abby.

Taylor honored with outstanding support staff award

Lisa Taylor enjoys helping students and co-workers with technology needs at Jackson College. For her efforts working in the College's Information Technology department, Taylor is the 2014 Outstanding Support Staff Award winner.

Taylor has worked at Jackson College for 19 years and is currently the core technology team leader. In this capacity, she is responsible for computer and technology purchases and deployment across

the College, software purchases and deployment, managing key labor resources for the help desk, servers, telephone and audio-visual systems. She helps students and fellow employees with computer issues, and communicates to customers about college wide technology projects and services.

"I enjoy working with my co-workers, working in teams and problem-solving with them and coming up with solutions," Taylor said. "I enjoy the changing technology, and the opportunity to manage large-scale technology projects, for example, rolling out a new operating system like Windows® 8 across campus. I enjoy the variety. Every day is something different."

Taylor is an alumna of Jackson College, having earned her associate degree at JC and then completing her bachelor's degree at Siena Heights University. She started working at the College briefly as a building secretary before moving into Information Technology.

Outside of work, Taylor is involved with the Jackson Autism Support Network, and has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity, Relay for Life and Making Strides. She is married to husband, Jeff, and they have two children, Madison, 10, and Landon, 7.

"I was very surprised with this award, I wasn't expecting it," Taylor said. "I'm humbled that my co-workers nominated me and selected me for this honor. I am very grateful."

Love enjoys helping students learn

Instructor Gedy Love began her career teaching middle school students in Flint, and now in her retirement is teaching college students at Jackson College for one reason: she loves to teach!

For her superior teaching abilities, Love received the 2014 Outstanding Adjunct Instructor Award. She has taught a variety of courses at Jackson College, including technical communications, developmental psychology, introduction to psychology, education and early childhood, math, basic writing courses, stress management and wellness.

"I enjoy the students, we just have such a great connection," Love said. "I respect them, and they respect me. I just give them everything I can."

Knowing what students really need and can benefit from, even if it goes beyond the textbook lesson, is important to Love. For instance, in her technical writing courses, she gives students tips she wishes she would have known earlier. She often finds students want to learn proper English grammar and proper business and social etiquette, such as knowing which fork or spoon to eat with at a business or formal dinner. Other times, they may role play job interviews to help prepare students for their next steps. "I was very pleasantly surprised with the award. It was an honor to be nominated," Love said. "It is by far a joy for me to teach at Jackson College."

Love has also taught at Spring Arbor University and Baker College, and has served as a college dean and chief academic officer. In the community, she serves as the president of the Delta Kappa Gamma Omicron chapter of Jackson, the Society of Women Educators and is the chairperson for the Coordinating Councils of Michigan. Love is married and has one adult son.

President Phelan recognized by Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

For his efforts to promote the goals of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Jackson College President Dr. Daniel Phelan received 2014 Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction at Phi Theta Kappa's 96th Annual Convention in April.



Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society recognizes and encourages scholarship among two-year college students, providing opportunities for leadership and service and fellowship among student scholars.

"I am honored by Phi Theta Kappa and grateful to Professor Martha Petry for her nomination for this award. I receive it not for myself, but as a tribute to Martha's commitment to this program, her advancement of our chapter, and for the many students who participate in this organization," Phelan said. "PTK provides a solid pathway for students who are committed to academic excellence at Jackson College, and a rich opportunity to collaborate with other students and encourage each other."

Jackson College Provost Rebekah Woods recognized for leadership

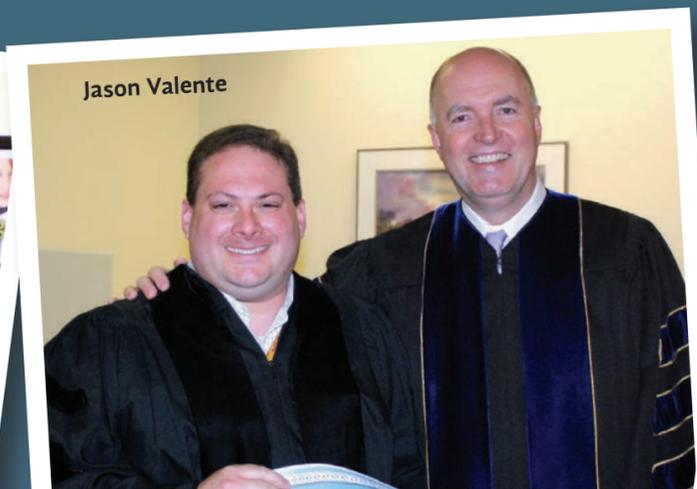
For outstanding leadership overseeing the academic programs at Jackson College, Provost Dr. Rebekah Woods was recently honored with the 2013 John & Suanne Roueche Excellence Award from the League for Innovation in the Community College.



The award celebrates outstanding contributions and leadership by community college faculty and staff in higher education. "It is humbling," said Woods, "to be recognized for work you love doing. Every day I am inspired and motivated by the work

we do, the colleagues I have the pleasure of working with, and the students we are working for -- knowing that we're making a difference in the lives of our students and our community."

Woods has more than 15 years of experience in higher education administration, preceded by a successful law career in the public service arena.



Giving back to community important to Kelly Williams

Congratulations to Kelly Williams, assistant director of multicultural affairs at Jackson College, who was recognized in April by the Jackson Club of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. with the Special Recognition of the Year honor.

Williams joined the staff at JC in 2013, and previously worked as a health educator in a school-based health center at Northeast Elementary. A graduate of Jackson College and Spring Arbor University, her first job included working with youth at Starr Commonwealth School in Albion, where she found working with young people was something she enjoyed and wanted to continue. She worked with the Student Assistance Program through a four-county Substance Abuse Prevention Agency providing trainings on substance abuse and behavioral issues, and then as a health educator through a grant-funded program to deter teen pregnancy rates, and most recently as a health educator in the school-based health center. In addition to her work, she has previously served the community on the Jackson YMCA board and the Jackson Asthma Coalition Board, and currently serves on the Jackson Parks and Recreation Board, and the John George Home Board. She is the varsity cheerleading coach at Jackson High School.

"I believe it's important to give back," Williams said. She has had mentors, Charles and the late Pat Anderson, who showed her how important it is to serve. "I saw how they inspired and wanted to help motivate young people, promoted education and being active in the community. Following someone like them gives me the motivation and aspiration to do what I do. I believe every person needs a mentor."



Jackson College students selected for All-Michigan Academic Team

Jackson College congratulates students Carrie Timmerman and Steven Wood on their selection for the 2014 All-Michigan Academic Team!

Students are selected for the All-Michigan Academic Team based on academic achievement, community service involvement and leadership accomplishment.

Carrie Timmerman, of Clayton, worked 14 years as an insurance agent when she felt it was time for a career change. She enrolled at Jackson College and is completing her associate degree in accounting. Timmerman helps those around her, tutoring students for many of the classes she has taken, and working as a supplemental instruction (SI) leader in mathematics. She has participated in the College's SI & Tutor Conference, which welcomes SI leaders, tutors and faculty from across the state to campus. She is also active in her church, where she volunteers as a youth group coordinator and helps in the treasurer's office. Timmerman's future plans include earning both bachelor's and master's degree in math education, and she hopes to teach math at the college level. She is married and has two children. "I am very, very honored. It is good to be acknowledged," she said.

Steven Wood of Jackson returned to college through Michigan's No Worker Left Behind program after working in the book manufacturing industry. He is completing his associate degree in business administration and plans

to transfer to Siena Heights University to earn a bachelor's degree in professional communications. He currently operates a home woodworking business, and his goal is to be self-employed. Wood was president of JC's Alpha Rho Lambda chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, and for two previous years was the vice president of leadership. He's promoted membership, updated Michigan college and university PTK scholarship information, and served as lead writer for two years in the Honors in College Project Hallmarks. He has served on college and community committees, has visited First Year Seminar courses as part of the Commit to Complete project to encourage college completion, and made JC's Phi Theta Kappa chapter the focus of his capstone project in business administration, detailing how PTK can be better supported by the college and community it serves. "I was surprised and honored (with this recognition)," he said.

The State Academic Teams are a division of the Academic All-American Team for Community, Technical and Junior College Students, an international program sponsored annually by Phi Theta Kappa, USA TODAY and the American Association for Community Colleges.



ABIG students see another side of Florida over spring break

Students involved in Jackson College's Alternative Breaks Interest Group, or ABIG, traveled to Florida over spring break, but not to the usual vacation spots!

Eleven students traveled to southern Florida to work in the Biscayne National Park and the Everglades National Park. The Alternative Breaks program provides students with an immersive community service experience that ultimately encourages them to think about social issues and the world around them. ABIG students stayed in a hostel and divided the week serving at each location.

For many students, the service trip is a whole new experience.

Student Brittany Love, from Lansing, enjoys helping others. "Volunteering is something I have always enjoyed due to the feeling that you know you made a difference in someone else's life," Love said. "I was interested in joining ABIG for the chance to meet new people and volunteer alongside them in a new community to make a difference. Not only do I get to make a difference in Jackson, but in another state as well."

Learn to detect computer breaches with new cyber security degree

Today's large computer networks offer speed and convenience, but too often they fall victim to security breaches that put important information at risk. A new academic program at Jackson College is targeted at educating workers to prevent such attacks.

This fall, Jackson College will launch a new associate degree in cyber security. Cyber security analysts work to ensure that an organization's computer networks, computer systems and digital information stay safe from cyber-attacks. Security analysts may plan, monitor and test computer systems for security and implement appropriate security controls. They may install and use software, such as firewalls and data encryption programs, to protect sensitive information. They may also perform penetration testing, using simulation of attacks to look for vulnerabilities in an organization's computer system before they may be exploited by hackers. A growing field, jobs are available for graduates.

"This is closely related to the computer networking degree, but adding important studies in cyber security," said Assistant Professor Larry Choate, Computer Information Services. Students may specialize in Microsoft or CISCO networks.

Jackson College students have also participated for several years with the Michigan Collegiate Cyber Defense Competition. Teams simulate an information technology (IT) service company testing the security of an existing IT infrastructure, giving students more experience in a competitive atmosphere with other colleges and universities.



Register now for fall semester

Registration continues for new and returning students. New students may register after attending new student orientation and meeting with an academic advisor. Visit the College website at www.jccmi.edu to sign up for an orientation time. A course schedule is also available online.

Fall semester begins Sept. 2, 2014. Payment will be due by Aug. 1, and new payment plans will be available for those using the FACTS tuition payment program. For more information, call any JC location: Central Campus, 517.796.8425; JC @ LISD TECH, 517.265.5515; Hillsdale LeTarte Center, 517.437.3343; and Maher Campus, 517.768.7097. Call your preferred location for registration hours or visit online at www.jccmi.edu.

Save the date

Mark your calendar for the Jackson College Foundation's 2014 Starry, Starry Night in Venice fundraising dinner on Friday, Oct. 17, in the Robert Snyder Dining Commons, Potter Center on Central Campus. Call 517.787.0244 for more information.



Easter Egg hunt a success!

Jackson College welcomed more than 750 children and a total of more than 2,000 guests to Central Campus for the First Annual Jackson College Community Easter Egg Hunt in April! Watch for future community events at Jackson College coming at Halloween and Christmas.



Stanton Foundation scholarship to help young adults from foster care system

Growing up in the foster care system may not be easy, but Jackson's Stanton Foundation wants to help young adults get a great start in higher education by creating the Stanton Foundation Educational Scholarship at Jackson College.

The Stanton Foundation Educational Scholarship will provide full tuition, room and board for one student who was a non-adopted foster child and is now pursuing their education at Jackson College. The \$20,000 scholarship will cover all expenses for the student.

"I want to leave the world a better place than I found it. I believe there is no better way to do this than to stimulate young minds," said David Stanton of Stanton & Associates Inc., president of the Stanton Foundation. Companywide, Wendy's community service is largely focused on children, on helping

them develop their potential into the realization off their dreams. "I hope the people I help will go forward themselves to stimulate people's minds in the future."

Students may apply by completing the Jackson College Foundation Scholarship Application. Student must attend full-time and maintain a 3.0 grade point average (GPA). For more information, call the Foundation office at 517.787.0800.

"The Jackson College Foundation is grateful to the Stanton Foundation for their generosity in funding this important scholarship. This scholarship supports a population of students often overlooked and provides an opportunity for year-round housing, room and board, and tuition for the young adult in the foster care system," said Jason Valente, Jackson College Foundation president.

Outstanding Student Employee honoree goes above and beyond to champion Jackson College in community

Jackson College is pleased to recognize student Raschantone (Ras) Bryan with the 2014 Outstanding Student Employee Award.

Bryan has been a student worker in the Woodrow Wilson Multicultural Center in Bert Walker Hall, a gathering place for students, with computers for school use, a meeting area, and recreation area. He has helped to monitor and assist students who come and go, done office work and filing, helped with different events around campus and visited local schools to talk about Jackson College.

"Out of all the student employees on campus, they chose me; it is an honor and a privilege," said Bryan, who is studying criminal justice at Jackson College and plans on transferring to Siena Heights University to complete his bachelor's degree. "I'm thankful to Jackson College for giving me the opportunity to work here, and to Lee Hampton and Kelly Williams (director and assistant director of multicultural affairs); I can talk to them about any experience and

can get any advice. It was a blessing, working in the Multicultural Center, and it bettered me as a person."

While working in the Multicultural Center, Bryan was able to meet many staff and faculty members, President Dan Phelan and many other college leaders, as well as helping fellow students utilizing the center. In addition to his work and studies, Bryan is involved with the Men of Merit student organization and the International Student Organization.

"Ras has been a great employee, always willing to go above and beyond," Lee Hampton said.



Hillsdale LeTarte Center

Jackson College has launched a new phlebotomy technician skill set to train workers in the practice of drawing blood from patients. The LeTarte Center is pleased to offer Hillsdale students the new skill set beginning in the winter 2015 semester.

The phlebotomy technician skill set prepares students for professional certification and employment in a variety of settings, such as medical offices, hospitals, or medical and diagnostic laboratories. Students may also

choose to use this as a building block to enhance the skills that will be learned in another allied health or nursing degree or to add to an already completed degree.

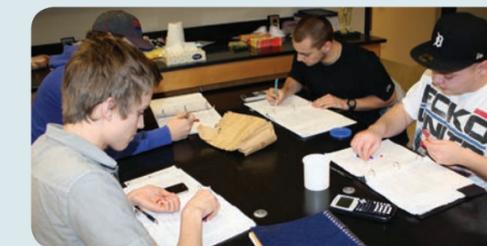
The phlebotomy skill set requires only 11 credits and can be completed in just one semester!



JC @ LISD TECH

JC @ LISD TECH Center offers a full range of services to students to help them prepare for and be successful in their educational endeavors! Upcoming news includes:

- Financial Aid Fridays – Lenawee staff is available to help students on Fridays from 8-11:30



a.m. from now until Aug. 1. The staff is willing to assist students in completing their FAFSA for the upcoming fall semester. Any interested student and family may come during these hours for assistance.

- JC @ LISD TECH will host a financial aid workshop on Wednesday, July 16 from 6:30-8 p.m. This workshop is available for anyone needing some general information about the financial aid process. The staff will also be available to assist you in completing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online.
- With the culinary art and hospitality program available completely at JC @ LISD TECH, in two semesters, students may complete both a culinary skill set and concentration. Students are encouraged

Coming Events for Hillsdale:

Orientation

July 9	5-7 p.m.	August 21	5-7 p.m.
July 24	1-3 p.m.	August 5	9-11 a.m.
August 27	1-3 p.m.		

Course Placement

July 9	7-10 p.m.	August 21	7-10 p.m.
July 24	3-6 p.m.	August 27	3-6 p.m.
August 5	noon - 3 p.m.		

For more information about these programs, please contact the LeTarte Center at 517.437.3343.

to complete the associate degree; however, they will be building their resume during the entire program.

- Jackson College and Siena Heights University partner to offer an accelerated bachelor's degree in business administration that may be completed within three years. Students will earn a certificate in management and an Associate of Applied Science degree in business administration from Jackson College, and their Bachelor of Business Administration from Siena Heights University. JC @ LISD TECH will be hosting two informational sessions for students interested in joining the accelerated business program in the fall semester. The sessions will be held on: Monday, July 14 at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, August 6 at 6:30 p.m. Reserve your spot today at 517.265.5515!

W.J. MAHER CAMPUS

Beginning this fall, the W.J. Maher Campus will now be offering classes in the health administrative/insurance specialist program. With the growing complexity of health care, employers are looking for individuals with a good background of knowledge in coding and billing. Job prospects are expected to be good – with growth of 14 to 20 percent – for medical insurance coder billers over the next several years.

Upcoming events and activities for the summer include:

- New student orientation and course placement is underway for fall semester for students interested in attending the Maher Campus or all other JC locations.
- Join representatives of Spring Arbor University and Siena Heights University as they meet with students to learn about options to complete bachelor's degrees. Call the Maher Campus, 517.768.7097 for dates and times of upcoming activities and visits.

Do you have a great idea for a new invention? Join the Jackson Inventors Network, meeting at 6:30 p.m. every fourth Tuesday of each month at the Maher Campus. Listen to great speakers free of charge. For more information, contact Jackson College Professor Ron Betzig, betzigrone@jccmi.edu.



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Congratulations to the following Jets athletes for their fine performance this past year!

Cross Country

Ahron Gunn, Brownstown, All Region XII 2nd Team, All-MCCAA

Sierra Melling, Hanover, All Region XII 2nd Team, All-MCCAA

Women's Soccer

K'sha Conquest, Utica, All-Region XII Team 1st Team, MCCA All-Freshman Team, All-MCCAA Team

Daniel Lora, of the Dominican Republic, All-Region XII 2nd Team, All-MCCAA 1st Team, MCCA All-Freshman Team

Natalie Tappen, Romeo, All-Region XII 2nd Team, All -MCCAA

Marie Rodgers, Stockbridge, All-MCCAA Honorable Mention

Volleyball

Maycee Brigham, Concord, All-Western Conference 2nd Team

Sydney Martines, Concord, All-Western Conference 2nd Team

Paige Ward, Homer, All-Western Conference 2nd Team

Men's Basketball

Kyle Godfrey, Jonesville, All-Western Conference Honorable Mention

Jairen Hunt, Grand Rapids, All-Western Conference 3rd Team

Alex Potter, Jackson, All-Western Conference Honorable Mention

Women's Basketball

Jessica Ritchey, Pottsville, All-Western Conference 3rd Team

Teqwa'zha Terry, Pontiac, All-Western Conference Honorable Mention

Morgan West, Pottsville, All-Western Conference 3rd Team

Men's Golf

Charlie Holst, Jackson, All-Region XII Team 1st Team, Region XII All-Tournament Team, Western Conference All-Freshman Team, NJCAA National Tournament Individual Qualifier

Ryan Hunt, Mason, Western Conference All-Freshman Team

Jacob Malcagni, Eaton Rapids, All-Western Conference 1st Team, Western Conference All-Freshman Team

Men's Baseball

Connor Alexander, Jackson, All-MCCAA Honorable Mention

Brad Allen, Manchester, All-MCCAA Honorable Mention

Caleb Baragar, Jenison, 1st Team All-NJCAA Region XII and 1st Team All-MCCAA

Cole Knaup, Brooklyn, All-MCCAA Honorable Mention

Todd Phelps, Detroit, NJCAA Region XII All-Tournament Team, 2nd Team All-MCCAA

Austin Plasterer, Fort Wayne, Ind., 3rd Team All-MCCAA

Tyler Reed, Brooklyn, 1st Team All-NJCAA Region XII and 1st Team All-MCCAA, MCCA All-Freshman Team

Austin Shepherd, Vicksburg, All-MCCAA Honorable Mention

Women's Softball

Andi Dragonetti, Jackson, All-Region XII 1st Team, All-MCCAA Team, and 1st Team All-Western Conference

Kellyn Herendeen, Grass Lake, Honorable Mention All-Western Conference

Kyndle Wolfinger, Grass Lake, softball, 2nd Team All-Western Conference, All-Freshman Team

