

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE



Together we serve.

from President Gregory Adam Haile, Esq.

COLLEGE NEWS

President Haile Welcomes Congresswoman Wasserman Shultz to Campus



President Haile collects the flag presented to him by Rep. Debbie Wasserman Shultz.

President Haile welcomed U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Shultz (D-FL 23rd) to Broward College, where she joined representatives from 22 Broward County municipalities for a 2020 Census Complete Count Committee training session, Tuesday, April 16, on A. Hugh Adams Central Campus.

"This institution is a pillar of our county's education system, and Broward College students are in good hands," said Wasserman Shultz, who

presented President Haile with a United States of America flag that had flown over the U.S. Capitol Building in appreciation of his service to the community and to higher education.

President Haile Commits \$100,000 to Launch Broward UP™ at Investiture Ceremony

Broward College President Gregory Adam Haile, Esq., was formally installed as the institution's seventh president during an investiture ceremony before 700 guests on Friday, March 29, at the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus.



During his investiture speech, President Haile announced the launch of Broward UP™, a community-centric program designed to improve the quality of life for residents in zip codes where little exposure to postsecondary opportunities exist. The announcement culminated with a personal commitment of \$100,000 from President Haile; his wife, Chae Haile; and his two daughters.

President Haile Participates in Governor's Press Conference on Campus Free Speech



President Haile was among eight University and College leaders who, along with Gov. DeSantis, reaffirmed their commitment to free speech on all public university and college campuses at a news conference, April 15, at Florida State University, in Tallahassee.

You can watch the press conference here - <https://thefloridachannel.org/videos/4-15-19-press-conference-on-free-speech-on-campuses/>

Aspen Institute Recognizes Broward College as Top Ten Finalist in National Prize Competition



L to R: Edwin Massey, president of Indian River State College; Eduardo Padrón, president of Miami Dade College; and President Haile.

Broward College was recognized as one of the Top Ten community colleges nationally at the 2019 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence awards ceremony, at the Newseum, in Washington, D.C.

The tribute marked the third time that the Aspen Institute named Broward College as a Top Ten community college. Broward College was honored for serving as a national exemplar in guided pathways work and for having strong transfer partnerships with four-year institutions. The College was also acknowledged for having a 46 percent combined graduation and transfer rate for students of color, which is more than 10 percentage points above the national average. The Aspen Institute also honored Indian River State College, in Fort Pierce, and Miami Dade College, in Miami. Both institutions were ranked in the Top Two Community/State Colleges in the Nation for Community College Excellence.

Broward College – First College in Florida to Become Registered Apprenticeship Program Sponsor in Information Technology

Beginning in June, the College will launch Florida’s first Information Technology Apprenticeship program, which provides participating employers the opportunity to work with the College to identify employees or potential employees who would benefit from additional training and certifications. Corporate partners will simultaneously fund their apprentices’ program costs at Broward College, while continuing to pay their full-time employee wages. This program is a response to the U.S. Department of Labor’s Office of Apprenticeship call for colleges across the nation to meet the demand for apprenticeships.

Wheelhouse IT, a managed service provider with offices throughout the country, will be Broward College’s first program partner. Hotwire Communications, one of the nation’s leading fiber optics telecommunications providers, is also finalizing a plan with Broward College to offer current employees access to the program.

Professional Technical Staff Meet with President Haile

President Haile hosted three Roundtables this month for Broward College staff to discuss strategies and ideas to help student achievement. The meetings also facilitated open dialogue on any issues staff wanted to discuss. Roundtables were held at Judson A. Samuels South Campus, North Campus, and the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus, April 3, 4, and 5 respectively.



Broward UP™ Hosts Field Day with Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County



As one of the first outreach activities coordinated through Broward UP™, Broward College, in partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County, hosted an event on April 13, filled with fun, games and team-building activities for 100 children from Lauderhill and surrounding communities.

Both the City of Lauderhill and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Broward County are community partners in Broward UP™.

Photo left: President Haile (left) races alongside a child from the Boys & Girls Clubs as he participates in one of the games.

Seven Outstanding Faculty Recognized with 2019 Endowed Teaching Chair Awards

Seven faculty members were awarded 2019 Broward College Foundation Endowed Teaching Chairs in recognition of their work inside and outside the classroom. The program provides one-year grants of \$10,000 to deserving faculty in support of professional development and projects to improve classroom excellence and efficiency. The first ETC chairs were awarded to faculty members in 1992. The grants are made possible through philanthropic support from individuals and businesses.



The recipients were selected by a panel of their peers and surprised with their awards by President Haile.

Photo left: Dr. Scott Demsky receives his ETC award from President Haile and Central Campus President Dr. Sunem Beaton-Garcia.

- Bank of America I Endowed Teaching Chair
Dr. Scott Demsky, professor of Mathematics
- Bank of America II Endowed Teaching Chair
Benjamin Botero, assistant professor of Criminal Justice
- Children’s Opportunity Group Endowed Teaching Chair
Dr. Savena Budhu Barajas, assistant professor of English
- Margaret and Cato Roach Endowed Teaching Chair
Lourdes Heuer, assistant professor of English
- International Education Endowed Teaching Chair
Dr. Isis Silva, associate professor of Education
- Gaddis Corporation Endowed Teaching Chair
Rudy Jean-Bart, assistant professor of History
- Cleveland Clinic Florida Endowed Teaching Chair
Dr. Ellen Glazer, assistant professor of Computer and Information Science

STUDENT NEWS

President Haile Goes Back to Class

To enhance his understanding of the work of our extraordinary faculty and the learning environment of our students, President Haile has been attending classes as the semester comes to an end. The President recently spent time with Professor Ludtke’s Exceptional Student Education (ESE) class in the Education Pathway on North Campus. President Haile expressed thanks to all the professors who participated in, offered to participate, as well as those who offered positive notes from the online faculty for the ‘Back to the Class program.’ “This was an exciting opportunity,” he said. “You get to see how creative and innovative faculty has to be. I’m sorry I couldn’t have gone to all of them.



Students couldn’t resist a photo opportunity, April 4, with President Haile, who spent more than an hour with them.



Commencement
2019 Keynote Speaker
Rep. Chip LaMarca
Florida State Representative, District 95
Broward College Alumni
Alumni Hall Distinction &
Merit Award Recipient

Spring
Commencement

MAY 7 @ 11AM

BB&T CENTER in SUNRISE
DOORS OPEN AT 9 AM
BROWARD.EDU/GRADUATION



Graduation Countdown Begins

Faculty, staff, and members of the community are invited to join the celebration of graduating students at the 2019 Spring Commencement ceremony, 11 a.m., Tuesday, May 7, at BB&T Center in Sunrise. More than 2,000 degrees and certificates will be conferred including bachelor’s and associate degrees in some of the region’s fastest growing industries, such as information technology, education, nursing and supply chain management. Florida State Rep. Chip LaMarca, a distinguished alumnus of Broward College, is the keynote speaker.

Broward College Hosts March Madness Watch Party



President Haile joined more than 150 student-athletes from the tennis, baseball, softball, volleyball, and men's and women's basketball and soccer teams for a March Madness watch party. The event allowed President Haile to engage with student-athletes, who, in addition to cheering for their favorite teams, shared personal stories and experiences at Broward College as well as their desired schools for transfer.

Phi Beta Lambda Dominates at State Leadership Conference

Members of Broward College's Phi Beta Lambda Competition Team placed 16 times among 325 students from colleges and universities across Florida at the State Leadership Conference, March 28-31, in Orlando.



Broward College Students Inducted into Prestigious International Nursing Honor Society



Sigma Theta Tau inducted Broward College students into the International Nursing Honor Society held recently at Florida Atlantic University's College of Nursing auditorium. The newly-established Sigma Theta Tau chapter-at-large at Broward College is chartered under Iota Xi at FAU. Recognized as the second-largest nursing organization in the world, Sigma Theta Tau enables students to collaborate on leadership, scholarly research and service activities that are usually reserved for universities with graduate-level nursing programs.

EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

We Are Pioneers



The inaugural Community Pioneer Award prize was presented to President Haile on behalf of Broward College, Friday, April 2, at Stranahan House Museum's Pineapple Jam. The award honors Ivy Stranahan, Fort Lauderdale's first school teacher and an advocate for educating students including the African-American and Seminole Indian students she instructed.

Taking the Lead



President Haile led a group of Broward College faculty and staff who were among 8,000 participants at the annual Mercedes-Benz Corporate Run held Thursday, April 4, in Fort Lauderdale.

Farewell Dr. Proctor



More than 100 faculty, staff and former colleagues attended the event recognizing Dr. Proctor for 19 years of service to the College. Dr. Proctor will assume her new position as President of Harper College in July.

Practice, Practice, Practice



As part of ongoing efforts to ensure community safety, improve security procedures and facilitate the training of students in nursing, emergency medical services, and law enforcement, Broward College hosted a full-scale mass casualty exercise on Friday, April 12, in conjunction with Hospital Corporation of America.

Upcoming Events

MAY 1 | 6:45 - 8:30 p.m.

Village Square Dinner

Can Sea Level Rise Be Stopped? Ultimately Who Will Pay For It?
Funky Buddha Brewery, 201 NE 38th St., Oakland Park

MAY 7 | 11 a.m.

Spring Commencement Ceremony
BB&T Center, Sunrise

MONDAY 29 | 6 - 8:30 p.m.

Village Square Dinner

A National Identity Crisis or A Humanitarian Crisis?
The Border Debate
Funky Buddha Brewery, 201 NE 38th St., Oakland Park

32nd Annual Golf Classic

A little rain didn't dampen spirits during the 32nd Annual Broward College Golf Classic on Thursday, March 28, at the Fort Lauderdale Country Club, South Course. Classic chair, Lloyd Rhodes and his committee of volunteers, put together a spectacular event to raise more than \$94,000 for the First Generation in College Scholarship. The contributions will be matched through the State of Florida's First Generation in College grant program.

The ANF Group foursome, represented by John Dunnuck, A.J. Meyer, Jonathan Martinez, and Tiffany Weimar, won first place. The AvMed foursome of Eddy DeArmas, Brian Hoya, Juan Salazar, and Ricardo Querjeta finished second. And the Lunacon foursome of John Adams, Jose Alba, David Bertot, and Daniel Lizarazo was third.

Other winners included Manuel Hernandez and Linda Wood, "Closest to the Pin"; and Miranda Welch, "Longest Drive." Alec Munoz earned a trip to Pebble Beach winning the "Long Drive Entertainers" hole; Phil Kroyman won a Zulu Nyala Photo Safari in the live auction; and Daniel Imme won a Hilton Resorts World Bimini vacation package.

Cigna was the presenting sponsor of this year's Golf Classic. Additional sponsors included Auto Source, Crestron Electronics, CSPi Technology Solutions, Fastrack MCI, ITSavvy, Lunacon Construction Group, OneLogin, Tropic Ocean Airways, Whitlock, and many others.



First-place foursome: Jonathan Martinez, Tiffany Weimar, John Dunnuck and A.J. Meyer.

John Pryor Honors Wife's Legacy with a \$10,000 Lessie Pryor Nursing Scholarship Award

On April 3, the Broward College Foundation received a \$10,000 gift from John Pryor for the memorial fund established in honor of his wife, the Lessie Pryor RN to BSN Endowed Memorial Scholarship. Lessie Pryor, a cherished member of Broward College's RN to BSN Program, served as its first manager. Her talent and passion impacted the lives of hundreds of students and all who came in contact with her. She passed away in 2013. The Lessie Pryor Scholarship will provide support in perpetuity to students in this program.



Dr. Sara Turpel, Dean of Nursing; Elisa Stone, Major Gifts Officer; Dr. Linda Simunek, Associate Dean and Professor of Nursing; John Pryor; Dr. Linda Washington, former associate dean of the RN-BSN program; Shawn Pryor, Lessie's son; and Rose Cirilo, Intake Coordinator. Lessie Pryor's portrait, hanging above the group, is in the RN-BSN Nursing Lab at the Miramar Town Center.

A. Hugh Adams Central Campus Hosts Final Student Forum for the Academic Year



The students shared interest in seeing improvements to parking, security, and restroom facilities on the campus with President Haile, board members, and senior leadership. Among the other issues raised during the presentations from Student Government Association representatives and the question and answer session, was the interest in implementing “smart technology,” adding more outdoor security cameras, and lighting and upgrading WiFi access in the library. Students also made recommendations which included offering more vegan menu options, creating more social engagement activities and job opportunities for international students, and training faculty to better serve veteran students, who suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder.

Following her welcoming remarks, Mia Briggs, Central Campus Student Government Association president, thanked the administration for addressing concerns brought to them during the 2017-2018 academic year.

Professor Catherine Leisek Recognized for Receiving National Award



The Board congratulated Professor Leisek for receiving the Davenport Award at the National Council for Higher Education (NCHE) conference held in Denver in February. The Award recognizes her service to higher education unions, and state and local organizations. The Award is named in honor of James Davenport, the first president of NCHE.

Dr. Steven Obenauf Retires

Dr. Steven Obenauf, associate professor of Biological Science, was recognized for 31 years of service to the College. During his tenure, Dr. Obenauf served as associate dean of Biological Science, dean of Academic Affairs, and dean for the Social and Behavioral Sciences and Human Services pathway.

He is a two-time recipient of an Endowed Teaching Chair and has been named Professor of the Year twice.

In retirement, Dr. Obenauf will hold professor emeritus status while he pursues his affinity for outdoor photography.



Broward UP Team Meets With Experts at Harvard



Members of the Broward College team during a meeting with Dr. Raj Chetty (who joined by Skype) and members of his team.

Dr. Mildred Coyne, executive director of Workforce Education and Economic Development, updated trustees on the progress of Broward UP™, the College’s community-centric strategy designed to break down barriers and increase social and economic mobility. Her presentation detailed a visit to Harvard University where a delegation of Broward College, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance and OIC of South Florida met with Dr. Raj Chetty, the William A. Ackman Professor of Public Economics and director of Opportunity Insights, a nonprofit research group that uses “big data” to understand how children from low-income backgrounds can have better chances of succeeding.

The College plans to enter into an agreement with Dr. Chetty and his researchers to establish data measurements for Broward UP™.

The Broward College team also shared its plans for Broward UP™ with Dr. Larry Summers, president emeritus at Harvard University who served as secretary of the Treasury for President Clinton and

director of the National Economic Council for President Obama; and Rachel Lipson, Director of Special Projects at Year Up and Harvard Business School Leadership Fellow, who has done extensive work on the role of the California community college system as important policy lever to mediate social mobility challenges and connect individuals to the good jobs of the future.

Following the Harvard visit, the Broward College team traveled to Charlotte, N.C., to get a first-hand look at how the Foundation for the Carolinas helped establish Leading on Opportunity, a community council of business, governmental and education organizations in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg area of North Carolina. They have been working with Opportunity Insights to work on systemic approach to addressing issues ranging from early care and education, to college and career readiness. These discussions have yielded partners with whom it can exchange best practices and establish measurable objectives for our work.

Student Trustee Initiative

The Board approved a measure that will enable one student government campus president to sit on the dais of its meetings and workshops where he or she will be allowed to participate in discussions, presentations, and action items. As part of the initiative, all three student government presidents, will participate in an orientation conducted by the College’s General Counsel at a date to be determined in the summer. The initiative was approved based on a recommendation brought to the Board in February by A. Hugh Adams Central Campus President, Mia Biggs.

Appreciation for Dr. Proctor

Several past students appeared before the Board of Trustees to personally express their gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Avis Proctor for her commitment and dedication to BC students. The former students said that Dr. Proctor helped them overcome obstacles and continue on to advanced studies following their academic careers at Broward College. Dr. Proctor, the North Campus president, was selected from a nationwide search to be the next president of William Rainey Harper College, in Palatine, Ill.

Policy Changes

At the April 23, 2019 District Board of Trustees meeting, the Board authorized revisions to the following policy. Click the link below to review a redline of the approved revisions to the policy.

[Policy 6Hx2-6.13 Student Fees and Fee Payment](#)