

PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

from President Gregory Adam Haile, J.D.



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COLLEGE NEWS

More than 3,000 Students Complete Academic Programs in Spring 2021



Broward College honored more than 3,000 student graduates during the spring virtual commencement ceremony broadcast via live stream, Saturday, May 8, at 1 p.m. The celebration kicked off Friday, April 23, and Saturday, April 24, with Grad Fest on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus. Grad Fest offered students the opportunity to have their graduation portrait taken and participate in the drive-through diploma event where college administrators provided them with their diploma covers. The virtual ceremony featured remarks from President Haile and a keynote address from Germaine Smith-Baugh, Ed.D., president and CEO of Urban League of Broward County. Among the class highlights, the youngest graduate was 17 years old, and the oldest 73. There were 52 veterans. Graduates earned 1,926 Associate of Arts; 573 Associate of Applied Science and Associate of Science degrees; 300 Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in Nursing, and Bachelor of Applied Science degrees; and many technical and vocational certificates.

Notable graduate stories included:

Mashava Charles-Piggott | After dropping out of high school, Mashava held a job she wasn't happy with and knew she needed to work toward her goal. Since then, she married, took on a full-time job, gave birth, and graduated from Broward College with an Associate of Arts.

Genica Da Silva Rosa | Battling 18 painful days in the hospital and life-saving surgery to treat a brain aneurism, Genica persisted in returning to her coursework. She is grateful to be alive, and a graduate with an associate degree focused on Business Administration.

Noah MacDonald | Graduating with an Associate of Arts, Noah was selected as a finalist for the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke scholarship, which awards financial support to high-achieving students who show determination and commitment toward their educational goals.

Rosean Monteith | Having faced many challenges throughout his journey, including homelessness and mental health struggles in his late teens, Rosean was forced to grow up quickly. He continued through high school and Broward College, where he earned an Associate of Arts with a concentration in Social Work.

Read these and other stories about the spring 2021 graduates at news.broward.edu/people.

President Haile Named South Florida Business Journal Ultimate CEO

South Florida Business Journal selected President Haile as one of its 2021 South Florida Ultimate CEO. The recognition honors 15 exceptional leaders who have set the standard in the corporate community for civic leadership and charitable contributions. President Haile will be among the honorees featured in a special edition of the Business Journal on September 24. All honorees will be recognized at a celebratory event tentatively set for Thursday, September 23, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.



Gregory Adam Haile, J.D.

Sophia Galvin is Among South Florida's 100 Most Influential & Powerful Black Professionals

Legacy South Florida, the premier publication for South Florida's Black influencers, recognized Sophia Galvin, executive director of Talent and Culture at Broward College, as one of South Florida's 100 Most Influential Powerful Black Professionals. The honorees selected are "cornerstones of not just the Black community but the community at large."

[Read the article](#)



Sophia Galvin

Broward College Named Finalist with Distinction for 2021 Aspen Prize



Broward College is a Finalist with Distinction for the 2021 Aspen Prize—the second-highest ranking awarded by the prestigious Aspen Institute. This is the second time the College has earned recognition as a Finalist with Distinction—the first was in 2017—and the fourth time the College has been named a Top Ten institution since the award was launched in 2011. Along with the recognition, Broward College was awarded a \$100,000 prize.

Around 60 people, including leadership, faculty, staff, and community partners, gathered for the virtual award ceremony at the Judson A. Samuels South Campus.

“It is an honor to be selected as a Finalist with Distinction from more than 1,000 peer institutions across the nation evaluated for this prize,” said President Gregory Adam Haile. He addressed the group and other employees in a college-wide town hall immediately after the ceremony. “This recognition as a Finalist with Distinction is a community prize. Thanks to our trustees, faculty, and staff, as well as the donors and partners in the public and private sectors who support our work. Of course, our highest praise goes to our students—this is their achievement.”

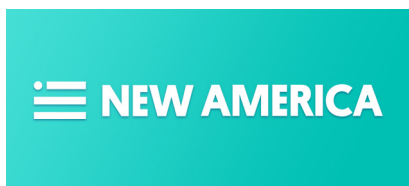
The Aspen Prize assesses performance in six areas: teaching and learning, certificate and degree completion, transfer and bachelor’s attainment, workforce success, equity in access and success for students of color and students from low-income backgrounds, and leadership and institutional culture.

Read the [press release](#) and watch the [highlight video](#).



Florida TaxWatch Releases Assessment of Broward College’s Broward UP™

Broward UP™ is already making a material impact on its participants, the community, and across the state, according to Florida TaxWatch, which released “An Independent Assessment of the Value of Broward UP.” Launched by Broward College in 2018, Broward UP is an innovative approach to increasing college access and delivering workforce education in communities impacted by high unemployment and low education attainment. Broward UP has provided residents with free workforce training that can lead to certificates and industry certifications in areas connected to in-demand jobs. Florida TaxWatch, an independent think tank, reports Broward UP is making a difference in communities where the average unemployment rate is triple that of Broward County. Read the [press release](#), which highlights key findings.



New America Ed Praises Broward UP

Broward UP continues to draw accolades for its efforts to foster economic mobility and enhance lives. In a feature written by New America Ed, a think tank and civic innovation platform, Broward UP is applauded for fueling an equitable economic recovery by leveraging partnerships to offer tuition-free education and wraparound support to the community. | [Read the article](#)

Vice Provost Named President of Chippewa Valley Technical College

Dr. Sunem Beaton-Garcia, president, North Campus, and vice provost, Academic Services and interim president, Judson A. Samuels South Campus, and vice provost, Academic Resources, was selected, Thursday, March 6, as the next president of Chippewa Valley Technical College (CVTC), in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. She is the first woman and the first Latina to lead CVTC. Dr. Beaton-Garcia will leave her current role at Broward College on June 30, 2021, and assume her new position July 1, 2021. Dr. Beaton-Garcia has more than 12 years of instructional and administrative experience with Broward College and another eight years of teaching experience in previous roles. Dr. Beaton-Garcia holds a Doctor of Education in Instructional Technology and Distance Education from Nova Southeastern University, in Fort Lauderdale; a Master of Arts in Library and Information Science from the University of South Florida, in Tampa; and a Bachelor of Arts in Business and Marketing from the University of Phoenix, in Tempe, Arizona.



Dr. Sunem Beaton-Garcia

Second BC Cares Event Supports Community Food Distribution

On Saturday, April 17, BC Cares, which offers volunteer opportunities to employees, partnered for the second time with LifeNet4Families to pack 2,000 bags of essential supplies. LifeNet4Families will distribute the packages to the families in need across the community. The final event of the year, which attracted 22 volunteers, came on the heels of another effort in March when 1,000 bags of food for students and community members containing pasta, rice, beans, and vegetables were also packaged.



Lockheed Martin Donates Sikorsky S-76A Helicopter to Broward College

Thanks to an in-kind donation from Lockheed Martin to the Emil Buehler Aviation Institute, students pursuing careers in Avionics and Aviation Maintenance will gain hands-on experience via access to a new Sikorsky S-76A helicopter at Broward College. Starting this fall, the non-flying trainer, valued at more than \$500,000, will provide students in both programs with an opportunity to gain knowledge in the inspection, maintenance, and repair of a fully rigged helicopter including its electronic, mechanical, and hydraulic systems. The trainer will be housed in the expanded Emil Buehler Aviation Hangar, which will open soon.



The Sikorsky S-76A at its new home on the Judson A. Samuels South Campus.

2020-2021 Professors and Adjunct Professors of the Year

In recognition of their invaluable work in the classroom and support of student success, Broward College announced ten faculty as 2020-21 Professors of the Year. Nominated by their peers and students and reviewed by a selection committee from each campus, the awardees are full-time and adjunct professors who work across the College's locations and online. The Professor of the Year award is one way the College honors its faculty's dedication, innovation, and creativity. The 2020-2021 Professors of the Year are:

A. HUGH ADAMS CENTRAL CAMPUS



Dr. Idelisa Ayala
Biology



Professor Jennifer Solley
English

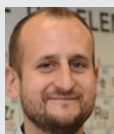


Dr. Jodie Weinstein
Psychology



Dr. Kimberly Barron
English adjunct

NORTH CAMPUS



Dr. David Perdian
Physical Science



Professor Keisha Johnson
English adjunct

JUDSON A. SAMUELS SOUTH CAMPUS

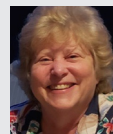


Dr. Abushieba Ibrahim
Mathematics



Professor Ryan Mahabir
Chemistry adjunct

ONLINE



Professor Jody Harris
Mathematics



Dr. Carl Letamendi
Business Finance adjunct

Celebrating Graduates of the President’s Leadership Academy

The President’s Leadership Academy (PLA) is a cornerstone program at the College that supports the continued development of faculty and staff. The sixth cohort of the PLA held their closing ceremony and Capstone presentation, Friday, April 23. The Capstone Project was MyWhy. The MyWhy stories, the origin of the project, and thematic videos can be found on [the website](#). As a call to action, the PLA class is encouraging colleagues to share their WHY.



Members of the 2020 President’s Leadership Academy.

For the past decade, PLA has supported the leadership growth of more than 100 colleagues. The PLA, which includes staff from all disciplines across the College, was completed in collaboration with Leadership Broward. The PLA class, initially launched in February 2020 and scheduled for completion in June 2020, was disrupted due to COVID-19. The four program days were held in an entirely virtual environment. The program included speakers that addressed public policy and government relations; crisis management; brand management; networking; budgeting; BCEx and entrepreneurship; higher education in a post-COVID world; work in a post-COVID world; and strengths-based leadership.

The 35 graduates of this year’s program are:

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| Joevania Alexandre | Mirlyne Jean | Kyshun Nicholas | Janet Similien |
| Patricia Alphonse | Alexis Kitchman | Tania Phillips | Christopher Tavares |
| Rhonda Bobb | Michelle Levine | Farah Pierre | Aisha Tavares |
| Woosly Calixte | Marjorie Loring | Dinecia Pierre-Louis | Jared White |
| Toni Crooks | Barbara Lovell-Martin | Tashika President | Michelle Whittaker |
| Nichole Drullard | Yeshua Machado | Elizabeth Prochet | Kyla Williams |
| Kandeice Gibson | Jamie Martin | Amoy Reid | Judith Andrew |
| Kaya Hamer-Small | Laura McDermott | Kristina Retana | Rose Cirilo |
| Masi James | Joseph Metts | Michaela Scott-Williams | |

American Textile and Apparel Donates One Million Masks

American Textile and Apparel stepped up in the ongoing fight against COVID-19, donating one million cloth face masks to Broward College. The donation on Monday, April 26 will be valuable as more students return to campus in the fall and in the College’s efforts to assist the surrounding community. The company joins other donors, such as Valley Forge Fabric, V12 Health, Infinity Medical Supply, LLC, and Yeboah Law Firm, which have responded during the past year to help keep our students, employees, and the community as safe as possible.



President Haile accepts the first boxes of the cloth face masks from executives of American Textile and Apparel on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus.

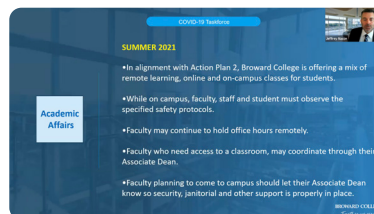
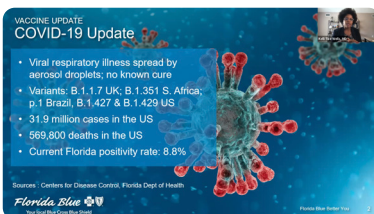
27th Town Hall Features COVID-19 Vaccine Updates

As part of efforts to improve communication and understanding of the COVID-19 vaccines, the College partnered with Florida Blue to address myths surrounding the vaccine. The 27th town hall on Friday, April 30, featured a presentation by Kerri Tice Wells, M.D., of Florida Blue. Dr. Wells said the positivity rate in Florida continues to trend downward, thanks, in part, to more residents receiving one of the three vaccines. She explained that side effects including headaches, soreness, fever and chills, and fatigue following a vaccination are normal signs and most likely attributed to the body producing antibodies to ward off the virus. Dr. Wells dispelled some myths by reaffirming that vaccination does not change DNA, cannot cause COVID-19, can be used even in those with allergies, may be recommended in pregnancy, and if you’ve had the virus, you still should be vaccinated. For the latest COVID updates, visit: Broward.edu/Coronavirus

Segment two of the town hall provided updates to the College community on college operations, including plans for fall 2021.



Click to watch the Town Hall



North Campus Hosts James S. Rickards Students for Remainder of School Year

Students and staff from James S. Rickards Middle School received a warm welcome to Broward College on April 6. Students will complete the remainder of the academic year on the North Campus in Coconut Creek, following a structural issue at the school in March. Campus President Dr. Sunem-Beaton Garcia, who welcomed the students and staff, said the facilitation of the students is a demonstration of the College’s long-standing partnership with Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) and does not impact North Campus students who are attending classes on campus.



Principal of James S. Rickards Middle School greets students on their first day of class on North Campus.

Broward College Partners with SFBW to Produce Equity Though Education Series

The third and latest of six segments in the Empowering Equity Through Education series, hosted by South Florida Business and Wealth magazine in partnership with Broward College, on Tuesday, April 13, focused on how to digitally empower residents in South Florida as the local economy ramps up. Dr. Mildred Coyne, senior vice president for Workforce Education and Innovation, moderated the webinar. Reggie Isaac, national lead, Accelerate Microsoft; Leigh-Ann Buchanan, president, Aire Ventures; and Mario Bailey, chair, South Florida Regional Planning Council, were the panelists.



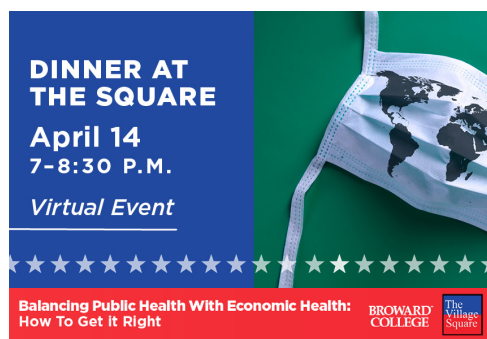
The webinar series [Empowering Equity Through Education](#), offered to participants at no cost, helps local businesses explore ways to improve equity practices in various areas of their operations.

Accelerated Bachelor’s to Master’s Program with Florida International University Finalized

Broward College and the [Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management](#) at Florida International University (FIU) partnered on an innovative program designed to facilitate students’ post-graduate education while saving time and money. The “4+1 Combined Bachelor’s and Master’s Program” allows students to enroll in both institutions simultaneously, taking graduate level courses for credit at FIU while completing their bachelor’s degree at Broward College. Students at Broward College will graduate with their bachelor’s degree in Supervision Management and finish with a master’s degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management at FIU. The program, which officially starts in fall, is open to students with a grade-point average of 3.2 or higher who have completed 75 credit hours toward the [Bachelor of Applied Science in Supervision and Management](#)

2020-2021 Village Square Season Closes With Record Attendance

The third and final Village Square Dinner at the Square focused on “Balancing Public Health with Economic Health – How to Get it Right,” on Wednesday, April 14. The virtual event featured panelists Doug Bartel, market leader, Florida Blue; Dr. Johannes Vieweg, dean and chief academic officer, Dr. Kiran C. Patel College of Allopathic Medicine, Nova Southeastern University; Jerry D. Parrish, Ph.D., chief economist and director of research, Florida Chamber Foundation; and Richard Grosso, Esq., president, Richard Grosso, P.A. The 2020-21 Village Square events were held virtually and saw a record number of participants, including 110 people who joined the final event. The Village Square is an annual series facilitated by the College to provide the public with a safe, comfortable forum to debate diverse issues of local, state, and national importance. Discussions feature community representatives and topic experts of divergent viewpoints.



Update on College Operations for Summer and Fall 2021

In preparation for the upcoming terms, an update with important information on what to expect, including course modalities and worksite expectations, was sent to employees and students on Wednesday, April 14. Unless otherwise designated, Broward College faculty and staff will continue remote work and learning except when an on-campus environment is necessary during summer 2021. All students and employees are strongly encouraged to receive the COVID-19 vaccination. The College plans to resume on-campus operations at or near 100 percent for the fall term, while continuing some of the newly established guidelines as required. The updates can be accessed at [Broward College COVID-19 Response Plan and Guidelines](#).

President Haile Addresses Asian Hate Crimes in College-wide Email

As the College continues to celebrate Asian Pacific American Heritage Month with virtual events to recognize the contributions and influence of Asian and Pacific Islanders to the history and culture of the United States, a letter to the faculty and staff from President Haile in the aftermath of the April shootings in Atlanta served as a source of inspiration and hope. President Haile, who said he is “blessed by marriage to an incredible Korean-born woman” and has “two brilliant daughters who share Korean and Black heritage,” mourned the victims and denounced any acts of violence against anyone in the AAPI community.

Asian Pacific Heritage Month

Broward College recognizes the contributions and influence of Asian Americans and Pacific Islander Americans to the history, culture, and achievements of the United States. During May, which is celebrated as Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month, the College has put together programming aimed at fostering inclusiveness, strengthening existing relationships and creating new ones among students, faculty and staff. The events include: a docu-series, films, book reviews, panel discussions and exploring music, religion and culture. The events are offered virtually and will run for May 3 to 27.



[Click to view the full calendar of events](#)

International Seahawks Taking Flight to American Dream Schools

Despite challenges from the pandemic, three Seahawks at the School of Economics at Zhejiang University, an International Center of Broward College, in China, earned Associate of Arts with Honors. Chongtao Zhao, Yidan Chen, and Yunbo Zhu will continue to forge their respective educational path from Hangzhou, China, toward their dream of education in the United States. Chongtao Zhao has been offered a US\$16,000 scholarship with the University of Rochester but remains undecided as he considers offers from the University of Toronto, University of Western Ontario, and York University in Canada. Yidan Chen, who has a 4.0 grade-point average, is considering offers from the University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin, Madison, and the University of Toronto. Yunbo Zhu, also an Honors student, has decided to accept an offer from Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

Armstrong Summer Internship Awardees

The Armstrong International Internship Grant supports five students participating in virtual internships with companies abroad hosted by Virtual Internships. This year’s recipients are Chantal Charles, an international student from Poland who earned an Associate of Arts with a focus on international relations; Ashton Pierre-Louis, Fabianna Marin Gallucci, and Mia Hawkins, who are all enrolled in the College Academy at Broward College; and Sheila Ward, who is pursuing a BAS in Supervision and Management. The grant program is named after Broward College’s sixth president, J. David Armstrong, Jr., who established the fund to support students pursuing academic and professional development programs.



Chongtao Zhao



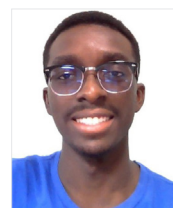
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Yunbo Zhu



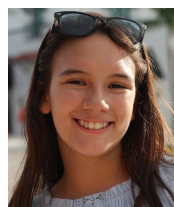
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Ashton Pierre-Louis



Fabianna Marin Galluci



Mia Hawkins



Sheila Ward

Second International Seahawk Virtual Event Hosted

The Greene Institute for International Education at Broward College welcomed students in Bolivia, Brazil, Peru, Ecuador, Sri Lanka, Spain, Indonesia, Vietnam and China – Beijing, Shanghai and Hangzhou during the second International Seahawks Soar virtual event, Wednesday, March 31. President Haile; Dr. Jeffrey Nasse, interim provost and senior vice president for Academic Affairs; and Janice Stubbs, vice provost, Student Services addressed the students.

Spring Nursing Pin and Candle Lighting Processional

As part of Nurses Week, on Thursday, May 6, Broward College celebrated 141 graduates—the largest class to date—to receive their Associate of Science in Nursing degrees. During a drive-through processional, on the A. Hugh Adams Central Campus, graduates in the nursing program received the College nursing program pin, a candle, a program with their names in it, a carnation, and a special pin from Dr. Sara Turpel, dean of Nursing. Dean Turpel thanked the students and faculty for overcoming challenges during the pandemic.



Bachelor of Science in Nursing Graduates Inducted into International Nursing Honor Society

In a virtual induction ceremony hosted by the Iota Xi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society, comprised of Florida Atlantic University, Broward College, and Palm Beach College, nine Bachelor of Science in Nursing students and graduates from the College were inducted as Sigma members. The inductees were Luz Austin, Jean Delice, Nubia Gonzalez, Johnny Jaune, Laurie Holtzclaw, Nadia Marcellus, Shawntavia Montero, Vanella Rankine, and Madisyn Rodriguez. Dr. Linda Washington-Brown, adjunct instructor and former associate dean of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program at Broward College, gave the keynote address. Sigma was founded in 1922 and currently has 135,000 members and 560 chapters in 100 countries. Sigma’s vision is to connect and empower nurse leaders in transforming global health care, and its vision is developing nurse leaders to improve health care.

INFORMING THE COMMUNITY

Closing the Equity Gap: It’s Really a Network Gap

President Haile was a featured speaker among higher education leaders determined to create opportunity for every student during an online presentation on “Closing the Equity Gap: It’s Really a Network Gap Experience,” Thursday, April 15. Joining President Haile was Kelly Cooper, a former vice chancellor at West Hills CCD and West Valley College and advocate who is leading projects that directly address the massive change taking place in high school and college workforce education. This insightful discussion explores successful networking strategies, and best practices: [Click here](#)



President Haile Speaks to Youth Leadership Broward Graduating Class

During a virtual ceremony on Friday, May 7, President Haile delivered a keynote address, in which he stressed the importance of leadership and giving back to the community, to students in graduating Classes 33 and 34 of Youth Leadership Broward. High school students in their junior years participate in Youth Leadership Broward. The nine-month program provides an opportunity for students to gain real-life experiences through interactions with community leaders from businesses, government agencies, and civic organizations; develop essential leadership skills, such as team building, conflict resolution, time management, public speaking and goal setting; and impact the community through an ongoing service project throughout the year.

Leadership Florida Inclusive and Resilient Recovery in Florida

President Haile participated in a panel discussion on Florida’s role in support of the “Inclusive Recovery of U.S. Cities,” during a live virtual presentation, Friday, April 16, sponsored by Leadership Florida, a nonprofit organization made up of statewide leaders working for a better Florida. The summit featured nationally known speakers from the Federal Reserve Bank and Urban Institute, who shared their insights on what has proven to work, followed by the Florida panelists, which also included Mark Wilson, president and CEO, Florida Chamber of Commerce; Mone Brown, director of public affairs and government relations, Walmart; Tim Center, CEO, Capital Area Community Action Center; and Brittany Birken, Principal Advisor, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, who moderated.



Broward College World Conference 2021 and Transfer Fair

Local and international colleges and universities virtually converged for the 2021 Broward College World Conference and Transfer Fair, Monday, May 10 through Friday, May 14, to forge new relationships and reconnect with existing partners, colleagues, and friends. Hosted by the Greene International Education Institute at Broward College, and focused on the theme, “Building Better and Stronger Connections,” the conference opened with remarks from President Haile; Dr. David Moore, executive director for International Education; and Dr. Jeffrey Nasse, interim provost and senior vice president for Academic Affairs. The conference offered several daily presentations such as university transfer breakout sessions, Deans panel sessions, ACUE credentialing, and Student Life at Broward College.



Broward College in the News

NBC6 Report on Nursing Drive-Through

Watch this interview with Tara McNeil, one of the 141 nursing graduates who shares her experience as a student during the pandemic and her desire to make a difference now that her training is complete. | [View the interview](#)

Diverse Education In the Margins Podcast

Listen to President Haile discuss impacts and implementation of approaches, such as Seahawk Marketplace, to solve food insecurity among students, during an “In the Margins” podcast, April 8. | [Listen to the podcast](#)

Sun Sentinel Highlights Broward College Speaker Series with Chef José Andrés

The article featured the May 17 virtual lecture with the renowned Chef. The event was rescheduled from last year due to COVID-19. [Read the article](#)

RETIREMENTS

Two employees who will retire in May are being recognized for their outstanding contribution to the College:



DR. SHAFI ULLAH

Dr. Shafi Ullah, who has served Broward College since 1988, leaves as a senior professor, having taught in the Business, Finance and Accounting disciplines in all teaching modalities. Dr. Ullah has a master’s in Accounting and master’s in Business Administration. He was a recipient of the prestigious Fulbright scholarship to complete his graduate studies at the University of Central Oklahoma. He earned a Doctorate in Business Administration from Nova Southeastern University and is a published author who has presented papers at conferences both nationally and internationally.



TAMARA SPAULDING

Tamara Spaulding, the lead instructor in Defensive Tactics/Physical Training at the Institute of Public Safety, is retiring after 30 years of service at Broward College. She started at Broward College as a student in 1981 when she was then a cadet, and later joined the faculty as an adjunct in 1991. Upon her retirement from the Pembroke Pines Police Department in 2006, she became an interim lead instructor before her permanent selection in 2008.

Annual Golf Classic Raises More Than \$90,000 to Support Scholarships

The sold-out 33rd Broward College Golf Classic at the Fort Lauderdale Country Club, April 12, raised nearly \$94,000 in support of the Empowerment Fund at Broward College. Lloyd Rhodes, chair of the Golf Committee and Broward College Foundation board member, and his committee of volunteers put together a spectacular tournament. The committee and players followed safety precautions while enjoying a day on the newly renovated North Course.

[Click here to learn more about the results and event sponsors.](#)



Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club Provides Further Support to American Dream Scholarship

On Thursday, April 15, the [Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club](#) provided Broward College with a \$3,000 gift to support the Ivy Stranahan Memorial American Dream Scholarship. The Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club was founded with 18 members on January 11, 1911, ten weeks before incorporation of the city. The Club awards annual scholarships, coordinates activities with fellow woman's clubs and local groups, and supports local, national and international charities.



Ann Smith, president of the Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club; Elisa Stone, manager for Stewardship and Donor Relations at Broward College; and Mindy Doble, second vice president of the Fort Lauderdale Woman's Club

Seven Endowed Teaching Chairs Announced

Congratulations to the recipients of the Endowed Teaching Chair awards for the 2021-2022 academic year. Seven Broward College professors were recognized for their excellence in the classroom. The educators will receive a grant of \$13,500, half of which is an honorarium and the other half to be used for professional development or classroom enhancements.



Professor Ruth Lazzard-Germain
R. Irene Craney Fischley ETC



Professor Mariah Reed
Gaddis Corporation ETC



Professor Oyinka Coakley
Bank of America II ETC



Professor Pezhman Jatala
Bank of America I ETC



Professor David Hennessy
Children's Opportunity Group ETC



Professor Dr. Rajendra Shakya
Margaret and Cato Roach ETC



Professor Joanne Kampiziones-Ying
Gaddis Corporation ETC

Dr. Maria Bernal and Dr. Behnoush Memari, served as co-chairs of the College Endowed Teaching Chair Selection Committee, and Broward College Foundation Board of Directors member Ann Porterfield chaired the Community Endowed Teaching Chair Selection Committee which included John Bochak, JoAnn Cremata, Tom Schon, David Verlen, and Barbara Wells.

[Click here to learn more about the award recipients.](#)

Priorities for the 2021-22 Budget Process and Federal Funding Updates

John Dunnuck, senior vice president, Finance and Operations, provided insight into the 2021-22 budget process and priorities at the College, which considered significant investment in the student experience, and a review of organizational efficiencies. He told the Board the proposed 2021-22 recurring budget of \$174.9 million for Broward College will reflect a \$3.4 million decrease compared to 2020-21. The next step is to finalize recommendations to the budget before a vote-to-adopt at the next Board of Trustees meeting on June 22.

Caleb Cornelius, vice president, Finance, followed the Broward College budget proposal with an overview of Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES), the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental appropriations Act (CRRSSA) and the American Rescue Plan (ARP) and how those funds may and may not be used to defray costs associated with COVID-19. He said funds from each piece of legislation are to be shared between the institution and student grants. For example, of the \$27,154,901 from CARES, \$13,577,450 must be designated to student support. To date, of funds totaling \$58,986,552 for the CRRSSA, \$13,577,451 are allotted to student relief. The American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds \$52,279,680 will go to students and \$49,859,024 to the institution.

Board Receives Updates on Legislative Funding Approvals for 2021-2022

The Florida legislative session has concluded, and Lacey Hofmeyer, general counsel and vice president of Public Policy and Government Affairs, reported that the Florida College System has been appropriated a \$64 million increase to its Fiscal Year 2021-22 budget. Those funds will be distributed in various ways, including \$25 million for student success initiatives or performance; and \$20 million toward creating an “Open Door” grant program, which VP Hofmeyer said will help Broward College continue its work in micro-credentialing. The budget also includes a newly created Dual Enrollment Scholarship program, which will provide \$15.5 million to support private school and home school students to receive dual enrollment courses during the school year at no cost. Significant funding was also allocated to close out as many as 18 Fixed Capital Outlay projects. VP Hofmeyer said the allocation would better position Broward College to begin, at some point, to receive funding for its own academic outlay projects.

Board Approves A. Hugh Adams Central Campus Redevelopment Plan

The Board of Trustees authorized a long-term ground lease on A. Hugh Adams Central Campus in Davie between Broward College and Adler/13th Floor Investments. The partnership, which will feature redevelopment of 15.5 acres of land at the southeast corner of campus along Davie Road at the main entrance to campus, is expected to generate a minimum of \$315 million and up to \$641 million for Broward College. The project, designed to leverage the physical resources of campus to offset costs, keeps tuition affordable, and prioritizes student success initiatives.

Policy Revision Allows Tuition Waiver to Dependents of Deceased Employees

The Board of Trustees accepted revisions to College policies that provide educational benefits assistance to our employees pursuing any additional education, either at Broward College or elsewhere. The first revision, which outlines tuition reimbursement for courses at any regionally accredited college or university, is exclusively for all full-time Professional Technical Staff (PTS), administrators, and faculty. The second revision will allow a tuition waiver for dependents of deceased employees to attend courses at Broward College.

Policy 6Hx2-3.58, Educational Benefits for Employees:

http://browardcollegefl.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_LegiFile.aspx?Frame=&MeetingID=2110&MediaPosition=&ID=7531&CssClass=

The Board also accepted revisions to policy 6Hx2-4.28, Professional Development:

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