A HANDBOOK AND Planner for Students

2011-2012 Edition

about this Handbook

This handbook has been produced by the Student Activities Office. It is designed to acquaint you with student activities and services, as well as policies and regulations on campus. It is intended as a supplement to the college catalog and other publications. You should review the contents and keep it on hand for easy reference.

If after reading through this information you still have questions, please contact the Student Activities Coordinator in the Student Center, ext. 225.



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Welcome

Dear Students:

The entire college community is very pleased that you have chosen to "stay close and go far" by coming to Hagerstown Community College (HCC). The valuable lessons you will learn on our campus will serve you well for the rest of your lives. Through the superb work of the faculty we maintain a diversified and excellent curriculum. We are so proud of the success our former students enjoy in the workplace, as well as the academic accomplishments they earn at some of the most prestigious four-year colleges and universities across the country. We are regularly told by former students how well they were educated at HCC and that



they value greatly the many lifelong friendships they forged during their time here.

I'm sure you have come to the College with high expectations, and I'm equally certain we will not disappoint you. Every student is important to us. We also take seriously our commitment to provide both current and former students our best advice on how to successfully plan collegiate studies to reach their life goals. Once you start with us, you are part of the HCC family for life. We, therefore, feel a strong obligation to help you as best we can.

HCC is proud to have been Maryland's first community college. Since 1946 we have maintained a talented and very student-centered faculty and staff, a diversified and high quality curriculum that is ever changing to match our dynamic world, and a wide variety of student and community services to match the needs and interests of our students. We are especially pleased that the College has in recent years been able to secure the funds to expand and improve our facilities, offer you the latest computer technology and related services, and provide extremely well prepared faculty and staff to assist you in meeting your educational goals. Upon completing your chosen field of study, you will be joining thousands of alumni who greatly benefited from their time at HCC.

I hope you find this handbook to be a valuable resource. It has been carefully designed to assist you in learning about the College, including our excellent student life programs. So get involved in all we have to offer, since our central goal is to provide you a great education on a campus that has something for everyone!

Sincerely,

See dest Guy Altieri, Ed.D. President

A message from the 2011-12 SGA President



For those of you who are returning students to Hagerstown Community College, I applaud your efforts so far. I know that many of you are looking forward to graduating from Hagerstown Community College with your new, highly respected associate degree.

In addition, I would also like to address the incoming students with a whole-hearted hello from all of us here in HCC's Student Government Association.

I would like you to think about something for a moment. What do the SGA and I have in common? Honestly, we have everything in common. We are a group of students with diverse backgrounds but similar academic objectives in mind. The SGA's main objective is to help you succeed in your college experience.

I personally challenge you, as a student, to let your voice be heard. Just like the late Alfred Bernhard Nobel said,

"If I have a thousand ideas and only one turns out to be good, I am satisfied."

The SGA's goal is to make ideas become reality, for students to be successful contributors to our society, and to all around have fun during our community college tenure. Our success depends on you. Thank you for your time, and the SGA is behind you 100% of the way!

SGA President, Anthony Eugene Brittingham Jr. Information Systems Technology

Be the Change

Meet your 2011-12 Student Government Association



Tim Barger, Vice President Computer Aided Design



Joseph Knight, Treasurer _{Engineering}

Senators



Chris George, Secretary General Studies



Allen Calvert Alternative Energy Tech.



Sean Chapelle Alternative Energy Tech.



Stephanie Medina Administration of Justice



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You Want to See in the World

Getting Started

Student Photo Identification Card

All Hagerstown Community College credit students need to have a student photo ID card with a current semester sticker. IDs are given in the Student Center. Students must show a class schedule and photo ID to receive an HCC ID. The ID Office is open in the summer Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and during fall and spring semesters 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday.

Your ID Card:

- Is non-transferable and shall be forfeited if used by another individual
- · May not be altered in any way
- Must be shown upon request by a college employee
- Must be updated with a semester sticker after you register for each new semester

Photo IDs Must Be Shown In The Following Situations:

- To take tests in the Testing Center or make-up tests at other locations on campus
- For checking out library materials
- To verify student status to qualify for student child care rates
- To obtain certain student records
- For admission to and use of the Athletic, Recreation and Community Center (ARCC)
- For admission to scheduled free activities on campus or sponsored activities off campus

- To obtain an HCC parking sticker from the Bookstore
- To use HCC computer labs
- To use your financial aid in the HCC Campus Store

For questions or concerns, please contact the Student Activities Coordinator at 301-790-2800, ext. 225.

Parking Sticker

Every credit student must have a parking sticker on his/her vehicle. Application for parking permits should be completed on-line once you have registered for the semester by going to the HCC website, under Student Life, select Bookstore and click on the link for 'online parking permit application.' Bring your completed application along with your student ID to the Bookstore, and your permit will be issued. Stickers should be placed in the bottom right corner of the rear window, when facing the rear of your car. Student parking spaces are designated with white lines, while employee parking spaces are designated by yellow lines. Parking is not allowed in grass, on curbs, or along roadways. If you are driving a temporary vehicle for a day or longer please phone the Campus Police at 301-790-2800, ext. 312 for authorization and instruction.

WebAdvisor

WebAdvisor is the personal administrative site for HCC students. Here are just some of the things you can do on WebAdvisor:

- Register for classes
- · Check open and closed courses
- See your financial aid balance
- Print a copy of your schedule
- Make a payment on your account
- Access your grades
- Add/drop classes
- Submit a request to change major
- Withdraw from classes before deadline

WebAdvisor can be accessed by clicking on the orange box on the left side of the HCC home page. Your username is your first initial, middle initial, last name, ex: John Paul Doe would be jpdoe. Your password is your 7 digit Student ID number. Be sure to include the "0" at the beginning of your ID number. The first prompt will be to change your password, then just follow directions to find your information. If you need help with this process, contact the Student Help Desk at 301-790-2800, ext. 891.

Student E-mail

New students are notified by mail about how to open their student e-mail account. Your instructors will communicate with you through e-mail, so it is important to set up your free HCC e-mail account before your classes start. E-mail accounts are typically able to be accessed 24 hours after you register for classes.

Files and e-mail messages created or stored on equipment or media owned by Hagerstown Community College are the property of the College. Users are cautioned that files or e-mail messages stored on College equipment are not private. The College may monitor, audit, and review files, directories, and communications to maintain system integrity and to ensure that equipment and systems are used in accordance with College policies and applicable federal and state laws.

To log into your e-mail account, go to www.hagerstowncc/edu/current-students/email. Your username is your first initial, middle initial and last name, your password is your seven digit Student ID number.

Learning Management System (LMS)

HCC will be transitioning from Blackboard as the primary LMS to Moodlerooms Joule. This process will begin in the summer of 2011 and conclude by the summer 2012.

During this time you may be working in more than one LMS. Your instructors will let you know if they will have course sites for you to access and how to access them.

For further assistance, you may contact *learntech@hagerstowncc.edu*.

Campus Emergency Alert

To help keep you better informed in the event of a campus emergency, HCC uses a notification system that enables you to receive urgent text messages through your cell phone and e-mail messages to your HCC e-mail account. These alerts include weather-related campus closings. Depending on your personal cell phone plan, there may be a nominal fee from your carrier to receive text messages, but there is no charge from the college to use the service. You must be registered to receive these messages. Go to www.hagerstowncc.edu/about-hcc/campuspolice/emergency-alerts to register.

Student Services Directory

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Guy Altieri	ASA-100
President	Ext. 233
Dr. Donna Rudy	SC
Dean of Student Affairs	Ext. 301
Tina Dillow	SC
Student Affairs Executive Assistant	Ext. 526

ADMISSIONS, RECORDS AND REGISTRATION

ASA Building	Ext. 238
Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m6:00 p.m.	
Friday, 8:30 a.m4:30 p.m.	
Jennifer Haughie, Director	

ADVISING

in the
Ext. 242
Ext. 518
Ext. 575
Ext. 435
Ext. 286

ATHLETICS

ARCC Ext. 451 Monday-Thursday, 7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Friday, 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Saturday, 8:00 a.m.-Noon **Robert Myers,** Athletic Director **Amy Sterner,** ARCC Coordinator

CHILDREN'S LEARNING CENTER

ASA Building Ext. 322 Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Teresa Kitchen, Director

DISABILITY SUPPORT SERVICES

ASA Building	
Jaime Bachtell, Coordinator	Ext. 273
Katherine Dyke	Ext. 628

FINANCE

ASA Building Ext. 220 Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. David Bittorf, Director

FINANCIAL AID

ASA Building Ext. 473 Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Carolyn Cox, Director

FITNESS CENTER

ARCC Ext. 478 Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Friday, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. **Thomas Burge,** Coordinator

INTERNSHIP EDUCATION

ASA-800	Ext. 260
Bonnie Owens, Advisor	

JOB TRAINING STUDENT

RESOURCES

ASA Building	
Lisa Mowen, Coordinator	Ext. 392
Jill Dennison	Ext. 493
JoAnna Shank	Ext. 392

SCHEDULING AND STUDENT SERVICES LAB

ASA-900 Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. <u>Extended hours are listed as published in the</u> <u>credit class schedule</u>

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

SC

Spring, Fall: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-9:00 p.m. Friday 8:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Summer: Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Heather Barnhart, Coordinator Ext. 225 Julia Lowe Ext 602

TEEN PARENT PROGRAM

ARCC-124	Ext. 329
Maria Spinnler, Coordinator	

WELCOME DESK

Ext. 609

ASA Building Ex Monday-Thursday, 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Abbreviations: ARCC: Athletic, Recreation and Community Center ASA: Administration and Student Affairs Building SC: Student Center

Student Services

Academic Advising

Academic advisement and career planning are included in the services offered to all HCC students. Members of the staff are regularly available for day and evening students on a walk-in basis (appointments can be made in some instances). An academic advisor may be reached via phone at 301-790-2800, ext. 240, or via e-mail at advise@hagerstowncc.edu. An academic advisor is also available on selected Saturdays according to a published schedule. Students are initially referred to an advisor for the purpose of planning an academic program. Faculty advisors also are available within each instructional division. For more information, visit www.hagerstowncc.edu/academics/advisement.

Students are also able to receive assistance from the Welcome Desk staff and student advisors located in the Administration and Student Affairs Building. The Welcome Desk staff and student advisors can assist students with basic information, including scheduling questions and the use of WebAdvisor.

Academic Testing Center

The Academic Testing Center is located on the third floor of the Learning Resources Center, Room 322 and provides the following services:

- Testing for HCC students who need to take make up tests, testing for Internet courses, and other testing for faculty as needed. No appointment is necessary.
- Placement testing is administered to students who are seeking a degree or certificate, who are taking their first

English or math course, or who are enrolling in a course with an English or math prerequisite. Students with scores greater than 550 in math and/ or critical reading on their SATs or 21 in math and/or English on their ACTs are exempt from placement testing. There is no fee for HCC students, and testing is done on a walk-in basis or by scheduling an appointment online. There is a fee for students testing for another institution.

- Exams for other institutions. Each exam requires a fee payable to HCC. An appointment is required.
- CLEP Testing (for more information go to www.collegeboard.com/clep).
 Each examination requires a fee payable to CLEP and a fee payable to HCC. An appointment is required.
- DSST (DANTES) Testing, (go to www.getcollegecredit.com for more information). Each examination requires a fee for DSST and a fee to HCC. An appointment is required.

**DANTES will pay the CLEP or DSST fee for active military personnel.

Please refer to Web site for current fee structures.

Please note that photo identification is required for *all* testing. Students must folow the guidelines and rules of the center at all times. These rules are listed on the Web site.

For additional questions please visit the Web site at www.hagerstowncc.edu/testing or call the testing center at 301-790-2800, extension 398, or e-mail testingcenter@ hagerstowncc.edu.

Bookstore

Textbooks and school supplies as well as snacks, greeting cards, computer software, gift items, event tickets, and HCC sportswear may be purchased in the Bookstore, located in the Student Center. This is also where you can get your HCC parking sticker. The Bookstore is open from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday and 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Friday. You can reach the bookstore at 301-790-2800, ext. 271. The store hours are extended on the weekends and evenings during registration and book buyback. The hours of operation are posted outside the Bookstore. You may charge your purchases on Visa, MasterCard, or Discover.

Bulletin Boards and Flyers

The posting of materials for display in the buildings must be approved by the Student Activities Office, located in the Student Center. Postings must follow the guidelines published on the College's Website at www.hagerstowncc.edu/ and are posted on each board. Please limit the posting of flyers to one per bulletin board. Taping any type of material to doors or walls is not permitted. Flyers that are generated by the College do not need to be approved by the Student Activities Office. For information about posting notices, contact the Student Activities Office at 301-790-2800, ext. 225.

Bus Service

The Washington County Commuter provides bus service to the College between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The bus stop is located in front of the LRC. The bus stops at HCC at 10 minutes before and 10 minutes after every hour. Bus schedules are available in the Student Center. Students are entitled to reduced fares if they present a valid Student ID. For additional information, call 240-313-2750.

Child Care

HCC's child care facility, the Children's Learning Center, is open year-round from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Full- and part-time child care is offered for children ages 2 to 5 years. Children must be enrolled for a minimum of two half-days per week. The center offers a child-centered preschool curriculum, taught by degreed teachers and support staff. Students have priority in enrollment and reduced fees. Students must pre-register for child care before the semester begins and must be registered for at least six credits (fall and spring semesters: three credits summer) to qualify for the student child care rates. The Children's Learning Center also serves as a learning laboratory for college students interested in working with young children. Visit the center, located in the Administration and Student Affairs building, or call 301-790-2800, ext. 322 for information about cost, schedules, and how to apply for child care.

Disability Support Services

HCC provides reasonable accommodations to students with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and its amendments. All accommodations are based upon documentation that must be provided by a licensed or certified professional. It is the student's responsibility to identify him/herself to the Coordinator of Disability Support Services at 301-790-2800, ext. 273 (TTY 301-739-5813) at least two weeks prior to the start of classes.

Finance

The Finance Office is located in the Administration and Student Affairs Building and offers convenient hours for students to make payments or inquiries on their account. Student workers may also fill out payroll documents or inquire about their wage payments. There is also a payment drop box located outside of the finance office for students to make safe and secure payments after hours. Students are encouraged to register and pay on-line via WebAdvisor if eligible. Students may also sign up for the FACTS payment plan at the Finance Office or online at www. hagerstowncc.edu (click on the paying for college link and then go to the finance page and FACTS sign-up). Students should always remember to pay attention to the important payment and refund deadlines posted in the schedule, on-line, and outside of the Finance, Registration, and Financial Aid Offices.

Financial Aid

Financial Aid, located in the Administration and Student Affairs Building, consists of grants, loans, scholarships, and employment opportunities, available to help students pay for the cost of attending HCC. Federal and Maryland state aid is available to students who qualify. Use Financial Aid TV, a free service to find short answers to your question about financial aid and paying for college. http://hagerstowncc.financialaidtv.com. To determine eligibility students are required to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at the following web address: http://www.fafsa.gov.

The Opportunity Fund is an institutional scholarship with flexible guidelines. Preference is given to those students who demonstrate a contribution to student life at the college and maintain a 2.5 grade point average. Applications are available on the Hagerstown Community College - Financial Aid Website. For information, contact Heather Barnhart at 301-790-2800, ext. 225.

HCC Foundation Scholarships are usually awarded to students in financial need and who show scholastic promise. The Foundation offers a number of scholarships each with its own criteria and dollar amounts. Details about each scholarship and the application are available on the HCC Web site. E-mail the office at *finaid@hagerstowncc.edu* or call 301-790-2800, ext. 473.

Food Services

The Hilltop Grill is housed in the Student Center. Breakfast items, wraps, sandwiches, soups, pre-made salads, snacks and drinks may be purchased until 8:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday during spring and fall semesters. The Valley Eatery is in the upper level of the Career Programs Building. Dining service is offered during the week. This is the home of the "Hawk Sub" as well as breakfast, cold and hot salad bars, HCC's signature sandwiches and subs. Open Monday through Friday year around. The hours of operation for both the Hilltop Grill and Valley Eatery are routinely published in the Hawk online newspaper at www.hagerstowncc.edu/hawk. The Courtside Café is located in the ARCC lobby. The café offers sandwiches and light refreshments, and is open for athletic events. Food for Thought is an HCC inhouse catering service. All requests for catering service must be made at least fourteen days prior to an event.

Information Technology

Information Technology at Hagerstown Community College provides state-ofthe-art computing services to students and staff. There are 444 student and instructional lab computers on campus, running a variety of operating systems, software, and applications. The lab machines are managed by tracking the software setup and configuration each faculty member requests and installing the software on each lab computer using imaging capabilities.

Hours of Open Lab Operation

Students should check posted signs to see the schedule of open lab hours between terms.

While classes are in session:

- Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m.–10:00 p.m
- Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

During Fall and Spring semester(s):

• Saturday, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Services Available

Student aides and a lab technician, as well as all staff resources in the Information Technology Department are available to students and staff. Software services available include: web browsing, e-mail, word processing (Microsoft Word), spreadsheets (Microsoft Excel), typing programs, computer programming (COBOL, Pascal, C++, etc.), and much, much more.

Internships

Discover a possible career path by doing an internship. Explore opportunities, network with professionals in the field, and gain a competitive edge over others in the job market. Students who have completed 50% of their program requirements and have a minimum GPA of 2.0 may be eligible to complete an internship in their field of study. Applications are due at least one month before the semester in which you wish to complete your internship. Contact Bonnie Saunders at 301-790-2800, ext. 260 or *basaunders@hagerstowncc.edu* for more information.

Job Search

Find a job, create a resume, discover interview tips, and much more on HCC's College Central Network (CCN) at www.collegecentral.com/hagerstown.

Job Training Student Resources

The Job Training Student Resources (JTSR) office, located in the Administration and Student Affairs Building, is dedicated to providing support services to low-income, independent students (determined at the student's completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid) who are in career programs. The goal of the ITSR office is to provide support services during the student's training to help students be successful. Some of the services offered to JTSR students are supplemental financial assistance with books, tuition/fees and costs of childcare and transportation. Call 301-790-2800, ext. 392 or e-mail JTSR@hagerstowncc.edu to make an appointment.

Learning Centers

HCC's four Learning Centers are unique academic resource centers committed to providing high quality experiences and a caring environment to help students improve their academic performance.

Instructional staff and/or peer tutors are available in each center to work with students in the major disciplines of English, Math, IST, and Science.

The Learning Centers are places where students study and complete assignments. Small group study sessions may be conducted by instructional staff, tutors, or peer students. In addition, all tutoring takes place in the appropriate subject learning center. Learning tools include:

- Computers
- Scientific calculators
- Internet and Blackboard access
- Textbooks
- Audiovisual material
- Study guides
- Practice tests

Computer Learning Center (ATC-212)

The CLC is an open lab for all HCC students enrolled in computer technology classes. Come on over to work with peer tutors on tricky IST or programming assignments or just to practice computer skills for personal use.

Math Learning Center (LRC-335)

The MLC is an open lab for all creditlevel mathematics students. Stop by to complete online or paper-based homework assignments, to receive help and guidance with your Mathematics course, or just to study for an upcoming test

Science Learning Center (SCI-118)

The SLC is an open lab for all students taking courses in the Science disciplines: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and Physical Science. We provide a variety of services to help students improve academic performance (including drop-in and oneon-one tutoring).

Student Success Center (LRC-346)

The SSC is designed to assist ALL students seeking successful completion of their programs at HCC. From Study Halls to Skills Labs in English or Math to just "open lab," the SSC provides a variety of services to help students improve academic performance (including drop-in and one-on-one tutoring). Tutoring for accounting, foreign languages, and other subjects may also be available in the SSC.

For more information, call 301-790-2800, ext. 560, or email learningcenters@hagerstowncc.edu.

Library

The William M. Brish Library, located on the second floor of the Learning Resource Center, houses over 50,000 volumes including books, art prints, audio, and video recordings. The Library subscribes to nearly 200 magazines, journals, and newspapers.

The Library's online catalog allows students and staff to locate material available in the library. Thirty-five online databases, over 28,000 e-books and over 7,000 streaming videos provide access to material such as magazine articles, newspapers, books, artworks, multimedia and many other research materials. Access is available on campus or remotely. Links to the catalog and the databases are available through the library's Web site at www.hagerstowncc.edu/library.

The library has seventy-two computer workstations available for student research. These workstations have access to the Internet, Microsoft Office 2007 and library resources. A 27-seat open laboratory, reserved for student use, has course-specific software and provides a space for quiet study with computers. There is no charge for printing. Several types of assistive technology are available for those with physical or learning disabilities.

Assistance and instruction in using the library or any of its resources is available at all times the library is open. The library maintains the Reserves Desk, which circulates course related material assigned by instructors. Textbooks for many courses are available for short-term use. A copier and scanners are also available.

Students may reserve group study rooms for quiet study or group projects. The rooms can be reserved for 2 hours at a time. Please see library staff for more details.

Material may be borrowed from the library by bringing your valid HCC identification card and the material to the Circulation Desk.

General library hours throughout the year are: Monday through Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. -9:00 p.m.; Thursday 7:30 a.m. - 7:00p.m.; Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; and Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Changes and holidays will be announced by campus e-mail and posted on the Library Web site and Facebook page.

Mail Center Services

The Mail Center, located in the Career Programs Building, Room 138, offers students the opportunity to purchase stamps, weigh and mail pre-wrapped packages via USPS or UPS, and fax within the US for 50¢ per sheet. Payments can be made via cash or checks at time of service. The Mail Center is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. All USPS packages depart the campus at 1 p.m. daily and the deadline for outgoing UPS packages is 2:30 p.m. For more information, contact Bill Hudson, 301-790-2800, ext. 227.

Recycling

ALL HCC students and employees are encouraged to join in the recycling efforts on campus. There are blue containers in each building for recyclable products.

Recycling Reminders

- No trash in the recycling bins. Empty any liquids before recycling, and rinse if possible.
- Plastic recycling is mainly soda, water, and juice bottles. If you clean food containers first, then items like frozen dinner platters or yogurt containers can be recycled.
- Hard plastic items such as are found on many things from CD cases or pens, are generally composites and not just plastic, and should not be placed in the recycling bins.
- Likewise, flimsy plastic like Saran wrap or plastic bags tend to blow around or get tangled. These items are best recycled at a local grocery store, which usually collects bags.

Registration

All new students must meet with an Academic Advisor before registering for classes. Advisors are available on a walk-in only basis in the Administration and Student Affairs building. New and returning students must register online via WebAdvisor. Student employees at the Welcome Desk and Registration staff are available to assist students who would like to register online. Students can make changes to their class schedules via WebAdvisor as long as they meet published deadlines. Students may register for non-credit as well as credit courses at the Registration Office and online.

Seniors (60 and over)

Seniors are encouraged to take part in all programs at HCC, and special rates are charged to Maryland residents 60 and over. To enroll in credit classes, tuition is free and the senior citizen pays a \$25 administrative fee, a \$25 registration fee, and an \$10 per hour college fee. Course fees are charged where applicable. The Senior Citizen tuition policy is subject to change.

Social Networking Sites

The Public Information Office at HCC maintains pages on Facebook (www.facebook.com/hagerstowncc) and Twitter (www.twitter.com/hagerstowncc) as a way to provide announcements and information on upcoming events and activities, as well as to provide a forum for open discussion among students, faculty, staff, and the community. All content and posts are bound by the terms of use of the specific social networking site, HCC's Guidelines for Social Networking, HCC's Employee Code of Conduct, HCC's Code of Student Conduct, and HCC's Acceptable Computer Usage Policy. Content submitted by individuals does not necessarily reflect the thoughts or opinions held by the college. HCC officials have the right to remove any content deemed to be offensive, inappropriate, or of a harassing or threatening nature. HCC also has the right to block posts from fans or followers who violate these guidelines. To learn more about HCC's social networking guidelines, go to www.hagerstowncc.edu/about-hcc/socialnetworking.

Student Center

This facility provides a variety of services for the students at HCC. Students can relax or study in the Hilltop Grill or out on the patio, get something to eat, check e-mail at the computer stations, and watch TV or play video games in the game room. The center has conference rooms for HCC student groups to use for meetings or study sessions. There is also literature and resources for smoking cessation and other health concerns available.

The building also houses the Dean of Student Affairs, Bookstore, Student Government Association office, the HCC ID room, and the Student Activities Office.

Student Worker Positions

Positions are available on campus for credit students who are taking at least six credit hours per semester. You may view open positions on the HCC Web site under www.hagerstowncc.edu/humanresources/student-jobs or you may visit the Human Resources office, located in the ASA Building, Room 700.

Transcripts

Release of student transcripts to educational institutions and other agencies is in accordance with The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974 as amended. A student must submit a signed request for an official transcript to be released. There is a 24-hour waiting period for official transcripts. Student copies of academic transcripts can be obtained in person by presenting a photo ID to the staff in the Records Office. Forms are available to download online at www.hagerstowncc.edu or in the Records Office. There is a limit of ten transcripts per semester.

TRiO: Student Support Services Project Success

Project Success at HCC is an exciting new program designed to help students who have a low income, are a first-generation student, or have a disability. This federally funded TRiO Student Support Services program offers academic advising, trips to 4-year colleges and universities, tutoring, workshops, loaner book library, tickets to cultural events, volunteer experiences, financial advice, mentoring, and more. Students admitted as Project Success must be pursuing an associate's degree or be enrolled in a certificate program at HCC. Normal hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. To complete an application or for more information about the program or upcoming events, visit the offices located in the Student Center Room 131B, call Laura Barnes at 301-790-2800, ext. 659, or visit www.hagerstowncc.edu/trio to apply online.

Project Success is funded through the TRiO Student Support Services Program grant, which is intended to aid students in achieving their personal, educational, and financial goals. HCC received the \$1.1 million dollar TRiO grant in fall 2010. Funds are distributed over a fiveyear period with 68 percent financed through federal sources, which amounts to \$219,988 per year, and 32 percent financed through non-government sources, which amounts to \$69,863 per year.

Veterans' Affairs

The Veterans' Affairs Office provides assistance to Veterans and Reserve Students, Deceased Veteran Dependents, and Disabled Veterans in applying for and obtaining Veterans' Educational Benefits. If you are using these benefits or you think you may be eligible for these benefits contact the Veterans' Affairs Office. Any change in degree program or the number of dependents, a veteran's address, and the number of courses or credits should be reported to the Veterans' Affairs Office located in the Records Office, in the Administration and Student Affairs building, ASA-403 or call 301-790-2800, ext. 239.

Waltersdorf-Quad Area

This outdoor gathering area will be located in the center of HCC's main instructional buildings and adjacent to the STEM Building plaza. It includes stone wall seating areas, outdoor classroom space, walkways, flowering trees and plants, outdoor lighting, and Wi-Fi connectivity. It will provide an essential place for students to study, meet and interact, both academically and socially, as they make their way across campus. Construction on the Waltersdorf-Quad is scheduled to be completed in September 2011.

Go Green, Save Green, Eat on Campus



Hilltop Grill in the Student Center



Valley Eatery in the Career Programs Building

Also available on campus for organizational or group meetings is *Food for Thought* catering.

For hours and menus: www.hagerstowncc.edu/student-services/food-services

Where to go for Assistance

Information Needed	Resource	Location	Extension
Absences from Classes	Instructor (Emergency— Dean of Students)	SC	301
Add-Drop	WebAdvisor/Registration	ASA	238
Admissions	Admissions Office	ASA	238
Alumni Services	Alumni Coordinator	LRC	346
Athletics	Athletic Director	ARCC	367
ATM Machine	Student Center	SC	225
Bills/Tuition/Fees	Finance Office	ASA	220
Books and Supplies	Bookstore	SC	271/482
Bus Schedules	Student Activities	SC	225
Campus Events	Student Activities	SC	225
Campus Police	Learning Resource Center	LRC	312
Career Counseling	Career Advisor	ASA	466
Change of Student Info	Registration Office	ASA	238
Change of Major	Academic Advisor	ASA	240
Child Care	Children's Learning Center	ASA	322
Clubs and Organizations	Student Activities	SC	225
Copying Machines	Library	LRC	237
Course Reserves	Library	LRC	237
Disabled Students	Disability Services Coordinator	ASA	273
E-mail Account	Student Help Desk		891
Employment for Students	Human Resources	ASA	589
Fax Machine	Mail Center	CPB	300
Financial Aid	Financial Aid Office	ASA	473
Food Services Valley Eatery	Career Programs Building	СРВ	281
The Hilltop Grill	Student Center	SC	345
GED Information	Adult Education	LRC	313
General Information	Information Center	ASA	530
Grade Change	Instructor		
Graduation Application	Dean of Students Office	SC	526
Gymnasium Information	Athletic Offices	ARCC	451
Hawk (Student Newspaper)	Advisor	ATC	204
Health Concerns	Fitness Center	ARCC	478
Honor Society - PTK	Advisor	CPB	658
Information Desk	Admin Bldg - Lobby	ASA	609
Learning Management System	Learning Technologies	ATC or LRC	378/587

Where to go for Assistance (continued)

Resource	Location	Extension
Campus Police/Security	LRC	312
Continuing Education	CPB	236
Bookstore	SC	271
Academic Testing Center	LRC	305
Registration Office	ASA	238
Financial Aid Office	ASA	473
Bookstore	SC	271
Mail Center	CPB	300
SGA Officers	SC	272
Student Activities	SC	225
Academic Testing Center	LRC	305
Records Office	ASA	239
Student Success Center	LRC	560
ARCC, ATC, CLR, CPB, LRC		271
Records Office	ASA	239
Student Success Center	LRC	560
Finance	ASA	220
Student Help Desk		891
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Abbreviations:

ARCC	Athletic, Recreation and
	Community Center
ASA	Administration and Student Affairs
	Building
ATC	Advanced Technology Center
CLR	Classroom Building
CPB	Career Programs Building
LRC	Learning Resource Center
SC	Student Center



Student activities

Student Activities: Get Involved!

The Student Activities Office at Hagerstown Community College offers opportunities that allow a student to develop through social, intellectual, leadership, and extra-curricular experiences. Involvement in student activities may be in a leadership role or strictly participatory, depending on the student's level of interest.

The Student Activities Office is located in the Student Center. The office can be a useful resource for information and materials on a variety of social, leadership, and educational topics.

A major goal of the office is to design opportunities that help students achieve their highest level of personal and academic success. If you have an idea for an activity, event or program, please contact the Student Activities Coordinator at ext. 225.

Keeping up with Events

The easiest way to get involved is to keep up with what's happening on campus. Here are some ways to find out about upcoming activities:

- Bulletin boards located in all buildings
- Events calendar on HCC's web site: www.hagerstowncc.edu
- Electronic sign at the entrance to campus
- E-mails sent out by the Student Activities Office
- Monthly Club Newsletter
- HAWK online newspaper

Twitter: www.twitter.com/hagerstowncc Facebook: www.facebook.com/hagerstowncc

Student Government Association

Mission Statement

To serve the college community by creating an environment in which relationships and unity are cultivated; resulting in a strong sense of pride while accurately identifying the perspectives and needs of students.

SGA is the student voice on campus

The SGA is a vehicle for involvement in the college and acts as the official student representative body. The Student Government Association serves as the voice of the student body on issues concerning campus life and participates in shaping policies and student regulations.

All credit students, both full- and parttime, can be members of the SGA. This governing body was created to enhance the quality of student life and the success of students through participation in social, cultural, educational, and recreational opportunities.

Elections are conducted each spring for the executive officers. Offices include president, vice-president, treasurer, secretary and four senators. All students are encouraged to attend the monthly SGA meetings and participate in SGA events. The Student Government Association office is located in the Student Center. For additional information, e-mail sga@hagerstowncc.edu.

Shared Governance and Decision-Making

In December 2003, the HCC Board of Trustees approved an institutional model for shared governance and decision-making. According to the model, a number of campus-wide standing committees form policy statements which are communicated widely to campus constituencies before being presented to the President and then to the Board of Trustees for approval.

Student participation is critical to the success of shared governance at HCC. The student Government President is a member of the Governance Council which determines the issues and concerns that standing committees should address. The Student Government Vice President is a member of the Student Affairs Committee that creates policies relating to registration-oriented processes, student activities and athletics, career development, and student success. Other standing committees will consult the Student Government Association for feedback about their potential policy statements. In addition, students participate in career program advisory committees.

Waiver of Liability

Participation in College sponsored offcampus activities and certain on-campus activity is voluntary. Students wishing to participate in activities in which there is a potential risk of physical injury are expected to sign an HCC waiver of liability. While the college takes precautions to minimize potential hazards, it is each student's responsibility to take whatever safety measures are necessary to protect himself/herself.

Clubs and Organizations

The students and employees of HCC are proud of the extracurricular organizations and programs offered and feel they play an important part in campus life. Clubs and organizations can greatly enhance your college experience by introducing you to new interests, friends and contacts. Below is a listing of the active clubs. Clubs also form throughout the year, so check with the Student Activities office for the most up-to-date list of active clubs. Campus clubs receive funding from the general college fee that you pay. Membership is open to all current HCC credit students unless otherwise noted. For information on any of the clubs listed below, or if you would like information on how to start a club, contact the Student Activities Office at 301-790-2800, ext. 225.

Anime Club

Anyone from a fan to a fanatic of anime is welcome to join students with similar interests in the Anime Club. The club meets to view, discuss, draw, and do all things anime. The club is always looking for new ideas and new members, so if you're curious about anime or have suggestions for fun club events, join the club.

Art and Design Club

The Art and Design Club is for those interested in the visual and decorative media of expression. The goals are to bring art awareness to campus; to showcase student art through the fall and spring semester Student Art Shows; to produce student organized events, such as workshops, lectures, film festivals and demonstrations; and to take trips to art events, galleries, and museums.

Association of Nursing Students

The Association of Nursing Students (ANS) is open to students enrolled in the nursing program. The purpose of the ANS is to foster professionalism in nursing. ANS projects support ANS educational meetings, student expenses for continuing education seminars, community service activities, promoting the image of professional nurses, and attendance at the yearly National Student Nurses' Association Convention. Annual membership fee charged.

Black Student Union

The Black Student Union (B.S.U. Hagerstown Community College Chapter) serves all students to enrich their understanding of African-American/ Black History, culture, heritage, and lifestyles.

Campus Ministries

This is a non-denominational club open to all HCC students of any faith. The purpose of the club is to offer fellowship, encouragement and connection with other students. Emphasis is focused on Bible exploration, social outreach and personal growth through study and personal interaction. The club meets weekly, and special events include National Day of Prayer and holiday celebrations.

Cheer Squad

The HCC Cheerleaders perform at the men's and women's basketball games. Tryouts are held in the fall, and the season runs November to January. No prior experience is necessary.

Chess Club

The HCC Chess Club welcomes students at any level, from novice to expert. Members meet weekly during the fall and spring semesters.

English Club

HCC's English Club is dedicated to enhancing students' classroom studies and offering literary experiences outside of the classroom. Events such as guest speakers, field trips to Baltimore, and campus activities are planned throughout the year. All students are welcome to join this club, no matter your major.

Future Educators Club

The Future Educators Club is open to students interested in pursuing a career in teaching. The purpose of the club is to inform students of the requirements needed to become a highly qualified teacher as defined by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2002. The club sponsors field trips, guest speakers, and demonstrates the uses of technology in the classroom.

Gaming Club

This group holds weekly video gaming days in the Student Center and organizes monthly video gaming tournaments for both HCC students and the general public. The club also travels to gaming –related activities around Maryland and is establishing an inter-collegiate gaming association with other Maryland Community Colleges..

The HAWK Newspaper

The Hawk is the online student newspaper for Hagerstown Community College and can be found at www.hagerstowncc.edu/hawk. The mission of the *Hawk* is to enrich the college experience by bringing campus news to the HCC community while upholding journalistic integrity.

Information Technologies Association

The Information Technologies Association is comprised of computer enthusiasts. The club's goal is to further the knowledge-base of members beyond the normal academic curriculum and prepare members more aptly for careers within the technology fields. Club members enjoy fellowship, sharing ideas, and helping others with common technology issues. Students in this group help organize events such as LAN gaming marathons and CPR clinics for computers.

Latin Dance Club

Students of all skill levels are encouraged to join in the fun during the weekly practices of the Latin Dance Club. Members meet in the Student Center. Music is provided, or you're welcome to bring your own.

Leadership Club

The HCC Leadership Club has been created to support students who are interested in developing their leadership skills and working towards the MD Community College Leadership Certification. Students will develop a resume' and portfolio, participate in a service-learning activity, and learn about such topics as leadership theory, project management, team building, conflict management, career/internship opportunities, etc. The club meets regularly and a variety of workshops are scheduled throughout the academic year, which are open to all students.

Math Club

The purpose of the Math Club is to further educate its members in mathematical concepts, inspire and educate others in mathematics, and to explore mathematics that exists beyond the classroom. The club coordinates and promotes activities and programs throughout the year.

National Organization for Women

The HCC NOW Club is a Campus Action Network associated with the Washington County Chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW). NOW is the largest organization of feminist activists in the United States. Our purpose is to focus on education and actions to promote equality between men and women. The key issues the HCC NOW Club will address include but are not limited to Reproductive Health. Violence Against Women, Constitutional Equality, Promoting Diversity/Ending Racism, Lesbian Rights and Economic Justice. The club will meet every two weeks on Thursday afternoon from 1PM-2PM in the Student Government Association Conference Room during the Fall and Spring semesters.

Outdoor Adventure Club

The Outdoor Adventure Club was established to give students the chance to get outside and take advantage of the wonderful hiking, biking, rafting and rappelling (plus everything in between) adventures that our region offers. Students will gain a greater appreciation for the outdoors and also a great group of friends with similar interests.

Phi Theta Kappa

Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society that exists to recognize and encourage scholarship, leadership, service, and fellowship among the students in two-year colleges. The Pi Theta Chapter was first established at HCC in 1968. Membership is acquired through an invitation from the chapter. The minimum GPA required for membership is 3.50 for full- or part-time students who have accrued a minimum of 12 or 15 credits, respectively.

Phi Beta Lambda

PBL, the collegiate division of Future Business Leaders of America, isn't just another student group—it gives members that opportunity to learn, travel, and grow as a business professional. Employers are looking for students with cutting-edge skills. PBL gives members the chance to gain these skills and prepares them for the "real-world" after college. Set vourself apart from the average graduate! In today's highly competitive business environment it takes more than just a degree to succeed. It requires business savvy, leadership skills, and technical knowledge. By taking advantage of the many programs that Phi Beta Lambda offers, students acquire the skills that will set them apart from the average graduate. They will be better prepared for careers, graduate school and for life!

PRIDE Club

The PRIDE club consists of students who are open to and accepting of all identities. The primary goal is to create a safe environment for students who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, Questioning, and strait Allies (LGBTQA) to feel accepted, discuss the LGBTQA community in all arenas, attend social and community events, and develop a sense of pride in their identities. As a new club, students have the opportunity to take it in whichever direction they would like to. Please contact Katie Dyke, Disability Support Services Advisor at extension 628 if you're interested in learning more.

Radiography Club

The Radiography Club is open to students interested in pursuing a career in Radiography. The Club serves as a vehicle to discuss topics relating to radiologic technology and the field of medicine. Club members participate in community, professional, and fund-raising activities.

Robinwood Players Drama Club

The Robinwood Players Theater Club is opened to students interested in the performing arts. The club's goals are to promote a better understanding of all aspects of the performing arts genre, and to foster the performing arts at Hagerstown Community College by providing opportunities to explore, develop, create, share, and support dramatic, and musical productions.

Science Club

The Science Club promotes a better understanding of all aspects of science and provides educational activities related to science. The club sponsors field trips, guest speakers on a variety of topics, community service activities, and works closely with the science faculty to promote science education on the HCC campus and in the surrounding community.

S.O.L.O. (Supporting Our Little Ones)

This organization is open for anyone with an interest in supporting young children. This organization does several things to enhance the environment for children: fundraisers to replace or repair equipment, purchase supplies, organize family and friend activities, and a volunteer program to come in and read to children, do an art project, or any other activity or service to benefit the children and the Children's Learning Center.

Step Team

The HCC Step Team performs during half time at the men's and women's basketball games, at special HCC events, and as requested in the community. The team meets for practices weekly. Try-outs are held at the beginning of the fall semester.

SGA Program Board

The SGA program board is the committee of students who plan campus-wide events. This is a fun group that meets once per month or more to plan, put together, and pull off the great activities offered to HCC students, including movie nights, dances, music concerts, Welcome Back Week, Spring Fling, and more! The board is always looking for new members. Come to the SGA room in the Student Center for the meeting calendar.

Students for Creative Anachronism

15th Century culture is the focus of this very active club. Members meet weekly to practice fighting skills, learn dances and folklore, and work on weaponry, garb, and fellowship. The club travels to SCA events and holds demonstrations on campus.

Student Veteran's Club

The Student Veteran's Club was created to offer support to students who are military veterans or family members. The club holds annual events on Veteran's Day and September 11.

Athletics Organized Sports

The Hagerstown Community College athletic program includes fourteen intercollegiate sports. A list follows of sports and coaches. To participate, call extension 451.

Baseball	Scott Jennings
Basketball/Men	Barry Brown
Basketball/Women	Marlys Palmer
Soccer/Men	. Brian Eichelberger
Indoor and Outdoor Men and Women	,
Cross Country/ Men and Women	Brian Ferrari
Volleyball/Women	Ann Reynolds
Softball/Women	Amy Sterner
Tennis/Women	TBA
Golf	Dirk Schultz

Participation

NJCAA rules and the academic regulations of the College determine a student's eligibility to participate in the intercollegiate varsity athletic program.

Amateurism

All students who represent Hagerstown Community College in intercollegiate athletics shall have amateur status, as defined in the NJCAA Rules of Eligibility. A student who plays on an athletic team other than his college team during the current school year becomes ineligible for intercollegiate competition in the sport concerned and remains ineligible for the rest of that season.

Any individual who signs or enters into any written or oral agreement or contract, expressed or implied, with a professional team or any representative thereof, to participate in athletics shall be ineligible to compete in intercollegiate athletics at the College.

ARCC

The Athletic, Recreation and Community Center (ARCC) is an 87,000 square foot, multipurpose facility. The ARCC provides superbly designed and equipped facilities for educational classes, recreation, and cultural/community events.

The ARCC features:

- Three hardwood floor basketball courts
- 200-meter track
- Auxiliary weight room
- State-of-the-art Fitness Center
- Locker/shower facilities
- Wide variety of sports equipment

HCC part- and full-time students may use the ARCC during operating hours. Students are required to display a current HCC student ID to use the ARCC and checkout sports equipment.

Hours are: Monday - Thursday, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.; Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 pm; Saturday, 8 a.m. to noon For complete information on hours of operation, activities, or special events, stop by or contact the ARCC Lobby Information Center, ext. 360.

Fitness Center

The ARCC houses a full fitness center for HCC students, HCC employees and their families, and the community. It offers a choice of diagnostic and fitness prescriptive programs, using a variety of exercise equipment. The center provides a complete fitness/health assessment that serves as the foundation for an individualized activity program. For additional information, students may contact Fitness Center Coordinator Thomas Burge at ext. 478, or *tkburge@ hagerstowncc.edu*.



PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

The honor society that creates leaders!

What is Phi Theta Kappa?

Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society that encourages and recognizes scholarship, leadership, service, and fellowship opportunities for students in two year colleges. HCC's chapter was first established in 1968. Members receive a wide variety of benefits. For those who are succeeding or willing to succeed today and in the future, Phi Theta Kappa is perfect for you!



It's simple to join!

- Earn a GPA of 3.5
- Full time students need 12 credits
- Part time students need 15 credits
- Receive a membership invitation
- Register online
- AND YOU'RE IN!



Members enjoy many benefits, including

- PTK transfer scholarships
- Access to collegefish.org
- Recommendation letters
- Gold diploma seal

- Five Star competitive edge
- PTK graduation regalia
- Career resource center

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> 2011-12 President: Richard Howe

Learn more about PTK at www.ptk.org

Constitution of the Student Government Association of Hagerstown Community College

(Revised May 2010)

Preamble

In order that we may better achieve our goals through education and participation in campus life, we, the Student Government Association (SGA) at Hagerstown Community College, do hereby adopt this Constitution and By-Laws under the approval and support of the students of Hagerstown Community College.

Be it known to the Hagerstown Community College Board of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Administrative Faculty, and Professional-Technical Staff that the following are the primary objectives of the SGA.

Mission Statement

To serve the college community by creating an environment in which relationships and unity are cultivated; resulting in a strong sense of pride while accurately identifying the perspectives and needs of students.

Objectives

- To represent to the College Administration the interests of the students attending Hagerstown Community College
- 2. To maintain a positive system of communication and understanding between all members of the College community
- To ensure all rights granted to student involvement in all phases of college life

- To uphold all rules, regulations, and privileges set forth by Hagerstown Community College
- 5. To promote the development of leadership skills for all students
- 6. To fund activities for the student population such as social, public, and cultural events, leadership training, publications, clubs and organizations, athletics, and other such services needed by students
- To actively participate in the Hagerstown Community College Shared Governance system and abide by the Hagerstown Community College Code of Trust.

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the SGA of Hagerstown Community College.

Article II: Source of Power

All power of the SGA is derived from the President and the Board of Trustees of Hagerstown Community College.

Article III: Membership

Section I: SGA

Voting membership shall be granted to any student, full and part-time, who is elected by the student body to an office and maintains a 2.5 cumulative grade point average. The elected offices of the SGA shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and four (4) Senators, at least two (2) of which must have accumulated at least twelve (12) credits.

Section 2: Clubs and Organizations

Each officially recognized club/ organization, in good standing, not on probation, shall be granted one voting seat, chosen by the respective club/ organization. (An individual may not vote for more than one club.)

Article IV: Executive Committee

Section 1

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Parliamentarian of the SGA. In the event that no person is interested in the position of Parliamentarian, duties of the Parliamentarian shall be assigned by the President to another officer and this position shall remain vacant.

Section 2

In addition to the elected officers and the Parliamentarian, four (4) Senator positions shall also be filled by the officers. Applications for these positions shall be obtained from the SGA Office. There must be a minimum of two (2) Senators who have accumulated at least twelve (12) credits by the fall semester of the term of office.

Article V: Elections

Section 1

A student wishing to run for office shall file notice with the Nominations and Elections Committee by the date specified by the Nominations and Elections Committee which shall be formed by the SGA Officers.

Section 2

The Nominations and Elections Committee shall supervise the entire election process and shall be chaired by the SGA Vice President.

Section 3

The general election shall be completed during the Spring semester, and before Spring Graduation.

Section 4

Each SGA member shall hold office for a term of one year unless the term shall terminate sooner by reason of resignation, disqualification, or removal from office. Each officer shall take office on the day following graduation.

Article VI: Qualifications

Section 1

To be eligible to run for office, a person must be registered as a student in the Hagerstown Community College Credit Division. Only students in good academic standing, with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5, shall be eligible for voting membership in the Student Government Association.

Section 2

A student must be able to fulfill requirements of the office as stated in the By-Laws.

Section 3

To run for and to hold the office of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, a student must have accumulated twelve (12) or more credit hours from an accredited institution, by the fall semester of the beginning of the term of office.

Article VII: Quorum

Section 1

A quorum to vote and conduct official business in an Executive Committee meeting shall consist of a 50% plus one (1) person majority of the executive committee membership.

Section 2

A quorum to vote and conduct official business in a general SGA meeting shall consist of a 50% plus one (1) person majority of the active membership.

Article VIII: Resignation

All resignations of the SGA officers shall be in writing and addressed to the SGA President. Resignations shall be dated and signed. A two week notice of resignation is expected. The SGA Secretary shall notify the campus of any resignations within a week of the resignation being tendered.

Article IX: Vacancy and Change in Office

Section 1

If for any reason the President cannot complete his/her term of office, the Vice-President shall assume the office of President and complete the term.

Section 2

In the event that a vacancy occurs in any other executive committee office (Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Senators), the SGA will announce and publicize the openings at least two (2) weeks prior to selection of a replacement. The SGA President shall appoint a replacement, pending confirmation by the Executive Committee. Candidates for a vacancy shall possess the qualifications as required by the SGA Constitution.

Section 3

In the event that the President resigns, he/ she shall give his/her notice of resignation to the Vice President. A copy of this resignation, or the resignation of any other officer, shall be given to the SGA Advisor as well.

Article X: Removal and Censure of Members

Section 1

An SGA member shall be censured upon completion of the following actions:

- A) Not attending two (2) of the regularly scheduled meetings or being derelict in their duties.
- B) A petition of 10% of the signatures of the voting membership of the SGA.
- C) A three-fourths (³/₄) majority vote of the SGA voting membership.

Section 2

An Executive Committee member shall be removed from his/her position upon the completion of the following actions:

- A) Having been previously censured.
- B) Not attending a regularly scheduled meeting after the censure or being derelict in their duties.
- C) A petition of 25% of the signatures of the voting membership of the SGA.
- D) A three-fourths (³/₄) majority of the voting membership of the SGA.

Section 3

The Vice President shall prosecute all cases of censure or removal of an Executive Committee member. In the case of the censure or removal of the Vice President, the President shall prosecute.

Section 4

Being derelict in one's duties shall be defined as a faultier to complete or abide by section or sub-sections as outlined by the SGA Bylaws.

Section 5

If an SGA officer fails to maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA, he/she shall be immediately removed from his/her office.

Article XI: Amendments

Section 1

Any voting member of the Student Government Association may propose an amendment to the Constitution by presenting the proposed amendment in writing to the SGA during a regular meeting. Any member of the student body at large may present to the SGA at a regular meeting a petition of signatures of 10 percent of the student body for the purpose of amending the Constitution.

Section 2

Proposed amendments when presented to the SGA shall be allowed to rest for no longer than two weeks during which time the proposed amendment shall be posted for campus notice. During the next regular meeting of the SGA, voting action shall be decided by voting members.

Section 3

Amendments proposed by the petition to the text of these Articles shall take effect upon the affirmative vote of twothirds of the student body. Amendments proposed by a voting member of the SGA must be voted on by three-fourths of the members eligible to vote, and be passed by a two-thirds majority of those present to be ratified.

Section 4

Passed amendments shall immediately be entered into the text of this document and shall not affect the validity of the entire document aside from the specific Article or Section amended.

Article XII: Ratification of Constitution

This Constitution was voted and approved by the Student Government Association on May 24, 1999. It shall become effective immediately upon the approval of the President and the Board of Trustees of Hagerstown Community College. This renders all previous Constitutions and Amendments null and void.

By-Laws of the Student Government Association of Hagerstown Community College

Article I: Members Duties and Responsibilities

Section 1

Duties of SGA President

The President of the Student Government Association shall:

- a) Call regularly scheduled SGA meetings.
- b) Preside at all regular and special meetings of the Association and its Executive Committee.
- c) Conduct the Student Government Association on the premises of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.
- d) Have the power to call special meetings when necessary.
- e) Have the power to appoint members to standing committees and create special committees and appoint members thereof.
- f) Be prepared to present status reports of the Student Government Association to the Faculty Senate, College Council, and/or Board of Trustees.

- g) Delegate to the Vice-President of the Student Government Association and work with and consult him/her frequently.
- h) See that the duties of Student Government Association and its members are performed as described in the SGA Constitution and By-Laws.
- i) Be a member of major boards and committees.
- j) Represent students at all important college functions.
- k) Should have a working knowledge of parliamentary procedure and the Student Government Constitution.
- Organize, delegate, and supervise without interfering. The president is always impartial.
- m) To prepare an agenda for each meeting, with the advice of the Executive Committee.
- n) Follow the college's policies and regulations and see that they are followed at all meetings and activities.
- o) Serve as Vice-Chair of the Student Activities Finance Board.
- p) Serve on the Governance Council.

Section 2

Duties of SGA Vice-President

The Vice-President of the Student Government Association shall:

 a) Assume all powers and responsibilities of the President of the Association in his/her absence.

- b) Be overseer of all Student Government Association Committees.
- c) Be responsible for recruiting and appointing students to serve on college committees as requested.
- d) Serve as an active member of the Elections and Nominations Committee.
- e) Serve as a member of the Executive Committee.
- f) Be responsible for posting for campus notice—a list of standing and special committees of the Student Government Association.
- g) Serve on the Student Affairs Standing Committee.
- h) Serve as Vice-Chair of the Student Activities Program Board.

Section 3

Duties of SGA Secretary

The Secretary of the Student Government Association shall:

- a) Maintain the official minutes of the Student Government Association's regular, special, and Executive Committee meetings.
- b) Maintain all correspondence of the Student Government Association.
- c) Post the agenda for the next meeting of the Student Government Association at least two (2) working days before the next general meeting.
- d) Distribute copies of the minutes of the Student Government Association to all college offices, organizations, and committees.

 e) Maintain a current and accurate record of all motions, minutes, attendance, application for charter, and amendments to the constitution, etc.

Section 4

Duties of SGA Treasurer

The Treasurer of the Student Government Association shall:

- a) Prepare all financial records for audit upon the demand of the Executive Committee, the various other committees within the Association, or the Student Government itself.
- b) Prepare and submit a statement at each regular meeting of the Student Government Association. This report shall include:

1) Expenditures

2) Income

- c) Serve as a member of the Executive Alumni Board.
- d) Serve as Vice-Chair of the Student Activities Finance Board.

Section 5

Duties of SGA Senators and Club Representative

An elected representative of the Student Government Association shall:

- a) Keep in constant contact and consultation with the student body at large.
- b) Serve as a member of the Program Committee.

Article II: The Student Activities Finance Board

Section 1: Membership

The Student Activities Finance Board is an arm of the SGA; it is comprised of the Student Activities Coordinator (Chair), the SGA president and treasurer (Co-Vice Chairs). There are two Student appointees, appointed by the SGA, and two Faculty or Administrative members appointed by the President of the College. The Chair votes only in the event of a tie.

Section 2: Meetings

The Student Activities Finance Board will meet during the fall and spring to evaluate and allocate funds for that semester. They will also meet as needed throughout the fiscal year to evaluate and allocate supplemental budget requests. Meetings will be called by the Board Chairman.

Section 3: Operating Policies

- All budget allocations run from July 1 to Dec. 31 and Jan. 1 to June 30.
- All budget requests must be submitted to the Student Activities Coordinator and approved by the Student Activities Finance Board (SAFB).
- Primary budget allocations for the current fiscal year will be based upon commitments to present ongoing programs.
- The extent to which a club or organization will positively impact the campus community is a major consideration in funding its activities.
- No club or organization shall be permitted a budget allocation of more than \$1,000 for conference travel or any related travel expenses.

- Club advisors must give approval in advance for any purchases.
- Club Advisors need to acquire a tax exempt card from the Student Activities Office. HCC is a tax exempt non-profit, so tax will not be reimbursed for any purchases.
- Only Club Advisors are able to request cash advances for the club, and are therefore responsible for tracking the receipts/remaining funds associated with that advance.
- Monies will not be allocated for equipment, supplies, or programs in which the primary use is for the classroom.
- 10. Only earned income can be used to buy refreshments for club meetings.
- 11. Advisors, coaches, or full-time employees of the college will not be paid from SGA funds for contracted services rendered to student clubs or organizations. A club or organization may use earned income for this purpose.
- 12. Transfer of funds from one club/ organization to another must be approved by the SAFB.
- 13. When a budget appeal or special allocation is presented to the SAFB, a club or organization representative must be present. The Board will render a decision within 30 days.
- 14. Clubs that do not fulfill their commitments for which they received SGA funding are subject to budget review by the SAFB.
- 15. Any club deemed inactive by the SAFB for at least one year will have earned income funds reverted into the SGA general fund.

Article III: Student Activities Program Committee

Section 1: Membership

The Student Activities Coordinator shall act as Chair of the Student Activities Program Committee. The SGA VP will act as Vice-Chair. Other membership is open to any and all interested students currently taking credit classes.

Section 2: Meetings

Meetings of the Student Activities Program Committee will be held before the Fall Semester and as needed throughout the academic year to plan and implement programming on campus. Clubs and organizations are encouraged to co-produce events with the Board.

Article IV: Meetings/Attendance

Section 1: SGA Meetings

The Student Government Association will have 8 meetings each academic year. The dates, times, and locations for these meetings will be determined by a majority vote of those in attendance at the Spring Leadership retreat.

The Student Government will also host two (2) evening meetings, one a semester. The attendance at these meetings by clubs is not mandatory.

Section 2: Clubs and Organizations

Clubs whose representatives are not present at Student Government Association meetings will follow this schedule (on a yearly basis):

 Absence - Each club is allowed one excused absence. This absence may be replaced by attending an evening meeting or by submitting a written report to the SGA to be read in the club's absence.

- 2. Absences Formal reprimand sent to club advisor.
- Absences 5% of club's original allocated funds for the following fiscal year transferred to SGA General Fund.
- Absences 10% of club's remaining allocated funds for the following fiscal year transferred to SGA General Fund.
- 5. Absences Club will lose all allocated funds for the following fiscal year and the club charter will be revoked for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

Those clubs who do not receive allocated funds will follow the same schedule receiving reprimands for absences 2 - 4. After the fifth absence the club's charter will be revoked and they must recharter after July 1 of the next fiscal year.

All correspondence regarding the above policy must be completed within one week from the date of the absence. Failure to do so will result in the absence being nullified.

Section 3: SGA Officers

SGA Officers, including senators, and members of the Executive Committee follow this absence schedule (on a yearly basis):

- 1. Unexcused absence Written warning
- 2. Unexcused absences Written reprimand
- 3. Unexcused absences Impeachment process begins

The SGA Advisor will determine the

validity of excused absences. Questionable absences will be reviewed by the Executive Committee.

Article V: Election Rules and Regulations

Section 1: Membership

The Nominations and Elections Committee shall handle all election procedures as are stated within the constitution and by-laws. The SGA Vice President will serve as Chair, unless he/ she is a returning student. The President of the SGA will appoint two nonreturning students to this committee. The Committee will work closely with the SGA Advisor.

Changes to the committee guidelines must be approved by a majority vote of the Student Government Association.

Section 2: Meetings

The Nominations and Elections Committee will meet during the Spring semester.

Section 3: Election Guidelines

The following rules have been set down by the Committee to govern the SGA elections.

Application

- All students wishing to run for office must complete an APPLICATION FOR OFFICE. Applications will be available in the SGA Office.
- This form must be completed and returned to the Nominations and Elections Committee before campaigning may begin.
- After the specified deadline no additions will be made to the ballot. No write-in votes will be allowed.

Campaigning

All campaigning of candidates is subject to approval by the Nominations and Elections Committee. The following guidelines must be followed. Candidates are responsible for funding their campaign. Donations/sponsorship will not be allowed.

- Posters and flyers may be displayed and distributed throughout the campus.
- All printed materials must be approved by the Nominations and Elections Committee prior to posting.
- Printed items are approved for posting on bulletin boards or for personal distribution.
- No disfigurement of campus buildings and properties will be permitted.
- 5. Printed materials may not be affixed to any vehicles.
- 6. A candidate and their campaign team are responsible for making and posting all printed material. This material is to be removed within 2 days after the election.

Election Day(s)

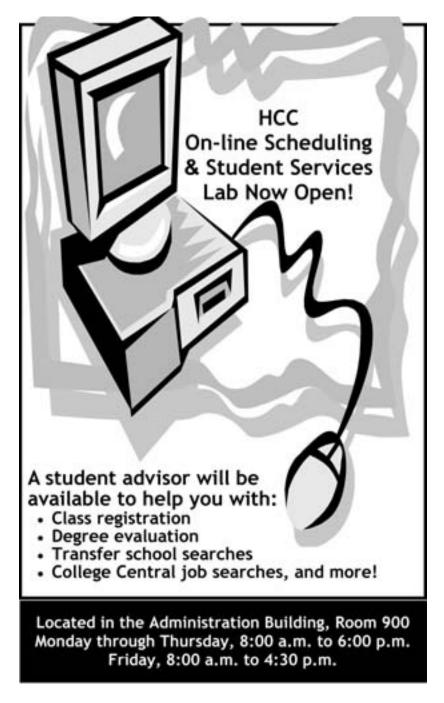
- 1. No campaigning is allowed within 25 feet of the polls.
- Printed campaign material is not allowed within 25 feet of the polling area.
- Candidates or members of their campaign teams are not allowed to work at the polling place.
- Election results will be made available expeditiously following the polling. Tallies will not be taken prior to this time.

Any refusal to abide by these guidelines could result in disqualification.

Article VI: Adoption of By-Laws Section 1

These By-Laws were approved and adopted by the Student Government Association on May 25, 1999. They shall become effective immediately. This renders all previous By-laws and Amendments null and void.





Campus Safety

Construction Updates

As improvements are made to campus, you will need to be aware of construction updates that may affect your regular parking area, walking path, or building entrance. HCC is working diligently to keep you informed about construction projects on campus. Updates can be found on the HCC Web site at www.hagerstowncc.edu/about-hcc/facilities.

Emergency Management and Response Plan

The safety and security of the college community are of vital concern. Hagerstown Community College is committed to providing and maintaining a safe environment for all students, employees, visitors and guests. The College will adopt reasonable and practical means to prevent, deter and respond to campus emergencies. The preparation of the Emergency Management and Response Plan (EMRP) and the allocation of resources to support the plan are part of the commitment HCC has for the College community.

In order to provide a safe environment, the College will:

- Ensure that students, employees, and others are adequately informed of the EMRP
- Provide appropriate training to the College community
- Allocate resources to provide a safe and secure campus
- Establish mental health counseling protocols
- Coordinate with local law enforcement agencies

- Maintain a balance between safety and retaining the openness of a college campus
- Provide and maintain an emergency notification system to keep everyone on campus informed of emergencies
- Identify and train an Emergency Advisory Team to respond to and coordinate responses to emergencies and disasters

Notification of Urgent News

HCC has implemented a free notification system that enables the College to send urgent news to your cellphone. Once you sign up for the service, HCC can text your phone with timely information about emergencies and campus closings. Depending on your cell phone plan and carrier, there may be a fee to receive text messages. Sign up for this service at *www.hagerstowncc.edu*.

HCC Siren

During an emergency on campus, the College will initiate the use of its external siren system to alert the campus of the emergency. If you hear the siren, listen to the message immediately following for directions. The urgent news notification system will also be initiated.

Behavioral Intervention Team

The College allows members of the College community to report student behavior of concern such as questionable or suspicious activities that may pose an immediate or future threat to themselves or others. There is a group of staff called the Behavioral Intervention Team that will respond to the reports and investigate the student's behavior and intervene in a supportive fashion. This process is separate from the Code of Conduct judiciary process which deals with students who are suspected of violating established rules of conduct. A detailed explanation is published on the College website.

College Closings

(Emergencies and Inclement Weather)

When severe weather and other emergencies occur that impact classes or other campus activities, announcements are made on local radio and TV stations, posted on the College Web site (*www. hagerstowncc.edu*), and noted on the College switchboard recording. Students and others who have business at HCC are cautioned to listen for specific mention of HCC being closed, since the College does not always close when weather conditions make it necessary for the Washington County Public Schools to close.

HCC holds classes at various community locations, including its Valley Mall Center, Fort Ritchie site, Commercial Vehicle Transportation Center at Volvo Powertrain, area high schools, and hospitals. Classes held at off-site facilities are subject to the following cancellation or delayed start procedures:

- If HCC is closed or has a delayed opening due to inclement weather, classes scheduled at off-site locations are also cancelled or delayed.
- If HCC is closed or has a delayed opening due to an emergency situation which affects only its main campus, classes held at off-

site locations will run as scheduled unless specified otherwise.

 If HCC is open and the off-site facility has issued a closing or schedule change, then HCC classes held there will follow the schedule change issued by the off-site facility.

The College does everything it can to keep the campus safe and productive during inclement weather. During periods when severe weather is forecasted, HCC officials are in regular contact with weather specialists and county and regional roads departments.

Since travel conditions are not the same for all students in the tri-state area, the College policy is to remain open, if possible, for those students who can attend during inclement weather. However, when weather conditions are so severe, HCC does close and all classes and campus activities are cancelled.

It is College policy to treat student and employee tardiness and absences very liberally on inclement weather days. All faculty and staff understand that on challenging weather days, students are not to be penalized if they are unable to make it to class or are late to arrive. In such cases, students need to contact their faculty members (preferably through e-mail in advance of the scheduled class) indicating that they have special weatherrelated circumstances that prevent their attendance. Where to look for information: HCC Web site: www.hagerstowncc.edu HCC Main Phone Line: 301-790-2800 Text Message from e2Campus Text Message from www.facebook.com/hagerstowncc www.twitter.com/hagerstowncc WHAG-TV

Local Radio Stations:

WARK – I	490 AM	WHAG –	1410 AM
WWEG - I	06.9 FM	WIKZ –	95.1 FM
WAYZ – I	04.7 FM	WINC –	92.5 FM
WCHA –	800 AM	WJEJ –	1240 AM
WCRH –	90.5 FM	WICL –	95.9 FM
WDLD –	96.7 FM	WLTF –	97.5 FM
WEPM - I	340 AM	WQCM -	94.3 FM
WFMD -	930 AM	WPPT –	92.1 FM
WFRE –	99.9 FM	WBHB –	101.5 FM

The Campus Police

The Campus Police patrol the campus and enforce all College and Maryland State traffic and parking laws. Other responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Fire prevention
- Emergency planning
- Crisis intervention
- · Response to medical emergencies
- Security surveys
- · Crime detection and prevention
- Incident reporting
- Roving patrols
- Lost and found
- Parking coordination for special functions
- · Enforcement of traffic/parking laws

To help the Campus Police provide the best possible crime prevention service, timely reporting is essential. The sooner an event or incident is reported, the sooner action can be taken and a resolution obtained.

The Campus Police handle all reported information confidentially. Reports are usually available to those persons directly impacted by the report. In some cases, reports are available to other agencies. Names of suspects and/or witnesses are not released unless approved by the HCC president or mandated by law.

Please help to keep the campus safe for yourself and others by reporting any unusual or suspicious persons and incidents or any unsafe conditions. Your safety and the safety of others is everyone's job on campus-use common sense and take appropriate precautions. The Campus Police office is located in the LRC Building, Room 129, 301-790-2800, ext. 312 or 308.

Litter on Campus

Individuals littering the campus could be subject to a fine of \$50. Students will also be subject to disciplinary action under the Code of Student Conduct. There are trash cans located at each building entrance and in the parking areas.

Lost and Found

The Lost and Found is maintained by Campus Police. The office is in the LRC Building, room 129, located near the loading dock. Each building on campus has an office where found items can be turned in or lost items reported. Those offices are listed below and will forward found items to the Campus Police/Security on a daily basis. Items of value will be brought to the attention of the Campus Police/Security who will initiate a police

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report for Found or Recovered Property. Found items will be held for at least 30 days before being disposed of. Items that are considered to be valuable will not be disposed of until all avenues of locating the owner(s) have been exhausted. The Campus Police/Security will maintain property sheets on all found or recovered items for which a police report is filed and those items will be stored by them. The person(s) who found the item(s) can make application to claim the item(s) in the event that the rightful owner(s) cannot be located within 30 days; a longer period of time will be required for items with a value of more than \$100.

Advanced Technology Center: Technical Librarian's Office, ATC-130

ARCC: Assistant Director, ARCC's Office, second floor

Classroom Building: Secretary, Faculty Offices, CLR-23

Student Center: Information Desk

Kepler Theater: Theater Manager's Office

Learning Resource Center: Head Librarian's Office

Science Building: Secretary, Physical and Life Sciences Division, SCI-109

Parking and Traffic Regulations

Facilities and Permits

The campus map displayed on the inside back cover of this handbook shows all parking areas and the identification letter of each area. Student parking spaces are designated with WHITE lines. Any space with YELLOW lines is for Staff/Faculty and some are marked for visitors only. All vehicles must be parked inside the lined spaces, and should not be on the grass, on the curbs, or infringe on adjacent spaces. No parking is permitted along curbs, in crosshatched areas, or in any restricted zone designated by permanent or temporary signage, or blocked off with cones or barricades.

Parking area "A" is for staff and is designated such by yellow lines.

Parking area "B" is for staff and there are some spaces for visitors and "New Student" registration. All spaces are yellow indicating not a student parking area.

Parking area "C" is designated in yellow for staff parking, but is open to student parking beginning at 5 p.m. each day.

There are restricted spaces throughout the campus for Staff/Faculty, motorcycles and handicap permit holders. Unattended vehicles blocking traffic or causing hazards are subject to a citation and being towed at the owner's expense.

All students, faculty, and staff must display an HCC parking permit on their vehicle(s) parked on campus. Permits are available at the Bookstore located in the Student Center. There is no additional charge for the permit but any vehicle without a permit will be issued a parking citation. Permits must be properly affixed to the lower right corner of the rear window. Any further questions regarding display of permits should be directed to the Campus Police at extension 312 or 308.

Vehicles Parked Overnight

If vehicles will be parked overnight because of emergency circumstances or college-related business, please park in lot G and notify the Campus Police at extension 312 or 308. All other vehicles left overnight will be subject to being towed AT OWNER EXPENSE.

Traffic on Campus

Traffic on campus is closely monitored. Speed limits are clearly marked and may be controlled by radar. There are pedestrian walk areas with safe speed limits posted and motorists MUST grant the right of way to pedestrians. Stop signs and restricted parking areas are also closely monitored. Please obey all parking and traffic laws while on campus as well as when off campus.

Fines and Appeals

Fines for parking violations can be appealed or paid at the Finance Office in the Administration and Student Affairs Building. Failure to request an appeal or trial within 10 days will result in forfeiture of the right to an appeal or trial. Failure to pay the fine within the 15 day period may result with a \$25 service fee; student's grades may be held; and/ or the Motor Vehicle Administration may flag the vehicle's registration. Please obey all traffic and parking laws and avoid receiving a citation.

Registered Sex Offender Information

Sex offender information can be obtained from the Maryland State Sex Offender Register (SOR). The registry can be found in the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Service Web site: www.dpscs. state.md.us/sor/

Smoking and Tobacco Regulations

Smoking Policy

Smoking any type of cigarette, cigar, or pipe within any building or structure owned, leased, operated, or controlled by the College is prohibited and is a violation of STATE LAW. Smoking is prohibited in front of building entrances and is only permitted on parking lots and at designated smoking areas on campus. A violation of this policy is subject to a fine of \$50 and/or disciplinary action by the College.

Enforcement of Smoking Policy

It is the responsibility of all faculty, staff, and students to enforce the College's smoking policy. Students who continually disobey the smoking policy of the College will be subject to fines and may receive disciplinary sanctions through the Code of Conduct judiciary process.

Sale of Tobacco Products

The sale or distribution of tobacco products, to include cigars, cigarettes, pipe tobacco, or chewing tobacco is prohibited on any property owned or controlled by Hagerstown Community College.



Annual Security Report

In accordance with the "Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act" the Campus Police/Security prepares an Annual Security Report. The full report may be viewed by visiting the College web page at *www.hagerstowncc. edu* and clicking on link "About HCC." A hard copy of the report may be obtained by contacting 301-790-2800, extension 312 or 308.

The following statistics are for reportable crimes occurring on the main campus and noncampus buildings.

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Murder	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Manslaughter	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Sex Offense															
Forcible	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Non-Forcible	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Arson	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Robbery	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Aggravated Assault	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Burglary	0	2	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				
Vehicle Theft	0	1	0		0	0	0		0	0	0				

* Statistics Public Property are obtained from other law enforcement agencies for enumerated crimes

occurring in areas reasonably contiguous to the college campus but not part of the campus.

** Statistics for Non-Campus Building/Property are those enumerated crimes occurring in or on buildings or property owned or controlled by the college or a student organization officially recognized by the college, and is not within the same reasonably contiguous geographic area of the college.

Following are the number of arrests for crimes listed occuring on campus or non-campus buildings:

Crimes	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>
Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violation	0	1	0
Weapons Possessions	0	0	0

Following are the number of arrests on public property for the listed crimes:

Crimes	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>
Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0
Weapons Possessions	0	0	0

Following are the number of persons referred for disciplinary action for violation of listed crimes:

Crimes	<u>07</u>	<u>08</u>	<u>09</u>
Liquor Law Violation	0	0	0
Drug Abuse Violation	0	0	0
Weapons Possessions	0	0	0

Hate Crimes on Campus

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Aggravated Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0
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HAVE SCHOOL SPIRIT? LET'S HEAR IT!

Support Your HCC Hawks!

Students get FREE ADMISSION to all HCC sporting events

Find the team schedules at: www.hagerstowncc.edu/athletics/schedule



GO HAWKS!

Policies and Regulations

Student Policies

A complete listing of academic policies and regulations can be found in the College catalog. Other policies that are directly related to students are published on the College website under Student Services. You can access the text of the complete policy by indicating the highlighted title. These policies include:

- Acceptable Computer Usage Policy
- Anti-Discrimination Policy
- Communicable Disease Policy
- Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
- · Free Speech and Demonstration Policy
- · Involuntary Course Withdrawal Policy
- Parking and Traffic Policy
- Sexual Harassment Policy
- Student Drug and Alcohol Abuse Policy

Student Drug and Alcohol Abuse Policy

I. Statement of The College:

The College, recognizing that drug and alcohol abuse present serious threats to individual health and community safety, strives to maintain a campus free from the illegal use and abuse of alcohol, and from the use, possession or distribution of illegal drugs. Drugs and Alcohol will not be allowed to interfere with student learning or extracurricular activities

The College strictly enforces state and federal laws that prohibit illegal drug and alcohol use, such as the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988, the Federal Drug-Free Schools and Community Act Amendments of 1989, and the drug and alcohol abuse policies of the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

All HCC students are covered by this Drug and Alcohol Abuse Policy. Some College programs or activities, such as nursing or intercollegiate athletics, may have additional "drug free" requirements externally and/or internally imposed on students.

II. Definitions:

- A. Alcohol means alcohol, brandy, whiskey, rum, gin, cordial, beer, ale, porter, stout, wine, cider, and any other spirituous, vinous malt or fermented liquor, liquid, or compound, by whatever name called, containing one half of one percent or more by alcohol by volume, which may be ingested.
- B. Drug means:
 - Substances recognized in the official United States Pharmacopoeia, official homeopathic Pharmacopoeia of the United States, or official National Formulary, or any supplement to any of them; and
 - Substances intended for use in the diagnosis, cure, mitigation, treatment, or prevention of disease in man or other animals; and
 - Substances (other than food) intended to affect the structure of any function of the body of man or other animals; and
 - 4. Substances intended for use as a component of any article specified in clause 1, 2, or 3 of this paragraph; but does not include devices or their components, parts, or accessories.
- C. Drug includes:
 - A controlled dangerous substance that is regulated under the Maryland Controlled Dangerous Substances Act;
 - A prescription medication used or dispensed improperly or in contradiction to the prescription; or
 - A chemical substance when used for unintended and harmful purposes.

III. Notification:

Students will receive a copy of the HCC Alcohol and Drug Policy annually. In addition, the College conducts a biennial review to determine the effectiveness and consistent enforcement of the policy.

IV: Health Risks/Referral Services:

Alcohol and illicit drug use poses many health risks. Such use may result in: impaired judgment and coordination; physical and psychological dependence; damage to vital organs such as the heart, stomach, liver and brain; inability to learn and remember information, psychosis and severe anxiety; unwanted or unprotected sex resulting in pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS; and injury and death. Information about health risks associated with alcohol and drugs may be found in the Student Activities Office.

Students may receive therapeutic intervention through referral of the Dean of Student Affairs or designee. In addition, Washington County Hospital Behavioral Services, the Washington County Health Department, and Brook Lane Health Services are community resources that provide treatment for alcohol and other drug related issues. These resources also maintain current lists of area programs such as Alcoholics Anonymous, Al-Anon, Narcotics Anonymous, and Marijuana Anonymous.

V: Alcohol/Drug Policy—Student Violations:

This policy prohibits students from participating in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession and/or use of a controlled substance. Also, all students are expected to honor the College's policy of prohibiting the provision of alcoholic beverages at student events and activities held on campus. The definition of campus includes all locations where HCC classes are offered.

VI: Exceptions:

For special campus events that are designed for an audience other than students, the President reserves the right to determine if alcohol may be served. Also, students of legal drinking age who participate in College sponsored activities off-campus may be permitted to drink alcohol; however, college funds will not be used to purchase alcoholic beverages. At these types of events, strict controls will be enforced in order to prevent student underage drinking and irresponsible use of alcohol by students who are of legal drinking age.

VII: Federal, State and College Imposed Penalties:

Students who violate this policy shall be disciplined through the Code of Student Conduct process. Possible sanctions include disciplinary probation, suspension, or expulsion from the institution. The College may also refer student violations to appropriate law enforcement authorities for criminal prosecution as it pertains to violation of State and Federal law.

Code of Student Conduct

All HCC students in every academic program fall under this code of conduct. Some academic programs may have supplemental behavioral codes with additional requirements.

I. Basic Principles

Freedom to teach and freedom to learn are inseparable facets of academic conditions in the classroom, on the campus, at other College sites, and in the community. The student rights of free inquiry and free expression are indispensable to the learning experience and to participation in an academic community. As members of the larger community of which the College is a part, students are entitled to all rights and protection accorded them by the laws of the community.

Students are expected to exercise their freedom with responsibility. The College has established rules relating to academic integrity and behavior that students must follow so the teaching/learning process is not disrupted. Students are expected to produce work that is the product of their own learning and academic effort and will sign a pledge to that effect. Grades and degrees must represent honest work and accomplishments. If a student chooses not to abide by these rules and expectations, s/he may lose the privilege of attending Hagerstown Community College.

By the same token, students are also subject to all laws of the community, which are implemented by law enforcement officers. When students violate College regulations, they are subject to disciplinary action by the College whether or not their conduct violates the law.

2. Student Bill of Rights

- A. All rights and privileges guaranteed to every citizen by the Constitution of the United States and by the State of Maryland apply to all students.
- B. Students have a right to pursue appropriate opportunities for learning in the classroom, on the campus, and in the community that are provided by the College. They should expect faculty to evaluate their performance objectively based on academic criteria, not on opinions or conduct in matters unrelated to academic standards unless that conduct violates College regulations or the Code of Conduct.
- C. Students have the right to learn in an environment in which academic integrity is valued and practiced.
- D. Students have the right to freedom of expression, inquiry, and assembly without restraint or censorship subject to reasonable and non-discriminatory College rules and regulations regarding time, place, and manner.
- E. Students have the right to inquire about and to propose improvements in policies, regulations, and procedures affecting the welfare of students through established student government procedures, campus committees, and College staff.

- F Students shall have access to their educational records and the College will protect student educational records from dissemination or transferability without a student's consent. In this regard, it is College policy to comply fully with the provision and regulations of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974.
- G. Students have the right to an impartial hearing and the right of appeal.

3. Prohibited Conduct

Academic integrity violations

- A. Cheating on placement tests, exams, tests, and quizzes. Examples of cheating include but are not limited to:
 - giving or accepting unauthorized exam material or using illegitimate sources of information,
 - dishonestly obtaining copies of an exam or providing or receiving information about an exam,
 - exchanging information during an exam or copying from another's paper,
 - using "crib sheets" or any other unauthorized aids including all electronic retrieval devices or materials during an exam, and
 - 5) taking an exam in the name of someone else.
- B. Plagiarism is the use of ideas or work of another without sufficient acknowledgment that the material is not one's own. Examples of plagiarism include:
 - submitting material created by another as one's own work or including passages of another author without giving due credit, and
 - submitting purchased material, in any form of communication, as one's own work.
- C. Computers should be used for academic purposes only. Examples of misuse of computers include:

- illegal copying of commercial software or data protected by copyright or special license,
- 2) unauthorized access to computer files,
- copying/pasting, in any form, another student's exam or homework files and submitting as one's own,
- planting viruses on local or network drives, and
- sharing one's own or using the account number of another to access the system.

The complete Acceptable Computer Use Policy is located on the college Web site under Student Services.

- D. Unauthorized collaboration with other individuals in the completion of course assignments.
- E. Using fraudulent methods in laboratory, studio, special projects, or field work.
- F Intentionally or knowingly helping or attempting to help another student violate any provision relating to academic integrity.

Behavioral violations on College premises or at College-sponsored or College-supervised functions

- A. Failure to comply with directions of College staff acting in performance of their duties. Refusal to show Student ID when asked by campus police. Showing disrespect toward any faculty or staff member, through actions, comments, obscene or excessively loud language.
- B. Theft, misuse, or damage to College property (including equipment, the computer network, phones, mail, and transportation), property of a member of the College community or a campus visitor.
- C. Unauthorized entry onto the property of the College or into faculty/staff offices or facilities which have been placed off limits; unauthorized presence in a College facility after closing hours.

- D. Unauthorized use of skateboards, roller blades, and scooters.
- E. Illegal possession, use, sale or distribution of alcohol, any controlled substance, street drugs, or drug paraphernalia. Being under the influence of alcohol or drugs is not permitted. The use of drugs or of alcoholic beverages shall not in any way limit the responsibility of the individual for the consequences of his/her actions.
- F Disorderly, lewd, or indecent behavior; or distribution of obscene or libelous written material.
- G. Mental or physical abuse, including verbal, written, or physical actions which threaten or harm individuals or which promote hatred or prejudice.
- H. Any act, comment, or behavior which is of a sexually suggestive or harassing nature and which creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment and interferes with another student's or employee's rights or performance.
- Disruption of teaching, research, administration, or disciplinary proceedings, or other College activities, including public service functions, and other authorized activities.
- J. Children under the age of 12 who are not registered credit or noncredit students, who are not participating in an authorized college activity, or who are not attending a scheduled event shall not be left unattended anywhere on the college campus.
- K. Only properly registered students should attend scheduled classes. However, individuals including students' children, relatives or friends may accompany them to a class session with the instructor's permission.
- L. Use of cellular phones or pagers during class. Students must disengage or place devices on inaudible signal so as not to disturb or interfere with classroom activities.

- M. Occupation or seizure of College property or facilities, or participation in informal or formal assembly that threatens or causes injury to person or property. This includes activities that interfere with access to College facilities, as well as remaining at the scene of such an assembly after being asked to leave by College staff.
- N. Possession, use, and/or threat of use of firearms, weapons, incendiary devices, explosives, or the unauthorized use of any agent capable of inflicting serious bodily injury to any person on College property or at College-sponsored activity sites.
- O. The act of maliciously setting off a fire alarm or the use of any fire safety equipment.
- P. Smoking and/or the use of other forms of tobacco products in unauthorized areas.
- Q. Operation and parking of motor vehicles on HCC property in violation of College regulations.
- R. Violation of the terms of disciplinary probation or any College regulation during the period of probation.
- S. Gambling except for approved charitable fund-raising activities.
- T. Fiscal irresponsibility such as failure to pay College-levied fees and fines, failure to repay College-funded loans, or the passing of worthless checks to College officials.
- U. The intentional provision of false information to College officials.

4. Sanctions

The following are sanctions which may be invoked by the College for individual students, groups of students, or student organizations in cases where there has been a violation of the Code of Student Conduct. The listing is not inclusive of all options which the College may choose to exercise. The Dean of Student Affairs will maintain a record of imposed sanction(s) for behavioral violations and the Vice President of Academic Affairs will keep a record of imposed sanction(s) for academic integrity violations.

Student Sanctions:

- A. Grade of F: A failing grade for an assignment or for a course grade may be assigned by a faculty member for academic integrity violations.
- B. Reprimand: A reprimand gives official written notice to the student that any subsequent offense against the Code of Student Conduct will carry heavier penalties because of a prior infraction.
- C. Disciplinary Probation: A student may be placed on Disciplinary Probation when involved in a minor offense. Under Disciplinary Probation, the student is given a chance to show capability and willingness to observe the Code of Student Conduct without further penalty. If the student errs again, further action will be taken.
- D. Restrictive Probation: Restrictive Probation results in loss of good standing, which may limit activity in the College community. Generally, the student will not be eligible for initiation into any local or national organization, and may not receive any College award or other honorary recognition. The student may not occupy a position of leadership or responsibility with any College or student organization, publication, or activity. Any violation of Restrictive Probation may result in immediate suspension.
- E. Suspension: Suspension results in the exclusion from class(es), and/or all other privileges or activities of the College for a specified period of time as determined by the Dean of Student Affairs or designee. This sanction is reserved for those offenses warranting discipline more severe than probation or for repeated misconduct. Students who receive this sanction must request and obtain specific written permission from the Dean of Student Affairs or designee before returning to campus.
- F. Expulsion: When expelled, a student is dismissed from campus for an indefinite period of time and loses student status. The

student may be readmitted to the College only with the approval of the President.

- G. *Restitution:* Students will be responsible for paying for damaged, misused, destroyed, or lost property belonging to the College, College personnel, students, or others.
- H. Withholding transcript, diploma, or right to register or participate in graduation ceremonies: These sanctions can be imposed when financial obligations are not met. The student will not be allowed to register or to participate in commencement until all financial obligations are met.

Organizations/Group Sanctions:

A. Group Probation: Group probation is given to a College club or other organized group for a specified period of time. If group violations are repeated during the term of the sentence, the charter may be revoked or activities restricted.

- B. Group Restriction: College recognition is removed during the semester in which the offense occurred or for a longer period of time. While under restriction, allocated activity funds will be revoked and the group may not seek or add members, hold or sponsor events in the College community, or engage in other activities as specified.
- C. Group Charter Revocation: College recognition is removed for a group, club, society, or other organizations for a minimum of two years. Recharter after that time must be approved by the President.
- D. Group Restitution: Student organizations will be responsible for paying for damaged, misused, destroyed, or lost property belonging to the College, College personnel, students, or others.

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Thomas Edison

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Student Pledge

Students will be asked to sign the following pledge before taking placement tests: I promise to uphold the Hagerstown Community College Honor System and to understand all written provisions pertaining to its application. As a member of the college community, I hold the qualities of honesty and integrity in highest regard and will not violate them nor tolerate those who do.

Hagerstown Community College Academic Integrity Incident Form

Student Name
Instructor Name
Date of Alleged Incident
Date of Report
Class
Nature of Incident: (Check all that apply.) Plagiarism Cheating Misusing/abusing computers Use of fraudulent methods in lab, studio, special projects, field work, etc. Other Please explain the incident:
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Outcome:

Student Pledge

- ____ No violation
- ____ Mutual agreement of guilt (please explain result, e.g., rewrite paper, grade of F, etc.)
- ____ Request for a hearing

Student	Date	
Instructor	Date	
Incident Form		

Incident Form 2006/slk

Signatures:

5. Academic Integrity Violation Process

Charges of academic dishonesty on the part of a student may be reported by any member of the College community to the person responsible for the academic endeavor, hereafter referred to as the instructor.

Due process and confidentiality must be maintained throughout the procedures. An individual in violation of these tenets will be censured.

Step 1—Instructor/Student Conference

A. The Conference

A conference occurs between the student and the instructor to discuss an alleged violation. Possible conclusions include mutual agreement of innocence or a mutual agreement of guilt. If there is agreement of guilt and penalty by the instructor and the student, both will sign the Academic Integrity Incident Form and the matter may be resolved at this level. The written record of the conference will be submitted by the instructor to the Vice President of Academic Affairs. The Vice President of Academic Affairs will send a letter of reprimand to the student and a copy will be placed in the student's file. The maximum penalty for the violation may not exceed a grade of "F" in the course.

B. Request for a Hearing If there is no agreement between the instructor and the student regarding the occurrence of a violation or if the parties do not

Student Code of Conduct Academic Integrity Violation Procedures

Step I

The student and instructor will meet and sign the Academic Integrity Incident Form. The instructor will submit a written record of the meeting to the Vice President of Academic Affairs who will send a letter of reprimand to the student with a copy for the student's file. The maximum penalty is an "F" in the course

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Step 3

The Vice President of Academic Affairs will notify the instructor and the student of the decision of the College Hearing Board. The decision is final, subject to the student's right to appeal to the President.

If the student and instructor

cannot agree, either may submit a written request to the Vice President of Academic Affairs for a hearing before the College Hearing Board within 7 calendar days. agree on the penalty, a request for a hearing to the College Hearing Board may be made by the instructor or the student. The request must be made in writing to the Vice President of Academic Affairs within seven calendar days after the student-instructor conference. Additionally, the Vice President of Academic Affairs may request a hearing after a review of the submitted documentation regarding incidents of a serious nature.

- Step 2—Academic Integrity Hearing Process
 - A. College Hearing Board Membership The College Hearing Board will consist of three faculty and three students. The Hearing Board will be chaired by an administrator, who will vote only in case of a tie. Every attempt will be made to follow the time lines indicated in Steps 2 and 3. However, unique circumstances may dictate otherwise and shall be determined reasonable and/or justified by the Hearing Board chair.
 - B. The Hearing Procedure

The Board will convene in a closed session no more than seven calendar days after the request for a hearing has been made to the Vice President of Academic Affairs. The student will be notified by registered or certified mail of the time and date of the hearing.

If the student wishes to have a nonlegal advisor present for the hearing, he/she will notify the Vice President of Academic Affairs in writing at least one calendar day before the scheduled hearing. A nonlegal advisor may include a spouse, parent, other relative or friend. The advisor may confer with the student during the hearing, but may not address the panel.

C. Hearing Board Actions

- Following the presentations by the student and the instructor, the panel will vote on its decision. The panel chair will inform all parties that the Vice President of Academic Affairs will receive the decision in writing within one calendar day. Measures imposed by the College Hearing Board as disciplinary actions in proportion to the gravity of the offense follow.
 - a. Exoneration

If the student is exonerated, a record will be kept in the Office of the Vice President of Academic Affairs. However, no citation will be placed in the student's permanent college record, and there will be no penalty to the student.

b. Reprimand

Reprimand is a formal written statement sent to the student and placed in the student's permanent college record. With the exception of exoneration, the minimum penalty for an academic integrity violation brought before the Hearing Board is a grade of "F" in the assignment. The reprimand cites the student's inappropriate actions and indicates that any further incidents will result in suspension from the College. The reprimand will not be removed from the student's permanent file upon his/her leaving the institution, but will not be given as a college record to other agencies.

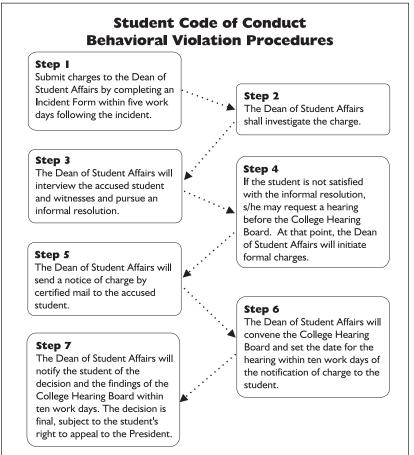
c. Suspension

Suspension means separation of the student from the College for a designated period of time. Formal written notice of this action is sent to the student and will remain a permanent part of the student's record at Hagerstown Community College. This notice will not be forwarded to other agencies. d. Expulsion

Expulsion is the permanent dismissal from the College for Academic Integrity violations of a grave nature.

D. Notification of Verdict

The Vice President of Academic Affairs or a designee will notify the faculty member first and then the student within one calendar day after receiving the panel's decision. If the Vice President of Academic Affairs is unavailable, it is then the Dean of Student Affairs' responsibility to do so.



6. Behavioral Violation Process

A. Responsibility

The Dean of Student Affairs¹ is responsible for implementing student discipline procedures. The process shall be conducted to protect the confidential nature of the proceedings.

B. Procedural Requirements

In order to provide an orderly method for handling student disciplinary cases, the following procedures will be followed:

1. Charges: Any college employee, representative, or student may submit charges to the Dean of Student Affairs1 against any student or student organization for violations of College regulations. When a student organization is charged with a violation, the organization's officers and advisor(s) will represent the organization for purposes of carrying out these disciplinary procedures. The individual(s) making the charges, herein the complainant, must complete an Incident Form within five work days² following the incident. This form is available on the College Web site. If charges are brought against a College employee by a student, refer to the General Grievance Policy for Students.

The Incident Form includes:

- a. name of the student(s) or organization involved,
- b. name of person making the complaint,
- c. the alleged violation of the specific standards of the Code of Student Conduct,
- d. the time, place, and date of the incident,
- e. names of person(s) directly involved, or witnesses to the infractions, and

- f. any other information that may be related to the incident.
- Investigation: Within ten (10) work days after the charge is initiated, the Dean of Student Affairs¹ shall complete a preliminary investigation of the charge and conduct an informal hearing.

When there is evidence that the student's continuing presence on campus poses a substantial threat to the physical or emotional safety of any member of the College community, the Dean of Student Affairs¹ may suspend a student effective immediately for an interim period pending disciplinary proceedings.

3. Informal Hearing: At the meeting, only the Dean of Student Affairs¹ and the accused student or organization will discuss the charges and the specific standards of the Code of Student Conduct allegedly violated. If the Dean of Student Affairs¹ finds no reason to proceed, all charges will be dropped. If the complainant disagrees with this action, a final appeal can be made to the President of the College.

If the charges are not dropped, the accused may elect one of three courses of action.

- a. The student³ may admit the alleged violation and request, in writing, that the Dean of Student Affairs take whatever action seems appropriate.
- b. The student³ may admit the alleged violation and request a hearing before the College Hearing Board.
- c. The student³ may deny the alleged violation, in which case a hearing will be held by the College Hearing Board.

4. Formal Hearing: The Dean of Student Affairs1 will set the date, time, and location for the formal hearing and notify, in writing, all participants of the arrangements. The formal hearing shall occur within ten (10) work days after the informal hearing. Should the accused fail to appear at the formal hearing, the hearing will proceed. The accused has the right to be assisted by a non-legal advisor of his or her choice. The accused is responsible for presenting his/her own case, and the advisor is not permitted to speak or participate. The advisor may confer with the student during the hearing, but may not address the Hearing Board. The student must notify, in writing, the Dean of Student Affairs1 regarding the presence of the advisor at least five (5) work days before the hearing.

Following the testimonies of the accused and the complainant, the Hearing Board will vote on its decision. The Dean of Student Affairs¹ will notify all parties after receiving the panel's decision.

 Campus Notification: The Dean of Student Affairs¹ will provide written notification to appropriate College offices regarding any actions needed in response to the decision.

¹ or a representative acting on the Dean's behalf

² Herein, "work day" is defined as those days when the College is open for business.

³ or organization

7. Final Appeal

A student or student organization may request an appeal, in writing, of any imposed sanction to the President of the College within five (5) work days. The President will review all documentation and may conduct further inquiries. The President shall render a decision within five (5) work days after the request for appeal is submitted. The decision of the President shall be final.

College Hearing Board

Purpose

The College Hearing Board is empowered to hear grievances, deliberate and determine appropriate actions.

Composition and Selection of College Hearing Board

The College Hearing Board consists of seven members for each hearing: three faculty chosen by the Vice President of Academic Affairs, three students chosen by the Dean of Student Affairs, and a chair chosen jointly by the Vice President of Academic Affairs and the Dean of Student Affairs.

General Grievance Policy for Students

Introduction

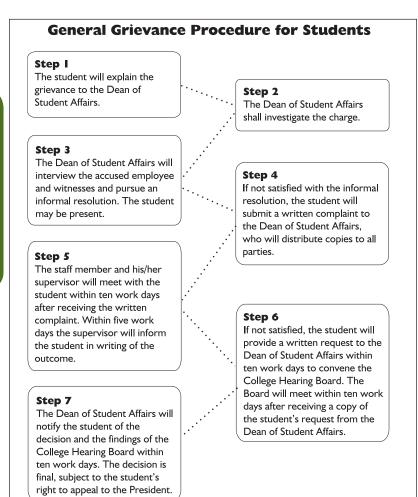
The purpose of the General Grievance Policy for Students is to provide a method of recourse to students who feel that a particular action or series of actions on the part of a Hagerstown Community College employee has violated accepted or stated institutional practices and standards. Student concerns appropriate to this policy include, but are not necessarily limited to, concerns regarding ethical and professional behavior of employees, arbitrary application of current College policies by employees, and perceived violations of accepted rights of students such as the right to free expression and the right to assemble.

Student complaints related to faculty teaching before final course grades are submitted should be addressed outside of the formal General Grievance Policy/Procedure. The student will meet first with the instructor to voice his/her complaint. If not satisfied, the student will meet with the respective academic division chair or director. If still not satisfied, the student will meet with the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Procedures

Informal Level

The intent of the informal level is to resolve student grievances in the most equitable manner. If a student feels that his/her rights have been violated, the student should meet with the Dean of Student Affairs or his representative to discuss the grievance. The Dean of Student Affairs will conduct an investigation of the alleged charge(s). At the conclusion of the investigation, it may be appropriate for the student to meet with the employee who allegedly violated the student's rights. The student may request the Dean of Student Affairs be present at this meeting. If resolution is reached, all proceedings will cease. If there is no resolution, the student has the right to initiate formal charges.

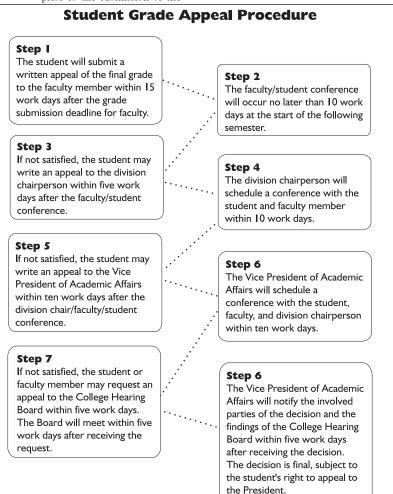


Policies and Regulations

Formal Level

 The student must begin formal grievance procedures within 10 work days after the initiation of formal charges by submitting a written statement of the complaint to the Dean of Student Affairs. The statement must explain what allegedly happened, what steps have been taken prior to the submission of the written grievance, and what action the student is requesting. The Dean will distribute copies of the grievance to the appropriate parties.

 If a student wishes to have another person present at any step of the formal procedure, he/she may request the presence of a nonlegal advisor.



- The student will then meet with the staff member and his/her supervisor. This conference shall take place with 10 work days of the submission of the written statement. Within five work days after the conference, the student will be informed in writing of the outcome of this meeting.
- Step 2 If a mutually satisfactory outcome is not achieved, the student may appeal the outcome to the College Hearing Board.
 - The student must submit the appeal within 10 work days. The appeal must be in writing and explain the nature of the grievance, the reason for the appeal, and include any supporting evidence. The appeal shall be submitted to the Dean of Student Affairs, who will convene the College Hearing Board within five work days.
 - The College Hearing Board shall meet to hear the appeal within 10 work days, subsequent to receipt of the student's written request. A written record shall be made of the appeal hearing.
- Step 3 A student may submit an appeal, in writing, to the President of the College within five work days. The President will review all documentation and may conduct further inquiries.
 - The President shall render a decision within five work days after the appeal is submitted. The decision of the President shall be final.

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Grade and Academic Program Dismissal Appeal

Procedures a student shall follow to challenge the final grade assigned by a faculty member.

Policies and Procedures

In order to successfully appeal a grade, a student must offer convincing written arguments that good cause exists for mandating a change of grade. If a student fails to appeal a final grade within 15 work days from the date the grade is posted to the student's record, the student forfeits the right to appeal.

I. Cause for Grade Appeal

Each of the following reasons, if supported by sufficient written evidence, shall constitute "good cause."

- A. Assignment of a grade that is malicious and/or discriminatory. This is applicable if, in determining the grade, the professor clearly did not apply the same standards used for grading other members of the class whose work and behavior were similar to those of the appealing student.
- B. Assignment of a grade that is arbitrary and/or capricious. This is applicable if the professor apparently had no discernible rationale for arriving at the grade given.
- C. Assignment of a grade that has resulted from innocent human error. The professor reported an incorrect grade as the consequence of a mistake in computation, in recording, or in some other mechanical aspect of the grading process.

None of the following shall constitute "good cause" for the purpose of appealing a grade.

- A. Disagreement with the course requirements established by the professor.
- B. Disagreement with the grading standards established by the professor.
- C. Disagreement with the judgment of the professor in applying grading standards as long as he or she has made a reasonable effort in good faith to be fair and consistent in exercising that judgment. Good faith on the professor's part shall be assumed unless the student can offer convincing arguments to the contrary.
- The student's desire or "need" for D. a particular grade. While this sort of reason may seem compelling to the individual on the personal level, it shall not be considered "good cause" for purposes of appeal and shall not be regarded as relevant in consideration of the student's appeal. Examples of the student's need to have a higher grade include, but are not limited to, the need to graduate, to transfer course credits, gain employment or promotion, or to qualify for a more advanced course.

II. Process for Grade Appeal

The following steps constitute the established administrative procedures for appealing a final grade. All paperwork and documentation of Steps 1 through 3 will be kept in the office of the division chairperson.

All deadlines refer to work days. It is the student's responsibility to meet the established deadlines. Failure to attend any of the scheduled meetings or the College Hearing Board hearing without reasonable justification will forfeit the student's right to appeal the grade.

If the appeal concerns a final grade given by a division chairperson, a substitute faculty will be selected to act in his/her place throughout the process.

- Step 1 The student must submit a written appeal of the final grade to the faculty member and the division chairperson. This must be done within 15 work days from the date the grade is posted to the student's record.
- Step 2 The faculty/student conference will occur as soon as possible, but no later than the 10th work day of the following semester. The occurrence and outcome of the meeting will be documented by the faculty member who assigned the grade and will include the signatures of the student and faculty member. A copy of the documentation will go to both parties.
- Step 3 If the appeal cannot be resolved, the student has seven calendar days after the student/faculty conference to appeal, in writing, to the division chairperson. As part of this appeal, the student is responsible for presenting documentation regarding the faculty/student conference.

After reviewing the written materials, the division chairperson will schedule a conference with the student and the faculty member within 10 work days. The results of the meeting will be documented and will include the signatures of all three participants. A file of all written materials will be maintained by the division chairperson. If the appeal is not resolved, the student has 10 work days from the date of the conference to appeal the grade, in writing, to the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Step 4 At this stage, the Vice President of Academic Affairs will review a file of all written materials submitted by the division chairperson regarding the grade appeal. The Vice President will schedule a meeting with the student, faculty and division chairperson to review the materials and discuss the appeal within 10 work days. The Vice President's written decision will be rendered within three work days and must be signed by all participants.

> If the student or faculty member disagrees with this decision, a request for an appeal to the College Hearing Board can be made, in writing, to the Vice President of Academic Affairs within five work days.

Step 5

The College Hearing Board will consist of three faculty and three students. The Hearing Board will be chaired by an administrator, who will vote only in case of a tie. The student will be notified via registered or certified mail, of the day and time of the hearing. The Hearing Board will convene in a closed session no more than seven calendar days after the request for a hearing has been made to the Vice President of Academic Affairs.

If the student wishes to have an advisor present for the hearing, the individual may not be an attorney and may include a spouse, parent, other relative, or friend. The student must notify, in writing, the Vice President of Academic Affairs regarding the presence of an advisor at least one calendar day before the hearing. The advisor may confer with the student during the hearing, but may not address the Hearing Board.

Following the presentations by the student and the faculty member, the Hearing Board will vote on its decision. The Hearing Board chair will inform all parties that the Vice President of Academic Affairs will receive the decision in writing.

The Vice President of Academic Affairs will notify the student, the faculty member, and the division chairperson within five work days after receiving the Hearing Board's decision. If the Vice President of Academic Affairs is unavailable, it is then the Dean of Student Affairs' responsibility to do so.

Step 6 The student or faculty member may appeal, in writing, the decision of the College Hearing Board to the President of the College within five work days. The President will review all written documentation and may conduct further inquiries. The President will render a decision within five work days of the request for appeal. The decision of the President shall be final.

Responsibilities in the Grade Appeal Process

Student

- Submit all appeals in writing, as well as provide appropriate documentation, within established time deadlines specified in each step of the process
- Present case in person if grade is appealed to the College Hearing Board
- Inform Dean of Student Affairs that a nonlegal advisor will be present

Faculty Who Assigned the Final Grade

- Meet with student in an attempt to resolve the grade appeal and document occurrence of meeting
- Maintain and present appropriate documentation as requested throughout subsequent steps if appeal cannot be resolved with student
- Present case in person if grade is appealed to the College Hearing Board

Division Chairperson

- Maintain all written documentation of appeal, including student's reason for appeal and all paperwork, including signed documentation that meetings in Steps 1-3 have taken place
- Schedule conference with the student and faculty member who assigned the grade after reviewing all documentation to date
- If the appeal concerns a grade given by division chairperson, a substitute faculty member will be selected to act in his/her place throughout the process

Vice President of Academic Affairs

- Schedule and document the meeting with the division chairperson, faculty member, and student in Step 4
- If the appeal is filed against the Dean, an administrator will be selected to act in his/ her place throughout the process
- Receive student's request for appeal to the College Hearing Board

- Consult with the Dean of Student Affairs to select an administrator to chair the College Hearing Board, as well as the three student members
- Appoint three faculty to serve on the College Hearing Board
- Schedule date and location for the Hearing Board hearing. Notify Hearing Board members, faculty, and student making the appeal of date and location of appeal
- Select recorder
- Notify student, faculty member and division chairperson of the Hearing Board's decision

Dean of Student Affairs

- Consult with the Vice President of Academic Affairs in selection of the chairperson for the College Hearing Board
- Select student membership for the College Hearing Board
- Notify chairperson of the Hearing Board of the presence of a nonlegal advisor for the student at least one calendar day before the hearing
- Communicate Hearing Board decision within one calendar day to student, faculty member, and division chairperson in the event that the Vice President of Academic Affairs is unavailable

Chairperson of College Hearing Board

- Call Hearing Board to order and preside over hearing
- Inform student and faculty member of time parameters for their respective presentations
- Call for a vote; chair will vote only in case of a tie
- Submit decision in writing to Vice President of Academic Affairs within one calendar day after the hearing
- Submit final summary to Vice President of Academic Affairs within five calendar days of the hearing

College Hearing Board Members

- Ask questions for clarification during presentation by student and faculty
- Vote to keep or change the final grade

Recorder

- Take notes and may tape record hearing
- Will neither participate in discussion or vote, but may ask questions for clarification
- Will type the Hearing Board's recommendation to Vice President of Academic Affairs within one calendar day of hearing
- Will prepare and submit a summary of proceedings for the Hearing Board chair within five calendar days of hearing

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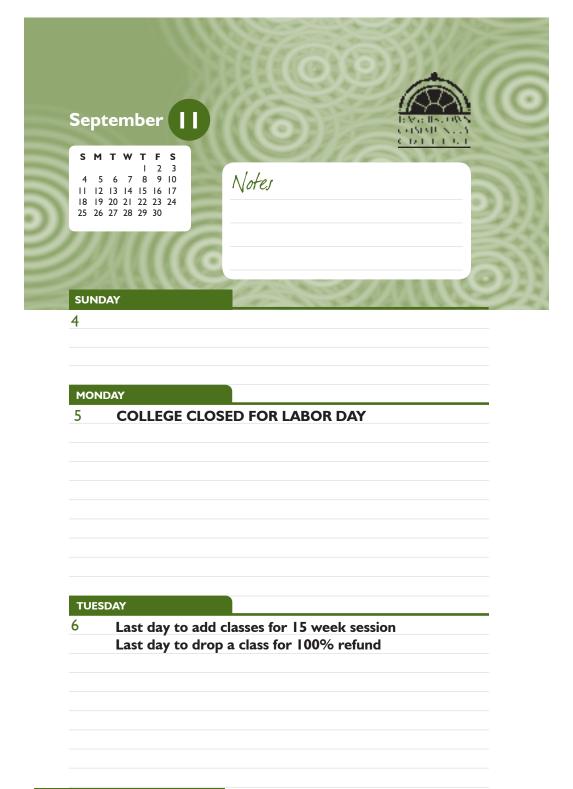




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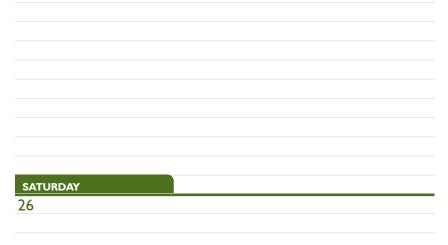
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