



*When it comes to a
college education, quality
and affordability matter.*

HCC offers both.



Arts & Humanities Business Behavioral Sciences

- Dance
- English
- Foreign Language
- History
- Music
- Theater
- Visual Arts

- Accounting and Business
- Administrative Assistant
- Customer Service Assistant
- Entrepreneurship
- Management
- Marketing

- Administration of Justice
- Child Care Professional
- Early Childhood and Primary Grades
- Education
- Human Services Technician
- Paralegal Studies
- Police Academy
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology





Start here. Go anywhere.

Technology & Engineering

Advanced Manufacturing
Alternative Energy Technology
Computer Science
Cybersecurity
Digital Forensics
Digital Instrumentation and
Process Control
Electrical Engineering Technology
Engineering Science
Graphic Design Technology
HVAC and Plumbing
Information Systems
Technology
Mechanical Engineering
Technology
Network Administration
Simulation and Digital
Entertainment
Truck Driver Training
Web and Multimedia
Technology
Welding and Fabrication

Math & Science

Biology
Biotechnology
Chemistry
Environmental Studies
Mathematics
Physics

*Choose from
more than 100
programs of study,
including short-
term programs
for immediate job
preparation, as
well as associate
degree programs
for transfer to
four-year schools.*

Nursing & Health

Certified Medicine Aide
Computed Tomography
Imaging
Dental Assisting
Dental Hygiene
Electronic Health Records
Health Information
Management
Health, Physical Education and
Leisure Studies
Magnetic Resonance Imaging
Mammography
Medical Assistant
Medical Coding and
Reimbursement Specialist
Nursing (RN, LPN, CNA/GNA)
Paramedic Emergency Services
Pharmacy Technician
Phlebotomy
Pre-Pharmacy
Radiography

Caring for the environment

Dr. Rebecca Beecroft

Assistant Professor, Life Sciences/Biotechnology

B.A., M.S., Hood College

Ed.D., Shenandoah University



Dr. Beecroft's passion for environmental studies is clearly evident when she talks about the new program at HCC.

"I love science and I love what science does to make life better," she said. "Environmental science is powerful and meaningful, and ties students to local issues that hopefully will engage them throughout their lives and careers."

Dr. Beecroft's own path to environmental studies started when she worked as a nurse, first attending community college and later earning degrees in biology. Blending health and the environment, she then used her knowledge and excitement for these subjects to teach high school students, eventually teaching environmental

education to K-12 students at the WCPS Claud E. Kitchens Outdoor School at Fairview. After obtaining her doctorate, she brought that enthusiasm to HCC, with the dream of starting an environmental studies program.

"This program will give students the opportunity to choose a science program that incorporates sociology, behavioral sciences, and government policy in the study of environmental issues," she added. "And being able to start this program at the community college is critical to helping people change their lives. It's transformational. It did that for me, and I see it do the same for my students."

New program - A.S. degree in Environmental Studies

Engineering the future

Catherine Kinman

A.S. Engineering, HCC; transferred to University of Dayton

Laura Palmer

A.S. Physics & A.S. Mathematics, HCC; transferred to Virginia Tech

Claire Galvin

A.S. Engineering, HCC; transferred to Saint Vincent College



Motivated, competitive, and persistent are the words these future female engineers use to describe themselves.

“Women who excel at math and science often have to overcome the stigma held by their male counterparts,” said Catherine.

“But when the guys find out what we can do, they are mind-blown,” Laura added.

Inspired by their parents and role models such as those in the movies *Hidden Figures* and *Apollo 13*, these HCC Middle College grads have high expectations for themselves. Each wants to have a family and a career. Claire wants to work for the CIA; Catherine wants to be a civil engineer, like her mother; and Laura wants to work for NASA.

Having earned their associate degrees and high school diplomas simultaneously, they feel the Middle College provided them with new challenges and an opportunity for discovery, to further guide their passions.

“In addition to our academic pursuits, it’s important to be well-rounded and maintain diverse interests,” Claire said.

“As women in the field of engineering, we will bring vital communication skills to the job,” noted Catherine.

Motivated, competitive, and persistent

Promoting a promising future

HCC's new Promise Pathway Program is designed to address the financial barriers for high school students who have the academic readiness and commitment to succeed in college, but lack all the necessary financial resources to do so, even if they qualify for federal financial aid.



The goal is to assist 1,000 local young people in earning a college credential over the next 10 years.

Officials at HCC and Washington County Public Schools are working together to identify and recruit high school students who are appropriate candidates for the program. Public, private, and home-schooled students living in Washington County can apply to the program, as early as sixth grade, as program “prospects.” Students do not receive financial

support until 10th grade or later, when the student is formally awarded early admission status into an HCC program of study.

The program is being funded through current resources and ongoing fundraising and grants development efforts of Hagerstown Community College and the HCC Foundation.



Starting college early

850

students in HCC's
ESSENCE Program

The ESSENCE Program allows high school students to take college classes while still attending their local high schools, at HCC or at their home high schools.

HCC leads the state in the percentage of high school students enrolled at a Maryland community college.

45

students in the
STEMM Technical
Middle College

The STEMM Technical Middle College enables motivated and academically prepared high school students to attend HCC full-time during their junior and senior years of high school.

Middle College students have transferred to many highly regarded four-year institutions, including:

CLEMSON
UNIVERSITY



UNIVERSITY OF
MARYLAND


TOWSON
UNIVERSITY

Bucknell
UNIVERSITY

ST MARY'S
COLLEGE of MARYLAND

UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY
WEST POINT



MCDANIEL
COLLEGE

The unique design of the Middle College, which includes a partnership with Washington County Public Schools, garnered external support through an Early College Innovation Fund award from the Maryland State Department of Education (\$387,258) and the National Science Foundation (\$629,192).

HCC has received numerous awards for

- Over the last five years, HCC has been awarded more than \$11 million in grants, including \$2.7 million from the National Science Foundation, to fund scholarships and state-of-the-art equipment for classrooms.
- HCC received the 2017 entrepreneurial college award from the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship.
- The S-STEM grant, provided by the National Science Foundation, provides more than \$500,000 in scholarships over five years to full-time HCC students pursuing STEM degrees.
- HCC's STEMM Technical Middle College received the 2014 Outstanding Career and Technology Education Program Postsecondary Award of Excellence from the Maryland State Department of Education.
- HCC's STEMM Technical Middle College received the 2014 Outstanding Instructional Program Award from the Community Colleges of Appalachia.
- HCC's practical nursing program was ranked number one in Maryland for 2017 by PracticalNursing.org.
- HCC's associate degree nursing program was ranked number two



in the state and number three in overall RN programs in Maryland by RegisteredNursing.org.

- The Learning Support Center received the Instructional Program Award from the Community Colleges of Appalachia for its success as an innovative program to help students succeed.

Programmatic excellence. Did you know ...?



HCC's vibrant 319-acre campus now has two entrances.

continues to meet the rigorous academic and business standards set by Middle States.

- HCC students consistently maintain near or at 100 percent pass rates on technical career exams in programs such as nursing, dental assisting, radiologic technician, and commercial truck driving.
 - HCC was named by the U.S. Department of Education as one of 44 colleges across the country to participate in an experiment that allows high school students attending college to be eligible to access Federal Pell Grants.
 - Military Advanced Education has awarded HCC the designation of a Top Military-Friendly College in its 2014 Guide to Military-Friendly Colleges and Universities.
 - The Washington Monthly recently released its first-ever listing of the best colleges for adult learners, and HCC ranked number 42 of all two-year colleges across the country. HCC is one of four of Maryland's 16 community colleges to be named in the list of 100.
 - HCC's Technical Innovation Center received one of the 2016 Champions of Maryland Manufacturing awards, given by the Regional Manufacturing Institute of Maryland.
- HCC has an educational partnership agreement with the Johns Hopkins University to offer research opportunities and hands-on training to students studying cybersecurity.
 - HCC has maintained accreditation by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools since its first review in 1968, which is external validation that the college



Helping students succeed

In the 2015
school year,
3,790 students
made 90,560
visits to the LSC

Since opening in 2013, HCC's Learning Support Center has become a very popular place on campus for students to get the help they need to succeed in the classroom. Students come here to get tutoring assistance in a variety of subjects, study with their peers, or work independently.

- 18,600 sq. ft. of dedicated learning space
- 8 staff members, 15 tutors
- 200 computers
- Day, evening, and weekend hours

This unique concept is being recognized by other education institutions as an example of best practices to help students get the resources they need to succeed in college. The results speak for themselves as data has begun to show student success rates are on the rise.



Making college work through support

A cohort is a group of students who take the same classes at the same time throughout their program.

Cohort classes follow a more structured schedule than typical college classes and offer more one-on-one time with the instructor.

When students are able to learn together as part of a group, they support each other and have greater success in reaching their educational goals.

HCC now offers new cohort models for the following six programs:

- *Advanced Manufacturing*
- *Digital Instrumentation and Process Control*
- *Alternative Energy Technology*
- *Electrical Engineering Technology*
- *Certified Pharmacy Technician*
- *Medical Assisting*



Connecting the campus and the community

James Pierne

Assistant Professor, Business Management
B.A., Washington College; M.B.A., Loyola University

Lori Spessard

Assistant Professor, Economics; A.A., Hagerstown Community College
B.S., University of Maryland; M.B.A., Frostburg State University

Stacey McGee

Assistant Professor, Business and Accounting
B.B.A., James Madison University; M.B.A., Frostburg State University

Aaron Mitchell

Instructor, Accounting and Business; B.S., Valparaiso University
M.B.A., Keller Graduate School of Management



HCC's four full-time business faculty collectively have more than 60 years of college teaching experience and more than 60 years of private-sector work experience in banking, finance, marketing, retail, and accounting. Professor Pierne worked as a bank executive for 38 years and, upon retirement, brought his expertise to share with HCC students.

"HCC's program provides students with a good base of business knowledge," Pierne said. "Then, we combine that with a practical application of academic concepts to real life."

The faculty stress how important it is to connect students to resources on campus and in the community. That connection will be further enhanced with the creation of a new Center for

Business and Entrepreneurial Studies, which will bring together credit and non-credit business programs, HCC's business incubator, and area business and industry leaders. Scheduled for completion in 2019, the CBES will serve as a powerful resource for HCC's students and the business community.

HCC received the 2017 Heather Van Sickle Entrepreneurial College of the Year award from the National Association for Community College Entrepreneurship. This award signifies a strong commitment to entrepreneurship both inside and outside the classroom, with faculty, students, alumni, community members, and business and industry actively involved and successful in entrepreneurial endeavors.

2017 NACCE National Award Winner

Building a network of support

Ryan Higdon

*Veteran, HCC Graduate,
Shepherd University Student*



As a student at North Hagerstown High School, Ryan always dreamed of starting his own business. He briefly worked in construction and, at age 20, decided to join the U.S. Marine Corps. After four years of active duty and four years of reserves, he was encouraged by the VA to take advantage of his GI benefits. So, in 2014, he started at HCC as a business major. He was immediately impressed by the faculty and staff who helped build his confidence.

He graduated from HCC in 2016, with high honors, and is now pursuing a bachelor's degree in business, with a minor in environmental studies, at Shepherd University. His ultimate goal is to start a large-scale produce farm that caters to families who want to learn more about where their food

comes from. He credits the business faculty at HCC for helping set him on a course to succeed.

"I built a network of people at HCC," Ryan said, "...a network of faculty and others who will be there if I need them in the future. They helped make my plan more realistic."

Driven to succeed

Stay close. Go far.



6,000 students in credit programs each year
8,000 students in continuing education classes



More than 100 programs of study
In-person, online, and hybrid learning



Faculty have advanced degrees and professional work experiences in more than 100 occupational fields



HCC facilities rival those at four-year institutions

*18 buildings on 319 acres, featuring:
the STEM Building, Kepler Performing and Visual Arts
Education Center, and the Student Center*

*With HCC's quality and unbeatable tuition,
there's no reason to start a college education anywhere else.*

Get started!

- Apply for admission
- Apply for financial aid
- Take placement tests
- See an academic advisor
- Register for classes
- Pay tuition
- Get ready for class



Save money!

Two of three HCC students receive financial aid.

Tuition rates for the 2017-2018 school year are:

- In-county rate: \$119/credit
- Out-of-county rate: \$187/credit
- Out-of-state rate: \$246/credit
- Neighbor-state rate: \$230/credit (Franklin and Fulton Counties, Pa.; Berkeley, Morgan, and Jefferson Counties, W.V.; and Loudoun County, Va.)



Get involved!

- Student Government Association
- 15 intercollegiate sports teams
- Robinwood Players Theater Club
- More than 25 academic and special interest clubs





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