



HONORS RECOGNITION RECEPTION



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John P. Hanley
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*for Continuing
Students*

FALL 2014



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Program

MASTER OF CEREMONY

Edward Gwazda

Vice President for College Advancement

WELCOME

Dr. Patricia Donohue

President

INTRODUCTION OF AWARD RECIPIENTS

Dean Winston Maddox

Business & Technology

Dean Dr. G. Robin Schore

Liberal Arts

Acting Dean Dr. Linda Scherr

Math, Science and Health Professions

Director Donna Penn

Nursing

Dr. Eun-Woo Chang

Vice President for Academic Affairs

Dr. L. Diane Campbell

Executive Dean, Student Affairs

Monica Weaver

Provost, Dean Trenton Campus

*Musical selection provided by
Peter Fretwell, General Manager, WWFM, the Classical Network.*

NEWLY ESTABLISHED SCHOLARSHIPS

Edward Gwazda, Vice President for College Advancement

ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

ALLEN M. SILK ESQ. SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding female student.

Kelly Blake

TRENTON ALUMNAE CHAPTER/DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC. SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to three full-time students based on academic achievement.

Kelly Blake

Hailey Skopas

Victoria Trimble

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING

TUCHMAN ADVANCED MANUFACTURING SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to several deserving students who are enrolled in the Advanced Manufacturing program.

Nelzo Guerrero

Paige Ballschnieder

Krzysztof Kutnik

Brian Marshall

Alexis Lopez-Chavez

Marco Urgiles

Semion Ribansky

Christopher Strasser

MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS, AND ENGINEERING

MEL ZUCKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an exemplary Mathematics, Physics, or Engineering student in memory of Professor Zucker's many years of dedicated service at MCCC.

Hyunwoo Kim

SKILLED TRADES AND PUBLIC SAFETY

GRAINGER TOOLS FOR TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to two ascending students who have excelled in either a Skilled Trades or Public Safety program.

Rachel Bjelke

Darryl Fletcher

VISUAL ARTS

ANNE BOBO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding student who is pursuing an A.A. in Multi-Media, 3-D Animation, or Web Design.

Elizabeth Harris

BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION

Winston Maddox, Dean

ACCOUNTING

ED BLISSIT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to outstanding students in the Accounting program.

Rima Khatri

Lisa Harris

NEW JERSEY SOCIETY OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS (NJSCPA) SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to exemplary Accounting students who are in their last year of studies.

Steven Rivera

Marta Illes

Aaron Truppo

ARCHITECTURE

ARCHITECTURE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded annually to ascending Architecture students based on talent and academic achievement.

Tyler Sincoskie

Nathan Foreman

Medhi Achir

Brandon Alterman

ROY CHURCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student who is enrolled in the Architecture program.

Brandon Alterman

JAMIL E. FARIDY SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a second-year, full-time Architecture student.

Tyler Sincoskie

DAVID R. FRAYTAK ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an exemplary Architecture student in honor of Mr. Fraytak's many years of service with FVHD Architects.

Tyler Sincoskie

Sean Rackowski

AVIATION

LANCE F. HANSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student enrolled in the Aviation Flight Technology program.

Wisdom Agyei

HARRY B. TROUGHT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding Aviation student.

Timothy Harman

THE SKY'S THE LIMIT SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to several deserving Aviation students from funds raised through a golf outing held by Friends of Trenton-Mercer Airport.

Brian Kilpatrick

Wisdom Agyei

Christopher Barbieri

Brittany Wood

Timothy Harman

BUSINESS

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student in the Business program.

Hailey Skopas

Ligia Calagua

PNC BANK SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a full-time student who demonstrates academic excellence in the Business program.

Jennifer Garey

Kelly French

Jessica DeFalco

Erin Hubscher

DR. CONSTANCE COLON-JONES BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a full or part-time student who is studying Business Administration and working toward an A.S. degree.

Jennifer Garey

ENGINEERING SCIENCE

TONY LUCE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a full or part-time student who is studying Electrical Engineering; Engineering Science or Electronics.

Alexander Svecz

CHARLES RUSSELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding student in Civil Engineering Technology or Electronics Engineering Technology.

Alexander Svecz

CIVIL ENGINEERING

ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding student in the Engineering program.

Scott Alvarez

FIRE SCIENCE

JOHN M. MAINZER III MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student in the Fire Science Technology program.

Chantel Ramsey

FUNERAL SERVICE

ROBERT BLANCHARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student dedicated to learning and entering the final year of the Funeral Service program.

Rachel Zeberl

COLUMBIA BIBBO-PETROLLE SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student enrolled in the Funeral Service program.

Erin Tyler

JOSEPH GRITZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student enrolled in the Funeral Service program.

Bart Hibner

Brandon Pickner

HOTEL, RESTAURANT AND INSTITUTION MANAGEMENT

LAURENTI CHARITABLE TRUST SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student enrolled in the Hospitality program.

Raven Hyman

MERRILL LYNCH HOSPITALITY SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student in the Hotel, Restaurant and Institution Management program.

Mariya Balezina

CHEF JACKET PARTNERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS are given through donations made by several generous supporters to students enrolled specifically in the Hospitality program.

AGRICOLA - Carina DeLeon

BLUE BOTTLE CAFÉ - Robert Van Saun

ERGO CHEF LLC - Tiffany Locke

MERCER OAKS CATERING - Regina Dripps

NASSAU INN - Sharon Wojcik

SYSCO FOODS - Dharam Singh

TERRA MOMO RESTAURANT GROUP - Natalie Russano

WEGMANS FOOD MARKETS, INC. - Juan Cobos

JERSEY GENERAL SALSA COMPANY - Osvaldo Gomez

MCCC CULINARY ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to students who are enrolled in the Culinary Arts program.

Michael Polito

Marc Ferrer

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

ROBERT NEGRON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a first-year student studying in the Information Technology field.

Hiral Desai

LIBERAL ARTS DIVISION

Dr. G. Robin Schore, Dean

ADVERTISING

GERALD KLEIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student in the Advertising or Digital Media Arts programs.

Thomas Summers

EDUCATION

BONAZZI FOUNDATION SCIENCE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student who intends to pursue Science Education as a career.

Leandro Fosque

ENGLISH

ANTHONY J. MENNUTI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a Liberal Arts student who is studying English.

Murtaza Khomusi

ESL

VICKI SELTZER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to students enrolled in ESL classes.

Zhaoli Lui

Seon Gyu Lim

FASHION

GAP SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded to students to continue their Fashion studies.

Marissa Renelt

Quaderia Mack

Anika Maram

Christian Nazario

HUMANITIES

DR. ROBERT E. SMALL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student in the Liberal Arts Division who has demonstrated interest in social and human rights.

Paige Bodnar

FORMAN & SLOSHBERG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to one female and one male student who are studying social sciences.

Paige Bodnar

Richard Ward III

PHOTOGRAPHY

LOUIS DRAPER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding full-time student enrolled in the Photography program.

Amy Karatka

Grace Spencer

THEATER

JAMES TOLIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student enrolled in the Theatre or Entertainment Technology programs.

Tristan Edward Takacs

DON JONES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student engaged in one of the Performing Arts.

Kourtney Laws

VISUAL ARTS

JOHN P. BOORSCH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student studying Visual Arts.

Iwana Skiba

CYBIS ART SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding Art student.

Jennifer Vasta

JAMES COLAVITA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to outstanding Ceramics students.

Jennifer Vasta

Richard Siggillino

VISUAL ARTS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Established by the faculty to recognize the outstanding student achievement of an ascending freshman in any of the six Visual Arts programs.

Adam Hillman

MATH, SCIENCE AND HEALTH PROFESSIONS DIVISION

Dr. Linda Scherr, Acting Dean

BIOLOGY

BIOLOGY-DOWD FESSLER LABORATORY SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding Biology Laboratory student.

Mark Setaro

ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE

CLARENCE AND LENA DIDONATO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a deserving student in the Ornamental Horticulture program.

Elizabeth Csogi

MARY MONROE DOERLER SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to students studying in any field of Ornamental Horticulture and Plant Science.

Diane Shonyo

Jenelle Lombardo

DOGWOOD GARDEN CLUB OF PRINCETON SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to outstanding students in the Ornamental Horticulture Program.

Elizabeth Csogi

Leah Ford

Nikola Simovski

Alex Glasser

MARQUAND PARK FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded to outstanding students entering their second year in the Ornamental Horticulture program.

Michael Gerheiser

Nilson Torres

HEALTH PROFESSIONS

DR. PAUL JANSSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student in the area of Science and Health Professions.

Lori Fittante

Kathleen Tarassov

CHARLOTTE W. NEWCOMBE SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded to students in the Nursing or Health Professions degree programs.

Adrianna Lazo

Christopher Giles

Sarah Sexton

ROMA BANK SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded to full-time students in the Health Professions degree programs.

Barbara Agurkis

Kathleen Tarassov

WALTER AND LOUIS SUTCLIFFE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student in the Nursing or Health Professions degree programs.

Pam Hurley

DR. H. & MRS. EDITH ZUSSMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a deserving student who is entering his or her second year in one of the Health Profession degree programs.

Yaroslava Melnyk

NURSING

Donna Penn, Director

MARY SCARANO SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a third-semester Nursing student.

Yaroslava Melnyk

NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an outstanding student in the Nursing program.

Petrie Thompson

AREA VII PHYSICIANS REVIEW ORGANIZATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded to students who demonstrate superior academics in Nursing.

Lisa Kamara

Kathleen Gavin

Kamel Saleh

Yaroslava Melnyk

Nanariv Elrasheedy

Madeline Rodriguez

Christopher Reiser

Brandon Gelormine

ANTHONY & SOPHIE PRASSAS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a Nursing student on the basis of academic performance.

Christopher Reiser

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. Eun Woo Chang, Vice President for Academic Affairs

SCHOLARSHIPS IN HONOR OF RECOGNIZED COLLEGE EMPLOYEES

MERCER PROFESSOR EMERITUS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Awarded to the following students.

Jessica Dixon

Theresa Gadsby

Danielle Morris

Malcom Mason

Charles Levach

Autumn Bardachino

Sarah Steward

STAFF RECOGNITION SCHOLARSHIPS are awarded to students by faculty or staff members who have received outstanding performance awards in teaching, community service and human relations during Mercer's annual Staff Recognition Ceremony.

Distinguished Teacher – Laura Sosa

Joykrystyna Mance

Human Relations – Kenny Miller

Abby Zakrzewski

Community Service – Helen Tanzini

Amanda Ortutay

JIM AND FANNIE FLOYD SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded in honor of Jim Floyd and his late wife Fannie to a Mercer County resident who upholds the academic criteria of the scholarship.

Zhaoli Liu

ROBERT SYDNEY NEEDHAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an academically outstanding student who is committed to community service and/or campus leadership.

Hailey Skopas

Celina Hicks

JENNIE DELAPO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a full-time, second year student enrolled in MercerOnline.

Gina Migliaccio

EDWARD H. HOUSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to high-achieving second year students.

Gina Migliaccio

Andrew Kishyk

KESNER DUFRESNE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to an exemplary student who is committed to the betterment of Mercer County.

Lisa Kamara

WOMAN'S CLUB OF CRANBURY SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a deserving student through the Womans Club of Cranbury.

Joshua Diamond

MERCER COUNTY FREEHOLDERS' SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to outstanding incoming students.

Alexa Calabrese

Shyheim Russell

Rebecca McCullic

Taylor Chamberlain

Diana Rackowski

Lauren Orr

Ryan Coleman

Kelly Mayancela

Kevin Munoz

Deisy Lopez

Radoslaw Dlugowski

Kelsey McClintock

Shelly Suah

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to full-time incoming freshmen students at MCCC, selected from the program participants at the Boys and Girls Club of Trenton.

Emporia Green

Kiya Green

ALBERT KAHN TRENTON HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a Trenton Central High School graduate.

Helen Glover

James Baker

ARTHUR J. HOLLAND SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a graduate of Trenton Central High School and/or a Trenton resident.

Victoria Jimenez

CHARLES KEITH SHERMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a graduate of Trenton Central High School, majoring in Technology.

Rodane Johns

GED SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to graduates of the JKC-GED program.

Tammy Toney

Robert Kelly

**METROPOLITAN TRENTON AFRICAN-AMERICAN
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP**

Awarded to an outstanding student.

Vincent Caputo

BIOGRAPHIES OF RECIPIENTS

Mehdi Achir

Medhi is studying for his A.S. degree in Architecture; he is looking forward to actualizing his architectural career.

Barbara Agurkis

Barbara is a sophomore in the Physical Therapist Assistant program; she has four grown sons and is transitioning to health care from veterinary technician work.

Wisdom Agyei

Wisdom is currently working toward an AAS degree in Aviation Flight Technology. He is looking forward to becoming an airline pilot. He also works as a volunteer fire fighter and EMT.

Brandon Alterman

Brandon returned to school with a B.S. in Psychology to pursue a degree in Architecture; he is scheduled to graduate in May of 2015.

Scott Alvarez

Scott is studying Civil Engineering Technology toward his A.A.S. Degree; he plans to transfer a four-year institution of higher education upon completion at Mercer.

James Baker

James is a graduate of Trenton High School; he is in his freshman year at Mercer and hopes to obtain his A.S. in Business Administration.

Paige Ballschnieder

Paige is studying Electrical Engineering Technology and working her way through school. She is interested in the field of Robotics.

Christopher Barbieri

Christopher is a Freshman in Aviation Flight Technology. He is excited to become a commercial airline pilot and volunteers at a local EMT squad.

Autumn Bardachino

Autumn is in her third and final year at Mercer County Community College. She plans to graduate in May of 2015 with an Associate's degree in Illustration and an Associate's degree in Graphic Design and Advertising. She may return to Mercer in order to complete a Digital Media degree, but for now she plans to continue her studies at a four-year institution in the field of Illustration and Graphic Design and Advertising.

Rachel Bjelke

Rachel is studying Criminal Justice at MCCC, and she is on track to graduate in December of 2014. Rachel proudly served in the U.S. Navy as a Petty Officer before attending Mercer.

Kelly Blake

Kelly is studying Liberal Arts toward her A.A. degree; she spends much time doing volunteer work for a human service organization.

Paige Bodnar

Paige is studying Liberal Arts to achieve her A.A. degree; she plans to obtain her Bachelor's degree and to study Psychology and work with youth.

Alexa Calabrese

Alexa is studying Radiology, and she is on track to graduate in four years. After Mercer, she plans to continue her studies in Radiation Therapy.

Ligia Calagua

Ligia is majoring in Business Studies toward an A.A.S. degree. She is an international student from Peru and also a mother of a son who motivates her to complete her degree.

Vincent Caputo

Vincent is studying Business Administration; he hopes to open a store or restaurant in the future.

Juan Cobos

Juan is studying Culinary Arts. His long term goal is to make a career as a chef and open his own restaurant.

Ryan Coleman

Ryan is a Freshman at MCCC; he is studying Business Administration.

Elizabeth Csogi

Elizabeth is studying Ornamental Horticulture; she is planning to transfer to a four-year college. She hopes to work in the field of Human Services.

Carina De Leon

Carina is currently studying Culinary Arts, which serves her well in her employment at Agricola.

Jessica DeFalco

Jessica is in our Business Administration program; she is a working student who hopes to further her career through degree attainment. Jessica volunteers for a number of charities.

Hiral Desai

Hiral is working on his degree in Information Technology; he has a Bachelor's Degree in Microbiology and a Master's Degree of Finance from India. At present, Hiral works in a hospital but hopes to work in the Information Technology industry.

Joshua Diamond

Joshua is earning his A.A.S. degree in Information Technology; his scholarship will help him to achieve his academic goals.

Jessica Dixon

Jessica is a Biology major; one of her career goals is to pursue a doctoral degree in Cancer Biology.

Regina Dripps

Regina is studying Pastry Arts, which serves her well in her employment at Terra Momo Bread Company.

Nanariv Elrasheedy

Nanriv is on course to graduate in December of 2014, and she wants to be an ER nurse; she is the mother of 3 children and has balanced study with childrearing and work.

Lori Fittante

Lori is studying to be a Physical Therapy Assistant toward her A.A.S. degree; she presently works in health care and hopes to expand her abilities and further her career goals.

Darryl Fletcher

Darryl is finishing his Criminal Justice degree with the intention of pursuing a degree in Forensics at Rutgers. Darryl is on track to graduate in December of 2015.

Leah Ford

Leah is studying Ornamental Horticulture, with a concentration in Floral Design; she is presently working for a florist and hopes to expand her career opportunities.

Leandro Fosque

Leandro is double majoring in Physics and Mathematics. He is making an attempt to do as much research as possible in his undergraduate years in order to prepare himself for the rigorous and difficult life of a PhD student in the sciences. Leandro's long term goal is to become a college professor.

Kelly French

Kelly is studying Business Administration, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2015. After Mercer, Kelly plans to pursue a Bachelor's degree.

Theresa Gadsby

Theresa is in the Nursing program; she hopes to receive her Bachelor's degree in Nursing and pursue a career in healthcare.

Jennifer Garey

Jennifer is studying Business Administration; she is planning to start her own business and will put her business principles to work.

Kathleen Gavin

Kathleen is working diligently to obtain her Nursing. She is expected to graduate in May of 2015.

Brandon Gelormine

Brandon is a Nursing student who plans to graduate in 2016; he works full-time and hopes to obtain his BSN in the future.

Michael Gerheiser

Michael is studying Ornamental Horticulture; he enjoys teaching agriculture in a volunteer capacity, and wants to make a career of horticultural endeavor.

Christopher Giles

Christopher is a Nursing student and has worked as an EMT and 911 dispatcher for the past ten years. He plans on achieving his BSN through Rutgers and becoming a Nurse Practitioner.

Alex Glasser

Alex is studying Ornamental Horticulture; he is an entrepreneur in landscaping and has a passion for creating great environments and beautifying our shared community areas.

Helen Glover

Helen is a graduate of Trenton High School; she is in her freshman year at Mercer and hopes to obtain her A.S. in Business Administration.

Osvaldo Gomez

After retiring from the military, Osvaldo came to Mercer to study Culinary Arts. He aspires to someday open up his own small restaurant.

Emporia Green

Emporia is in her freshman year of studies. She is earning a degree in Nursing while she works for the Boys and Girls Club. She thanks the donors of her scholarship for supporting her dream and enabling her to be academically successful. After Mercer, Emporia plans to find local employment in the health field.

Kiya Green

Kiya is a first-semester student who is studying Nursing. She has actively participated in the ROTC and the Boys and Girls Club. Kiya is very grateful for her scholarship support, which has turned her dream of a college education into a reality. Upon graduation, Kiya intends to pursue a career in the health field.

Timothy Harman

Timothy is studying Aviation Flight Technology toward his A.A.S. degree.

Lisa Harris

Lisa is a graduate of Nottingham-Hamilton HS; she is hoping to achieve her A.A. in Advertising Design in May of 2015.

Bart Hibner

Bart is studying Funeral Services, and he is on track to graduate in May of 2015. After MCCC, Bart plans to open up his own funeral home.

Celina Hicks

Celina is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and has been an active member of the Student Government Association. In addition to her academic prowess, Celina is a gifted musician. Celina plans to continue her studies through at least the Master's degree level and eventually pursue a career in music education.

Erin Hubscher

Erin is in our Business and Criminal Justice programs; she is a volunteer EMT and is working as a hair stylist until she can parlay her education into a competitive position. Erin is on track to graduate in May of 2016.

Pamela Hurley

Pam is studying to be a Physical Therapy Assistant; she has been inducted into the Phi Beta Kappa Society. She will sit for her licensing boards in August of 2015.

Raven Hyman

Raven is studying Pastry Arts, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2016. After Mercer, Raven plans to pursue a career working with chocolate.

Marta Illes

Marta is finishing up her studies in preparation for her CPA exam. After Mercer, Marta plans to pursue a career as an accountant.

Victoria Jimenez

Victoria is a student in the Nursing program; she plans to graduate in the spring of 2015. She intends to volunteer in our college-preparatory programs in the future.

Lisa Kamara

Lisa Kamara is finishing up her degree in Nursing; she works in the health care industry and volunteers in the community for health awareness.

Robert Kelly

Robert is a first-year student, with a goal of working in the Culinary Arts.

Rima Khatri

Rima is studying Business Administration. She is on track to graduate in May of 2016. After Mercer, Rima plans to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Accounting.

Murtaza Khomusi

Murtaza has a unique interest in international cultures and has traveled the world working with an NGO, assisting in agricultural diversity and issues pertaining to poverty; he is multi-lingual and is interested in the Humanities and English.

Brian Kilpatrick

Brian is studying Aviation Flight Technology. He hopes to become a commercial airline pilot. In his spare time, Brian works as an EMT.

Hyunwoo Kim

Hyunwoo plans to graduate in May of 2015 with an AAS degree in Engineering. After Mercer, Hyunwoo plans to pursue a Bachelor's degree at either Princeton University, University of Pennsylvania, or Drexel University. Hyunwoo holds firmly to his belief that success is a direct result of effort.

Andrew Kishyk

Andrew is studying Education, and he is on track to graduate in May of 2016. After graduating, Andrew plans to transfer to Bloomberg University to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Special Education.

Kourtney Laws

Tenacity, ambition, and faith all hang onto Kourtney's key chain of life. Growing up in Trenton, NJ and attending MCCC has helped her to work diligently and has given her the desire to help others. She's always dreamed of becoming a dancer and creating a place where young adults can come together to express themselves creatively.

Adrianna Lazo

Adrianna is working to achieve an A.A.S. in Health Science; she wants to be an Associate Registered Nurse and go on to obtain her BSN and work in Pediatrics.

Charles Levach

Charles has been married for twenty years to his beautiful wife Nicole. He currently has five children, with number six on the way in November. Charles presently works as a police officer and can retire in less than 4 years. He has also worked for a funeral director for thirteen years – using his days off from police work to help with viewings and funerals. Since Charles was getting to the end of his police career, he decided to start making steps towards his funeral career. He is on track to complete his Funeral Service degree in June of 2015. Long term, Charles aspires to take ownership of a funeral home.

SeonGyu Lim

SeonGyu is studying Engineering Science and will be applying to the American Honors Program; he is a member of the International Student Organization.

Zhaoli Liu

Zhaoli is studying Education. She anticipates earning her A.A. from MCCC in July of 2015.

Tiffany Locke

Tiffany is studying Culinary Arts, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2016. After graduating, Tiffany intends to find employment in a Mercer County restaurant.

Jenelle Lombardo

Jenelle is obtaining her certificate in Ornamental Horticulture; she has her A.A.S degree from Mercer in Fine Arts and works with her mother in a family business.

Deisy Lopez

Deisy is studying Education. She aspires to earn her A.A. in May of 2016.

Alexis Lopez-Chavez

Alexis is excited about his studies in Electronics Engineering. He is looking forward to applying his studies in his career.

Quaderia Mack

Quaderia is currently enrolled in the Fashion Design program, and she avidly blogs about all things fashion-related.

Joykrystyna Mance

Joykrystyna is studying International Business, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2015. After Mercer, Joykrystyna intends to continue her education, in pursuit of a Master's degree.

Anika Maram

Anika is a sophomore in the Fashion Merchandising program. She is an active member of Fashion Forward, the Fashion Club, as well as a spirited addition to the classroom.

Brian Marshall

Brian is studying Electronics Engineering Technology; he's interested in computers, manufacturing and optics.

Malcolm Mason

Malcolm is studying Entertainment Technology. After Mercer, he plans to pursue a Bachelor's degree and then start his career as a mixing and mastering engineer.

Kelly Mayancela

Kelly is studying to earn her A.A. in Liberal Arts; she is a first generation college attendee.

Kelsy McClintock

Kelsy is studying Marketing, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2016. After MCCC, Kelsy intends to pursue a Bachelor's degree.

Rebecca McCullic

Rebecca is studying Nursing, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2018. After Mercer, Rebecca plans to transfer to Rutgers or another local university in order to pursue a Bachelor's degree.

Yaroslava Melnyk

Yaroslava is a working mother who is studying to earn her Nursing degree; she is anxiously awaiting her opportunity to work in the health care field.

Gina Migliaccio

Gina is studying for her A.A. in Education; she is the Student Government Association President, and she is also an active member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Music Club.

Danielle Morris

Danielle is pursuing a Liberal Arts degree, and she is on track to Graduate in May of 2015. After Mercer, Danielle plans to continue her studies at a four-year institution.

Kevin Munoz

Kevin is studying Aviation in pursuit of his A.S. degree.

Christian Nazario

Christian is studying Fashion Merchandising in anticipation of his A.A. degree; he has been a leader in The Mercer Fashion Club and has coordinated fashion events.

Amanda Ortutay

Amanda is studying Exercise Science, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2016. Amanda is currently teaching dance; after graduating, she plans to become a competition dance instructor. Amanda also intends to earn her certification as a yoga instructor.

Brandon Pickner

Brandon is studying Funeral Services, and he is on track to graduate in May of 2015. After graduating, Brandon plans to complete an internship and then pursue a Bachelor's degree.

Michael Polito

Michael is studying Culinary Arts, and he anticipates graduating in May of 2015. Michael studies full-time while working at Enno Terra restaurant and Central Perk bagel shop.

Diana Rackowski

Diane is studying for her A.S. Degree in New Media Communication.

Sean Rackowski

Sean is studying for his A.S. in Architecture; he is a quadruplet and his brothers and sisters also attend Mercer.

Chantel Ramsey

Chantel is studying Nursing. She decided to become a nurse after the death of her older sister who suffered from severe asthma. The care that she and her family received from the nursing staff was so kind, compassionate, and professional. The more Chantel researched becoming a nurse, the more she felt a calling to care for the sick.

Christopher Reiser

Christopher is a Nursing student; his wife is a nurse, having graduated from MCCC. He is inspired to work in Hematology and anticipates a graduation date of March 2016. In addition to his studies, Christopher works as a Master Automotive Technician.

Marissa Renelt

Marissa is a sophomore in the Fashion Design program. She is President of Fashion Forward, The Fashion Club, and she is an active fashion blogger.

Semion Ribansky

Semion will be completing his A.A.S. in Electronics Engineering Technology; he is interested in the field of Robotics and is attempting to start a Robotics Club.

Madeline Rodriguez

Madeline is excited to be a first generation college graduate with the goal of becoming a Nurse. She is on track to graduate in December of 2015.

Natalie Russano

Natalie is in the Culinary Arts Program and is on track to obtain her A.A.S. in May of 2015.

Shyheim Russell

Shyheim is studying Gaming Design, and he is on track to transfer to TCNJ or NJIT after May of 2016. After earning his Bachelor's degree, Shyheim plans to pursue a career in Gaming Design, hopefully with SONY.

Kamal Saleh

Kamal is an enthusiastic Nursing student who works nearly full-time in a hospital for behavioral health; she is excited to expand her career in health care.

Mark Setaro

Mark is a Biology major who has excelled in the biology laboratory. His plans are to transfer to Johns Hopkins University and to eventually do research in the cardiovascular field.

Sarah Sexton

Sarah is in her second year of Nursing and works in a hospital as a Unit Clerk Secretary; she wants to get her BSN and then her DNP to focus on Forensic Nursing.

Diane Shonyo

Diane is studying to earn her A.A.S. in Ornamental Horticulture; she has her Master Gardener certification and has worked on the Mary Hayes Garden on MCCC's campus.

Richard Siggillino

Richard is studying Fine Arts, and he is on track to graduate in December of 2015. After Mercer, Richard plans to pursue a Bachelor's degree in Visual Arts and Education, because he loves the idea of teaching art to High School or Elementary students.

Nikola Simovski

Nikola is studying Ornamental Horticulture in pursuit of her A.A.S. degree.

Tyler Sincoskie

Tyler is an Architectural student who is on track to graduate with an A.S. degree in May of 2015.

Dharam Singh

Dharam is studying Culinary Arts, and he is on track to graduate in December of 2015. After Mercer, Dharam intends to pursue a Bachelor's degree.

Iwona Skiba

Iwona is studying Illustration, with the hopes of becoming a children's book illustrator. She has loved drawing since she was a child, and she remembers that she was always fascinated with the different styles of the illustrations from her books. She hopes that one day her illustrations will have a similar effect.

Hailey Skopas

Hailey works full time while she studies Business Administration and Criminal Justice. She is on track to graduate in May of 2015. After Mercer, Hailey intends to apply to local police departments and begin the Mercer County Police Academy in September of 2015.

Grace Spencer

Grace is a student in the Visual Arts program; she aspires to become a professional Photographer.

Sarah Steward

Sarah is studying Accounting, and she is on track to graduate in May of 2015. After earning her A.S. in Accounting, Sarah intends to pursue the Physical Therapy Assistant program at MCCC.

Christopher Strasser

Christopher is studying Physics; he anticipates graduating with an A.A.S. in December of 2015.

Alexander Svecz

Alexander is completing his degree in Engineering Science. After Mercer, he plans to transfer to a four-year institution and focus on Civil Engineering.

Tristin Takacs

Tristan is currently spending his time either working, performing, or continuing his college studies. His ultimate goal is to one day be a part of the entertainment industry. He, above all else, knows that his family is the most important treasure in his life, and his love for and from them keeps him going.

Kathleen Tarassov

Kathleen is a returning student; she has an advanced degree in Human Resources and is currently studying to be a Physical Therapy Assistant and enter the health care field.

Petrie Thompson

Petrie is in her Sophomore year of the Nursing program; she is originally from Guyana, South America. Petrie hopes to earn her BSN in the future.

Tammy Toney

Tammy is a first-year student, with a desire to work in the medical field.

Nilson Torres

Nilson is studying Horticulture. He is on track to graduate in May of 2015, after which time he intends to advance his career in landscape design.

Victoria Trimble

Victoria is earning her A.S. in Business Administration while she works full-time. She plans to graduate in May of 2015.

Erin Tyler

Erin is earning her A.A.S. degree in Funeral Services; she has almost achieved her B.A. in Religion, and believes this background will assist in funeral services in the Delaware region.

Robert Van Saun

Robert is studying Culinary Arts, and he plans to graduate in May of 2015. After he graduates, Robert intends to work in one of the many fine restaurants that New Jersey has to offer.

Jennifer Vasta

Jennifer is a returning student who is studying Fine Arts. She is on track to graduate in May of 2015. Jennifer holds a Bachelor's degree in Psychology, but she intends to pursue a Master's degree in Education so that she can enter the workforce as a teacher.

Richard Ward III

Richard is studying Liberal Arts; he also serves our country through the Civil Air Patrol and the Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Rachele Weintraub

Rachele is finishing her studies in Plant Science. She is on track to graduate in December of 2014. Rachele intends to reach graduate level studies in Entomology.

Sharon Wojcik

Sharon is a returning adult student who is currently studying Hotel, Restaurant, and Institution Management.

Brittany Wood

Brittany is studying Aviation Flight Technology; she is the oldest of four and was raised on a military air force base. She plans to transfer to Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and achieve her B.S. in Aeronautical Science.

Abby Zakrzeski

Abby is pursuing a degree in Nursing; she intends to continue her studies at the baccalaureate level. She is eager to find employment within a hospital while she is a student so that she can gain hands-on experience while finishing her degree.

Rachel Zeberl

Rachel is studying Funeral Services; she has had many challenges but has persevered through them all. Having grown up in a rural environment, she finds pleasure in all 4-H activities.

