

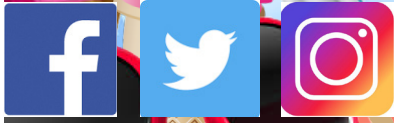
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Carpentry class leads to ramps for residents

Richmond Community College partnered with Habitat for Humanity to offer carpentry skill classes at the Dobbins Heights Community Center.

Habitat and members of the Dobbins Heights community were looking for classes to bene-

fit volunteers who are willing to enhance the community and help residents in need. Three classes have been held, one in May and two in June, where students learned basic carpentry skills and applied those skills in building handicap accessible ramps.

All 14 students are volunteers who have dedicated their time in an effort to build a team to help the immediate community and the county.

“When Habitat discovered we

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Substation program creating buzz in new circles

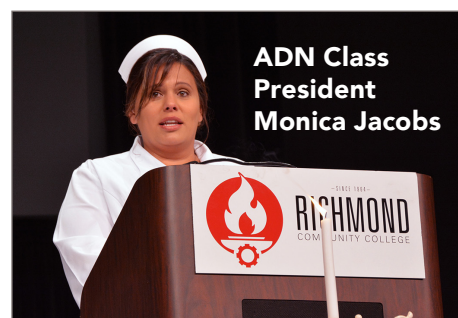
The Electric Utility Substation & Relay Technology (EUSRT) program at Richmond Community College recently graduated its most diverse class of students. The two-year associate degree program has been prominently populated by white males since its inception in 2011; however, 50 percent of the EUSRT Class of 2019 were minorities and 9 percent of the graduates were females.

The EUSRT program at RichmondCC is the first of

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Electric Utility Substation & Relay Technology students (now graduates) stand with their instructors.



RichmondCC raises the bar for its nursing programs, grows enrollment

Richmond Community College graduated one of its larger classes of Associate Degree of Nursing (ADN) students this May

with 33 students prepared to enter the healthcare field. The

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its kind in the state of North Carolina and only offered at a handful of colleges nationwide. Established in partnership between RichmondCC and Duke Energy, the EUSRT program prepares students for lucrative careers in the electric utility industry and other industries that rely on complex control systems.

The program has long been on the radar of leaders in the utility industry, and companies across the country have been making job offers to EUSRT students even before they walk across the stage at graduation. These students, most of them barely in their 20s, are turning a two-year investment into a lifelong career that includes stipends for relocation, work attire and travel, not to mention entry level salaries that average about \$60,000 per year.

"It's not unusual for some of our graduates to earn as much as \$37 an hour. It all depends on who hires them and where they go," said Brian Terry, EUSRT program coordinator. "One thing we do emphasize to students who come into the program is that they will need to be prepared to relocate if they want to work as a relay technician. All the local jobs have been filled by our previous graduates."

The buzz around this unique degree at RichmondCC is obviously reaching a more diverse group of people, as reflected by the make-up of the students enrolled in the program in 2018-2019.

Louis Miranda & Nicole Williams

Louis Miranda's family came to the U.S. from Nicaragua about 40 years ago. The 25-year-old from



Louis Miranda moved from Virginia to Richmond County to enroll in the EUSRT program. He is now living back in Virginia working for Dominion Energy.

Woodbridge, Va., said he thought the program was "too good to be true" when he heard his college roommate from Rockingham talking about it. His roommate, Alex Perakis, said there was a "substation" program at the local community college in his hometown that was preparing people for high-paying jobs in just two years.

"I really didn't think you could make that kind of money with a two-year degree," said Miranda.

He and Perakis were attending Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., when they started doing some research about the EUSRT program at RichmondCC. They decided to leave Virginia and head to Perakis' hometown and give it a shot.

"I wanted to make something of my life, and I knew this was going to be my opportunity," Miranda said.

Dominion Energy, the major power supplier in Virginia, hired Miranda when he graduated from the program in May. Miranda has returned to his hometown in Woodbridge, coming full circle, but with a far brighter future than when he left. He is also coming back with a fiancé, Nicole Williams, whom he met in the EUSRT program.



Nicole Williams talks to one of her classmates in the EUSRT program while running tests in the substation. Williams was one of five females to graduate this May.

Also a 2019 graduate of the program, Williams has applied and interviewed with several companies, but she is focusing on furthering her education and getting a bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering Technology from Excelsior College. Excelsior and RichmondCC signed a partnership last year that allows EUSRT graduates to transfer up to 90 credits into the engineering program. Because the bachelor degree program is online, Williams can complete her studies at her own pace.

Trinity Stanley

Trinity Stanley, one of five females who graduated from the EUSRT program this year, is also planning to take advantage of the partnership with Excelsior College to earn her bachelor's degree. Her new employer, American Electrical Testing (AET) Company, will be paying for her to complete the program.

The 18-year-old from Hamlet is among nine students from the EUSRT Class of 2019 who were hired by AET and flown to Boston two weeks after graduation for orientation and training. John Fattore, staffing manager for AET, said in an email that the company is excited to have such outstanding new employees and thanked the College for "entrusting our company with the best and brightest from RichmondCC." Fattore also said he looked forward to coming back this fall to meet the students who will be graduating in 2020.

Stanley is the youngest person to complete the EUSRT program. While in high school, she took as many free dual enrollment

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Pictured are the nine graduates of the EUSRT program hired by American Electrical Testing.



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classes at RichmondCC as she could and entered the associate degree program with many college credits already under her belt. She also came through the program debt free on the RichmondCC Guarantee, a two-year tuition free plan for qualifying high school graduates of Richmond and Scotland counties.

"I decided to go through the substation program because the power industry is booming and the jobs are in high demand, so you'll never be left looking for a job," Stanley said. "Also, it's a great quality program for just two years of school."

Stanley said she has "zero complaints" now that she is actually working in the utility industry.

"I work with two great leads at AET who are insanely smart at what they do and are great teachers. I am surprised at how much I know and yet surprised at how much I don't know," Stanley said. "But the substation program at RichmondCC provides a lot of hands-on learning, and it gave me a basic understanding of the power world. To anyone who is thinking about going through the program, I say do it. You won't regret it."

Thor Vang

RichmondCC EUSRT graduate Thor Vang was hired by TRC, an industry leader in delivering professional services for public, private and government clients. He is in training in Lancaster, Pa., until the end of August.

"I'm not sure where they'll send me next, but I'm willing to go as far as they'll send me," the



Dylan Carpenter and Thor Vang hold their college degrees after the graduation ceremony at RichmondCC. Dylan was among the nine hired by American Electrical Testing. Vang was hired by TRC.

Rowan County native said. "Going through the EUSRT program was an amazing experience and got me out of a slump in my life."

Vang had earned some college credits at the local community college in his hometown, but he was working and trying to earn some money to go back to school when his uncle told him about the substation program. His uncle, Teng Vang, works in the Information Technology department at RichmondCC.

"I fell in love with the program after the first year and began doing some research on my own to learn more about protection and control relays and electro-mechanical systems," Vang said.

Vang, whose parents came to the U.S. from Laos in the 1980s after the Vietnam War, is excited to begin this new chapter of his life, but he does hope to end up back in North Carolina at some point in his career.

Courtland Rush

Courtland Rush of Rockingham is one of the eight African-Amer-



Twenty-two companies attended Richmond Community College's Power the World Career Fair in March to meet with students looking to make a career in the utility industry. Students came dressed to impress and with resumes in hand. Several companies conducted interviews on site.

ican males who graduated from the EUSRT program this May and one of the three graduates to be hired by Power Grid Engineering, a utility services firm specializing in substation design, field testing and commissioning. Rush headed to Florida at the beginning of July for eight weeks of training. From there, he will travel up north and work as a relay technician in one of three states: Ohio, Indiana or Pennsylvania.

A graduate of Richmond Senior High School, Rush has spent the past three years trying to figure out a career for his life. He tried the military. He started studying to be a dental hygienist at Wake Tech. He came home to RichmondCC and started in the pre-pharmacy program. That's when the EUSRT program caught his attention.

"I saw the amount of money that could be made with a two-year degree, and I thought I could go from there and get a job and then get my bachelor's

degree," Rush said. "But I fell in love with the program after my first class. It really caught my interest. Even though math is not really my strong suit, the math in the program wasn't overwhelming, and I had a great math instructor at RichmondCC."

Rush is the first person in his immediate family to get a college degree.

"The substation program is a great program, and I talk about it to everyone. I encourage them to do it, but they have to have the motivation to do it," he said.

Currently Seeking Motivated Students

RichmondCC is now enrolling new students into the EUSRT program for the fall semester. Applications can be completed online at www.richmondcc.edu/admissions. There is no cost to apply. For more information or to visit RichmondCC's substation, contact Program Coordinator Brian Terry at (910) 410-1941 or email cbterry@richmondcc.edu.

Now accepting applications for Fall Semester! www.richmondcc.edu/admissions



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were offering carpentry classes that trained students for potential employment and personal enrichment, they approached us for a partnership in the Dobbins Heights community,” said Holly Russell, program director for RichmondCC’s Workforce & Economic Development division. “Habitat for Humanity needed skilled volunteers to safely and efficiently meet the community needs. RichmondCC is always looking for opportunities to partner with community organizations and industry, and this is just one example of a successful partnership.”

After completing the three instructional training classes, participants were armed with basic skills and concepts that allowed them to volunteer and complete needed tasks for their community and Habitat for Humanity.

Amie Fraley, executive director for Habitat for Humanity of the NC Sandhills, said the instructor for the class, Lloyd Leggett, is fantastic with the students.

“He is amazing and engages the students and volunteers in a safe, meaningful and educational way,” she said. “This class has been spectacular, and the partnership with RichmondCC is invaluable for this community. We hope this will be a template we can replicate in other distressed communities eager to revitalize



Richmond Community College has partnered with Habitat for Humanity to offer carpentry classes for volunteers who help build ramps for residents in the Dobbins Heights community. Participants learn basic carpentry skills and concepts that allow them to complete projects for Habitat for Humanity.

their neighborhood.”

Beginning in July, Habitat for Humanity and volunteers from the class are planning to build 12 ramps, one each month over the next year leading up to “Rock the Block” in June 2020. During this weekend, they will continue to finish repairs and celebrate all the accomplishments and community efforts.



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nursing programs for fall semester are at full capacity based on classroom and clinical sites, as designated by the State Board of Nursing.

“We are glad to be growing the enrollment of our nursing students while maintaining the high standards of the program to ensure we are preparing top quality nurses to enter a profession where nothing less than the best is expected,” said Janet Sims, Nursing Department chair at RichmondCC.

At the beginning of July, 100 percent of the 2019 ADN graduates who had taken the NCLEX standard exam had passed, earning the title “registered nurse.” Students completing the Practical Nursing (PN) program have also performed well on the NCLEX exam with 100 percent passage rate the past three years. The current class of PN students will be taking the NCLEX after graduating from the program this month.

Applications for entry into RichmondCC’s ADN and PN programs for Fall Semester 2020 are due Jan. 31. Students interested in one of these programs must apply by Jan. 31 to be part of the fall class that begins in August 2020. Applications can be found on the College’s website on its nursing program pages.

One requirement for entry into a nursing program is taking the Test of Essential Ac-



Graduates of Richmond Community College’s Associate Degree Nursing program celebrate on the steps of the Cole Auditorium prior to the Pinning Ceremony. The ADN Class of 2019 had 33 graduates. Of those who have taken the NCLEX standard exam (as of July 1), 100 percent have passed.

ademic Skills (TEAS). This assessment test measures basic essential skills in the area of reading, mathematics, science, English and language usage. Students must also have taken and successfully passed a Nurse Assistant class. RichmondCC has two options to obtain a Nursing Assistant certification: short-term workforce classes or through the pre-nursing curriculum program.

Cost for the TEAS exam is \$58 per each attempt. You can only test two times in one

calendar year. You must wait 60 days between each test attempt.

TEAS Test Prep

The College’s Academic Success Center is holding TEAS Test Workshops to help students prepare for the assessment test. Please check the College’s website and social media outlets for announcements about upcoming test prep workshops, as well as a schedule of TEAS testing dates in the fall.

10 weeks of training can lead to lifelong career as truck driver

Do you like to travel and see new places? If so, then sign up now to take truck driver training at Richmond Community College so you can begin exploring new horizons while making good money in a lasting career.

RichmondCC will hold a mandatory orientation for the fall truck driver course at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 12, on the College’s main campus in Hamlet. This orientation session is the first step for people who want to get enrolled in the training program and begin a career in the trucking industry.

The 10-week program will be held Sept. 30 through Dec. 12 with classes meeting from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The program provides two weeks of classroom lecture followed by many practice sessions behind the wheel. Upon completion of this course, students will take the final road test for their commercial driver’s license at RichmondCC’s training facility. Students will not have to go to the DMV.

To date, RichmondCC has graduated 50 truck drivers from four classes, and most of the students

had job offers before their graduation date. According to RichmondCC’s Career Coach, powered by EMSI, over the last year, 1,000 regional companies have posted 67,347 jobs for Heavy and Tractor Trailer Truck Drivers.

Cost of the training class is \$1,882, plus licensing and pre-requisite fees. The class is approved for veterans’ benefits, and payment plans and WIOA assistance are also available.

In order to qualify for the truck driver training program at RichmondCC, students must be at least 18 years old and have

a valid driver’s license with no limiting restrictions. Students must also be able to read and speak English well enough to take instructions from highway signs, converse with officials and complete the required reports. Completion of a physical and drug screening are also required prior to the first day of class.

To sign up or for more information about the next truck driver training course, call Workforce & Economic Development Program Director Holly Russell at (910) 410-1704 or email hjrussell@richmondcc.edu.



Fall Semester 2019

ACCOUNTING

ACC-115 College Accounting
 ACC-120 Prin. Of Financial Accounting
 ACC-121 Prin. Of Managerial Accounting
 ACC-129 Individual Income Taxes
 ACC-130 Business Income Taxes
 ACC-220 Intermediate Accounting I

AIR CONDITIONING/HVACR

AHR-110 Intro to Refrigeration
 AHR-111 HVACR Electricity
 AHR-113 Comfort Cooling
 AHR-115 Refrigeration Systems
 AHR-180 HVACR Customer Relations
 AHR-211 Residential Systems Design
 AHR-213 HVACR Building Code

ANTHROPOLOGY

ANT-220 Cultural Anthropology

ART

ART-111 Art Appreciation
 ART-115 Art History Survey II
 ART-121 Two Dimensional Design
 ART-131 Drawing I

ASTRONOMY

AST-111 Descriptive Astronomy

BIOLOGY

BIO-111 General Biology I
 BIO-112 General Biology II
 BIO-140 Environmental Biology
 BIO-163 Basic Anatomy & Physiology
 BIO-165 Anatomy and Physiology I
 BIO-166 Anatomy and Physiology II
 BIO-275 Microbiology

BLUEPRINT READING

BPR-111 Print Reading
 BPR-121 Blueprint Reading

BUSINESS

BUS-110 Introduction to Business
 BUS-115 Business Law I
 BUS-121 Business Math
 BUS-125 Personal Finance
 BUS-137 Principles of Management
 BUS-139 Entrepreneurship
 BUS-153 Human Resource Management
 BUS-230 Small Business Management

CHEMISTRY

CHM-151 General Chemistry I
 CHM-251 Organic Chemistry I

COLLEGE SUCCESS

ACA-122 College Transfer Success

COMMUNICATIONS

COM-231 Public Speaking

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY

CIS-110 Introduction to Computers
 CIS-115 Intro to Prog & Logic
 CSC-151 Java Programming
 CTI-110 Web, Pgm, & DB Foundation
 CTI-120 Network & Sec Foundation
 CTS-120 Hardware/Software Support
 CTS-130 Spreadsheet
 CTS-155 Tech Support Functions
 CTS-220 Adv Hard/Software Support
 DBA-110 Database Concepts
 NOS-120 Linux/UNIX Single User
 NOS-130 Windows Admin I

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

CJC-111 Introduction to Criminal Justice
 CJC-113 Juvenile Justice
 CJC-131 Criminal Law
 CJC-132 Court Procedure & Evidence
 CJC-141 Corrections
 CJC-160 Terrorism: Underlying Issues
 CJC-221 Investigative Principles
 CJC-231 Constitutional Law

CYBER SECURITY

SEC-160 Security Administration I

DRAFTING/DESIGN

DFT-151 CAD I
 DFT-153 CAD III
 MEC-111 Machine Processes
 MEC-130 Mechanisms
 MEC-161 Manufacturing Process I

DIALYSIS TECHNOLOGY

DIA-101 Intro to Dialysis

DRAMA

DRA-111 Theatre Appreciation

ECONOMICS

ECO-251 Prin. Of Microeconomics
 ECO-252 Prin. Of Macroeconomics

EDUCATION

EDU-119 Introduction to Early Childhood
 EDU-131 Child, Family, and Community
 EDU-144 Child Development I
 EDU-145 Child Development II

EDU-154 Social/Emotional/Behavioral Dev.

EDU-163 Classroom Mgmt. and Instruction

EDU-221 Children with Exceptionalities

EDU-223 Specific Learning Disabilities

EDU-247 Sensory and Physical Disabilities

EDU-248 Developmental Delays

EDU-280 Language and Literacy Experiences

EDU-284 Early Childhood Capstone Prac.

ELECTRICAL

ELC-112 DC/AC Electricity

ELC-114 Commercial Wiring

ELC-118 National Electrical Code

ELC-119 NEC Calculations

ELC-120 Intro to Wiring

ELC-131 Circuit Analysis I

ELC-220 Photovoltaic System Tech

ELECTRIC UTILITY SUBSTATION

EUS-110 Intro to Electric Utility Industry

EUS-215 Large High Voltage Power Transf. II

EUS-225 Electric Utility Safety and Human Prfm.

EUS-230 Electric Utility Protective Relaying I

EUS-240 Substation Ancillary Systems

ELECTRONICS

ELN-132 Analog Electronics II

ELN-229 Industrial Electronics

ELN-232 Intro to Microprocessors

ELN-260 Programmable Logic Controllers

ENGINEERING

EGR-250 Statics and Strength of Materials

ENGLISH

ENG-102 Applied Communications II

ENG-111 Writing and Inquiry

ENG-112 Writing/Research in the Disc

ENG-125 Creative Writing I

ENG-232 American Literature II

ENG-242 British Literature II

GEOLOGY

GEL-111 Geology

GOVERNMENT

POL-120 American Government

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 TO FALL COURSE
 SCHEDULES





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HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT

HMT-110 Intro. To Healthcare Mgmt.
HMT-210 Medical Insurance
HMT-211 Long Term Care Administration

HISTORY

HIS-131 American History I
HIS-132 American History II

HUMAN SERVICES

HEA-120 Community Health
HSE-110 Intro to Human Services
HSE-112 Group Processes
HSE-123 Interviewing Techniques
HSE-125 Counseling
HSE-225 Crisis Intervention
HSE-227 Children and Adolescents in Crisis
HSE-251 Activities Planning
SAB-110 Substance Abuse Overview
SAB-120 Intake and Assessment
SAB-135 Addictive Processes
SWK-110 Intro to Social Work
SWK-113 Working With Diversity
SWK-115 Community Resources
SWK-214 Social Work Law

INDUSTRIAL MAINTENANCE

HYD-110 Hydraulics/Pneumatics I
HYD-180 Fluid Power in Automation
ISC-132 Manufacturing Quality Control
MNT-230 Pumps and Piping Systems

MACHINING

MAC-111 Machining Technology I
MAC-112 Machining Technology II

MARKETING

MKT-120 Principles of Marketing
MKT-227 Marketing Applications

MATH

MAT-110 Math Measurement and Literacy
MAT-143 Quantitative Literacy
MAT-152 Statistical Methods
MAT-171 Precalculus Algebra
MAT-172 Precalculus Trigonometry
MAT-271 Calculus I
MAT-273 Calculus III

MEDICAL ASSISTING

MED-110 Orientation to Medical Assisting
MED-114 Prof. Interactions in Health Care

MED-118 Medical Law and Ethics

MED-121 Medical Terminology I
MED-122 Medical Terminology II
MED-130 Administrative Office Procedures I
MED-150 Laboratory Procedures
MED-270 Symptomatology
MED-272 Drug Therapy

MUSIC

MUS-110 Music Appreciation
MUS-112 Intro to Jazz
MUS-131 Chorus I

NURSING

NAS-101 Nursing Assistant I
NUR-101 Practical Nursing I
NUR-111 Intro to Health Concepts
NUR-211 Health Care Concepts
NUR-212 Health Systems Concepts

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

OST-131 Keyboarding
OST-137 Office Applications I
OST-184 Records Management
OST-236 Advanced Word Processing

PHILOSOPHY

PHI-215 Philosophical Issues
PHI-240 Intro to Ethics

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PED-110 Fit and Well for Life
PED-174 Wilderness Pursuits
PED-219 Disc Golf

PHYSICS

PHY-110 Conceptual Physics
PHY-151 College Physics I

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

PMT-110 Intro to Project Management

PSYCHOLOGY

PSY-150 General Psychology
PSY-241 Developmental Psychology
PSY-281 Abnormal Psychology

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

PAD-151 Intro. To Public Admin.
PAD-152 Ethics in Government

RELIGION

REL-110 World Religion
REL-211 Intro to Old Testament
REL-212 Intro to New Testament

SOCIOLOGY

SOC-210 Introduction to Sociology
SOC-213 Sociology of the Family
SOC-220 Social Problems

SPANISH

SPA-111 Elementary Spanish I
SPA-112 Elementary Spanish II
SPA-211 Intermediate Spanish I

WEB DEVELOPMENT

WEB-141 Mobile Interface Design

WELDING

WLD-110 Cutting Processes
WLD-112 Basic Welding Processes
WLD-115 SMAW (Stick) Plate
WLD-141 Symbols and Specifications

COLLEGE ADMISSION CHECKLIST

1. Complete the Residency Application
<https://ncresidency.cfnc.org/residencyInfo/>
2. Complete the Admissions Application
<http://richmondcc.edu/admissions/how-apply>
3. Submit your official high school/college transcripts.
4. Apply for Financial Aid
<https://fafsa.gov/>
5. Speak with an admissions counselor to see if you need to take a placement test.
(910) 410-1730
 (Hamlet - Main Campus)
(910) 410-1831
 (Laurinburg - Honeycutt Center)
6. Register for classes.





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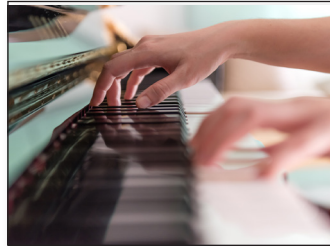
Classes for Personal Enrichment & Workforce Advancement

CONTACT FOR THE FOLLOWING CLASSES

Angineek Gillenwater, WED Programming Director
(910) 410-1848 | ajgillenwater@richmondcc.edu

Keys to Learning the Piano | Aug. 6 – Sept. 26 | 6 to 7:30 p.m. | Cost \$75 | Main Campus, Hamlet

Learn to play the piano from a Juilliard trained instructor. In this class, you will learn the basics to playing the piano and be able to play a song by the end of your first lesson. There are 16 lessons on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



NCCER HVAC Level 2 | Aug. 6 – Feb. 8 | 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. | Cost \$180 | Honeycutt Center, Laurinburg

Already have your NCCER HVAC Level 1 credential? Continue advancing your NCCER credentials with this HVAC Level 2 course. Course topics include hardwire and wiring terminations; control circuit; troubleshooting motors; cooling; heat pumps, gas heating, oil heating and accessories; zoning and more.

Yoga Warrior Wednesdays | Aug. 7 – Dec. 18 | 5:50 to 6:30 p.m. | Cost \$70 | Main Campus, Hamlet



This class introduces students to the physical practices of yoga. The class will also focus on mindful breathing practices and awareness meditation. Gaining a better understanding of how to safely and effectively practice yoga, students will break down the anatomy and alignment of postures.

Income Maintenance Caseworker | \$125 per class

These courses cover the skills and strategies needed for a career in Human Services, with an emphasis on employment with the N.C. Department of Social Services (DSS). Students will continue their study and practice with NCFAS, a software program used throughout the departments of Health and Human Services and departments of Social Services. Phase 1 classes begin Aug. 12 in Scotland County and Aug. 13 in Richmond County.

Solar Energy Systems Technology | Aug. 15 – Dec. 12 | 2:45 to 5 p.m. | Cost \$180 | Main Campus, Hamlet

The course introduces students to concepts, tools, techniques and materials needed to understand solar energy systems. This class will provide information on solar energy and solar panels and how people can leave a smaller footprint.

Transformer Concepts | Aug. 26-30 | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Cost \$199 | Main Campus, Hamlet

This course will provide instruction on the basic transformer concepts. Class will be held at the lineman yard on Main Campus.

NCCER Plumbing Level 2 | Sept. 5 – Feb. 13 | 6 to 9 p.m. | Cost \$180 | Scotland High School, Laurinburg

For those who have completed NCCER Plumbing Level 1, continue advancing your NCCER credentials in the Plumbing Level 2 class. Course topics include plumbing math II, reading commercial drawings, structural penetrations, insulation, fire stopping, installing and testing DWV piping and more.

Medical Billing & Coding Specialist | Sept. 9 – Feb. 5 | Cost \$180 | Online Course

Working on the business side of medicine, medical billing and coding specialists are responsible for converting medical procedures, diagnoses and symptoms information codes, conveying critical information so that physicians' offices, hospitals and other medical facilities can submit insurance claims for reimbursement. This is an online course that takes less than five months to complete.

NCCER Electrical Level 2 | Sept. 10 – Feb. 6 | 6 – 9 p.m. | Cost \$180 | Scotland High School, Laurinburg

Building upon knowledge and skills gained in NCCER Electrical Level 1, you will continue to learn more about the electrical trade and gain additional national credentials. Upon completion, you will receive the NCCER Electrical Level 2 certification.



Forklift Operator Certification | Oct. 19 | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Cost \$70

This Saturday course will combine classroom instruction and hands-on driving practice to provide you with the knowledge and skills to operate a forklift safely and professionally.

CONTACT FOR THE FOLLOWING CLASSES

Holly Russell, WED Programming Director
(910) 410-1704 | hjrussell@richmondcc.edu

Truck Driver Training | Sept. 30 – Dec. 12 | Main Campus, Hamlet | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Cost \$1,882 plus other fees



This course is designed to prepare students for a career as a truck driver. In order to qualify for the class, students must be at least 18 years old and have a valid driver's license with no limiting restrictions. Students must also be able to read and speak English well enough to take instructions from highway signs, converse with officials

and complete the required reports. *See page 5 for more information about this class.*



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Notary Public | Aug. 10 | 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Main Campus, Hamlet | Cost \$70, fee does not include book

This one-day course provides instruction to those who want to become commissioned as a notary public. Upon completion of this course with a passing exam grade of 80 percent, a person is eligible to apply with the N.C. Secretary of State Office. Courses are offered monthly.

Basic Welding Processes – Day Class | Aug. 15 – Dec. 12 | 8:25 – 10:25 a.m. | Cost \$180 | Main Campus, Hamlet

This welding class will cover basic welding and cutting. Upon completion, students should be able to set up welding and oxyfuel equipment and perform welding, brazing and soldering processes.



CONTACT FOR THE FOLLOWING CLASSES

Heather Wyatt, WED Coordinator
(910) 410-1707 | hlwyatt@richmondcc.edu

Advanced EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) | Aug. 5

Gain skills for a career as an advanced emergency medical technician (AEMT). This course will prepare you for certification as an AEMT. You will learn life support, basic patient care and emergency response methods. *Class is held on a rotating schedule. The instructor will inform the class of the schedule at the first class meeting held at the James Building, Hamlet.*

Crisis Intervention Team Training | Oct. 14-18 | 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Cole Auditorium, Hamlet

Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training is a joint effort between Sandhills Center, law enforcement, local National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) chapters, service providers, and the community college system, which offers CIT training in addition to the basic law enforcement curriculum. CIT is a rigorous 40-hour curriculum that involves classroom training, site visits and role-playing, among other valuable learning techniques.

ALIVE at 25: The Safety and Health Council of N.C. has recognized RichmondCC as a National Safety Council Public Training Agency accredited to offer defensive driving courses to the public. "Alive at 25" is a program designed for those ages 16 to 24 who have received traffic violations in Richmond County. Next class will be **Aug. 8 from 5 to 9 p.m.** on Main Campus, Hamlet. Call (910) 410-1706 for additional information. Payment must be received in full prior to class.

RICHMOND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Small Business Center

Nonprofit 101 | Aug. 27 | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Cole Auditorium, Hamlet | FREE!

This workshop will offer a comprehensive checklist of things that must be done in the first three years to lay a foundation for starting a successful nonprofit organization. Participants will walk away with resources to ensure that their organization is in compliance with state and/or federal laws.

Fundraising Fundamentals for Successful Non-Profits | Aug. 27 | 1 – 4 p.m. | Cole Auditorium, Hamlet | FREE!
Nonprofit organizations must diversify their funding streams or risk closing the doors when that "one source" dries up. This workshop is a game changer for board members or staff members who are ready to develop the new, diverse funding streams needed to sustain and grow an organization.

Proactive Grant Writing | Aug. 28 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. | Honeycutt Center, Laurinburg | FREE!

This seminar reviews the questions non-profits need to answer prior to searching and applying for grant funds. It also outlines the seven basic elements of most proposals, and participants will learn how to match their needs to funder priorities.

Proactive Grant Research - Capitalize on Your Time and Energy | Aug. 28 from 1 to 4 p.m. | Honeycutt Center, Laurinburg | FREE!

This workshop is designed to help non-profit organizations learn how to conduct successful grant research to locate funders whose priorities match their needs. Topics will include locating available grants on the local, state and government levels and navigating organizational websites to locate funding opportunities, grant databases and other resources.

The Best Small Business to Start in 2020 | Sept. 24 | 6 – 9 p.m. | Cole Auditorium, Hamlet | FREE

This seminar will focus on how to turn your skills or hobbies into a small business that fits you. The program will list more than 30 types of businesses with growth potential and how to spot high-potential businesses.

REGISTER TODAY FOR A FREE SEMINAR!
Small Business Center Director Butch Farrah
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Growing co-admission plans save college-bound students more money

With admission to local universities becoming increasingly challenging and the cost of a four-year degree becoming increasingly expensive, Richmond Community College is doing its part to make it easier and more cost efficient for students to achieve their academic goals by partnering with local universities to offer co-admission.



Co-admission allows students to benefit from the best of the university and community college experiences, as students are considered enrolled at both institutions simultaneously. Co-admission allows students to take advantage of RichmondCC's small class sizes, free tutoring and individualized attention, while also taking advantage of certain perks associated with being a student of a larger university. Credits earned at RichmondCC are also guaranteed to transfer to the four-year destination school.

RichmondCC already offers co-admission at four universities – Fayetteville State University, UNC Greensboro, UNC Pembroke and UNC Wilmington. Agreements are also in the works with other four-year institutions.

RichmondCC's "out-of-pocket" expense of \$10,000. This out-of-pocket cost includes the money spent obtaining an associate degree at RichmondCC. Therefore, for a complete bachelor's degree a student will spend a total of \$10,000.

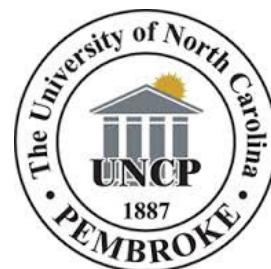


To qualify for this pathway, students must enroll in one of 10 specified online degree programs at Fayetteville State: Accounting, Birth to Kindergarten, Business Administration, Criminal Justice, Fire and Emergency Service Administration, Intelligence Studies, Nursing (RN-BSN), Professional Studies, Psychology or Sociology. Students who plan to enroll must complete an Intent to Enroll form three months in advance of anticipated enrollment at FSU. The application fee will be waived for RichmondCC students.



Spartan Passage – UNCG
The Spartan Passage is a partnership with UNC Greensboro

that allows students to complete their bachelor's or accelerated master's degree. As a co-admissions student, students can enjoy access to UNCG on-campus resources such as the library and Kaplan Center for Wellness. Additionally, students who complete an online interest form will receive an application fee waiver, scholarship opportunities, and federal financial aid disbursements.



BraveStep – UNCP
BraveStep creates a pathway for prospective UNC Pembroke students to begin their college career at RichmondCC and transfer to UNCP after completing 30 credit hours. BraveStep students will be members of UNCP BraveNation from day one. They will have a UNCP student ID and access to all campus resources, programming and admission to athletic events and Givens Performing Arts Center events. BraveStep students will receive

academic advising from both institutions through a collaborative model designed to provide support and guidance every step of the way.



Pathway to Excellence – UNCW

The Pathway to Excellence program guarantees admission to UNC Wilmington for students completing an Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, or Associate of Engineering with a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale) in transferable college-level coursework.

UNCW provides a Transfer Student Success Advisor to meet with students at RichmondCC at intervals throughout each semester, working in collaboration with RichmondCC advising staff to help students create a path of transfer and beyond. An annual Open House and application event is also held that provides application fee waivers for students who apply with a letter of intent through the Pathway to Excellence program.

\$10K Degree Pathway – FSU

As part of a partnership between Fayetteville State University and RichmondCC, associate degree recipients can complete an online bachelor's degree at FSU for a maximum "out-of-

TO LEARN MORE about these and other great partnerships available through Richmond Community College, please contact the Career and Transfer Center at (910) 410-1830 or go to www.richmondcc.edu/transfer



Final curtain call for DeWitt Series

Series to go out with a bang and usher in new era of shows at Cole

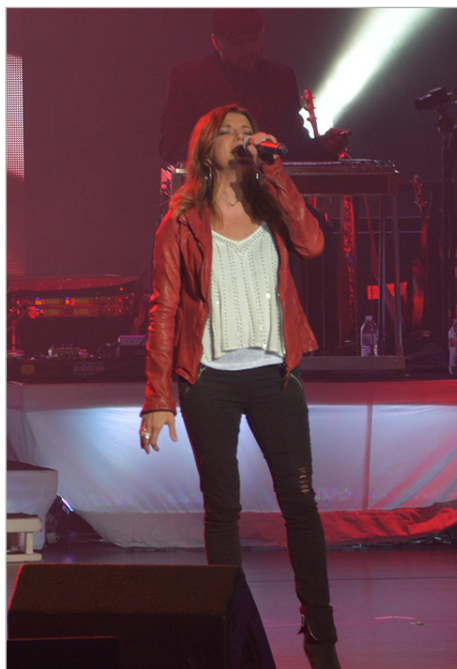
The DeWitt Performing Arts Series will start its final season of shows at the Cole Auditorium this fall, going out with a bang with a Broadway musical and a tribute to Ray Charles.

For 17 years, the DeWitt Series has brought many headlining acts to Richmond County, and Cole Director Joey Bennett said this season would be no different.

“We are excited about this ‘finale’ season for the DeWitt Series because we want to make it the best one yet as we close the curtain on this series and usher in new ones,” Bennett said. “We will be adding an additional show to the traditionally six-show series, so we encourage people to get season tickets and not miss a single show.”

Show dates and titles will be announced later this summer.

The DeWitt Performing Arts Series was established in 2002 with an endowment from the family of Carrie DeWitt. It has brought a variety of shows and performers to the stage of the Cole Auditorium, entertaining thousands of people of all ages over the years. Some of those acts included Martina McBride, Kellie Pickler, the Beach Boys, Collin Raye, Debbie Boone, Peter Noone and Herman’s Hermits, David Cassidy, Shirley Jones, Delbert McClinton,



The Cole Auditorium has hosted some big name acts over the years, including Martina McBride as part of the DeWitt Performing Arts Series in 2017 and Scotty McCreery as part of the Fidelity Bank Classic Rock ‘N Country Music Series earlier this year.

and Tom Wopat and John Schneider in “Return of the Dukes.”

Some of the most popular performances of the DeWitt Series have included musicals such as “Show Boat” and “Annie” and iconic shows such as “Holiday Spectacular on Ice” and “The Nutcracker.”

“We are thankful for the Dewitt family’s vision behind the generous trust that funded the series for the past 17 years,” said Dr. Dale McInnis, College president.

Last year, the Cole Auditorium partnered with Fidelity Bank to introduce a new series of shows, the Classic Rock ‘N Country Music Series, which brought in country music stars Scotty McCreery and Craig Morgan. Bennett said



this series would return in the fall with acts that will be just as entertaining as last season.

“The Classic Rock ‘N Country Music Series was a huge hit, and it appealed to a new fan base, allowing new people to experience our intimate show setting at the Cole,” Bennett said. “As we like to say, every seat in the Cole Auditorium is the best seat in the house.”

Bennett encouraged season tickets holders from both series to renew their tickets as soon as renewal information is mailed out and show titles and dates are announced. The Director’s Circle and VIP Club memberships will be available for both series for those who want to enjoy a reception before each show and oppor-

Ticket Information

Season ticket holders from 2018-2019 are being given first opportunity to renew the seats they had for the past season. Ticket renewal packets will be mailed out soon, followed by an automated phone call to ticket holders from last season. Cole staff members are currently taking requests from those interested in purchasing season tickets who didn’t purchase last year. Those requests are fulfilled in the order in which they are received.

Although individual show tickets may be available, purchasing season tickets affords patrons a large cost savings and guarantees seats for the shows.

Individual ticket prices range from \$35 to \$50, depending on seating section.

Call the box office at (910) 410-1691. Information is also available at www.richmondcc.edu/about-us/cole-auditorium.

Watch our social media outlets for show announcements!

tunities to meet performers. Season tickets will now be included in those membership fees.

“Season tickets have traditionally been a separate cost from membership in the Director’s Circle, so we are excited to provide this cost-saving feature to those who have supported the DeWitt Series all these years,” Bennett said. “We also hope this will encourage membership in the VIP Club for the Classic Rock ‘N Country series.”



Richmond Community College will once again be honoring veterans this fall with an Our Heroes’ Tree® program.

Thursday, Sept. 26 | 10 a.m. | Cole Auditorium



To Learn More:

www.richmondcc.edu/heroestree



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YOUR COLLEGE CALENDAR

July 29

Registration for Fall Semester from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Come schedule your classes for fall!

Aug. 5 & 6

Final registration for Fall Semester from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Aug. 15

Fall semester begins.

Aug. 15

Electric Lineman graduation ceremony at 9 a.m. at the Cole Auditorium

Aug. 19

Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) graduation ceremony at 6 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium

Aug. 27

Small Business Center seminar for nonprofit organizations from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. Topics range from starting a nonprofit to diversifying funding streams. For more details, call (910) 410-1687.

Sept. 2

College closed for Labor Day Holiday

Sept. 11

United Way "Day of Caring Kickoff" and Avenue of Agencies displays at the Cole Auditorium. For more details, contact Michelle Parrish at (910) 206-2909.

Sept. 24

Small Business Center seminar: "The Best Business to Start in 2020" from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium. For more details, call (910) 410-1687.

Sept. 26

Our Heroes Tree Program at 10:30 a.m. at the Cole Auditorium

Oct. 1

FAFSA form for next school year becomes available.

Oct. 3

Pee Dee Electric Cooperative Annual Membership meeting from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Cole Auditorium

Oct. 8

4th Annual Clay Shooting Classic at DeWitt's Outdoor Sports in Ellerbe. Registration and lunch begins at 11:30 a.m. Shooting begins at 12:45 p.m. For more information, call (910) 410-1807 or (910) 410-1808.

Oct. 19

2nd Annual Alzheimer's Walk sponsored by Richmond County

Dementia Capable Action Team starting at 10 a.m.

Oct. 11-14

Fall Break for students

Oct. 21

Registration opens for Spring Semester 2020.

Oct. 23

Richmond Community College Convocation at 10 a.m. Outstanding Alumni of the Year to be recognized.

Oct. 30

Trick or Treat on the Trail from 5 to 7 p.m. on the Mary Ellen Kindley Trail on the main campus of RichmondCC. This is a safe family outing with games, candy, food, hay rides and outdoor movie. General public can attend as the guest of RichmondCC students or staff.



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- Nominee must have significant community service/leadership and/or professional accomplishments.
- Nominee must be present at award ceremony.
- Current faculty and staff of Richmond Community College are not eligible to receive this award.

Complete nominations online:
www.richmondcc.edu/alumniaward

Nominations will be accepted through midnight Aug. 30.



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