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Save the Date! ASUT Student Recognition Night Set for Thursday, May 5



The stars will shine at 7:00 p.m. on **Thursday, May 5, 2011**, when the Arts, Sciences, and University Transfer department will recognize student accomplishments for the year. "We take great joy in celebrating the achievements of the students who have completed the AA or AS degree and those who have been accepted at some of the best universities in the country," said Dr. Thomas Gould, dean of Arts, Sciences, and University Transfer. Student Recognition Night also serves as a chance for the department to bestow awards and honors upon its best and brightest. The event will take place in the **Educational Resources Center** auditorium.

This year, the speaker for the event will be District Court Judge **Michael Denning** (Wake County, 10th District). Judge Denning graduated with an associate's degree from Durham Tech before earning his bachelor's degree from UNC-Chapel Hill and J.D. from Campbell University Law School.

All students who will graduate in May with the Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, or Associate in General Education degree, those completing the Transfer Core Diploma, and those transferring to a four-year school in the fall are encouraged to attend. Family members and other supporters are welcome to attend both the ceremony and the reception that follows. Please contact Brenda Cleary in Phillips 313 and let her know where you've been accepted, so we can recognize your accomplishment!

Durham Tech and Campbell University Sign Articulation Agreement

Campbell University and Durham Technical Community College have announced a new partnership that streamlines the process for Durham Tech associate degree graduates to transfer to Campbell University bachelor degree programs.



Presidents Jerry Wallace of Campbell and Bill Ingram of Durham Tech signed the agreement at Durham Tech's main campus on Thursday, March 3, 2011. The new partnership, **Campbell-Durham Tech Transfer Opportunity Program, or TOP**, will expand educational opportunities for community college students. Campbell University is located in Buies Creek, North Carolina.

Components of the agreement include the following:

- If a Durham Tech student completes an Associate in Arts (AA) or Associate in Science (AS) degree program with a GPA of 2.0 or greater, Campbell will guarantee admission and seamless acceptance into the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, or Bachelor of Business Administration degree programs. This is in accordance with the NC Comprehensive Articulation Agreement (CAA).
- Campbell will waive the application fee for Durham Tech graduates who meet the requirements for admission.
- Durham Tech students will be allowed to take courses at Campbell

toward the completion of their associate's degree. (Students will be responsible for the tuition and fees for the Campbell courses.)

- Durham Tech graduates will be eligible to participate in the full range of academic programs and honors programs at Campbell.

Durham Tech Library Receives Nord Collection

Last month, Durham Tech's library was the beneficiary of a large donation of books and audiovisual materials from the library of Warren Nord, who died of Leukemia in June 2010. Nord was the founder of the Program for Humanities at UNC-Chapel Hill, out of which grew the Adventures in Ideas seminar series that many Durham Tech faculty have attended for professional development. After Nord's death, his widow, Nancy Ehle, contacted Irene Laube, Assistant Dean of Durham Tech's library, and expressed the couple's desire that Durham Tech have the books in Nord's personal library for our collection, especially for our Orange County Campus library.

Nord was an avid reader, thinker, and teacher who specialized in the philosophy of religion and education, but his interests reached far beyond that. The collection includes books on ethics, economics, political science, history, logic, world religions, theology, education, global cultures and civilizations, and art, as well as many classic works of fiction. The librarians are busy cataloguing the more than 1,100 hardbacks, paperbacks, and videos to make them available for use as soon as possible.

"It is a remarkably generous gift," said Laube, "one that will keep Warren Nord's spirit alive by continuing to nurture thoughts and conversations about the humanities among students, staff, and faculty."

Visit the Virtual Transfer Center
at www.durhamtech.edu/transfer

Need A Schedule? Check Out the Open Class List

Before meeting with your assigned advisor, University Transfer students should always create a schedule of desired courses, using their Plan of Study and Pre-Major or Study Track. For summer semester advising, students can use the Open Class List, a unique tool to help develop a potential course schedule. Students connect to the Open Class List from the Virtual Transfer Center website.

The Open Class List allows University Transfer students to review courses offered in a particular semester. By hovering over course abbreviations on the computer screen, students quickly learn a course's full name, a course's credit hours, and a course's prerequisites and corequisites. The sections of the course offered for a particular semester are also provided. Hovering over a particular section number allows you to learn the course instructor's name (if known); the course dates; the course availability; and the day, time, and location of the course. This function enables you to select a course appropriate for your particular needs. Once a course is selected, the system automatically creates a course list at the bottom of the screen, developing a potential semester schedule. When all necessary courses are selected, you can print multiple copies of the course list.

For step-by-step instructions on using the Open Class List, visit <http://www.durhamtech.edu/transfer/StudentGuideOpenClassList.pdf>. Use this helpful tool right now to establish your schedule *before* seeing your advisor!

Public Health Education Study Track Affirmed

Durham Tech recently added a new Associate in Arts Study Track for Public Health Education at **North Carolina Central University (NCCU)**. Representatives from Durham Tech's Arts, Sciences, and University Transfer

department worked out the agreement with the Dr. David H. Jolley, chair of NCCU's department of public health education. "I hope it will serve as a model for agreements with other schools and help us attract more strong candidates for our program and the profession of public health education," said Jolley.

Spahr Wins NCMATYC Mathematics Excellence Award



Congratulations to Lee Ann Spahr, Assistant Dean, Associate in Science Program and Chair of ASUT's Mathematics Discipline, for being awarded the Mathematics Excellence Award at this year's NCMATYC (North Carolina Mathematics Association of Two-Year Colleges) Conference. The prestigious award recognizes a mathematics educator who has gained a statewide reputation for leadership and activities in professional organizations and conferences and has used her/his teaching expertise to contribute to the overall state of mathematics and/or mathematics education in North Carolina. We are very proud of Ms. Spahr. Stop by and tell her "Congrats!"

Below is a photo of Durham Tech students participating in a mathematics competition at NCMATYC during spring break. Two Durham Tech



students were awarded second and third place honors: Patrick McCarthy received 2nd place, and Shogo Kimura received 3rd place in the Calculus Competition.

Mark Your Calendars!

Monday, April 11

WebAdvisor is open for students who have already seen an advisor and have had their advising restrictions lifted. Open dates vary based on the number of completed credit hours a student has.

Monday, May 16

Summer classes begin!

ASUT Information Session at Orange County Campus was a Huge Success

Approximately 70 prospective students and their parents learned more



about Durham Tech's University Transfer program

at the Orange County Campus during an information session held at that campus on February 26. Student Development and Support personnel spoke to visitors about the enrollment steps, the financial aid



process, and the advising and curriculum opportunities at Durham Tech. Several current Durham Tech students and University Transfer graduates answered questions about the college's Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degree programs. University Transfer faculty were on hand to answer questions as well. For more information about the Orange County Campus, see www.durhamtech.edu/orange.

Find out more at the Virtual Transfer Center web page at www.durhamtech.edu/transfer/
