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Campus Recruiters Visit Durham Tech

Students interested in learning more about undergraduate transfer admission, financial aid, and student services at any of the following schools are encouraged to stop by and visit with recruiters and admissions officers who will be visiting Durham Tech's campus. Visit the links on the Virtual Transfer Center page at www.durhamtech.edu/transfer for information on these and other four-year institutions.

Meredith College ("Wednesdays with Meredith") Ashley Cohen, Admissions Counselor Collins Building Foyer, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. March 20, April 17

North Carolina Wesleyan College

Collins Building Foyer
Thursday, March 14 (11 a.m.-3 p.m.); Weds.,
March 20 (11 a.m. - 3 p.m.); Thursday, March 28
(11 a.m. - 3 p.m.)

Winston Salem State University

Collins Building Foyer, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Monday, March 4; Monday, April 1; Monday, April 24

NC A & T

Collins Building Foyer, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Monday, March 11, April 8

East Carolina University

Collins Building Foyer 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Wednesday, March 13

North Carolina State University (NCSU)

Roger Sims, Admissions Counselor Phillips Building, room 303, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Thursday, March 14; Wednesday, April 10

Also coming are The Art Institute (February 28, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.), Grand Canyon University (February 26, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.) and Mount Olive College (February 27, 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.)

NC Poet Laureate Visits Durham Tech Campus, Classes, Clubs



North Carolina Poet Laureate Joseph Bathanti visited the main campus of Durham Tech on Tuesday, February 12,

2013 for a reading, class visitations, and conversation with the Final Draft Literary Club. Mr. Bathanti's visit was presented by the English and Communications Discipline's Poetry Hour and the Vive/Viva the Arts program at Durham Tech, with financial support from the Durham Tech Foundation.

Mr. Bathanti was appointed to be an ambassador for North Carolina literature by Governor Bev Perdue on September 20, 2012. His term in the position, which is sponsored by the North Carolina Arts Council, is two years. Mr. Bathanti is a professor of creative writing at Appalachian State University, but he spent many years as an instructor of English and creative writing at North Carolina Community Colleges, including Mitchell Community College. He came to North Carolina from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, through VISTA (Volunteers in Service to



Joseph Bathanti discusses the writing process with members of the Final Draft and an ENG 113 class

America) after graduating with an M.A. in English. He worked on literacy projects in the prison system in his VISTA position. Mr. Bathanti earned a Master of Fine Arts (MFA) degree in creative writing from Warren Wilson College in North Carolina.

Many of Mr. Bathanti's poems and short stories are based on memories of growing up in an Italian-American, Catholic, working-class family and community. Students enjoyed his down-to-earth readings and the warmth with which he welcomed their questions. One student said, "I was pleasantly surprised by him. I expected the poet laureate to be more formal and, to be honest, boring. But Mr. Bathanti was engaging and real." Another mentioned she had never read his poetry before but was happy to be exposed to it because the themes were universal and moving.

Mr. Bathanti said he enjoyed his afternoon at Durham Tech, saying he appreciated the "wonderful, engaged, and warm audiences." He congratulated Durham Tech for "all [we] have going in the arts and humanities...Wow!" – and he said he hopes to be back again during his two-year tenure as poet laureate.

ECU Scholarships: March1 Deadline!

ECU has more Transfer Scholarships available for the 2013-2014 academic year than ever before! These one-time scholarships, ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,500, will be awarded to transfer students with demonstrated potential for academic success. Apply to ECU by March 1st and submit the scholarship application by March 15th. Scholarship applications can be found on the transfer page at www.ecu.edu/admissions.



Duke's Muslim Chaplain Kicks off Muslim Journeys Bookshelf Grant and Year of Programs



(Above: Duke University's Muslim
Chaplain introduced the Muslim Journeys
Bookshelf Collection series, during a talk on
DTCC's campus February 5. The following
article is reprinted from the February issue of
The Insider, Durham Tech's internal
newsletter.)

Durham Tech's library will host several programs this spring featuring resources in the *Bridging Cultures Bookshelf: Muslim Journeys* collection funded by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the American Library Association (ALA). The series is free and open to all – DTCC faculty, staff, and students as well as local residents and their families.

The series kicked off on February 5 with a talk by Duke University's Muslim Chaplain Imam Abdullah Antepli. Antepli spoke in the Educational Resources Auditorium (ERC) about Muslim culture in America. The next event, a presentation and discussion of the film "Prince Among slaves," was held February 13, also in the ERC auditorium. A poetry hour was held February 21 and featured a collection by Reynold A. Nicholson entitled "Rumi: Poet and Mystic."

Book readings and discussions will be held February 27, March 27, and

April 24. Check the DTCC calendar at www.durhamtech.edu/calendar.htm
for times and locations. A limited number of copies of books in the Muslim Journeys collection are available in the DTCC library. A second series of events will take place this fall.

The library at Durham Tech is one of 840 libraries and state humanities councils nationwide receiving the Bookshelf and hosting programs for public audiences featuring the materials. This program aims to familiarize public audiences in the United States with the people, places, history, faith, and cultures of Muslims in the United States and around the world. Irene Laube, assistant dean, DTCC Library, says, "We are pleased to add these books and films to our library collection and look forward to presenting programs on the people, places, history, faith, and cultures of Muslims in an effort to bridge cultures."

Bridging Cultures Bookshelf: Muslim Journeys is a project of the National Endowment for the Humanities, conducted in cooperation with the American Library Association. Major support for the Muslim Journeys Bookshelf was provided by a grant from Carnegie Corporation of New York. Additional support for the arts and media components was provided by the Doris Duke Foundation for Islamic Art.



Upcoming ASUT Events

Poetry Hour: Debra Kaufman and Richard Krawiec from Jacar Press will read from their new poetry anthology "...and love" at the Poetry Hour on Thursday, March 14, 2013, from 11 a.m. to noon in the Phillips Building, room 325.

Science Seminar Series: On Wednesday, March 20, Yaroslava G. Yingling, Ph.D., from the Materials Science and Engineering program at NC State University will speak at 3:30 p.m. in the Collins Building, room 278. Pre-seminar refreshments will be served in the lobby to the auditorium.

Important Dates for Summer 2013 Registration

Priority Registration is reserved for returning students who 1) have been admitted to a program as of Spring Semester 2013 or prior, 2) have an assigned academic advisor, and 3) have enrolled in courses during the past three semesters. Priority is determined by credit hours completed at the end of the previous semester. Be sure to see your advisor before your priority registration date so your WebAdvisor restrictions will be lifted and you will be able to have early access to the courses and times you want!

Priority dates for eligible students:

April 8: 35 credit hours or more
April 10: 17 or more credits
April 12: 4 or more credits
April 16: Fewer than 4 credits

General Registration is available online for all advised students including those new to the college, newly admitted to a program, visiting students, or those who did not register during priority registration.

April 18 - May 19: Open WebAdvisor registration for all advised students

April 8 - May 14: Waitlist function (via WebAdvisor) available to advised students.

Don't delay! Make an appointment to see your assigned advisor today!