Academic Progress 2013





National Exam Reports

- 21 Phlebotomy Students: 100% pass rate National Board Exam
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography:
 100% pass rate, with high score of 95%!
 - Accreditation reaffirmed in 2013
- 17 of 18 Passed the Surgical Technology National Certification Exam, for a 94% pass rate, outscoring the national pass rate by about 20%!



• Nursing Exam Highs: 44 of 45 HGTC students who took the test between January and March of this year passed, resulting in a pass rate of 97.78%. The average pass rate for SC was 93%, and, nationally, the average pass rate was 90%.



- Jim Westerhold, president of the SC Chapter of the North American Wildlife Technology Association, hosted the national conference.
- Professor Ashley Wilkinson led HGTC's Turf Bowl Team to FIRST place among twoyear colleges competing in Daytona, Florida. They also outscored many top universities!
- Professor Beckey Miller has launched an online clinical tracking system for students in medical imaging. A Perkins Grant made this possible.
- Beth Carraway and Leila Rogers won a Horizon Award at the Carolinas Regional Conference in March.
- Professors Britt, Chuska and Novello have revised courses in developmental studies to improve student success and retention.
- Professors Carraway and Rogers and John Sharpe advised our chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, which won four national awards, placing the chapter among the top 25 nationally.
- Professor Leila Rogers received a Paragon Award, recognition of new advisors based on chapter members' nomination.
- Rene Smith, AVP and Dean of Academic Support, was selected as a recipient of Phi
 Theta Kappa's prestigious Distinguished College Administrator Award. Only 25
 College Administrators are selected for this international distinction. She was
 nominated for this award by HGTC's Phi Theta Kappa chapter









- The pharmacy technician program has received reaffirmation of accreditation.
 Congratulations, Professor Ibrahim!
- Chefs Tom Mullally and Eric Wagner were also featured on a nationally syndicated cooking show: Bob Redfern's Outdoor Magazine.



- Rick McGuinnes was invited to attend the Summit on Agriculture Teacher Recruitment and Retention at Clemson University in conjunction with the National Agricultural Education In-Service. The purpose of the Summit was to bring together key leaders of programs involved in agricultural education around the state to discuss possible solutions of how to expand the base of potential Agricultural Teachers and ensure that those interested in teaching have a clear pathway to certification. We currently have 3 potential students interested in this career path.
- Nursing Chair, Christy Cimineri, has been appointed Co-Leader for the SC One Voice One Plan Future of Nursing Action Coalition. The two main goals for this leadership are to expand opportunities for nurses to lead and disuse collaborative improvement efforts and to prepare and enable nurses to lead change and advance health.
- Engineering faculty, Suliban Deaza, served as Chair of the 2013 FIRST Palmetto Regional Robotics Committee. HGTC hosted all committee meetings on campus.





- Brian Clark, Department Chair of Forestry and Wildlife, received the 2012 Volunteer Service Award from the Appalachian Society of American Foresters.
- Sean Glassberg, Professor and Director of Faculty Development, received the Two-Year College English
 Association Southeast Cowan Award for demonstrating exceptional skill in instruction, developing
 creative approaches to curriculum and instruction, and exhibiting a leadership role within the academic
 department.
- Erin Ivey, Assistant Chair of Surgical Technology, organized and hosted the Association of Surgical Technologists' State Conference
- Norene Kemp, Professor of Information Technology, presented on the D2L Grader App for the iPad at the SC Desire 2 Learn Conference and has been selected to conduct a 50 minute presentation on the Desire2Learn Assignment Grader App at FUSION 2013, which is the 10th annual GLOBAL users conference by the company that provides HGTC's online learning management system.



- Robyn Causey, Associate Professor of Human Services, presented at the annual SCTEA conference. Her presentation was titled "Beyond the Band-Aid" which addressed how faculty members might better assist returning military veterans so they succeed in the classroom and beyond.
- Chris Heafner and Chris Wheeler, Professors of English, presented on using active learning games in the classroom at the Two-Year College English Association Conference.
- Dean Blumberg, Professor of English, presented "Be Accessible: Using Digital Technologies to Engage Students Online" at the Two-Year College English Association Conference.
- Jeanne Bennett, Professor of Human Services, was the team leader for the Heart Walk in October raising over \$1,400.
- Alice Derouen and Jamie Sawyer, Professors of Dental Sciences, presented a lunch n' learn seminar on diabetes and oral implications at the SC Dental Hygiene Association Annual Symposium.
- Charles Kunkle, Associate Professor of Electronics Engineering Technology, has been serving as a coach/advisor for a grant from Time Warner Cable to establish a club called Robo-Tech at the Boys & Girls Club of the Grand Strand.



- Sean Glassberg presented a workshop titled "Jump Around, Jump Up and Get Down" offering research based benefits of active learning at The Teaching Professor Conference.
- Dr. Rick Hawk, Professor in Business was awarded the Certificate of Advanced Graduate Studies Business from Northcentral University of Arizona.
- Dr. Christy Ciminieri successfully defended her dissertation and received her Doctorate in Nursing Practice from the University of South Carolina.
- Chuck Splawn, Professor of Legal Studies, delivered a presentation on the Supreme Court's decision to uphold the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act as part of the Constitution Day activities on September 11th.
- Hyde Abbott, Professor of English, and Sam Klein, Professor of History completed their 4th Study Abroad Program this Spring.
- Ron Watkins has received the Certified Subject Matter Educator (CSME) Awards in Heat Pumps and Air Conditioning and was awarded the Capstone which covers technical education methodologies, principles, and practices.



New Programs

- New Culinary Arts certificate programs will provide specific skills, all leading to a degree: Bakeshop Merchandizing, Baking and Pastry, Culinarian, Food Service Technician, Basic Cooking Preparation.
- HGTC has a new transfer agreement in Engineering Technology with The Citadel, and Clemson is also interested.
- A new partnership with Loris High School for health careers.
- Proposed: New programs include an Associate in Applied Science degree with a major in General Engineering Technology, an Associate in Applied Science degree with a major in General Technology and an Associate in Science degree with an emphasis in Fire Science Technology.







Campus Construction

- Campus redesign includes walkways, Engineering Technology and Golf & Sports Turf Management building and new Early College building
- New Culinary Arts building planned for GS Campus
- Future renovations of Building 100, 200
 & 1000 on the Conway Campus
- New TEC/IT Helpdesk, expanded Testing Center and SSTC on the Grand Strand Campus









Student Honors

- Cosmetology students placed second in the School of Competition of the Southeastern Hair and Fashion Show.
- Digital arts students won 7 silver and 1 gold student ADDY. Students have also developed a marketing and branding plan for Surfside Beach.
- Culinary arts students and faculty entertained at the State House and at the Hotel, Motel, Restaurant Food Show.
- The Mary Cleary Memorial Achievement Award is presented to the student (one hygienist and one assistant) who has done the most outstanding work for the advancement and future of the dental auxiliary profession in South Carolina. HGTC has won this award 5 times since 2000.
- Karen Collins, Professor of Accounting, and the students in ACC 125,
 Advanced Tax, once again conducted tax workshops. VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) completed and filed over 100 free tax returns this year.
- HGTC's Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, Alpha Nu Sigma, won student awards at the international conference including Distinguished College Project Award, Distinguished Honors In Action and Distinguished Honors in Action Theme Awards, and Distinguished Chapter Award, placing them in the Top 25 Chapters in the country. Professor Leila Rogers received a Paragon Award, recognition of new advisors based on chapter members' nomination.







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- HGTC was the ONLY two-year college to challenge four-year college engineering teams at the Spring Carolinas Conference of ASCE.
- HGTC placed second in two categories: the Geo-Technical Challenge and the Freshmore Challenge. Other teams
 competing included:Duke, GA Tech, Clemson, NC State, The Citadel, USC, SC State, NCA&T!
- Information Technology students attended the Association of Information Technology Professionals National Collegiate Conference and returned with the following awards: Third place in network design, fourth place (honorable mention) in Web design, two students scored in the top 25 in the country for PC Trouble Shooting, and 13 students received their MTA certifications
- Digital Arts students assisted the Conway Arts Guild by videotaping this year's Tom Thumb Wedding which is an annual fundraiser by the Conway Arts Guild performed by local elementary students.
- Sports Turf Management Technology students placed 1st in the Carolinas GCSA annual turf bowl which allowed them to then compete against 40 other universities and technical colleges at the National STMA Convention in Florida and finished 1st in the two-year college category. This was their first competition in this event, and they dethroned the perennial winning college.
- Eight Nursing courses used simulation for a total number of 2,230 simulation experiences by students during the Fall 2012 semester



Miscellaneous

- 23 Graduates from PIA
- An Early College graduate working at The Greenbrier Resort in West Virginia will be featured through HGTC ads and by the Greenbrier in their national promotions.
- First Early College graduation
- Greenwood & Hall launched as a productive partnership.
- HGTC worked with Myrtle Beach Regional Economic Development Corporation to develop SC Work Ready Communities grant.
- Dental sciences started "Give Kids a Smile": Free care to children in Horry and Georgetown Counties. Expanded Duty Dental Assisting Students - 100% pass rate on the Dental Radiology Certification Exam.











Recognition of Employees for Retirement/Resignation

Resignee

Mark Green - 5 years of service at HGTC

Retirees

Beverly Little – 3 years of service at HGTC
Sue Madson – 10 years of service at HGTC
Jay Novello – 14 years of service at HGTC
Zoe Ann Cerny – 16 years of service at HGTC
John Hymes – 16 years of service at HGTC
Chuck Smith –16 years of service at HGTC
Rick Rodger – 20 years of service at HGTC



Employee State Service Recognition

10 years

Joyce Keenan Paula McNelis



Employee State Service Recognition

20 years

Brian Clark Mark Flanagan

