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Items of Interest About Gaston College



Gaston College is offering tobacco cessation classes for students and to all members in their households. The college will be a tobacco free campus starting January 1, 2012, and wants to help students and employees who want to quit smoking or chewing tobacco products. The “Fresh Start” in Tobacco Cessation Classes will begin this month. For a list of classes and other cessation information go to the college’s website <http://www.gaston.edu/> and click on campus news and events. To register for any of the sessions, please contact Sherry Lingafelt at 704.922.6379 or lingafelt.sherry@gaston.edu. Please provide the session you’d like to attend, your name, contact phone number and how you found out about these classes.

JANUARY 1, 2012 Medical Assistants and Phlebotomists can earn continuing education units (CEU’s) and refresh their skills at the upcoming “Phlebotomy Education Refresher” on Monday, October 3, 17, 24 and November 7 (Total of 4 meetings) from 6 – 9 p.m. at the David Belk Cannon Health Education Institute, Room 268, Dallas Campus. The course is designed to offer continuing education credit for individuals who have received previous training in phlebotomy. This 12 contact hour course will concentrate on communication skills, collection techniques, OSHA safety regulations, collection tube additives, and phlebotomy skills practice (hands-on). The cost is \$69.00 (includes registration and usage fee). For instructions on how to register for this course, go to the Gaston College web page (www.gaston.edu), click on “Quick Links” on the right side of the screen then click on EWD/Cont. Ed. Fall 2011 Schedule. Instructions on how to register for the course are on page 25. For information, call 704.922.6377.

The Gaston College Art Instructors’ Exhibition is on display through October 7 in the Jeanne Rauch Gallery, Rauch Science and Fine Arts Building, Dallas Campus. Participating artists in the exhibit are:

Gary Freeman, painting; Barbara Chadwick, ceramics; Michael Hensdill, photography; John Hill, drawing; Nancy Nieves, drawing and painting; and Jason Story, painting. Gallery hours are Monday – Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. For more information, call 704.922.6344.

Gaston College will host a National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission, Inc. site review for initial accreditation of its Practical Nursing Program on Thursday, October 6 at 4 p.m., Room 304 at the Lincoln Campus, 511 South Aspen Street, Lincolnton, NC 28092. The community is invited to meet the NLNAC visit team and share comments about the program in person or written comments are also welcome and should be submitted directly to:

Dr. Sharon Tanner, Chief Executive Officer
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850
Atlanta, GA 30326
or email: sjtanner@nlnac.org

All written comments should arrive at NLNAC by Friday, September 28, 2011.

Got Grammar? The Writing Center helps students in a variety of ways to become better writers. Students can request one-on-one writing tutoring on a weekly basis or Gaston College faculty can also refer students for regular tutoring. The student will work directly with a tutor on writing assignments and building basic writing skills. Most likely, students working with a one-on-one tutor will commit to at least one to three hours a week for tutoring. The Center staff will also provide small group tutoring, drop-in tutoring, online essay submission, and if referred to the Center by an instructor the student will be added to the Center’s Blackboard Resource. Additionally, students can ask a question via Facebook. Visit the Writing Center’s Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Gaston-College-Writing-Center/>. The Writing Center is open Monday – Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Robinson Classroom Building, Room 236, Dallas Campus. For more information, call 704.922.2369 or email writingcenter@gaston.edu. Also, if you are a published poet or an aspiring one, come share your work at Poetry Viva Voce sponsored by the Writing Center. A featured reader and open mic forum is held every fourth Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. in Room 236, Robinson Classroom Building, Dallas Campus. The poetry reading is free and open to the public. To sign up for the poetry reading, call Stephanie Osborne at 704.922.6324 or email: osborne.stephanie@gaston.edu.

The Veterinary Medical Technology Program will present the annual continuing education seminar for veterinary technicians on Saturday, October 22 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Robinson Classroom Building Room 126, Dallas Campus. Topic areas to be covered include principles of multi-modal, anesthesia, pain management, and fluid therapy. The conference is approved by the North Carolina Board of Veterinary Medicine for 6 credit hours of continuing education for veterinary technicians and veterinarians. The registration deadline is Tuesday, October 18. For more information, contact Marty N. Hartsell, at 704.922.6260 or hartsell.marty@gaston.edu.

The Visual Arts Club meets on Thursdays at 3 p.m. in the D.F. Beam Center for Visual Arts, Dallas Campus. The Club coordinates educational and social enrichment activities for Gaston College students. These arts-related activities enhance classroom skills and encourage networking with other students and faculty. For information about membership and upcoming art exhibits, contact the advisor, Jason Story at 704.922.6245.

In 2006, Gaston College became the first community college in the region to offer biotechnology and genetics courses for college transfer students. Currently, the program is looking for students who would like to obtain an Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in biotechnology. Also, a bio-processing option is available in the Industrial Engineering Technology AAS program. The biotechnology program prepares graduates for employment as research assistants to biologists or chemists, laboratory technicians, quality controller, quality assurance technicians with the molecular biology skills necessary in the bioprocessing and biomanufacturing industries. Entry level salaries for graduates range from \$25,000 to 30,000, and can reach \$50,000 in five years. For more information, contact Dr. Anat Lev, Program Coordinator at 704.922.6336 or lev.anat@gaston.edu.

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It is not too late to register for classes at Gaston College. If you need some additional hours or missed the summer deadline to sign up for fall classes, you can register now for several online classes starting the week of September 12, 2011.

Available classes are:

- CIS 110 - Introduction to Computers
- CIS 115 - Introduction to Programming and Logic
- CJC 112 - Criminology
- CJC 113 - Juvenile Justice
- CJC 122 - Community Policing
- CJC 132 - Court Procedure and Evidence
- CJC 141 - Corrections
- CJC 211 - Counseling
- CJC 223 - Organized Crime
- CJC 225 - Crisis Intervention
- CJC 233 - Correctional Law
- DBA 110 - Database Concepts
- EDU 119 - Introduction to Early Childhood Education
- LEX 110 - Introduction to Paralegal Study
- LEX 150 - Commercial Law I
- LEX 270 - Law Office Management and Technology
- LEX 280 - Ethics and Professionalism
- MAT 151 - Statistics
- MAT 161 - College Algebra
- NET 110 - Networking Concepts
- PSY 150 - General Psychology
- PSY 241 - Developmental Psychology

If you are not a current student, you can apply for admission at www.cfnc.org/gastonapp.

Registration can be processed in-person at the Dallas Campus, 201 Highway 321 South, Dallas; Lincoln Campus, 511 S. Aspen Street, Lincolnton or Kimbrell Campus, 7220 Wilkinson Boulevard, Belmont. You can also fax the Course Selection form to 704.922.2344 or email to gregistrar@gaston.edu in a PDF format. Payment is due immediately after registration. For information regarding payments, contact Dotty Price at 704.922.2259. For more information, call 704.922.6310.

The TRiO program will be sponsoring free workshops to help students improve their life skill techniques. The upcoming workshops will be held on the Dallas Campus:

Make a Note of It
September 13, 2011
1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
Robinson Classroom Building, Room 205

Organize It
September 20, 2011
1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
David Belk Cannon Building, Room 170

How to Establish Credit and
Live on a Budget
September 21, 2011
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Robinson Classroom Building, Room 129

Couponsing
September 26, 2011
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Rauch Science and Fine Arts Building, Room 204

Time Management
October 4, 2011
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Rauch Science and Fine Arts Building, Room 128

De-stressing and Relaxation
October 17, 2011
4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
David Belk Cannon Building, Room 130

Using Credit Wisely
October 19, 2011
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Robinson Classroom Building, Room 129

Couponsing
October 25, 2011
12:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.
David Belk Cannon Building, Room 170

Identity Theft
November 9, 2011
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Robinson Classroom Building, Room 129

Eating Healthy
November 16, 2011
11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
David Belk Cannon Building, Room 170

For more information, contact dellinger.lynn@gaston.edu or call 704.922.2362.

The Office of Student Activities is looking for Student Ambassadors. Applicants must have completed 12 credit hours of academic work at Gaston College, be enrolled in at least 6 credit hours of academic work per semester, have and maintain a cumulative GPA of a 2.50 or higher per semester, have a clean criminal background (background check will be conducted), and be willing to serve an entire academic year. To apply or for more information contact, Tanisha Williams, Coordinator of Student Activities at 704.922.6312 or williams.tanisha@gaston.edu.

The evening class times for Life Skills New Student Orientation have changed. The new hours are: Dallas Campus, Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and Monday – Thursday 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Dalpiaz Student Success Center, Room 215 and Lincoln Campus, Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon and Monday – Thursday 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Main Building, Room 118. For more information, contact Edwina Craig, Life Skills Student Success Counselor, 704.922.2268.

The Textile Technology Center will sponsor a 3-day Community Mill Workshop, September 23 -28 and again on November 7 - 9. This intensive 3-day workshop is designed to give individuals and groups who are contemplating investing in fiber processing equipment, the perspective and experience they need to make an investment decision and the hands-on understanding of what is involved in animal fiber processing on modern mechanized equipment. For more information, call John Anderson at 704.825.3737, ext. 254 or email: anderson.john@gaston.edu.

Have you passed one or more of your GED Tests? The GED test will change in 2014. You must complete all five tests prior to 2014 or start over. Call 704.922.6321.

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