



# Fall 2016 Freshmen Fast Facts: 1,101 New Freshmen

## Class of 2018 (Full-Time Students) and 2020 (Part -Time Students)

### Free Ways to Succeed:

- Academic Support Center (Lafayette B120): One free hour per week per student.
- Writing Center (Lafayette B120): Statistics show that students who take advantage of HCC's Writing Center significantly improve their ability to stay in school and graduate. They get higher grades in their classes when they have support in their writing.
- Computer Labs (Lafayette A230 & 232, Beacon Hall 111 & 114): HCC Students can take advantage of four computer labs which are open and available for student's academic use.
- Guidance Counseling (Lafayette A108): On-campus, professional counseling is available to HCC students for any problem.
- Library Services (Lafayette Hall): You can check out books, videos, movies, use the computers, access research databases, print, make copies, scan, and use the special resources the professors have on reserve for student use.
- Women's Center (Beacon Hall 371): Support and programming for women at HCC. Men are always welcome.
- Family Economic Security Program (Lafayette B104 & B115): Career Coaching, Financial Advisement, Academic Counseling, and Scholarships available. Contact Alana Wiens at 203-332-8517

### Honor Societies, HCC Honors Program (see catalog pg. 22)

- Phi Theta Kappa: International Honor Society. You need to have 24 credit hours at HCC, cumulative GPA of 3.5+ in a degree program. Contact Debbie Kuchmas, Beacon Hall 217, call to make appointment 203-332-5279. Ask to learn how freshmen students can be eligible!
- Psi Beta: National Psychology Honor Society. Invitation by the HCC Chapter, accumulated 12 credit hours in a degree program with 3.4 GPA. Contact Dr. Michael Amico, 203-332-5163.
- Alpha Beta Gamma: International Business Honor Society. You must be enrolled in Business degree-seeking curriculum, have 40 credit hours, GPA of 3.2. Contact Professor Thomas Wagner 203-332- 5968 for eligibility.
- Tau Upsilon Alpha: National Human Services Honor Society. Contact Dr. Edward Keene at 203-332-5165 and Laura Turiano at 203-332-5878.
- Epsilon Pi Tau: International Technology Honor Society. You must be enrolled in Science, Engineering, or Technology programs, have 30 credit hours, with GPA of 3.0+. Faculty recommendation is required. Contact Professor Rob Ryder at 203-332-5258
- HCC Honors Program: You must have earned 12 credit hours and have a cumulative GPA of 3.5+. Faculty recommendations are required. Contact Dr. Kirk Hughes 203-332-5137 for more information on your eligibility for the program.

"Sometimes it takes a good friend, a mentor, a teacher, or in some cases, a family member to identify and point out our talents and possibly the unforeseen potential that may be contributing to our ability to succeed...

"DON'T TAKE your education for granted. You have what it takes to invoke change

"Take time to have a dialogue with other people whose belief system is different than yours. It's a beautiful thing. Listen carefully and respect one another. After all, that is what makes America great. It's the differences in cultures, fused together with unique ideas that can lead this country to be what you want it to be."

Dalton Miller (HCC Graduate Class of 2009, HCC Commencement Speaker 2016)

Degrees Awarded: 462 Most 2016 Grads Transferred To: Median GPA: 3.12 Certificates Awarded: 105 Southern Connect State U. High Honors (3.8 min): 31 graduates U. of Connecticut (UCONN) Highest Honors (4.0 min): 6 graduates Gender: U. of Bridgeport Males: 212 (41%) Sacred Heart U. Phi Theta Kappa Members: 44 graduates Females: 307 (59%) U. of New Haven

### Next Steps for HCC Graduates...a Sampling:

- Etherington Scholar's Program (Wesleyan): Scholarship for tuition and fees for HCC graduates in financial need.
- Ada Comstock (Mt. Holyoke, Wellesley, Smith): Scholarship for tuition, room and board for HCC graduates.
- **CEIN Program:** UCONN one-year Nursing program agreement.
- Foundation Scholarships: for various four-year colleges and universities to qualified HCC graduates.
- Leading roles and production positions with professional theater and performing companies.
- 2016 Miss Connecticut.
- Chief of Police.
- **Executive Vice President of Life Bridge.**
- Chief of Human Resource Officer.
- Internships for Big 4 consultant agencies, and other major companies.
- Winner of the Annual HPOG Grant Favorite Success Story.
- Internship at Yale to work with Dr. Mark Mamula on Cancer Research.
- Teaching Abroad in China graduates of the HCC Early Childhood Inclusive Program.
- Vassar Scholarship: Full scholarships for tuition, room and board, Summer Programs for HCC graduates (in progress).
- Spelman Scholarship: Spelman College in Atlanta for community college graduates (in progress).
- 100% Employment graduates of the HCC Advanced Manufacturing Center.

#### AND:

- Agreements with many four-year institutions for seamless transfer in specific programs including NYU, Lesley University, Savannah College of Art and Design, Wheelock College, Fairfield U., Marymount College, Post U., Quinnipiac, Albertus Magnus, Bridgeport U., New Haven U., Sacred Heart, Monserrat College of Art, U Conn, and Connecticut Universities. (see catalog pg. 30). New transfer agreements have been granted by Ringling College of Art and Design, Sarasota, Florida, and with the Savannah College of Art and Design (SCAD)
- Awards and Scholarships. Contact the Counseling Center, LH A108, 203-332-5097 or the Foundation Office (LH B124), 203-332-5078 for more information. (see more information in catalog pg. 31)
- Employment Assistance. Information about determining your major, current student internships, and post-graduate employment at Career Services in BH272. Students can also get help with resumes and interviewing techniques. Call 203-332-5983.

