



APRIL - JUNE 2012

Check it out!



DATES TO REMEMBER:

- *Early Registration:*
March 26-30
- *College Closed: April 6-8*
- *Registration Begins:*
April 2– May 11
- *Commencement: May 8*
- *Summer I Session:*
May 14 - June 25
- *College Closed: May 28*

Wor-Wic Community College is implementing a new student database and offering new online services to students through *myWor-Wic*. The new student portal will allow students a single sign on to email, Blackboard, registering for classes, viewing grades & unofficial transcripts, and managing financial aid online.

All students have to meet with their advisors prior to registering online. Are you eligible for online registration?

You are eligible if you:

Have more than 15 credits and 2.00 GPA

You are not eligible if you:

Are a new student who has never been to college,

Are currently in high school,

Are a new transfer student,

Are on academic probation or suspension,

Have less than 15 credits or less than a 2.00 GPA,

Missing prerequisites, or

Need permission of the department head

IF YOU ASK ME...

A Quarterly Column by
Suzanne Alexander,
Director of Counseling



THOUGHTS ON FORGIVENESS

You have been hurt deeply, betrayed, lied to or rejected. Thoughts of revenge permeate your whole being, and the concept of forgiveness isn't even on your radar. Let's suppose you're absolutely justified in feeling hurt and angry, but forgiveness is not a question of whether a person **deserves** to be forgiven. Perhaps they don't. The real question is do **you** deserve to carry around hurt and anger that you didn't earn... burdens that aren't yours to carry? Why not give the problem back to the person who has earned it?

Research has shown that much of our pain in life comes from the inability or unwillingness to forgive. When we fail to forgive, the only person being punished is us! Sandy Walker writes, "Not forgiving creates an emotional prison. It ties you to a person or event that usually you would rather forget but are unable to. So you think in your mind that you're holding a grudge or making them pay, but in effect, once you finally forgive, it's like unlocking that prison door and you realize the person being released is you, not the other person."

There is no doubt bitterness and negativity can destroy us. Those feelings can rob us of physical, mental and emotional health, steal our joy and cast a dark cloud over life in general. In a religious context, forgiveness may require loving the person who wronged you and forgetting the harm you were done. I would suggest that forgiveness may also be about acknowledging our personal worth, establishing boundaries about what we will and will not accept, then simply letting go and moving on. We can't change the past but we can reclaim all the joy and possibilities of the present and future by not allowing the hurt to continue, not holding on to the emotional baggage. As for revenge... Josh Billings wisely noted, "There is no revenge so complete as forgiveness".

Career Services and Advising

Why your job search, and more, should begin with your career center.

by Lori Smoot, Global Career Development Facilitator/Director of Career Services



You've got the education. Now what?

Most students go to college to earn a degree so they can get a good job. But unless there's a position waiting in the family business, chances are you're going to have to look for one. So where do you begin? Do you know all the career opportunities associated with your major? What if you want some real world experience before you commit to a career path? In an interview, do you know how to ask for a salary? Believe it or not, the answers to these questions and more may just be a campus building away.

Your job search starts here.

In your "Quest for the Golden Job," your school career center is your biggest ally. It can help you develop self-awareness and define your interests; guide you in determining your major and courses; assist you in crafting an effective cover letter and resume; and enable you to prepare for job searches through workshops, job fairs, seminars, mock interviews, and more. Your career counselor can even advise you on selecting the best outfit for that all-important job interview!

All students and graduates can benefit from career advising. Many are uncertain about their majors, much less, what to do with them. Your College Central Network (CCN)-powered career center can enable you to set goals and make wise choices. Equipped with powerful Internet tools and innovative job search technologies, it provides valuable resources, helps you explore career possibilities, and gets your resume and portfolio in front of employers seeking entry-level job seekers just like you.

CCN-powered career centers enable job seekers to:

- Post resumes to be critiqued by your career center.
- Register online for internships and more.
- View over 100 online career advice videos 24/7.
- Search both school-exclusive and national job boards.
- Showcase and refer their online career portfolios.
- Have jobs and career events delivered directly to your individual user account.
- Access school-specific career related-documents.



To set-up a free student account on College Central Network, visit:

<http://www.collegecentral.com/worwic> (click on the student icon)

For more information or to schedule a career counseling appointment, contact Wor-Wic Community College's Career Services Office at 410-334-2903 or via e-mail: careerservices@worwic.edu and pave your road to job search success!

IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID INFO

Be aware of significant changes for the 2012-2013 academic year.



DIPLOMA/GED

Students enrolling in higher education for the first time during the 2012-2013 academic year must have a high school diploma or recognized equivalent (such as a GED or homeschooling) to receive Federal student aid.



IRS DATA RETRIEVAL

[LINK TO IRS](#)

All students should use the "Link to IRS" option when filling out the FAFSA. The Financial Aid office can no longer accept Federal tax forms. If the link cannot be used, a tax account transcript must be requested directly from the IRS at www.irs.gov or 1-800-829-1040.



MAXIMUM PELL

Students will be limited to receiving a full-time Pell grant award for a maximum of **12 semesters**. After reaching this limit, students will no longer be eligible to receive additional Pell funding at WWCC or at other institutions.

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Any questions about these changes? Contact us at financialaid@worwic.edu * 410-334-2905 * AAB 111



Are you in step for the Commencement Ceremony May 8, 2012?

- Step 1: Confer with advisor to determine eligibility.
- Step 2: Fill out the Wor-Wic Community College Application for Graduation Form and return to the Registrar's Office in AAB 109 C.
- Step 3: Associate degree students only! Register for the general education assessment (GEA) online at www.worwic.edu/gea.
- Step 4: Associate degree students only! Take the GEA on one of the following dates:

February 23	6:00 p.m.	April 11	6:00 p.m.	April 14	9:00 a.m.
February 24	9:00 a.m.	April 13	9:00 a.m.		

Testing will be conducted in WDC 103. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to exam time.
- Step 5: Students completing graduation requirements in the summer can participate in commencement if they have nine or less credits remaining, have pre-registered for their remaining course work needed in Summer I and/or Summer II by April 20, 2012, and have met all other graduation requirements prior to the ceremony.
- Step 6: Student cap and gowns are available in the bookstore for sale now. Shop early for best size selection and time to special order a gown if needed.

	Prices:	
Cap, gown and tassel:		\$38.10 w/tax.
Tassel:		\$4.22 w/tax.
- Step 7: December 2011 graduates who attend the commencement ceremony are asked to please return the diploma cover (given to you during the ceremony) to the kiosk in the Civic Center foyer before leaving.
- Step 8: Commencement announcements will be available after April 2, 2012. Graduates may pick up their five free announcements from the receptionist in AAB. Additional announcements will be on sale in the cashier's office in sets of 10 for \$6.00.
- Step 9: For details of photographer's services during graduation see the attached Northeast Photos' flyer. Note: Wor-Wic assumes no responsibility for the quality and service of the photographer.

Priority deadline for participating in commencement and inclusion in the program is April 20, 2012.



Monthly Transfer Events**

***Salisbury University**
(Wed. at WW)

April 18

***Troy University**

April 17

***University of MD University College**

April 19

***Wilmington University**

April 3 & 16.

***All Monthly Transfer Events are in the SC Lobby from 10:30 am-1:30 pm**

**For more information about these and other upcoming college transfer events, please refer to the Calendar of Events at www.worwic.edu or stop by the Registrar's Office -AAB 109.



Student Services Team Members:

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Getting to Know You... *Georgia Cooper*



Student Services Team Member Since: May 2009

Title: Administrative Associate Registrar's Office

What do you like most about working at Wor-Wic?

I like the fact that each day is different. I also like meeting the students and seeing how diverse our campus is.

What talents do you possess? I am a people person and find it easy to communicate with others. I also have a well developed sense of humor!

Do you have any pet peeves? Disrespectful people. I don't like seeing people who are disrespectful to others or who disrupt our environment by littering or carelessness.

Most interesting place you've ever been?

Costa Rica. It was thrilling to observe the rainforest from the zip line canopy tour.

Who is your hero/mentor/inspiration? My Mother. She taught me to be kind, pray daily and to accept people where they are in life.

What do you do for fun outside of work? I love to travel, spend time with my family and ride my jet ski!

What is your favorite food? Any type of Seafood.

BOOKSTORE NEWS

End of the semester means selling your books back to the bookstore. For those books that we need, the bookstore pays 50% of your purchase price. The best time to sell will be April 18th-May 4th. Cannot buy books with pages torn out, covers ripped, and water damage, old editions or just too worn out. Picture ID required.

Cap and gowns are now on sale for the May 8th graduation. Congratulations graduates. Shop early for the best size selection.

Check out the web site for the bookstore. Keep up with which books are required for the summer and fall classes. As book orders are received, the information appears on our web site. Store hours and other announcements are posted on the web. Worwic.bncollege.com

Regular store hours: Mon, Wed, Thurs: 8:30am-5:00pm; Tuesdays, 8:30am-7:00pm and Friday: 8:30am-1:00pm

Your Wor-Wic Bookstore staff – Rachael, Linda, and Linda

