



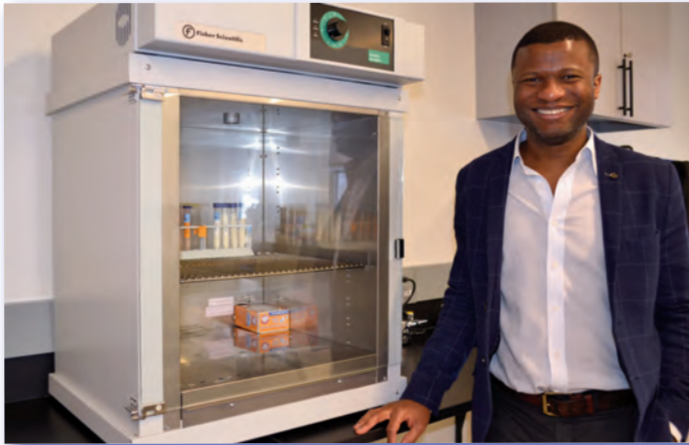
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Welcome to the Spring 2017 semester!



(Above) Dr. Keylon Cheeseman, Instructor; next to one of the incubators in the new Biotechnology Facility in Elston Hall. (Left) Students and guests in the Casino and Gaming Lab in Elston Hall.

New programs and a high-tech facility this semester

Over break, crews were hard at work on the College’s new Biotechnology Facility on the sixth floor of Elston Hall. Students are now taking classes in the new facility which, when completed, will have state-of-the-art equipment, two learning laboratories, a research center, and a dedicated microscopy area. The space supports two new programs that began this semester: the Biotechnology A.S. degree program and the Biological Technician A.A.S. degree program.

This semester another new program joins the more than 50 degree and certificates offered at the College. The Business Administration - Casino A.A.S. degree program is now offered through the Division of Business, Criminal Justice and Law. It’s designed to prepare students for entry-level management positions in the casino industry. Faculty in the new program will cover organizational behavior, human resource management, information technology, management and legal and ethical issues within the casino industry.

Author overcame opiate addiction

Schenectady native and author Andrew McKenna went from U.S. Marine Corps Captain, JAG attorney, and Justice Department Prosecutor, to opiate addict, heroin addict and bank robber. But, his is a story of redemption and hope. This descent and eventual rise is told in his memoir *Sheer Madness: From Federal Prosecutor to Federal Prisoner*. It’s a story that’s important to hear, as drug overdose deaths and opioid-involved deaths continue to increase in the United States. (According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 91 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose.)



McKenna will speak in the Lally Mohawk Room on Monday, Feb. 13, at noon. During “Motivating People to Rise Above Adversity and Live the Lives They Deserve,” he’ll stress the importance of speaking up and asking for help during troubling times and ultimately the need to help others who might be struggling. “We’re in this together.”

His visit to campus is organized by the Community and Cultural Events Committee.



Have YOU applied for graduation?

Commencement is Thursday, May 18 at 2 p.m. at Proctors. BUT FIRST, you need to apply. The deadline is Feb. 10.

Fill out an application online (sunysccc.edu/Current-Students/Graduation-Information) or you can pick one up in the Registrar’s Office (Elston Hall).

College welcomes new faculty and staff members

Dr. Keylon L. Cheeseman has returned to the College as a Temporary Instructor in the Division of Math, Science, Technology and Health, teaching in the College's new Biotechnology Facility. Keylon has more than 12 years of experience in science education and research at the undergraduate, graduate and post-doctoral level.



Previously at SUNY SCCC, he was an Adjunct Faculty Member through the Internship Program for the Development of Minority Faculty and a Temporary Instructor. Additionally, he aided in developing the College's new Biological Technician degree program. Keylon holds a Ph.D. and M.S. degree in Biomedical Sciences with an emphasis in Cell and Molecular Biology and Immunology from Albany Medical College and a B.S. in Biochemistry from Andrews University.

Christopher Del Vecchio has joined the Registrar's Office as Temporary Assistant Registrar. Prior to this, Chris was an Admissions Advisor. He holds a B.P.S. in Business, Management and Economics with a concentration in Human Resources from SUNY Empire State College and an A.A.S. in Business Administration from SUNY SCCC.



Maggie Fitzmaurice is the new Assistant Coach for Women's Crew. Maggie rowed for the Royals from 2008-2010. She is an On-Site Logistics Specialist for Allyn International at General Electric in Schenectady. She holds a B.S. in Business Management from SUNY Binghamton University and an A.A. in Humanities and Social Sciences from SUNY SCCC.



Raeshelle Frasier joined SUNY SCCC as Assistant Coach of the Women's Basketball Team. Raeshelle is a Teacher at Washington Irving Educational Center in Schenectady, the Coordinator of the Community and Police Basketball League in Schenectady and a Sports Specialist at Camp Love Joy of the Boys and Girls Club of Schenectady. She holds a B.S. in Physical Education from SUNY Cortland.



Tinsley Hembree has joined the College as the Student Activities Advisor. Previously, Tinsley served as the Assistant Dean of Students at New Mexico State University and the Student Development Specialist for Student Engagement and Greek Life at Columbus State University. She holds an M.P.S. from Austin Peay State University and a B.S. in Political Science from the University of North Georgia.



Jacquie Keleher is the Director of Library Services. Jacquie recently relocated from New Orleans, La., where she was most recently the Electronic Resources/ Government Documents Librarian at Southern University at New Orleans. She holds an M.L.S. from The State University of New York at Buffalo, a B.A. from the State University of New York at Buffalo in History and an A.A. in Liberal Arts from Niagara County Community College.



Pamela McCall has joined the Division of Academic Affairs as the Director of College and High School Partnerships. Previously, Pam served as the Confidential Secretary at the SUNY SCCC Albany Extension Site and as the Guest Services Coordinator for the Office of the Dean of Special Programs at Skidmore College. She holds an M.A. in Student Personnel Administration from New York University and a B.A. in Government and Law/Psychology from Lafayette College.



Chelcy Celyon Moore has joined SUNY SCCC staff as the new Head Coach of the Women's Basketball Team. Previously, Chelcy was the Assistant Coach for the Women's Basketball Team at Hudson Valley Community College. She is the Girl's Division Program Director for Team Albany 360 EDU. She has had the honor of coaching on the Basketball Hall of Fame court in Springfield, Mass. Chelcy holds a B.A. degree in Business Administration and an A.S. degree in Sports Management from SUNY Cobleskill.



David Roberts is a part-time Reference Librarian. Previously, he has been a classroom teacher and school librarian in secondary education and at the college level. He holds an M.A. in History and M.S.L.S. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a B.A. in History from Wabash College.



Rachel Natalie-Rorick has joined the College as a part-time Account Clerk in the Student Business Office. Previously Rachel worked at Lowes, UPS and Stewart's. Rachel attended SUNY SCCC to take classes toward her Equine Science degree from Morrisville State College.





Candice Arnold, Human Services major

“My time at SUNY SCCC has been a roller coaster that’s finally ending in May. Luckily, every single professor I had wanted the best for their students and the grade you received was from the work you put in. I remember being so nervous to take statistics because I’m horrible at math and the first thing the professor asked was, ‘Raise your hand if you’re graduating this semester’ so a hand full of students did and his response was, ‘OK, we are going to get you out of here.’ My confidence was raised and I’m sure I have nothing to worry about. SCCC was a start to a new beginning and it has prepared me enough to want more out of my education. After I graduate, I plan to transfer to the University at Albany to earn my bachelor’s and master’s degrees in social work.”



Ian Farrington, Paralegal major

“Some people find their calling sooner than others. For some it’s a smooth road heading in one direction. For people like me, it’s been more like off-roading on an obscure mountain road. My journey took many detours before I found my way back to school. Now I found the path I want to take and law school is the lodge at the top of my mountain. SUNY SCCC helped me to build a foundation that is allowing me to transfer on to a four-year institution. During my time here, I have received invaluable help from both professors and staff. Their guidance through the process made what seemed to be a near impossible task feel attainable. Majoring in history and philosophy for my next several years of college and graduating top of my class is my current goal. I will continue to work toward my goal of law school, thanks to the support I’ve received on this campus.”



(Left) Student Jacob Griffin speaks with Dan DeMarco, Co-Founder and CEO of Fundabilities, during a program last semester organized by the New York Biz Lab. Now, he and Andrew LeGere (pictured with Jacob on right) are interns for the Schenectady company.



Students land internships at START-UP NY company

During a program last semester, Jacob Griffin, a student taking business courses, liked what he heard Dan DeMarco say about his company Fundabilities. “I liked Dan’s message about the company,” Jacob said. “I want to help people get the word out with marketing, so having experience contributes to my overall goal.” So, he approached Dan after the program about a possible internship.

Now Jacob and Andrew LeGere, a Liberal Arts: Communication concentration major, are the newest interns at Fundabilities, an online crowdfunding source for organizations, business, schools and other groups to achieve their fundraising goals.

Jacob, who transferred to SUNY Cortland and is an Economics major (with a focus on International Trade), is working on social media for Fundabilities, a START-UP NY company headquartered in the BizLab on State Street in Schenectady. Andrew will be doing research for the company, marketing the company at events and working on social media as well.

“I think it’s important for someone at a young age to be exposed to a start-up company because kids that age might be afraid to get into something because there’s no blueprint for them,” DeMarco said. “It’s just a matter of applying what you know and having goals.”

Upcoming Events

Casino and Gaming Information Night

Wednesday, February 1, 6 to 8 p.m.,
Lally Mohawk Room, Elston Hall

Learn more about the Business Administration -
Casino and Casino and Gaming Hospitality A.A.S.
degree programs.

Zoe Oxley presents *President Trump: What the 2016 Election Tells Us about America*

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 12 p.m., Lally Mohawk Room,
Elston Hall. Free.

What can Donald Trump's presidential election
victory tell us about American society and political
culture? Zoe Oxley, Professor of Political Science
and Director of American Studies at Union College,
will explore broader trends in public views,
priorities, and political engagement.

School of Music Guest Artists Festival Demondrae Thurman, Euphonium

Monday, February 27, 7:30 p.m., Taylor
Auditorium. Free.

Demondrae Thurman has been an invited guest
artist/clinician at prestigious euphonium festivals
including the International Tuba/Euphonium
Conference, U.S. Army Band Tuba and Euphonium
Conference and the Leonard Falcone Competition.
He plays first euphonium and trombone in the Sotto
Voce Quartet.

Stephanie Brown, Piano, Master Class

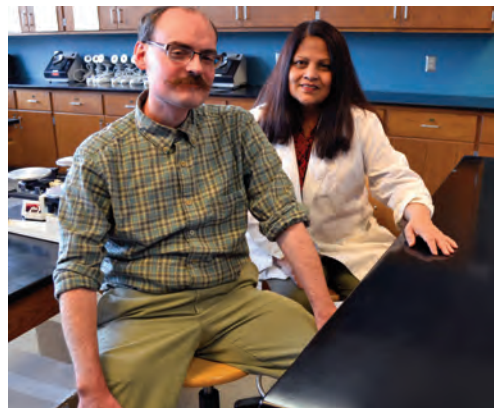
Tuesday, February 28, 7:30 p.m.,
Taylor Auditorium. Free.

Stephanie Brown has performed as a soloist at
Carnegie Hall, Avery Fisher Hall, and the Kennedy
Center. She has also performed at the White House
and appeared with the New York Philharmonic, the
San Francisco Symphony, the St. Paul Chamber
Orchestra and the Mostly Mozart Festival
Orchestra. She is an Associate Professor of Piano
at Purchase College Conservatory of Music.

Chad Eby, Saxophone

Thursday, March 2, 7:30 p.m.,
Taylor Auditorium. Free.

Chad Eby's newest release, *The Sweet Shel Suite:
Music Inspired by Shel Silverstein*, received a four-
star rating from *DownBeat* magazine. His
professionally commissioned works have been
performed or recorded by Bill Charlap with Kurt
Elling, Wynton Marsalis with Willie Nelson and Norah Jones, the Columbus Jazz
Orchestra, the Dallas Jazz Orchestra, the L.A. All-Star Big Band, and his own
group, the Piedmont Triad Jazz Orchestra. A D'Addario Woodwinds Performing
Artist, Chad teaches in the Miles Davis Jazz Studies Program at UNC-Greensboro
and is a clinician for Jazz at Lincoln Center's Essentially Ellington program.



Andrew Hayden, Science: Biology concentra-
tion major, with Dr. Syeda Munaim, Professor
in the Division of Math, Science, Technology
and Health, in the Biology Lab. Andrew's
winter break centered around an internship at
the world renowned Brookhaven National
Laboratory on Long Island.

A week spent meeting researchers from around the globe

"This was better than going to Disneyland."

That's how Andrew Hayden summed up his
time spent with renowned researchers and
scientists in fields from nanotechnology and
artificial photosynthesis to quantum comput-
ers based on DNA and optics. He was part of
a weeklong program at Brookhaven National
Laboratory (BNL) on Long Island, a research
institution with about 3,000 scientists, engi-
neers and staff and more than 4,000 visiting
researchers from around the world.

Andrew, one of only 40 science students from
across the country selected for the
program, visited BNL's world-class facilities,
including a giant x-ray machine that he said,
"produced the brightest light source made by
man anywhere." "The end goal is to visualize
the chemicals processed as it's actually
happening and that can't be done anywhere
else in the world."

He hopes to return to BNL again this summer
for a 10-week program that culminates with
students being published in high level
scientific journals alongside the names of the
researchers with whom they'll be working.

Andrew participated in the winter program as
a member of the College Science and Tech-
nology Entry Program (CSTEP). He plans to
one day work in a biotechnology facility. "I
really enjoy genomics (the study of an
organism's genetics) and proteomics (the
large-scale study of proteins)," he said.

Campus Resources

Academic Advisement

Elston 222/381-1277

Monday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Thursday	8:30 am-6:30 pm
Friday	8:30 am-4:30 pm

Academic Computing Lab

Elston 529, 530/381-1213

Mon.-Thurs.	8:30 am-10 pm
Friday	8:30 am-4 pm
Saturday	9 am-3 pm

Accounting/CIS Tutor Lab

Elston 330/381-1041

Monday	9:30 am-5 pm
Tues.-Thurs.	9:30 am-3:30 pm

ADA Transition Services

Elston 222/381-1345

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Admissions

Stockade 120/381-1366

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Albany Site, 2nd Floor, 112 State

St., Albany, 871-9079, Option 1
Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm
Classes, Financial Aid, COMPASS Testing,
Advisement via Skype, Computer Lab,
Photo IDs, Lounge/Study Areas

Athletics

Elston 222/381-1356

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Begley Library/381-1235

Mon.-Thurs.	8 am – 9 pm
Friday	8 am – 4:30 pm
Saturday	11 am – 5 pm

Business Office, Student

Elston 219/381-1346, 1347

Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am-4:15 pm

Cafeteria

Elston/381-1330

Mon.-Thurs.	7:30 am-8 pm
Friday	7:30 am-2 pm

Canal Side Cafe/Convenience

Elston Ground Floor/381-1073

Monday-Thursday	7:30 am-7:30 pm
Friday	7:30 am-1:30 pm

Career and Transfer Services

Elston 221-I/836-2807

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

The College Store

Elston 109/381-1332

Monday-Wednesday	8 am-6 pm
Thursday	8 am-4 pm
Friday	8 am-2 pm

College Central Network

SCCC's career management system
www.sunysccc.edu/ces

Educational Opportunity

Programs/Access

Elston 222/381-1279

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Financial Aid

Elston 221/381-1352

Monday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Thursday	8:30 am-6:30 pm
Friday	8:30 am-4:30 pm

Gateway Montessori

Gateway 124/381-1455, 381-1295

Monday-Friday 9 am-11:30 am
(Call for program information.)

Language Lab

Elston 520/381-1373

See lab for hours.

Learning Center/Writing Lab

Elston 523/381-1246

Monday-Thursday	8:30 am-7 pm
Friday	8:30 am-4 pm
Saturday	10 am-3 pm

Math Lab Elston 518/381-1435

Monday-Thursday	8:30 am-7 pm
Friday	8:30 am-4 pm
Saturday	10 am-3 pm

Registrar's Office Elston 212/215

381-1348, 381-1349/ext. 1148

Monday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am-4:30 pm
Thursday	8:30 am-6:30 pm
Friday	8:30 am-4:30 pm

Student Affairs,

Vice President

Elston 222/381-1344

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Student Government

Elston 220H/381-1338

By appointment or walk-in

Testing Center

Elston 427/381-1293

TestingCenter@sunysccc.edu
Monday-Thursday 8:30 am-7 pm
Friday 8:30 am-3 pm
Saturday 10 am-2 pm

TRIO Student Support

Services Elston 328/381-1465

Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Tutor Services

Begley Library 210/381-1461

Mon.-Fri. 8 am-4 pm (Coordinator)
Tutoring available Mon.-Sat. (some
evenings) based upon scheduling.

Veterans Affairs

Elston 223/381-1284

Open daily. See office for hours.

Wellness and Support

Services

Elston 222/381-1365
Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

Workforce Development

Kindl Bldg., 201 State St.

595-1101, ext. 3
Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm

YWCA Children's Center

Gateway Bldg./381-1375/1389

Monday-Friday 7:30 am-5:30 pm