HENRY WINS STATEWIDE AWARD FOR SPARKING DRAMATIC GROWTH OF SCC’S SMALL BUSINESS CENTER

Over her years of working in the banking industry, Tiffany Henry found her greatest fulfillment in helping this area’s small business owners to succeed.

Now that she’s at Southwestern Community College, she gets to do her favorite work full-time – and she’s quite good at it.

After her first year as director of SCC’s Small Business Center (SBC), Henry has been named the state’s SBC Rookie of the Year.

“We are so proud of Tiffany, and I’m so amazed at how much she’s already accomplished here,” said Sonja Haynes, dean of workforce innovations at SCC. “With her banking background, she’s been able to go out into the community and help new and longtime small business owners achieve their goals. She spends so much time listening to their needs, and she works hard to provide training to address those.”

Henry helped 21 business start-ups – more than the previous four years combined. Southwestern’s SBC held 57 seminars that were attended by 798 clients – more than twice the number served in the previous two years combined.

“Trust is one of the biggest things I’ve found with the Small Business Center,” said Parker Adams, who owns The Mountaineer Handmade Wooden Crafts in Macon County. “They’re up front. They’re not beating around the bush. It’s nice to have someone you can trust who keeps everything confidential.”

Henry counseled 50 distinct clients for more than 250 hours, doubling figures from the previous year, and she provides assistance with business plans, marketing and a variety of other business issues such as securing loans.

All these services are provided free of charge.

“Running your own business can be overwhelming at times,” said Henry, who worked at banks in Western North Carolina for nearly 10 years before moving to SCC. “It’s an adventure and it’s exciting, but it certainly is not easy. That’s why I’m here: to help guide people around – and prepare them for - the rough spots. You wouldn’t believe how many people who’ve come in for help and said, ‘I wish I’d known this was here a long time ago.’”

Henry continuously looks for new seminar topics that will benefit entrepreneurs throughout Jackson, Macon, Swain Counties and the Qualla Boundary.

The SBC has a resource center located in the Holt Library on Southwestern’s Jackson Campus, and Henry’s office is located nearby in Founders Hall.

“I enjoy helping people and being the voice of reason,” Henry said. “If there’s a skill people have, a gift they enjoy and want to translate into a business, then I help them by making sure they have the tools they need to be successful. I help them sidestep pitfalls or obstacles.

“The most rewarding part of what I do is seeing them be successful, especially when they hire and retain employees,” Henry added. “A lot of times, owners can get comfortable when they’ve been in business for a while. I encourage them to think outside the box, and that’s probably my favorite part.”

For more information about SCC’s Small Business Center, contact Henry at 828.339.4211 or t_henry@southwesterncc.edu.
Occupational Training programs prepare you for current in-demand jobs in our service area. These programs allow you to explore your interests and train for the job you want. All classes are subject to availability based on many factors, including classroom availability, instructor availability, sufficient student pre-registration, etc.

To pre-register for any of our Occupational Training classes, or if you do not see a profession represented and would like to request training, call 828.339.4296 or email scotts@southwesterncc.edu.

AUT 3003- Escort Vehicle Operator Certification: (8 hrs.) This 8-hour course satisfies the requirements set by the NC Department of Transportation to certify Oversize-Overweight load escort vehicle drivers. Course components consist of defensive driving, escort driver requirements, skills training, and an exam. The NCDOT will issue a certificate for those attending the course and scoring 75% or higher on the end of course examination. After class, students must send certified driving record to NCDOT.

Jackson Campus, Bradford, Room 201
Sa 2/21 8A-SP R. Frady $70

CAS 3120-ABC’s of the Computer: (24 hrs, 2.4 CEUs)
Designed and recommended for the new computer user. Learn the computer basics including: proper shut down of the computer, mouse use and maintenance, use of the keyboard, identification and use of icons, windows, menus, how to name, save, retrieve and revise a document; control panel tools; hardware and software vocabulary, basics of file management, how to use some of the system tools, how to install and remove hardware and software. There’s no need to feel threatened or left behind when it comes to computer skills. This interactive course will provide you with the foundation skills that will allow you to learn and grow.
Jackson Campus, Founders Hall, Room 125
M,W 5/4 - 6/1 5-8P V. Holzknecht $70+$5TF

COD 3140-Plumbing Level I Standard Inspection: (32 hrs.) This certification related course is designed for the education and training of the Plumbing Level I code enforcement official who has the responsibility of inspecting residential and small commercial plumbing installations. With the successful completion of this course, the Law and Administration course and in conjunction with other education and experience requirements specific by the NC Code Officials Qualification Board, course participants will be eligible to take the Plumbing Level I state examination for inspector certification. Students must have the following books: North Carolina State Building Code: Plumbing Code 2012 Edition. Published by the International Code Council ISBN 978-1-60983-119-6
Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
F, Sa 4/10-4/18 8A-SP D. Cox $125

HOS 3007-Bartending: (39 hrs.) This course will assist students in becoming professional bartenders. The course will include information on making drinks, Alcoholic Beverage Control requirements, information on Training for Intervention Procedures (TIPS) certification, responsible alcoho server program materials, drink recipes, using proper amounts, mixes, glassware and garnishes. Class will include lecture, demonstration and hands-on participation. Students must be at least 21 years of age.
Jackson Campus, Balsam Center, Room 152
M,W 1/12 - 2/23 6-9P C. Lewis $125
M,W 3/2 - 4/13 6-9P C. Lewis $125

HOS 3007-Mixology-The Study of Mixing Beverages: (18 hrs.) Students will learn how to mix today’s most popular drinks, how to effectively and efficiently manage a bar and customer service skills and techniques that create a pleasant experience for customers while in turn increasing your tips. Students must be at least 21 years of age.
Jackson Campus, Balsam Center, Room 152
M,W 4/20 - 4/29 6-9P C. Lewis $70

HOS 3072-Serv Safe® Food Service Safety and Sanitation: (18 hrs.) The course is designed to give the food handler the understanding of proper sanitation precautions and point out the results to be expected should these precautions not be taken. The course will deal with the study of infection and illness, proper food handling techniques, personal hygiene, and personal safety. Students will be made aware of the regulations of the Occupational Health & Safety Act. Textbook required. Purchase ServSafe Essentials textbook prior to start of class.
Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
T,Th 3/10-3/26 5:30-8:30P C. Allen $70

MNT 3103-Fork Lift Operator: (10 hrs.) Participants successfully completing this course will be eligible for the fork lift operator’s license. Topics to be presented include basic design of lift trucks, stabilization of trucks, maintenance, repair costs and safety aspects in operation.
Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
M,T,Th 1/12 - 1/15 5:30-8:30P K. Allen $70

OSH 3013-OSHA 10-Hour Construction Outreach: This course is designed for construction workers, foremen, job supervisors and anyone involved in the construction industry. OSHA recommends Outreach Training Program courses as an orientation to occupational safety and health for workers covered by OSHA 29 CFR 1926. Upon successful completion, students will receive an OSHA 10-Hour Construction Outreach DOL course completion card. (Students must bring a check in the amount of $5 for the card-processing fee on the last night of class.)
Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
T,Th 2/17 - 2/26 5-8P K. Ashe $70
T,Th 3/17 - 3/26 5-8P K. Ashe $70

PLU 3021-Plumbing Code Review Class: (48 hrs.) The Plumbing Code Review Class is designed to give individuals basic knowledge of the North Carolina Plumbing Code. This course is an excellent preparation for state license examinations or employee/technician training for existing contractors, plumbing supply houses, facility management companies and others. This course will provide an in-depth review of the North Carolina Plumbing Code with emphasis on code administration, general regulations, water distribution/drainage pipe sizing, fixtures, and venting. This course is not a comprehensive review of requirements of accessible design. Some experience in the plumbing industry is suggest-
ed but not a requirement for this course. Students must have the following book: North Carolina State Building Code: Plumbing Code 2012 Edition (Green soft cover) Published by the International Code Council ISBN 978-1-60983-119-6 (for residential or unlimited license)
Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
M 1/26 - 5/11 6-9P D. Cox $125

PLU 3021-Project Management Examination Prep for Plumbing, Heating, and Fuel Gas Contractors: (48 hrs.) North Carolina has added business practice competency examinations to the Plumbing, Heating, and Fuel Gas Contractor License Examination in an effort to ensure that newly licensed contractors are knowledgeable in basic business practices. Typically 25% of the questions on license examinations are dedicated to business skills and knowledge. The purpose of this course is to provide prospective contractors with basic business and project management information needed in preparation for the license examinations. This course will provide an in-depth review of the business and project management materials. There will be lectures, study questions, practice problems and chapter examinations. Students must have the following book: NASCLA Contractors Guide to Business, Law and Project Management 5th Edition. North Carolina Plumbing, Heating, and Fire Sprinkler Contractors' Edition ISBN 13-978-1-934234-51-8
Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
W 1/28 - 5/20 D. Cox $125

SAF 4000-Flagger Training: (4 hrs.) This four-hour flagger certification course teaches the basic procedures and operations needed to become a Flagger. This course will provide each participant with the knowledge, skill, and responsible attitude to control traffic through work zones (safely-effectively-quickly). The course prepares participants to do highway or utility flagging.
Macon Annex, Room 102
T 10/14 5-9P K. Allen $70

SEF 3001-Independent Auto Dealer Continuing Education: (6 hrs.) House Bill 432 mandates that any independent auto dealer seeking renewal of his/her license must show proof of attendance at a DMV-approved, six-hour Continuing Education class each year. This class will focus on NC Motor Vehicle Dealers and Manufacturers Regulation and on the Vehicle Registration Section Title Manual. Self-Supporting.
Jackson Campus, Bradford Hall, Room 100
Th 3/5 8:30A-3:30P D. Mauk $65

OSC 3602-Professional Office Management: (90 hrs.) This program will prepare the student to successfully work in an office environment. Topics presented: office management, computer business applications, Word processing, Excel, Access, and PowerPoint. Students will have the opportunity to receive their Career Readiness Certification (CRC), Notary Public and MicroSoft Certifications. Classes are held on Mondays & Wednesdays, with some Tuesdays & Thursdays required.
Macon Annex, Room 104
T,Th 2/24 - 6/9 4:30-7:30P J. Stikeleather $180+$5TF

Students MUST be 21 years of age or older to take these courses

SEF 3001-Beginning Home Brewing: (8 hrs.) This 4 week course provides students with an introduction to home brewing beer. Students will learn through classroom and hands-on demonstrations the concepts of brewing, ingredients, processes, equipment, and different styles of microbrews. Learn everything you need to know to brew your first batch of beer in class. Must be 21 years of age.
Self-Supporting.
Jackson Campus, Balsam, Room 153
M 3/9 -3/30 5:30-7:30P C. Williams $99
M 4/6 - 4/27 5:30-7:30P C. Williams $99

ISC 3600-Craft Beer Brewing: (40 hrs.) This course is designed as an introduction to craft beer brewing, and to prepare students for entry-level work in the industry of brewing. Each class will be hands-on and involve learning how to brew different types of craft beer on a Sabco Brew Magic system. Some of the topics we will cover include: the history of beer making, beer styles, ingredients, and the entire brewing process from sanitation to bottling. This course will serve as a general overview of craft beer and craft beer making.
Jackson Campus, Balsam, Room 153
Th 2/5 - 3/26 5-10P T. Rogers $125
Th 4/2 - 5/21 5-10P T. Rogers $125

GAM 3001-Blackjack: (170 hrs.) SCC, in collaboration with Harrah's Cherokee Casino, is offering certification to help individuals enter the exciting gaming industry. This required two part certification will teach the individual to proficiently deal the game, know the legal and regulatory aspects of gaming, obtain table management skills, operation of table gaming tools and equipment, accuracy and accounting skills, communication with players, customer service aspects of gaming, proper communication, card placement, chip handling, and understanding the casino industry and tourism environment. Emphasis will also be placed on employability skills, obtaining a Career Readiness Certification, mental mathematics, casino careers, and interviewing and auditioning skills that win you that job!
Online Occupational Training Courses

Classes start 1st Tuesday of Each Month 1/6, 2/3, 3/3, 4/7, 5/5. Registration Fee: $180 + $5 Technology Fee

Students must register five business days before the start date of the class.

CAS 3000-Computer Technician: (305 hrs.) This course is specifically designed to prepare students for the CompTIA A+ certification exams. Students learn about hardware, operating systems, networking, security, and troubleshooting as well as more specialized topics such as mobile devices, laptops, and printers. In addition to one-on-one support from experienced instructors throughout the course and access to personalized graduate support after course completion, students receive two quick-reference exam study guides, a computer repair toolkit, a power supply tester, a USB drive, and two CompTIA A+ certification exam vouchers. (Course Length: 16 weeks)

MED 3300-Electronic Health Records Office Professional: (285 hrs.) Train for a new career as an Electronic Health Records Office Professional! In this career, individuals play an integral role in the daily operations of physician's offices and hospitals. Throughout this course, students will learn Microsoft Office basics, healthcare documentation and reimbursement, practice finances, and standard office procedures. In addition, students will be focusing heavily on a vital component of the medical field-electronic health records. Students will complete interactive course modules that include over 20 hours of training on the industry-standard ezEMRx EHR software. Upon completion of the Electronic Health Records Office Professional program students will be prepared for the Certified Medical Administrative Assistant (CMAA) and Certified Electronic Health Records Specialist (CEHRS) certification exams. (Course Length: 15 weeks)

MED 3300-Online Medical Transcription Editor Part I: (320 hrs.) Learn from home at the convenience of your computer! This 16-week course is the first course in a two-part program designed to teach the student to transfer audio-recorded dictation into hard copy medical documents. The student also will gain the knowledge and skills of speech recognition editing, which will help them produce medical documents that are used by physicians, medical personnel, and courts of law on a daily basis. Online reference materials, student and technical support, and a one-year help hotline are included in this course offered by SCC in partnership with Career Step.

MED 3300-Online Medical Transcription Editor Part II: (320 hrs.) Complete the medical transcription editor program! This 16-week course is the second course in a two-part program designed to teach the student to transfer audio-recorded dictation into hard copy medical documents. The student also will gain the knowledge and skills of speech recognition editing, which will help them produce medical documents that are used by physicians, medical personnel, and courts of law on a daily basis. Online reference materials, student and technical support, personal employment consultations, contracts and pricing guide, referral letters, résumé examples, and a one-year help hotline are included in this course offered by SCC in partnership with Career Step. PREREQUISITES: A student must complete Part I of a course to be able to register for Part II of the course.

OSC 3609-Pharmacy Technician-Health Care Unit/Retail Training: This course provides curriculum that will prepare a student to find employment (and success) as a pharmacy technician in the health care or retail setting. Emphasis is placed on a variety of duties within the pharmacy environment including: computer fundamentals, keyboard kinetics, patient records, communication, receptionist duties as they apply to the hospital and retail settings, clerical duties, math concepts, pharmacology, pharmacy law, regulations, standards, calculations, clerical duties, preparing for the workforce, non-sterile compounding, and preparation for a final exam that also serves as an opportunity for students to determine their readiness for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) exam. An externship built into the program allows students to optimize their learning experiences in this course. (Course Length: 13 weeks)
Art History

History of Art 101: Have you ever wanted to explore the historical foundation of art just for your personal enjoyment? This course is a general survey focusing on the paintings, sculpture, and architecture of major civilizations including Ancient Egypt, the Ancient Americas, Greece, Rome, Byzantium and Islam, as well as that of Romanesque, Gothic and Renaissance Europe. History of Art 101 provides an introduction to the language of the visual arts and a foundation for individual understanding and enjoyment of art. Through the study of art history, we begin to understand the mind of great artists and how they responded to events and the culture of their time. 20 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
MTh 2/2 - 2/26 2-4:30P P. Mikula $95

History of Art 102: Continue with History of Art 102, traveling through the centuries beginning with paintings, sculpture and architecture of 17th-Century Baroque art, through the 21st-Century art, prints, and photography. In addition, a focus on American pottery from the Cherokee and Navajo cultures, to 20th-century American and contemporary art. 20 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
M, Th 3/23 - 4/16 2-4:30P P. Mikula $95

Beginning Drawing: For the beginner to intermediate level, students will explore several drawing techniques including drawing from a still life and the landscape, as well as a variety of drawing mediums, including pencils, pens, charcoal, and conte crayons. Students completing this course will have a better understanding of drawing process and how to express themselves visually. Prerequisites: None. 8 hours, 0 CEU.

Swain Center, Room 114
W 2/4 - 2/25 3-5P J. Marley $50
W 4/8 - 4/29 6-8P J. Marley $50

Basic Computing: Learn computer skills and bring the world to your fingertips. Communicate with friends, family, and the world. This course includes everything you need to know to start exploring the world of technology from turning the computer on, using the mouse, navigating the keyboard, learning computer language and more! By the end of the course, you will be able to communicate with family and friends using email, explore any subject within your imagination on the world-wide web, write letters, recipes, and other documents, and track your assets. 12 hrs.

*This class is strictly for beginners, so don’t hesitate because you are afraid you won’t be able to keep up!

Jackson Campus, Founder’s Hall, Room 124
TTh 4/7 - 4/23 5:15-7:15P D. Moses $70

Getting Paid To Talk: Ever been told you have a great voice? From audio books and cartoons to documentaries, commercials, and more, this class will introduce you to the growing field of voice over. Learn what the pros look for, how to prepare, and where to find work in your area! We’ll discuss industry pros and cons and play samples from working voice professionals. In addition, you’ll have an opportunity to record a short professional script under the direction of our teacher. This class is lots of fun, realistic, and a great first step for anyone interested in the voice over field. For more info please visit: www.voicecoaches.com/gptt. 2.5 hrs.

Macon Campus, Cecil Groves Center, Room 111
Th 4/2 5:30-8P Creative Voice Dev. $25

iPad Essentials: Interested in becoming comfortable with your iPad? Then, the iPad Essentials course is right for you! iPad Essentials is designed for new users who are uncertain about the usage of their iPad. The course will explore how to update software (automatically / manually), customize settings to fit individual needs, installation / removal of apps, creating folders and more. Prerequisite: iPad Essentials: signup with an Apple ID if you have not already. https://appleid.apple.com/account (Bring iPad AND charger to class) 20 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Founder’s Hall, Room 123
MW 3/30 - 4/29 5-7P V. Holzknecht $95

Photography

Advanced Photography: Continue to sharpen your technique and delve into Photoshop – the digital darkroom. Prerequisite: Beginning to Intermediate Photography with Matthew Turlington. 18 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Oaks, Room 115
W 4/1 - 5/6 5:30-8:30P M. Turlington $90

Beginning To Intermediate Digital Photography: Just starting out or wanting to sharpen your skills? This class has it! Join professional photographer, Matthew Turlington of Penumbra Gallery, to learn about camera menus, lighting, focus, editing photos, and more. Students will need to bring a DSLR camera, owner’s manual & tripod to class. (To view Matthew’s work, visit his gallery or website (www.penumbra-gallery.com) 18 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 303
T 1/27 - 2/24 5:30-8:30P M. Turlington $90
T 3/31 - 5/5 5:30-8:30P M. Turlington $90

Macon Campus, Groves Center, Room 111
Th 1/29 - 3/5 5:30-8:30P M. Turlington $90

Shifting Gears To Your Life & Work After Retirement: This hands-on workshop/seminar is a personal and professional “call to action” for Boomers to re-invent their post-retirement life. By participating in this course, they will design their own unique roadmap to creating a ‘new’ experience of work, play, travel, and leisure—one that will make and keep them more content and fulfilled than ever during this, their last, best, and hopefully most productive life passage. 8 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 102A
Th 4/9 - 4/23 5:30-8P D. Aiton $65
(Additional Book Fee: $15)

Sign Language Made Easy: A complete program for using sign language in everyday life. This unique course is for both beginning students and those with signing experience. 16 hrs.

Macon Campus, Cecil Groves Center, Room 111
M 3/16 - 5/4 5:30-7:30P D. Christy $85
(Additional Book Fee)

Sketching: Explore the fundamentals of sketching. Focusing on still life and gesture drawings, students will use a variety of media to execute quick drawings and studies. These studies are an indispensable artist tool, and are used to form ideas, layouts for larger works, or to quickly capture a scene. Open to all skill levels. 12 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 302
T 2/17 - 3/31 3-5P A. Fouweather $70
SCC WRITING CLASS IN CASHIERS PRODUCES MEMORABLE MEMOIRS

Reading softly and in a grandmotherly tone, Sylvia Peck of Cashiers quietly told of a horrifying alligator-wrestling experience in her native Florida.

Sapphire resident Eleanor Vieau offered heartwarming vignettes from growing up in Chicago during the Great Depression.

And Dr. David Workman recounted a tale that was quite literally out of this world.

Their stories, as well as those shared by Cullowhee residents Elsie Haight and Lawrie Williams, were carefully crafted over the previous 10 weeks in Southwestern Community College’s “Writing from the Heart” class. All were read to an audience of several dozen on Oct. 22 at the Cashiers Senior Center.

And every single story was true.

“They all wanted to work on their memoirs in this class,” said Amy Ammons Garza, who served as the course’s instructor. “They are all very good writers. One great thing about senior citizens is that they’ve had to write all of their lives.

“Some didn’t think they could do it, but they got more confident as we went along,” Garza added. “It was so good to hear them all improve over time. I just feel very lucky to hear what they have to say.”

In a distinct Boston accent, Haight described a humorous story about spending time with family. And Williams spoke of a close encounter with a bear on a recent camping trip.

Meanwhile, Dr. Workman’s biographical account covered a span in his life when he worked for TRW – a subcontractor for NASA – during the famed 1960s “Space Race” with the Soviet Union.

The Cullowhee resident described what it was like when he “mingled among the ‘stars’ of the space program” and recalled the emotions of sitting in mission control during some tense, and exhilarating, moments of the Apollo 8 mission. He credited Garza with helping him get his memoirs off the ground.

“The most significant thing Amy taught me is that everyone has a story to tell, but if you don’t write it down, it gets lost,” Dr. Workman said. “She gave me encouragement to continue writing. My parents are gone now, but I keep finding questions that I wished I’d asked of them. That’s why I want to write all this down – so that maybe one day my children and maybe even my grandchildren can know some a little more about me.”

For more information about SCC and its programs, visit southwesterncc.edu or call 828.339.4000

Online Courses: ED2GO

Over 300 online continuing education courses are offered monthly. These include internet, webpage design, web graphics and multi-media, web and computer programming, basic computer literacy, computer applications, graphic design, computer troubleshooting and networking, database management, languages, writing and publishing, grant writing and non-profit management, starting your own business, sales and marketing, accounting, business administration, and much more.

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When you visit our website, instructions are readily available and easy to follow. For additional information, please contact Vita Nations, coordinator of Extension education at 339.4656 or vitan@southwesterncc.edu

www.southwesterncc.edu/workforce-innovations/online-courses-continuing-education
Small Looms With Big Results: Students will be introduced to three different types of small looms (pin, inkle, and cardboard) to create a mug rug, bookmarks, amulet bag, and squares that can be incorporated into larger pieces. Samples of a variety of wefts, texture techniques – lace technique, clasped weft, and more will be investigated. This course will be interactive, experiential, informative, and fun! 12 hrs.
Jackson Campus, TBD
Th 3/19 - 4/23 5:30-7:30P S. Leveille $70
(Additional Materials Fee: $20)

Wine 101: This course will span the basics of wine terminology, history, production, tasting of wines, and include the background of wines being produced by the major wine countries. Participants will sample two white and two red wines with each class period. 8 hrs.
Jackson Campus, Balsam, Room 153
Th 4/16 - 5/7 6-8P W. Dunn $100

Spanish – Beginner Level 1: Beginner Spanish-Level 1 provides the foundation upon which future levels will be based. The focus of this level is to learn proper pronunciation as well as the basic structure of the language. Present-tense verb conjugations are considered as well as the correct formation of sentences, negative sentences and questions. There will be some conversation practice. Latin American cultural differences will also be discussed, which will definitely help those who are planning a trip to a Spanish-speaking Latin America country. 20 hrs.
Jackson Campus - Founders Hall, Room 112
M 3/16 - 5/4 6-8:30P A. Rainone $95
(Additional Book Fee: $26.75)

So what does writing from the heart mean? It’s the story you want to tell, a story you have to share with the world. And it’s probably one of the easiest article types to write in terms of research because you are your research. In this class, you will learn how to write something that makes readers cry out, “Hey, that’s me! That’s what I think. That’s how I feel!” and at the same time offer hope and help. The knowledge acquired is something all can use in creative writing. The writers strive to have at least one completed work by the end of the series. 12 hrs.
The course will cover the following topics:
• Writing from the Heart
• Your Precious Heritage
• Powerful Beginnings
• Writing with a Purpose/Plot
• Weaving Fiction into Fact
• The 4 keys of Pacing
• Persuade with Power
• Selecting and Directing Your Writings
Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 204
T 3/17 - 4/21 6-8P A. Ammons Garza $70

4-Minute Fitness: Can you spare four minutes a day to get fit? 4-Minute Fitness uses dynamic principals from tai chi, yoga, and qi gong to teach total mind-body fitness. These are techniques used by athletes to both motivate and relax by performing the moves simultaneously in order to save time. In this course, you will learn to practice layering the techniques to ultimately achieve total fitness in 4 minutes. All are welcome, including those with physical handicaps!
Jackson Campus, Bradford Hall, Gym
(Optional DVD for purchase from instructor - $10)
**NC Auto Safety Inspection Certification:** This course covers the inspection rules and procedures of a public inspection station. Upon completion, a student should understand the rules, regulations and procedures for safety inspections, be able to properly perform a vehicle safety inspection, and be prepared to sit for the state certification exam. 8 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Summit, Room 129  
M,T 1/26 - 1/27 6-10P  R. Frady  $70  
M,T 2/23 - 2/24 6-10P  R. Frady  $70

**OBD Emissions Certification:** Familiarizes students with the mandates and procedures required for certification as a North Carolina OBD II Inspector-Mechanic. 8 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Summit, Room 129  
M,T 2/9 - 2/10 6-10P  R. Frady  $70

**OBD Emissions Recertification:** Familiarizes students with the mandates and procedures required for recertification as a North Carolina OBD II Inspector-Mechanic. 4 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Summit, Room 129  
M 2/9 6-10P  R. Frady  $70

**NC Notary Public Education:** This course covers the qualifications, procedures and certification for becoming a notary. Students completing this course with a passing exam grade, are eligible to apply for certification with the NC Secretary of State’s office. Requirements: high school diploma or GED, at least 18 years of age, legal resident of the USA, bring current valid state, federal, or tribal photo ID. Students must purchase and read through the Notary Public Guidelines for North Carolina 10th Edition, available in the SCC Bookstore or online through the UNC-CH School of Government. 6.5 hrs.

Jackson Campus, Founder’s Hall, Room 117  
Th 1/29 9A-4:30P  K. Brendell  $70  
Th 2/26 9A-4:30P  K. Brendell  $70  
Th 3/26 9A-4:30P  K. Brendell  $70  
Th 4/23 9A-4:30P  K. Brendell  $70  
Macon Campus, Cecil Groves Ctr., Conference Room  
T 2/10 9A-4:30P  R. Cedrone  $70  
T 4/14 9A-4:30P  R. Cedrone  $70

**Real Estate Update:** This mandatory update, written by the NC Real Estate Commission, will cover Advertising & Syndication practices, Contract Formation & Negotiation, Surveys and Duties of Confidentiality, Revised Rules & Laws and Licensing and Educational Review. THIS CLASS MUST BE TAKEN BY ALL LICENSEEES. The cost of course materials is included in the registration fee. 4 hrs.

Macon Campus, Cecil Groves Ctr, Conference Room  
T 1/27 9A-1P  B. Holt  $55

**Real Estate Broker-In-Charge:** This BICAR (8814) course is written by the N.C. Real Estate Commission for Brokers-In-Charge only. The cost of course materials is included in the registration fee. 4 hrs.

Macon Campus, Cecil Groves Ctr., Conference Room  
T 1/27 9A-1P  B. Holt  $55

**Real Estate Elective: The NC Vacation Rental Act: Guidelines to Compliance:** This course reviews and discusses the major provisions of the NC Vacation Rental Act. Specific topics include provisions of a vacation rental agreement, accounting of funds, transfer of ownership, expedited eviction, and mandatory evacuation procedures. The cost of course materials is included in the registration fee. 4 hrs.

Macon Campus, Cecil Groves Ctr, Conference Room  
W 1/28 9A-1P  B. Holt  $55

**Electrical Contractors License Renewal Education:** 2013-2014

**Electrical Contractors Code Update:** This course provides contractors with an overview of the National Electrical Code. Information on the code and understanding of the code interpretations will be addressed. A better working knowledge of applying the 2014 NEC Code in the field will be gained to help the contractor comply with the codes. This course meets the requirements of the NC State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors for eight hours of continuing education credit and is not sponsored by the board. 8 hrs.

Macon Campus, Cecil Groves Ctr, Room 204  
Sa 2/21 8A-5P  C. Poindexter  $70

**Healing Touch Certificate Program**

Healing Touch is a multi-level international certification program for individuals from all walks of life. Through the Healing Touch Program, you will gain an in-depth understanding and practice of energetic work using scientifically supported techniques that complement conventional medical, as well as other, therapeutic treatments. Healing Touch is becoming increasingly validated in the health care community and is now being utilized in a growing number of hospitals nationwide. The curriculum encompasses increasing levels of practice and techniques, standards of care, code of ethics, and scope of practice. Nurses, massage therapists, and other allied health care professionals may earn continuing education contact hours. Students may apply for certification after completing Level 5.

**LEVEL I:** This course level includes both didactic and experiential learning. Participants practice and share in classroom experiences using energy-based healing methods and principles. Students will not only learn the various techniques of the program, but at a deeper level will develop confidence in their treatment sessions and their ability to discern how to work with clients presenting with varied symptoms using a professional case management process. After completing Level I, the student is ready to begin using and practicing the skills learned in class. Course offers 18 Continuing Education contact hours for nurses and massage therapists.

Jackson Campus, Burrell, Room 203  
Sa,Su 3/28 - 3/29 8A-6P  N. Stephens  $365

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**Starting a Better Business:** This business planning seminar will cover a number of specifics that must be considered in your journey to starting a business. Come and learn how to assess your business ownership skills; how to assess the feasibility of your business idea; the parts of a business plan; the different types of business formations; the licenses that are required; and the financing options that are available. The goal of this seminar is to give those who attend the information that they need to make better decisions which should also give their business ideas a better chance of success.

Jackson Campus
W 2/4 11:30A-1P SBC/SBTDC
W 4/1 11:30A-1P SBC/SBTDC
Macon Campus
W 3/4 11:30A-1P SBC/SBTDC
W 5/6 11:30A-1P SBC/SBTDC

**Introduction to Facebook for Business Use:** People are 51% more likely to make a purchase after “liking” a business on Facebook. If you want to get started with Facebook for business, this class will teach you how to set up your Business Page, optimize the Page for search engines, understand basic business page navigation, post scheduling, basic administrative components, posting updates, and learn business best practices for using Facebook. This course is great for those who have a Facebook business Page and have had a hard time figuring out how to use it, and for those who are new to Facebook Business Pages and need to know where to begin.

Jackson Campus
Th 2/19 5:30-8:30P M. Baker

**eBay for Beginners:** Learn how to sell on eBay the right way? Find out how to do research and create listings that will attract buyers; how to use descriptions and photography; setting pricing to maximize your profits and MUCH more!

Jackson Campus
M 2/23 5:30-8:30P N. Hawks

**Beyond the Basics of Using eBay to Sell Your Products:** For entrepreneurs who have attended “eBay for Beginners.” Learn how to make eBay a primary marketing tool for your small business. Discover best practices to use when setting up an account, advertising items for sale, accepting payments through PayPal, and shipping procedures.

Jackson Campus
T 2/24 5:30-8:30P N. Hawks

**Opening an eBay Store: The Next Level:** Get a step-by-step approach so you can optimize your eBay store. Find out how to market your eBay store more effectively and list items in your store. Prerequisite: eBay for Beginners and BEYOND the BASICS.

Jackson Campus
W 2/25 5:30-8:30P N. Hawks

**How to Market Your Business on Facebook:** Brush up on your Facebook marketing skills and learn the difference between posting and marketing on Facebook, along with tips to drive more likes, comments and shares. In this class you will also learn how to create deals, Facebook ads and promoted posts, how to engage people, build your audience, insights and analytics, creating sharable content, creating events, pinned and highlighted posts, adding a Like Box to your website, and how to encourage Facebook check-ins.

Jackson Campus
Th 2/26 5:30-8:30P M. Baker

**Fundraising Fundamentals for Non-Profits:** Non-Profit organizations must continually look for new funding sources and ways to support their services and mission. Fundraising is a needed skill for many non-profits as support from traditional sources shrinks and organizations search for new sources of support. This seminar reviews the primary elements of fundraising, compares the types of fundraising to an organization’s needs, and provides best practices. Participants evaluate their organization’s needs and determine where fundraising events can supplement their operations.

Jackson Campus
T 3/3 9A-11:30P A. Pearce

**Small Business Digital Photography:** Do you use photography for your business and would like to do it yourself? Then it’s time to learn some digital photography skills that will help you in your business. Professional photographer Matthew Turlington of Penumbra Gallery, will help you learn by both sharpening your skills and adding a few more, or if you are a beginner and want to know if you can do this yourself. This class will serve the intermediate and intro level person and is applicable to any type of business. Come join others with similar needs, have some fun, and learn to be more productive with your photography.

Jackson Campus
W 3/18 - 4/1 5:30-8:30P M. Turlington

**QuickBooks for Small Business:** Take the fear out of financial accounting! This 4-week series gives you the tools to understand the financial health of your small business. Start with the basics of bookkeeping and then launch into QuickBooks in order to learn more advanced financial management systems. You will cover bookkeeping basics, customer issues (invoicing and receivables), vendor issues (payables), and how to produce and understand financial statements.

Macon Campus
M 4/6 - 4/27 5:30-8:30P C. Williams
CREATIVE BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION FOR PROFESSIONAL CRAFT ARTISTS

Over a series of 8 sessions, you will experience hands-on activities that have been specifically designed to address needs and challenges faced by craft artists who already have or wish to start a business. Craft businesses have very specific differences in their business models, and this series gives you the tools to address those in an effective way. You will analyze marketing, financial, production and distribution issues, as well as other issues included in your business model. At the completion of the series, you will have the tools you need to move forward, including a presentation of your business idea and a written “Creative Business Plan.”

Reservations required at www.ncsbc.net. All training opportunities are free.

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**Session #5: Taking Your Product to Market**
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**Session #6: Pricing and Break Even Analysis**
Swain Campus  Th  4/16  2-5P

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Swain Campus  Th  4/23  2-5P

**Session #8: Business Presentations**
Swain Campus  Th  4/30  2-5P

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**2015 MACON COUNTY “BEE” SEMINARS**

SCC’s Small Business Center is teaming up with the Macon County CEC (Certified Entrepreneurial Community) to offer a new series of Business Enhancement Experience (BEE) seminars in the coming months. This series focuses on the key areas in which business owners tend to struggle the most or need the most help with once they’ve opened.

Reservations required at www.ncsbc.net. All training opportunities are free.

**BEE Financially Savvy and Organizationally Strong:** This session will cover cash flow enhancement by capital injection or tax liability, credit enhancement, lending options, and comparisons of the types of ownership structures available for small business.
Macon Bank Corporate Office  
T  2/17  5:30-8:30P

**BEE Technologically Equipped:** A panel of existing business owners will discuss various forms of technology and ways to use them to be successful while avoiding pitfalls.
Drake Education Center  
T  3/24  5:30-8:30P

**BEE on Top with Great Customer Service:** A panel consisting of existing entrepreneurs will relay tips and best practices for exceptional customer service and how business owners can adapt this information to their small business.
Franklin Town Hall  
T  4/21  5:30-8:30P

**The BEE Resource Fair:** This event will consist of local resources small business owners can utilize to aid in their success.
Macon Campus  
T  5/12  5:30-8:30P

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REAL Business Plan Series: Over a series of eight sessions, you will learn how to determine the feasibility of a business idea, analyze and develop marketing strategies, consider important operational issues and become more familiar with business financials. You will also learn how to develop a full business plan that brings all the elements together, as well as how to make a presentation of your business idea.

Reservations required at www.ncsbc.net. All training opportunities are free.

Am I Entrepreneurial Material? Gain insight into self-assessment, community analysis, and resources available.
Jackson Campus M 2/2 5:30-8:30P

Business Plan Development and Zero In on Your Market: Learn about the business plan and the importance of marketing.
Jackson Campus M 2/9 5:30-8:30P

Business Simulation: Participate in a business simulation exercise.
Jackson Campus M 2/16 5:30-8:30P

Marketing Mix: Learn about the 5 P’s of marketing, competition, and the myths of marketing.
Jackson Campus M 3/2 5:30-8:30P

Business Analysis and Operation: Learn about pricing for profit.
Jackson Campus M 3/9 5:30-8:30P

Financials for Small Business: Learn about working with financials in a small business.
Jackson Campus M 3/16 5:30-8:30P

Taxes & Bookkeeping Basics for Small Business: Learn about taxes and bookkeeping involved with small business.
Jackson Campus M 3/23 5:30-8:30P

Business Plan Presentations: Participants who attended one or more of the NC REAL sessions will have the opportunity to present their business plan.
Jackson Campus M 3/30 5:30-8:30P

WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Lunch and Learn with The Support Center’s Women Business Center Learn more about The Support Center, the Small Business Center and other resources available to you and your business. You will have the opportunity to network with other business owners over lunch that will be provided. This event is for women entrepreneurs only.
Jackson County Library – Community Room
T 2/3 11A-1P
W 4/8 11A-1P

SAVE THE DATES!

June 3 & 4
Martin Brossman will be back!

The Small Business Center regularly schedules FREE business seminars and maintains a host of reference materials for use by business owners. Seminars are offered on a scheduled and customized basis throughout SCC’s service area.
**Employability**

With today’s new and rapidly changing technology and competitive job market, it is important to make yourself stand out. The job of finding a job requires many of the same qualifications it takes once you are hired. Employability Lab helps you determine the qualities that make you most marketable to prospective employers, helps you get that interview and win that job.

The course is structured on an open-entry, open-exit basis to meet the customized needs of the participants, is self-paced, and provides lecture as well as individual attention. During the lab, participants assess and identify job interests, learn advanced job-search techniques, learn to make their resumes stand out, develop interviewing skills, discover the importance of social media and networking, earn their Career Readiness Certificate and much more.

The course is free to the unemployed. Walk-ins are welcome. Come by at any time during lab hours to register. For more information, call Rita Gregory at 828.306.7020 or email at ritag@southwesterncc.edu.

**Jackson Campus (Sylva)**
- M,T,W,Th  Oaks Hall, Room 104  8A-3P

**Swain Center (Bryson City)**
- M,W  8A-12P

**Macon Annex (Franklin)**
- M,T,W,Th  Room 104  9A-2P

**English as a Second Language (ESL)**
ESL classes are designed to help adults with a limited knowledge of English learn to speak, read and write English. Speaking English correctly will greatly enhance job and career potential. Classes are small, individual instruction is provided and students work at their own pace.

**Clases de inglés (ESL)**
Las clases de inglés están diseñados para ayudar la gente mejorar leer, escribir y hablar inglés. Hablando inglés correcto le ayudará ganar más dinero en su trabajo. Las clases de inglés están enseñados con instrucción individual y los estudiantes estudian al nivel adecuado. Si tiene preguntas, llame 828.339.4262 se habla español.

**Jackson Campus (Sylva)**
- Oaks Hall, Room 105  M,T,W,Th  8A-12P

**Peggy Crosby Community Center (Highlands)**
- Peggy Crosby Center  M,Th  5-8P

**Citizenship Preparation**
- Macon Program for Progress, Training Bldg.  M,Th  6-8:30P
The Jerry Sutton Public Safety Training Center (PSTC) is a division of Southwestern Community College (SCC). SCC-PSTC is located within the Macon County Industrial Park, on Highway 64-West. The facility is primarily dedicated to coordinating Public Safety Training Programs (EMS, Fire/Rescue, and Law Enforcement) to all agencies within the SCC service area and beyond.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Pre-registration is required for all EMS certification courses. Courses may also be cancelled due to insufficient enrollment. For more information or to enroll in EMS training contact Todd Doster at 828.306.7044 or tdoster@southwesterncc.edu. You may also search for and register for classes here: www.southwesterncc.edu/pstc/ems-class-schedule

Law Enforcement & First Response Tactical Casualty Care (LEFR-TCC): This course teaches public safety first responders including police, other law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders the basic medical care interventions that will help save an injured responder's life until EMS practitioners can safely enter a tactical scene. It combines the principles of PHTLS and TCCC and meets the recommendations of the Hartford Consensus document and TECC guidelines.

PSTC, Room 118  W 2/11  9A-4P
PSTC, Room 118  T,W  3/10 - 3/11  6-10P
PSTC, Room 118  W 4/15  9A-4P
PSTC, Room 118  W,Th  5/13 - 5/14  6-10P

*Attendance both nights required

Advanced Medical Life Support (AMLS): AMLS is an education program of the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT). The program is endorsed by the National Association of EMS Physicians (NAEMSP). This program is for all levels of healthcare practitioners committed to providing quality care for patients in medical crisis. AMLS emphasizes the use of scene size-up, history, interactive group discussion on potential treatment strategies and physical exam to systematically rule out and consider possibilities and probabilities in treating patients' medical crises. The course is designed to combine interactive scenario-based lectures with hands-on physical assessments of patients.

PSTC, Room 118  W,Th  1/21 - 1/22  8A-5P

Emergency Medical Responder: The primary focus of the Emergency Medical Responder is to initiate immediate lifesaving care to critical patients who access the emergency medical system. This individual possesses the basic knowledge and skills necessary to provide lifesaving interventions while awaiting additional EMS response and to assist higher level personnel at the scene and during transport. Emergency Medical Responders function as part of a comprehensive EMS response, under medical oversight. Emergency Medical Responders perform basic interventions with minimal equipment.

January 2015. Call for further information.

Emergency Pediatric Care (EPC): EPC provides a unique approach to pediatric emergency care, offering assessment techniques that can help EMS practitioners rapidly and accurately assess pediatric patients to determine which situations may be life-threatening and require immediate intervention. In addition to providing current knowledge and training in proper treatment modalities, the course incorporates family centered care throughout all scenarios. Training encompasses lectures, hands-on skills practice and small group critical thinking discussions. EPC is for all emergency medical technicians and paramedics committed to providing quality care for pediatric patients.

PSTC, Room 118  W,Th  2/04 - 2/05  8A-5P

Pre-Hospital Trauma Life Support (PHTLS): PHTLS is developed by the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians in cooperation with the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma. The PHTLS course is a unique continuing education program created in recognition of the real need in EMS education for additional training in the handling of trauma patients. This indispensable program is designed to enhance and increase knowledge and skill in delivering critical care in the prehospital environment.

PSTC, Room 118  W,Th  2/18 - 2/19  8A-5P
ADVISORY COMMITTEE DRAWS PUBLIC SAFETY PROFESSIONALS TO SCC-PSTC

The dozens of civil servants who descended on Southwestern Community College’s Public Safety Training Center (SCC-PSTC) on July 30 represented a wide range of agencies at the federal, state and local levels.

The administrators, first responders, firefighters and law enforcement officers have different responsibilities and serve all manner of geographic regions, but one question at the start of their Western North Carolina public safety advisory committee meeting united everyone in attendance.

“Who in here has received training at SCC?” asked Curtis Dowdle, SCC’s dean of public safety training.

Every public safety professional in the room stood up.

That exercise set the tone for participants to assess and offer input on the SCC-PSTC’s services.

Among those in attendance was Jose Rodriguez, a 2000 graduate of SCC’s Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET) program who currently serves as training coordinator for the Cherokee Police Department.

“This kind of meeting is very important,” Rodriguez said. “There are a lot of needs that departments have. So to be able to talk directly to the (SCC-PSTC) director and instructors is a huge help. Whether we talk to them here or call them or send an e-mail, they answer our questions and will consider adding something if we need it.”

Macon County Sheriff Robert Holland, who went through SCC’s BLET program in 1993, said the training SCC-PSTC provides is: “extremely important. You can never learn too much. … We get our regular law enforcement updates and learn new techniques.”

Before sending participants into breakout sessions for EMS, fire/rescue and law enforcement, Dowdle gave the group an operations overview as well as a summary of SCC’s master plans for expanding in Macon County – including some specific long-range hopes for enhancing the public safety training facilities and consolidating those with SCC’s existing Macon Campus.

“The feedback we get every year from this committee is vital to us,” Dowdle said. “The information we get helps guide our decisions regarding which programs to offer and how we can best deliver them to the agencies we serve.”

For more information about SCC-PSTC, call 828.306.7041 or visit www.southwesterncc.edu/pstc.
FIRE AND RESCUE

For more information on the following classes contact Travis Scruggs, Fire Rescue Coordinator/Instructor at 828.306.7045 or email t_scruggs@southwesterncc.edu.

Alarka Fire Department – TBA

Balsam Fire Department – TBA

Bryson City Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 1st Thursday of Each Month
Structural Fire Fighting Tactics TBA Williams FIP 4729

Burningtown Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 1st Thursday of Each Month
Ventilation TBA TBA FIP 3308
Rapid Intervention Training TBA TBA FIP 6403
Incident Safety Officer TBA Ensley FIP 4728

Canada Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 1st Thursday of Each Month
Hazmat Refresher 1/19 - 1/26 Ensley FIP 3351
EVD Refresher 5/2 - 5/3 Pruett FIP 3601
Forcible Entry TBA TBA FIP 3307

Cherokee Tribal
Law and Administration TBA Graham

Cherokee Tribal Volunteer Fire Department
Hazmat Level One Responder TBA Ensley FIP 4728
Sprinklers TBA TBA FIP 3308
Fire Control TBA TBA FIP 3313
Ventilation TBA TBA FIP 3319

Clarks Chapel Fire Department
Radio/Communications TBA Callhoun FIP 4728

Cowee Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 2nd Thursday of Each Month

Cullasaja Fire Department

Cullowhee Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 4th Monday of Each Month

Franklin Fire Department - TBA

Cashiers Fire Department - TBA

Cashiers Rescue - TBA

Highlands Fire & Rescue Department
Medical Continuing Education 3rd Tuesday of Each Month

Mtn. Valley Fire Department
Engine Company Operations 1/22 Scruggs FIP 4728
Building Construction TBA TBA FIP 3322

Nantahala Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 2nd Thursday of Each Month
Fire Behavior TBA TBA FIP 3317

Otto Fire & Rescue Department
Medical Continuing Education 3rd Thursday of Each Month
TR WR Navigation and Tracing TBA TBA FIP 6304

Qualla Fire Department - TBA

Savannah Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 2nd Monday of Even Months

Sky Valley/Scaly Fire Department

PSTC
2015 Fire Academy 3/1 - 6/27 Scruggs FIP 3314
Chemistry of Hazardous Materials ONLINE FIP 4901
Advanced Arson Investigation 3/9 - 3/12 NC IAAI FIP 3500

Sylva Fire Department
Emergency Medical Care 1/19 - 2/16 TBA FIP 3316

Swain County Rescue
TR Wilderness Victim Mgt. TBA TBA FIP 6304

West Macon Fire Department
Medical Continuing Education 2nd Thursday every 4th Month

West Swain Fire Department
Fire Alarms & Communications 1/20 - 2/17 Ensley FIP 3303
Ropes 3/3 - 3/24 Allen FIP 3309
Ventilation 4/7 - 4/28 Allen FIP 3308

LAW ENFORCEMENT

CJC-3928: Law Enforcement General Instructor Training: This course should be taken by Criminal Justice personnel planning to teach in any course mandated by either the Criminal Justice Education Training Standards Commission or the Sheriff’s Education Training Standards Commission. Prior to teaching in any commission-mandated course, you must successfully complete this course, apply for and be granted certification as a probationary instructor. Also, personnel desiring to attend specialized Instructor Training courses such as Firearms, Defensive Tactics, Physical Fitness, Law Enforcement Driver Training, etc. must first successfully complete the General Instructor Training course. You must have four years of full time law enforcement experience to register for this course. For more information contact Matt Reynolds 828.306.7046 or email reynolds@southwesterncc.edu.

PSTC 3/1 - 3/14
CJC 3938: Basic Law Enforcement Training (BLET): (744 hrs.) The North Carolina Basic Law Enforcement Training is a State-accredited program designed to prepare entry level individuals with the cognitive and physical skills to become certified police officers and deputy sheriffs. The course is comprised of 35 separate blocks of instruction. The Commission-mandated course, upon completion, will enable the graduate to be certified to work as a sworn law enforcement officer in North Carolina. SCC-PSTC offers two academies a year (Summer/Fall). For more information contact Matt Reynolds, North Carolina Law Enforcement Certification Coordinator/Instructor at 828.306.7046 or email reynolds@southwesterncc.edu. PSTC - TBA

CJC 3941: Detention Officer Certification Training (DOCC): (194 hrs.) The North Carolina Detention Officer Certification Course is a State accredited program designed to prepare entry level individuals with the cognitive and physical skills to become certified detention officers. The course is comprised of twenty-one separate blocks of instruction. The Sheriff’s Commission mandated course, upon completion, will enable the graduate to be certified to work as a sworn detention officer in the State of North Carolina. For more information contact Matt Reynolds, North Carolina Law Enforcement Certification Coordinator/Instructor at 828.306.7046 or email reynolds@southwesterncc.edu. PSTC M,T,W,Th,F,Sa 1/12-2/13 8A-6P

CJC 3952: In-Service Training for Law Enforcement: In-Service Training Requirements from the NC Training Justice and Sheriffs’ Education and Training Standards Commission: The In-Service N.C. Law Enforcement Officer Training requirements, as outlined in the N.C. Administrative Code, requires that every police officer certified by the N.C. Criminal Justice and Training Standards Commission and deputy sheriff certified by N.C. Sheriff Education and Training Standards Commission complete 24 hours of in-service training annually. The topics for this requirement are outlined in the Code and include but are not limited to the classes listed below for 2015. SCC will work with all agencies to meet these training requirements in traditional seat-based classes or online delivery. Please contact Dereck Jones at SCC-PSTC, 828.306.7052 or d_jones@southwesterncc.edu for additional information. PSTC - TBA

CJC 3955: National Park Service - Seasonal Law Enforcement Training (NPS-SLET) Program Session #94 (Spring 2015): The National Park Service - Seasonal Law Enforcement Training (NPS-SLET) program delivered by the Southwestern Community College - Division of Public Safety Training Center (SCC-PSTC) is approved by the United States Department of the Interior (DOI) and coordinated by the National Park Service Law Enforcement Training Center (NPS-LETC), Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLET), located in Glynco, Georgia. Successful completion of the NPS-SLET program, in its entirety, is an eligibility requirement for a Type II (Seasonal) Law Enforcement Commission with the National Park Service (NPS) and allied agencies. Course information and application materials may be accessed online at southwesterncc.edu/pstc/law-enforcement/national-park-service-nps. For additional information, contact Mitch Boudrot, SCC-PSTC Law Enforcement Training Program (LETP) Director, Tactical Operations Coordinator/Instructor at m_boudrot@southwesterncc.edu or 828.306.7043, or 1.800.447.4091, Ext. 7043. (Hours are TBA, following curriculum development/implementation by the NPS-LETC) PSTC 1/20 - 5/30

CJC 5000: Search Warrant Writing Refresher: (4-8 hrs.) This course is designed to assist the officer in properly drafting a search warrant while also providing information on how to lawfully execute a search warrant. Laws governing constitutional rights will be discussed as well as all other local, state and tribal laws. *Must be a sworn law enforcement officer to register* PSTC - TBA

CJC 5045: Basic School Resource Officer Training: (40 hrs.) This course is designed for officers who desire to become or are assigned to a school resource officer position/program. This course will assist in defining the School Resource Officer (SRO) concept and apply this to the school in which they are assigned, define the dual objectives of prevention and enforcement as it applies to the School Resource Officer Program, identify the roles of a School Resource Officer/Unit in the educational community, identify the various categories of students defined as Children with Special Needs and sensitize the School Resource Officer to each classification, discuss the problems of dating violence, social networking issues amongst teens, adolescent suicide, identify the warning signs associated with “at risk” students and recommend the appropriate steps which need to be taken in handling these students, and discuss the development of relationships necessary to function as an SRO, including relationships with students, parents and faculty. *Must be a sworn law enforcement officer to register* PSTC - TBA

CJC 5000: Narcotics Investigations: Drug Awareness, Recognition, and Response Training: (4 hrs.) This course will assist in identifying the commonly used drugs encountered by the patrol officer or investigator and identify the correct pharmacological classification and possible effects the narcotic will have on the body. It will also enhance the officer’s ability to identify and recover the latest drug(s) of choice and new forms of paraphernalia used on the streets today. This course is limited to 20 participants per section. Please contact Derek Jones at SCC-PSTC, 828.306.7052 or d_jones@southwesterncc.edu for additional information. *Must be a sworn law enforcement officer to register* PSTC - TBA

MOTORCYCLE SAFETY BASIC RIDER
This course covers the basic fundamentals needed to develop your capabilities to become a safe and responsible motorcyclist. It provides the opportunity for you to learn the physical and mental skills important for operating a motorcycle. In the classroom, you will learn ways to minimize risk and handle special riding situations. During the riding portions,
TRAFFIC SAFETY TRAINING

For further information and to enroll, contact David Hensley, Traffic Safety Training Coordinator/Instructor at 828.306.7054 or email d_hensley@southwesterncc.edu

Radar Operator Certification: (42 hrs.) Radar Operator training is for currently certified North Carolina Law Enforcement Officers or Federal Law Enforcement Officers. Attendees must attend 100% of the minimum instructional hours and provide a Radar Instrument currently approved for use in NC. State Examination is March 10, 2015. PSTC 3/2 - 3/5

Radar Recertification Training: (17 hrs.) This course is for Radar Operators who are currently certified, or have expired within the past 12 months, and are seeking recertification. Attendees must be a currently certified NC Law Enforcement Officer or Federal Law Enforcement Officer. Must attend 100% of minimum instructional hours and provide a Radar Instrument currently approved for use in NC. State Examination is March 10, 2015. PSTC 3/9

Lidar Operator Training: (14 hrs.) Lidar Operator is for currently certified Radar Operators seeking to add to their Speed Measuring instrument Certification. Must be currently certified NC Law Enforcement or Federal Law Enforcement Officer, attend 100% of minimum instructional hours, and provide a Lidar Instrument currently approved for use in NC. State Examination is March 10, 2015. PSTC 3/6

Law Enforcement Defensive Driving: (8 hrs.) This course is for currently certified NC Law Enforcement Officers on a fee-exempt basis but open to other law enforcement agencies for a fee of $70.00 per student. Students need only attend one of the class offerings. Curriculum discusses the Below 100 initiative, safe driving practices and habits, along with several hours operating their issued vehicle in a variety of driving disciplines to include Precision Driving Exercise, Precision Backing Exercise, and Skid-Car Avoidance training. Class may be utilized for Chief’s or Sheriff’s choice for mandatory in-service training. Specific dates of the class offerings will be announced at a later date. PSTC - March: TBA April: TBA May: TBA

Emergency Vehicle Operations Refresher (EVO): (8 hrs.) This course is for the current Emergency Vehicle Operator (i.e., Fire of Emergency Medical Apparatus). It is designed as a refresher and to enhance those skills learned in basic training. Students will utilize appropriate apparatus in a variety of driving disciplines on the driving pad to include: precision backing and evasive maneuvers. PSTC - TBA

DUI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Training: (32 hrs.) This course is for currently certified NC Law Enforcement Officers seeking to enhance their skills in DUI Detection and to add the NHTSA Standardized Field Sobriety Testing battery. The training will cover the following major topics: DUI Detection and General Deterrence, The Legal Environment, Three Phases of Detection: Vehicle in Motion, Personal Contact and Pre-Arrest Screening. At the conclusion of the training, participants must show proficiency in the SFST Test Battery and pass a general knowledge written exam. PSTC - TBA

Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE): (24 hrs.) This course is designed to enhance the skills learned in the DUI Detection and Standardized Field Sobriety Training by introducing the student to the drugged driver and the effects of the prescription or illicit drug on the vehicle operator. Students must have completed the DUI Detection and SFST class within the past two years before attending. PSTC - TBA

Seated Standardized Field Sobriety Testing: (8 hrs.) Designed for the detection of impaired boaters, the Seated SFST’s are useful for the detection of impaired motor vehicle operators in the event of extenuating circumstances restricting the driver from performing the NHTSA SFST’s. Attendees must have attended DUI Detection and SFST’s within the past two years and display proficiency in the battery of tests. PSTC - TBA

Traffic Occupant Protection Strategies: (6 hrs.) This course is designed to educate the student in the history and use of passive restraints in motor vehicles today, along with strategies in the enforcement of seatbelt statues. Students will be familiarized with child restraints and the laws governing them, and the detection of violations of restraint law. PSTC - TBA

SAFE DRIVING PROGRAM

Have you received a minor traffic citation or ticket recently? If you have, you may be eligible to complete a four-hour defensive driving course. By completing the course, drivers could save money on their insurance, keep points off their license and sharpen their driving skills.

For more information, visit www.southwesterncc.edu/dd or call 828.339.4426.
NUR-3240 - Nursing Assistant I: The graduate of the Nursing Assistant training program is eligible to sit for the North Carolina State competency exam. The cost of the exam is $101 which will be payable to Pearson Vue. After successful completion of the state exam, graduates will be registered on the North Carolina Nurse Aide Registry through the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation. The cost of the class includes the registration fee, malpractice insurance, accident insurance, and student identification. For more information or to register, contact Tneshia Richards at 828.339.4459 or by email at t_richards@southwesterncc.edu.

**Registration Fee: $213**

Macon Campus, Room 113
1/8 - 5/7  4 - 9:15P   T. Richards
Jackson Campus, Balsam, Room 255
1/7 - 5/11  4 - 9:15P   T. Richards

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**SCC’S FIRST CRAFT BREWING PROGRAM**

Throughout Western North Carolina and across the country, a popular industry is spreading almost as fast as social media. New craft breweries pop up all the time, meaning there’s a growing need for qualified beer brewers.

That’s why SCC has secured the necessary equipment to start a craft brewing program. Information on courses offered for this spring is on page 2.

Teaching the course will be Taylor Rogers, a brewer at Frog Level Brewing in Waynesville.

Course content focuses on understanding the brewing process and beer ingredients. Students will also gain a base knowledge of beer history, the beer industry, ingredient identification and purpose, steps of the brewing process and an introduction to the styles of beer.

Those who successfully complete the program will be eligible for employment in the industry.

For beer enthusiasts interested in learning how to brew at home rather than employment as a craft brewer, SCC is also offering a beginner home brewing class – also at the Jackson Campus.

For more information about either the craft brewing program or the beginner home brewing class, visit www.southwesterncc.edu/workforce-innovations/class-schedule or call 828.339.4426 for more information.

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**CRAFT BEER AND CRAFT BEER MAKING**

See page 2 for brewing class information.
PRINTING & LETTERPRESS CERTIFICATE

Linoleum Block Printing: The relief printing process is one of the simplest ways of creating prints. An impression is created by the uncarved or unprepared areas of a block or plate, which are inked to make multiples of the same image. Students in this course will explore linoleum block printing, including using the letterpress and etching press to create images, as well as methods for printing without a press. At the conclusion of the course students will be able to demonstrate several methods for linoleum block printing. Cost of materials is included. Prerequisites: None. 12 hours, 1.2 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 110
M 2/2 - 2/23 1-4P J. Marley $70

Intro to Letterpress Printing: This class will introduce students to the basic concepts of letterpress printing. Topics covered will include type setting, set up and operating the press, printing text and images, and printing in Cherokee Syllabary. Students will have an opportunity to use the press to print cards and images. Cost of materials is included. Prerequisites: None. 3 hours, .3 CEU. Participants may only take this class once since it is grant funded.
Swain Center, Room 110
Th 3/19 6-9P F. Brannon FREE
Th 4/23 6-9P F. Brannon FREE

Mono-prints: This is a practical exploration of mono-prints. Mono-printing is a technique of creating a singular print. Students will learn how to create a mono-print, including coloring, inking variations, and altering the surface. Students completing the class will demonstrate familiarity with the process and will be able to produce both individual pieces and a short series. Cost of materials is not included. Prerequisites: None. 12 hours, 1.2 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 110
M 3/23 - 4/13 1-4P J. Marley $70

Independent Study - Print: This course is a self-directed, independent study for advanced students. Students will meet bi-weekly with the instructor for the 4 week duration of the class to review progress and address any concerns. Students will be expected to work on their own, during open studio hours. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Printmaking I & II and/or portfolio review. 2 hours, No CEU.
Swain Center, Room 110
Th 1/8 - 1/29 10-11A F. Brannon $50
Th 2/5 - 2/26 10-11A F. Brannon $50
Th 3/5 - 3/26 10-11A F. Brannon $50
Th 4/9 - 4/30 10-11A F. Brannon $50

HERITAGE CRAFTS & WEAVING

Gourd Banjos: Students will learn to use a variety of hand tools including file, rasp, hand drill and saw to construct a traditional Southern Appalachian instrument. They will explore the history and evolution of the banjo from Africa to Appalachia. Students will also learn about hide-stretching techniques, hard and exotic tone wood varieties and identification, and tone capabilities to create individually handcrafted instruments. Emphasis is placed on tone, construction form/technique, wood quality, and finish/decorative possibilities. At the end of the class students will have a one of a kind handcrafted heirloom capable of presentation or performance! Cost of materials not included, a materials list will be provide on the first day of class. Prerequisites: None. 60 hours, 6.0 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 102
T,Th 2/17 - 4/30 6-9P J. Grant $180

Intro to 4-Shaft Floor Loom Weaving: Students will receive a solid foundation in hand weaving fundamentals in this class. Designed for beginners, this class will acquaint students with the floor loom and accessory equipment, project planning and yarn requirements, reliable methods of dressing the loom. Weaving good cloth will be pursued through sampling and small project execution, with attention given to good craftsmanship and the development of best practices. Students will be encouraged to be creative with color and texture in this first class series. Cost of materials is not included. Prerequisite: None. 30 hours, 3.0 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 111
W 2/4 - 4/15 1-4P S. Leveille $125

Bands, Belts & Book Marks: Cultures all around the world have been weaving bands for thousands of years. This is an introduction to just one of those weaving techniques. Students will get to know this simple weaving technique, including dressing the loom, weaving bands for thousands of years. This is an introduction to just one of those weaving techniques. Students will get to know this simple weaving technique, including dressing the loom, weaving bands, and altering the surface. Students completing the class will demonstrate familiarity with the process and will be able to produce both individual pieces and a short series. Cost of materials is not included. Prerequisites: None. 12 hours, 1.2 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 110
M 3/23 - 4/13 1-4P J. Marley $70

Pin Looms: Pin looms will be used by each student to construct woven pieces that may be used as component pieces for larger textiles. Each student will work with yarns on a pot holder loom to make at least two of these squares. Cost of materials is not included. Prerequisites: None. 2 hours, No CEU.
Swain Center, Room 111
W 2/25 9A-12P S. Leveille $20
W 3/18 6-8P S. Leveille $20
Simple Weaving I: Each student is given a "kit" for cardboard weaving and will weave a mug rug or coaster using fabric strips as weft. Samples will be shown of a variety of variations using other wefts and some simple texture techniques. We will investigate lace techniques, clasped weft, and more. Many samples will be provided for ideas and inspiration. Choosing one of these other possibilities, students will start a second project that may be finished at home. Cost of materials is not included. Prerequisite: None. 2 hours, No CEU.
Swain Center, Room 111
W 3/25 9A-12P S. Leveille $20
W 4/15 6-8P S. Leveille $20

Simple Weaving II: Each student is given a "kit" for cardboard weaving and will weave a mug rug or coaster using fabric strips as weft. Samples will be shown of a variety of variations using other wefts and some simple texture techniques. We will investigate lace techniques, clasped weft, and more. Many samples will be provided for ideas and inspiration. Choosing one of these other possibilities, students will start a second project that may be finished at home. Cost of materials is not included. Prerequisite: None. 4 hours, No CEU.
Swain Center, Room 111
W 4/1 - 4/08 9A-12P S. Leveille $40

CERAMICS & MASTER POTTER CERTIFICATE

Intro to Clay: Interested in pottery? This short class is a great way to see if working with clay is for you! Students will have the opportunity to hand build a piece of pottery during this one evening class. All projects will be fired and ready for pick-up the following week. Cost of materials is included. Prerequisite: None. 3 hours, No CEU.
Swain Center, Room 125
W 2/15 6-9P J. Matthews $22
F 4/5 12-3P J. Matthews $22

Beginning Wheel: This course introduces students to pottery making. They will learn to center up to 1.5 pounds of clay on a wheel, turn, trim, and glaze basic forms. Additional topics covered include throwing off the hump, the operation of a pottery studio, clay bodies, kiln loading and firing, basic pottery vocabulary, safety issues, along with various firing techniques including oxidation, traditional Raku, and horsehair. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisite: None. 96 hours, 9.6 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 123
T,Th 1/8 - 4/28 6-9P E. Delfield $180

Clay - Service Ware: This course provides students at the intermediate skill level in pottery a focus on throwing and creating sets of service ware. Students with experiment and create a variety of forms, including plates, bowls, saucers, platters and other dishes. At the conclusion of the course, student should be able to create matched sets of dinner & service ware for 4-8 people. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Beginning Wheel and/or instructor's permission. 96 hours, 9.6 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 125
T,Th 1/8 - 4/28 9A-12P K. Hubbs $180

Firing - Low Fire Foundations: Students will concentrate on the design, production, and finishing of a variety of non-functional forms using Raku and salt fuming. Topics will include development of forms, terra sigillatas, pit firing, and glaze application techniques. At the conclusion of the course students will have a body of work that demonstrates mastery of the technique. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Intermediate Wheel and/or instructor's permission. 96 hours, 9.6 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 125
T,Th 1/20 - 4/23 6-9P J. McKee $180

Focus on Form: In this class each student will focus on one or two forms that will be worked on throughout the course. Attention to details such as lips, feet and silhouette will inform the student to push further into capturing exactly what was desired from the form. Glaze and surface treatments will be attended to in the following course, Focus on Surface. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Beginning Wheel and/or instructor's permission. 36 hours, 3.6 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 123
T,Th 1/13 - 2/19 2-5P E. Delfield $125

Focus on Surface: In this class each student will focus on one or two forms and investigate how different surface treatments effect the overall feel of the object. A variety of surface treatments will be demonstrated and students will apply a variety of treatments to the same forms - preferably those forms discovered in the previous class, Focus on Form. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Beginning Wheel and/or instructor's permission. 36 hours, 3.6 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 123
T,Th 2/24 - 4/9 2-5P E. Delfield $125

Firing – Wood Firing: During this course students will concentrate on fabrication of pieces, their glazing, and firing in a wood fire kiln as well as in construction and models of the wood fire kiln. At the conclusion of the course students will have produced a body of work that demonstrates mastery of wood firing. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisite: Beginning Wheel and/or instructor's permission. 24 hours, 2.4 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 125
Th 1/15 - 3/5 1-4P K. Hubbs $70
Th 3/19 - 5/2 1-4P K. Hubbs $70

Pottery Tools: The design and construction of simple tools for use in the studio will be the focus of this course. Students will create a variety of tools including ribs, paddles, stamps, and brushes. Emphasis will be placed on skills and use of the tools, materials, and construction. Upon completion of the course students will have constructed a variety of tools. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Intermediate Wheel and/or instructor's permission. 39 hours, 3.9 CEU.
Swain Center, Room 102
M 1/26 - 4/27 6-9P S. Coe $125
Ceramic Surface - Sgraffito: Make a mark in your pottery! With sgraffito, you put down a layer of color and scratch in a design. With mishima, scratch in the design and then fill it with color. Or use both on the same piece! We’ll also make two sgraffito tools. The pieces you make to decorate can be hand built or thrown. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Beginning Wheel and/or instructor’s permission. 24 hours, 2.4 CEU.

Swain Center, Room 123
M 3/2 - 4/27 2-5P S. Coe $70

Independent Study - Ceramics: This course is a self-directed, independent study for advanced, knowledgeable students. Students will meet weekly with the instructor for the 4 week duration of the class to review progress and address any concerns. Students will be expected to work on their own, during open studio hours. Cost of materials not included. Prerequisites: Intermediate Wheel and/or portfolio review. 2 hours, No CEU.

Swain Center, Room 125
T 1/6 - 1/27 3-5P K. Hubbs $50
T 2/3 - 2/24 3-5P K. Hubbs $50
T 3/3 - 3/24 3-5P K. Hubbs $50
T 4/7 - 4/28 3-5P K. Hubbs $50

SCC INSTRUCTOR HONORED FOR EFFORTS TO REVITALIZE THE CHEROKEE LANGUAGE

Frank Brannon, a book artist from Dillsboro and adjunct instructor at Southwestern Community College, has been selected for the first Mary B. Regan Residency Grant for a project to revitalize the Cherokee language through his artistry as a letterpress printer.

Brannon’s one-year project is based on his work with a program he supports at SCC’s Swain Center, near Cherokee, where students are learning the art of printmaking by printing materials using the Cherokee syllabary. The 85-character syllabary was developed in 1821 by Sequoyah - a silversmith, blacksmith and artist - making it possible to read and write the spoken language of the Cherokee.

Working with translations from the Cherokee Studies Program at Western Carolina University, Brannon uses manual printing techniques to preserve the language and its original Cherokee syllables. In a series of public workshops, members of the surrounding communities will produce prints that will culminate in an edition of handmade books. The workshops will be held at the Southwestern Community College printing studio as well as Brannon’s own studio in Dillsboro.

“Like many languages around the world, the Cherokee spoken language is struggling to continue as there are fewer and fewer speakers,” Brannon said. “As a book artist I thought about how we might print in Cherokee in this way to support Cherokee language revitalization.”

His M.F.A. thesis was Cherokee Phoenix: Advent of a Newspaper, which focused on the historical 19th-century newspaper, the Cherokee Phoenix, which was printed in both English and Cherokee.

The Mary B. Regan Residency is a one-year community artist grant named in honor of former N. C. Arts Council Executive Director Mary B. Regan’s 39 years of service to the arts and artists of North Carolina. The $15,000 grant, supported by donations, will allow Brannon to focus on revitalizing the Cherokee language in partnership with students and the wider community in Swain and Jackson counties.

“When I think of myself as a community artist, I think about the ability of a person to use art to support or transform a community, and combined with visual arts, I expect my artwork to be a catalyst for change using a visual approach,” he said.

Brannon focuses his work on three areas: hand papermaking, hand bookbinding and letterpress printing. Working with book artist Steve Miller, Brannon produced the paper for a limited edition print of “Voyage” by former U.S. Poet Laureate, Billy Collins. He was commissioned to make 200 copies of “Absalom, Absalom!” celebrating William Faulkner’s birthday. The commission for Square Books featured letterpress printing on handmade cotton rag paper.

He has also explored expanding the concept of the book form to include installations featuring imagery and text on handmade paper filling a gallery space and is experimenting with outdoor installations where the paper will interact with the environment.

Brannon has an M.F.A. from the Book Arts Program at the University of Alabama. His work is in almost 50 library collections and he has been in four solo exhibitions and an exhibition that traveled to six venues in the Southeast.

He is a member of the Southern Highland Craft Guild, Southeastern College Art Conference and a past board member of Hand Papermaking, Inc.

To learn more about SCC and its programs, visit southwesterncc.edu or call 828.339.4000.
GENERAL INFORMATION

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REFUND POLICY
Registration fee refunds are granted only under the following circumstances:

- A student who officially withdraws from an extension class(es) prior to the first class meeting shall be eligible for a 100 percent refund. Also, a student is eligible for a 100-percent refund if an applicable class fails to “make” due to insufficient enrollment.
- After the respective class begins a 75-percent refund shall be made upon the request of the student if the student officially withdraws from the class prior to or on the 10-percent point of the scheduled hours of the class. Note: This rule is applicable regardless of the number of times the class meets or the number of hours the class is scheduled to meet.
- A 100-percent refund shall be made if the student officially withdraws from a contact hour class prior to the first day of class of the academic semester or term of if the college cancels the class. A 75-percent refund shall be made if the student officially withdraws from a contact hour class on or before the tenth calendar day of the class.
- Self-supporting classes are not eligible for refunds.

DISCLAIMER
The classes presented in this publication should not be considered a contract between SCC and any student. Changes or errors may occur for various reasons. A minimum number of students may be required before a class can be conducted. Pre-registered students will be contacted if changes or class cancellation is necessary.

Please visit www.southwesterncc.edu/workforce-innovations/class-schedule for the most current class schedule.

REGISTRATION FEES
Registration fees are due at the time of registration. Students are not enrolled until all registration fees are paid. Registration fees, supplies fees, technology fees, insurance fees, and book fees, if required, are listed with each course listing.

ELIGIBILITY
Admission is open to adults who are at least 18 years old and who are not enrolled in public school. Sixteen to 18-year-olds may enroll in some courses, when space is available and pending proper permission. Students under 18 years of age may enroll in summer classes specifically for the younger student.

Only individuals enrolled may attend class. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) of credit are available.

COURSE REPETITIONS
Effective Sept. 1, 1993, the NC Community College System established a Course Repetition Policy requiring students, including senior citizens, who take occupational extension courses more than twice within a five-year period, to pay the full cost of the course. This provision is waived if course repetition is required by standards governing the certification or licensing program in which the student is enrolled. Students may enroll in community service/personnel enrichment courses as many times as necessary to accomplish their individual educational/training goals, provided they continue to show progress, do not prohibit others from participating, are willing to pay fees and do not violate policies of the NC Community College System.

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April 10, 2015

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