



# The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey

## Welcome to The School of Education

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### Achievements and Accolades

Congratulations go out this month to several of our current students and alumni who have shared news about their recent achievements. Both Brittany LaPorte and Jessica Sawyer earned their initial teacher certifications from Stockton's TEDU program, and each reports that she is enjoying her teaching career, Brittany at Pleasantville Middle School and Jessica at Washington Township High School.

Currently enrolled Master of Arts in Instructional Technology (MAIT) students Tara Williams, Dawn Watkins and Darnley Rosius have also recently completed work on e-learning modules that all three have shared in their workplaces, right here at Stockton. Tara created a "Stockton Friendly" training module to promote excellent customer service in the Graduate School, and Dawn collaborated with Darnley to design training modules designed to raise Plant Management Staff awareness and safety practices regarding blood-borne pathogens.

Another current MAIT student, William Perkins, has just been recognized from NORAD for a Best Practice. Based on skills he learned in Dr. Ackerman's classes, Bill designed a concept map and curator to consolidate information relative to command and control, which will become a benchmark as well.

Stockton students Christine Ross and Melissa Scully (MAED) will accompany their faculty member Dr. Susan Cydis to the Teacher Education Division of the Council for Exceptional Children conference in Fort Lauderdale to present two sessions of their research on November 7 and 8.

Dr. Ron Caro (TEDU) provided panelist responses to the documentary film *A Place at the Table* focused on food security issues, screened at Stockton earlier this month. Current program director of *Teacher Training with a Mission*, Dr. Caro will also be presenting his work with his TTM co-founder Dr. John Quinn (MAED) at the International Organization of

Social Sciences and Behavioral Research conference in New Orleans, October 14-15. This fall, more than a dozen Stockton students have signed on to TTM to provide individual tutoring to children living at the Atlantic City Rescue Mission.

Several School of Education faculty members will be presenting posters at International Education Week at Stockton, November 18-21. To learn more about presentation opportunities, contact [JY.Zhou@stockton.edu](mailto:JY.Zhou@stockton.edu) today.

Program Coordinator (TEDU) Dr. Norma Boakes has recently completed the nation's first Council for Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) evaluator training program, and has already been tapped to audit the Greenville College of Education in Illinois during December. CAEP is the newly-formed federally-recognized accreditation body that has merged TEAC and NCATE.

Share your news with the School of Education! Email [soe@stockton.edu](mailto:soe@stockton.edu) today.



Visit The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey Exhibit Hall booth 1501. Alumni, leave us your email address and pick up your special keepsake gift.

### NJEA Annual Convention: See You There!

Stockton School of Education faculty, staff and students are looking forward to meeting and greeting our alumni, friends and neighbors at the Annual NJEA Convention in Atlantic City November 7-8.

Look for Stockton folks at the Technology Integration Showcase in High Tech Hall, too. On Thursday from 11am-1pm, try your hand at ClassDojo with

Michelle Wendt of the Stockton SRI & ETTC. On Friday from 11am-1pm, explore mobile 2.0 assessment tools with Dr. Amy Ackerman and Melissa Crupp (MAIT program).

For the latest strategies in promoting multilingualism and multiculturalism, see Dr. Lois Spitzer (MAED) and her colleague from Stockton's Languages & Culture Studies

(LCST) program, Arnaldo Cordero-Roman, on Friday at 9:30am in Room 412.

Stockton Alumni are cordially invited to a reception on Thursday, November 7 from 4-6pm at the Steel Pier Room in the Sheraton. Network with fellow alumni, faculty members, Dean Claudine Keenan, Assistant Dean Pam Vaughan and Alumni Director Sara Faurot.



## State of New Jersey

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Interested in a free two-hour NJDOE workshop on SGOs? Supervisors and Principals are invited to attend one of two "Train the Trainer" Regulatory sessions on October 8 from 1-3pm or 4-6pm at the Stockton Campus Center.

## New Jersey Department of Education Regulatory Changes

The Department of Education recently proposed regulatory changes to raise the bar for entry into the teaching profession, while ensuring adequate flexibility for candidates and programs; and increase the rigor of certification requirements.

The purpose of the rules is to ensure all novice teachers meet a *minimum* bar for knowledge and pedagogical skills prior to entering the classroom.

The proposed amendments to N.J.A.C. 6A:9-8.1 and 10.1 are intended to increase the standards both for entry into teacher preparation programs and for certification. Proposed changes are these:

- 1) raising the cumulative grade point average (GPA) from at least a 2.75 to at least 3.00 for candidates graduating after September 1, 2014
- 2) requiring candidates to pass a Commissioner-

approved assessment of basic reading, writing, and mathematics skills (Praxis Core Academic Skills) or equivalent 1660 on the SAT, or 23 on the ACT

- 3) requiring that all candidates graduating after September 1, 2015, pass a Commissioner-approved performance assessment.

Read the proposal [online](#) and submit your [comments](#).

## Mark Your Calendars

"Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing; it's when you've had everything to do, and you've done it."  
-Margaret Thatcher

10/1 Deadline to [apply for Fall Graduation](#)

10/9 [Navigating College Admissions, Financial Aid and NCAA Athletics](#) 6:30pm PAC

10/11 Deadline to Withdraw from Sub-Term A Classes

10/14 Columbus Day; Normal Campus Operations Open

10/22 Sub-Term A Ends

10/23 Sub-Term B Begins

10/29 Advising; No Classes

11/5 Election Day; Normal Campus Operations Open

11/6 Advising; No Classes before 3:35pm

11/11 Veteran's Day; Normal Campus Operations Open

11/12 Deadline to Withdraw

from Sub-Term B Classes

11/28-29 Thanksgiving; all campus offices closed

12/9 Graduate Student Showcase 6pm (No 6pm classes)

12/15 Fall [Commencement](#) Sports Center

12/25 - 1/2 Holiday Break; all campus offices closed

## Spotlight on Collaborative Student Teaching



As schools throughout the state continue to adjust to the Achieve NJ mandates for performance evaluation based on observations and student learning outcomes, colleges of Education across the state are working in partnership with our neighboring schools to ensure success for both veteran and novice teachers.

One exciting initiative that

shows great promise in national studies is a collaborative approach to the student teaching experience. Rather than observing first and gradually assuming full responsibility for the class as in the traditional approach to most student teaching experiences, the collaborative approach fosters team teaching between the mentor (cooperating) teacher and the student teacher from the

first through the last day of the experience.

Stockton will be piloting this model in 2013-14, offering a tuition-free one-credit graduate course for mentor teachers this fall, and a two-credit tuition-free course in spring for mentors who teach collaboratively with a Stockton candidate.

Interested? Contact [Jeanne.DelColle@stockton.edu](mailto:Jeanne.DelColle@stockton.edu)

## SRI & ETTC

Did you know that in addition to public workshops and conferences, the Stockton SRI & ETTC offers custom onsite services to member and non-member schools and districts? If you are seeking Intervention & Referral Services (I&RS) coaching, mentoring or any range of instructional support services, strategic planning, or administrative searches, contact director [Patty Weeks](#) or [Dr. Judith DeStefano](#) for information.

Registration is filling fast for **Lib 2.0: A Symposium for Media Specialists**, to be held on October 21, 2013: <http://www.ettc.net/lib20/> for more information.

Save the Dates for our **All Things Smart** conference January 22 and for our **From My Classroom to Yours** March 19, 2014.

Common Core, SGOs, PARCC, Formative Assessment, Social Networking, iPads, Dreamweaver and

Digital Portfolios are just a few of the many diverse and exciting topics lined up for this fall's series of workshops. Click to [See All Workshops](#) and register today to advance your professional development.

Workshops are available at our locations in Galloway, Manahawkin, Woodbine, and Hammonton.

Remember to "Like" us on [Facebook](#) and get daily teaching tips and more.



Visit the Stockton SRI & ETTC at 10 Jimmie Leeds Road in Galloway just a few minutes from the main Stockton campus grounds.

## Resources & Opportunities for Current Students and Recent Alumni

Visit the [What Works Clearinghouse™](#) to read reviews of learning research and find what works in education and what doesn't make the grade.

**Stockton Alumni:** join your friends, former faculty and classmates for an NJEA Stockton Reception at the Steel Pier Room in the Sheraton Atlantic City

November 7 from 4-6pm.

**Register today** to attend the next free [Edcamp NJ](#) on Saturday, November 23 at the Linwood Middle School in N. Brunswick.

**Attention Undergraduates:** [apply today](#) for one of eight **Distinguished Fellowships of up to \$1000** for work related to your academic program of study.

### Woodrow Wilson Teaching Fellowships

offer seniors, recent graduates, and career changers in the STEM fields \$30,000 to complete an intensive master's degree program with a year-long experience in a real-world classroom. In exchange, Fellows commit to teach for three years in high-need secondary urban or rural schools.



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## Resources & Opportunities for Teachers, Supervisors and Faculty

**NJ Core:** [bookmark the newest resource site](#) for New Jersey Common Core implementation and sign up to contribute your own resources.

**Free Federal Resources** remain online now that the [Center on Instruction](#) funds have concluded. Search for

practitioner resources on STEM, ELL, Special Ed, Data-Informed Decision Making in schools and more..

**EduTopia** is offering a free PDF download of a parent's guide in both English and Spanish for [21st Century Learning](#).

**October is Connected Educators Month**, a celebration of online communities of practice and networks in education. [You are invited to connect!](#)

**Congratulations to Wildwood High School** one of the [2013 Blue Ribbon Schools](#) just announced.



2013 Atlantic County Teacher of the Year and Stockton Alumna Terry Dougherty "shows her shoes" at the Miss American parade.



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Our School of Education prepares new K-12 teachers for TEAC-accredited initial certification. We emphasize more and better field experiences than most other pre-service programs in New Jersey.

We also offer a TEAC-accredited graduate programs for master teachers and a program for instructional technologists. Many of our courses lead to additional state certifications and endorsements, and all can be customized to meet your needs, both at our Stockton locations in Galloway, Atlantic City, Hammonton, Manahawkin or Woodbine, as well as anywhere within your school district. Special group and on-site tuition pricing plans are available as well.

Our Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center (SRI & ETTC) offers professional development aimed at increasing student achievement. Our Centers for Community Schools and Financial Literacy fulfill our commitment to excellence in student and community engagement.

**From the Dean's Desk**

Dear Friends of our School, In the last summer issue, I asked us all to think about our own areas of philanthropy, and perhaps to consider making a contribution that directly supports current and future teachers in the Stockton School of Education. Since then, I have met many aspiring new teachers, and many aspiring master teachers, separated by years of experience, but connected by an all-too-common theme in higher education today: unmet need. Pell grants and federal loans for undergraduates and shrinking tuition reimbursement plans with private loans for

graduate students often leave significant funding gaps for students. What if we could meet those needs with scholarships? What if we could make need-based grants in the near future, thanks to the generosity of our School of Education family?

Working with the Stockton Office of Development, I will be contacting some of our alumni and friends for help with our Annual Fund as a way to begin building a scholarship fund for the School of Education, the Dean's Top Priority for this year. If you'd prefer to make a contribution now, rather than wait for the let-

ter, please use the persistent link to the right of this column. No gift is too small, and every gift grows the fund to make scholarships.

As always, we at the School of Education thank you for your continued support of our programs in every way that you already contribute, and we look forward to sharing updates about the success of this scholarship initiative with you in future newsletter issues.

As always, please email [keenanc@stockton.edu](mailto:keenanc@stockton.edu) any time with your feedback.

Sincerely,  
 Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan



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