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Day of Scholarship: March 4, 2010

Hear about the Partnership with the ARC

Shelly Meyers, Assistant Professor of Education, presented an overview of the “Companion Training Initiative: A partnership between Richard Stockton College, The Arc of Atlantic County and the Pleasantville School District at the annual Day of Scholarship on March 4, 2010. The participants in CTI are graduate students in

Special Education as well as school age students with disabilities from Pleasantville. The purpose of CTI is for the graduate students to teach basic life skills to the Pleasantville students which they will need to successfully transition from school to the community.

Dr. Meyers displayed artifacts from the program

created by the Pleasantville students that demonstrate their acquisition of daily living skills and through a power point presentation, the goals of the program and photographs of the many activities that occurred during the Fall 2009 semester and the weeks leading up to March 4 will be included.



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“Dare to Dream” Student Leadership Conference for High School Students

The New Jersey Department of Education’s Office of Special Education Programs, in collaboration with the United States Department of Education’s Office for Civil Rights, is sponsoring "Dare to Dream" Student Leadership conferences **May 11, 2010 at Richard Stockton.**

The "Dare to Dream" Student Leadership Conference for High School Students provides an

opportunity for students to learn self-determination skills and network with other students throughout the state. Participants will take part in workshops, many led by other students, dealing with topics such as goal setting, self-discovery, student self-advocacy, Individualized Education Program (IEP) development, and assistance with preparing students with disabilities for post-secondary

education opportunities. All students with disabilities who are enrolled at the high school level and are eligible for special education services and their parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Representatives of the Department of education and other state agencies will also be available to discuss issues or concerns of both parents and students related to the conference topics.

NJ Council for Exceptional Children Conference

This Spring 17 Richard Stockton Special Education graduate students were selected to present their Capstone Projects March 18th at the 2010 NJ Council for Exceptional Children Conference in Lakewood. Their research projects focused on improving engaged learning from the pre-K through secondary levels, using a wide variety of strategies.

Tom Achey	Improving Writing in High School Science with Student Differentiated Teacher-Provided Modifications
Carla Block-Ropiecki	Using Math Stations in the Middle School Classroom to Reduce Math Anxiety & Improve Student Outcomes
Alyson Carroll	Video Modeling and Language Development in Pre-K
Randi Gupton	Graphic Organizers to Improve 6 th graders Working Memory
Jeannine Holt-Luciani	The effects of an IWB in a 7 th grade LD Math Class
Marybeth Hurchik	Multi-Modality Approach for 2 nd Graders to Increase High Frequency Word Recognition
Amy Jolley	Reciprocal Teaching and 1 st Graders' Comprehension
Joseph Krywda	Graphic Organizers for Expository Comprehension with Middle School Students
Pamela Lawler	Using Notes to Improve Expository Writing
Krystal Miller	Graphic Organizers' Impact with 5 th Grade Science Reading
Brian Priest	Writing Strategies with 9 th Grade Students
Karin Procaccino	Improving 7 th Graders' Writing with Writing Frames
Trisha Rotellini	Using Real Life Math Scenarios with 6 th Grade Students
Erica Schaffer	Movement in the Classroom
Erin Smith	Story Mapping Strategies with 3 rd -6 th Grade Students
Linda Stiteler	Graphing Organizers & Persuasive Writing with 8 th Graders
Pamela Wilson	Technology in the Classroom



Graduate student working with Flip Video camera

Summer 2010 Special Education Schedule

Session G (May 10—June 24)

Course	Title	Instructional Method	Days	Times
EDUC 5337	Curriculum Based Assessment	Lec	M/W	4:00p – 7:00p
EDUC 5335	Developmental Reading Instruction	Hybrid	W	4:15p – 9:15p
EDUC 5331	Behavior Management & Behavioral Disorders	Hybrid	T	4:15p-9:15p
EDUC 6340	Assessment & Correction of Learning Disabilities	Lec/Lab	T/Th Sat: 5/22, 6/5,6/19	4:15p-7:15p 8:30a – 12:00p

Session H June August 9 (M/W)

Course	Title	Instructional Method	Days	Times
EDUC 5320	Survey of Moderate & Severe Disabilities	Lec	M/W	8:30a – 11:30a
EDUC 5321	Educational & Community Resources	Lec	M/W	4p-7p
EDUC 6341	LDT/C Practicum	Hybrid Seminar	June 28, 3:00 – 6:00 July 12, 3:00 – 6:00 August 2, 3:00- 6:00	90 hrs. as required by NJDOE

Stockton Special Education Classes Changing Location

As of Fall 2010, all graduate special education classes will be held at Carnegie in Atlantic City. The special education faculty made this decision based on scheduling flexibility benefits, which allow for classes starting/ending earlier, as well as offering accelerated courses. All special education certification courses are offered twice/year.



Carnegie Library Center,
Atlantic City, New Jersey

Fall 2010 SPED Schedule (Carnegie)

Day	Course	Time	Semester	Faculty
M	**EDUC 5320 Survey of Moderate & Severe Disabilities (F/Sum)	4:15-7:15 ARC		Meyers
M	**EDUC 5330 Survey of Mild Learning Disabilities (F/Sp)	4:15: 7:15		Blecker
T	**EDUC 5321 Educational & Community Resources (F/Sum)	4:15-7:15		Blecker
T (8)	EDUC 5802 Autism [Elective] (Fall)	4:15-9:15 Accelerated Hybrid	9/9- 10/21	Pete
W	**EDUC 5334 Differentiated Instructional Techniques (F/Sp)	4:15-7:15		Blecker
Th	**EDUC 5330 Behavior Management (F/Sum)	4:15-7:15		Meyers
Th	**EDUC 5338 Neurophysiology of Learning Disabilities { LDTC & Elective } (Fall)	4:15-9:15 Accelerated Hybrid	10/27- 12/8	Mulholland
Th	Course for Reading Specialist EDUC XXX Reading Diagnosis	4:15-9:15 Accelerated Hybrid	9/8- 10/20	Mulholland
Sat (6)	**EDUC 5336 Curriculum Adaptations (F/Sp)	8:30-3:30	9/11- 10/23	Mulholland
Sat (6)	**EDUC 5910 Research (MAED) (Fall)	8:30-3:30	10/30- 12/11	Mulholland

RSC Master of Education Graduate Students

(Additions to Fall 2009 Graduate List)

Atlantic City School District

Charlotte Phillip-Clark

Caroline Fautleroy
Texas Avenue, 1st Grade

Michelle Gardner
Richmond Avenue, 5th Grade Inclusion

Penelope Hamler-Kelly, 4th Grade Inclusion
Uptown Complex

Kanissa Makin
Sovereign Avenue, 6th Grade Inclusion

Jean Paul Oldroyd
New York Ave., 6th Grade

Kathleen Peckus
Technology/Life Skills, Sr. High

Gale Profico, Teaching Assistant
Middle School

Barbara Shumski
Texas Avenue, 6th Grade Inclusion

Kathryn Smith, 4th Grade Inclusion
Texas Avenue School

Kristina Santoro, Special Education
World History

Harsha Shah, BSI
Sovereign Avenue School

Atlantic County Special Services

Gale Profico
Middle School (7th/8th)

Barnegat School District

Rena DiNeno, Special Education

Debra Majewski, Special Ed

Brick School District

Kevin McKnight, High School Counselor
Brick Twp High School

Bridgton School District

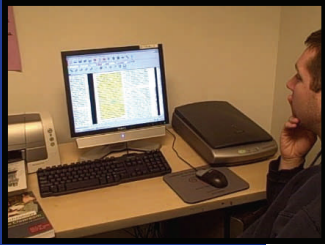
Jaime Doto
West Avenue, Math/Reading Tutor

Capital Prep Charter High School

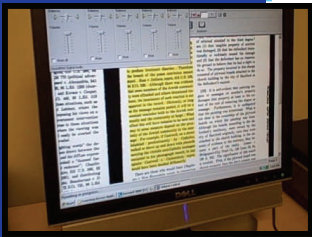
Joan Louis-Herelle, Social Studies Inclusion &
Self-Contained Special Education

Cherry Hill School District

Craig Udell, Educational Assistant (1st & 3rd)



Graduate student working with Kurzweil software that allows for scanning material, and choosing how it is read to the student (voice, speed, etc.)



RSC Master of Education Graduate Students

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Egg Harbor Township School District

Matthew Conover, Special Education Resource

Jamey Roberts, Self-Contained Special Education
Alder Ave. Middle

Renee Furrer, Substitute

Galloway Twp School District

Christine Fuhs, Teaching & Learning Facilitator

Nicole Leidemer, Art Teacher (pre-K – 6th)

Debbie Mellor, Kindergarten Teacher

Deborah Brodton, Substitute

Hammonton School District

Rona Johnson, ESL (K-1)

Hamilton School District

Tim Brunetti, Substitute

Nicole laPergola, Substitute

Lacey Township High School

Kristie Hardy

Little Egg Harbor Twp

Antonia Bebel, Preschool Teacher

Mary Rowan, George Mitchell School

Magnolia School District

Kathleen Dvorsky, 1st Grade

Millstone Twp School District

Nancy Osterberg, LLD Teacher (1st-3rd)
Elementary School

Monroe Twp School District

Stephanie Mazzerina, 4th Grade, Holly Glen

Mullica Township

Lauren Markov, Preschool Inclusion

Cynthia Weigl
Middle School, Self-Contained 5th-8th Grade

Northfield School District

Sadyee Heenan, 3rd Grade

Lauren Morales, 3rd-4th

Pleasantville School District

Angela Davis, Special Education (LA, 8th)
Middle School

Allison Abbate, Instructional Media Specialist
Middle School

Upper Township School District

Amber Harrison, Substitute

Absegami School District

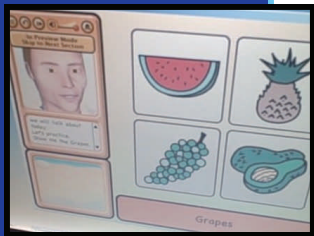
Ron Schmid, Special Education Biology

Oakcrest School District

Joelle Schiliro, Special Education



Graduate Student working with Communication Software that uses an Avatar, Timo.



RSC Master of Education Graduate Students

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Oceanside Charter School, A.C.

Quenna Martin, Math

Patricia O'Connell, 2nd Grade

Christina Weiland, 1st Grade

Margaret Bodenschatz, 4th Grade

Thomas Mozitis, 4th/5th Grade Math & Science

John Newsome, Dean of Students/Flex

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Pitman School District

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Mina Veiga, Special Education Math (6th)
Pitman Middle

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Pinelands Regional School District

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Teresa DeMaio, 8th Grade Science

Pinelands Self-Contained H.S.

Doug Bellini, EBD

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****Looking for a Position**

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****May 2010 Expected Graduates**

Krystal Miller (P-3 and K-5)

Carla Block-Ropiecki

Alyson Carroll

Laura DaCarossa

Randi Gupton

Jeannine Holt-Luciani

Sandra Simmons

Amy Jolley

Joseph Krrywda

Regina Kauffman (Middle School)

Pam Lawler

Brian Priest

Keith Frainer

Karin Procaccino

Trisha Rotellini

Deborah Brocton

Erica Schaffer

Pam Wilson

Nicole LaPergola

Joy Beth Blatherwick

LDTC Graduates: Summer 2010

The Learning Disabilities Teacher Consultant program will graduate its first certified teachers Summer 2010:

- Gabriella Attanasi: Hammonton School District
- Sharon Warren: Atlantic County Special Services
- Jeannine Holt-Luciani: Mullica School District
- Erin Smith: Little Egg Harbor School District
- Katherine Irwin: Absecon School District
- Beverlee Masters: Ocean City School District
- Mina Veiga: Pitman Middle

These teachers completed coursework in:

- Neurophysiological Basis for Learning Disabilities
- Collaborative Practice and Inclusion
- Educational Testing & Diagnosis
- Practicum for this certification.

**Richard Stockton's
3rd Annual
Disability
Awareness Week
Date: March 8-11, 2010
Where: Lower
E-Wing
In front of the
Library
Contact:
Robert.Ross@stockton.edu**



**Richard Stockton
Special Olympics
April 25, 2010**



SPED Professors on the move...again

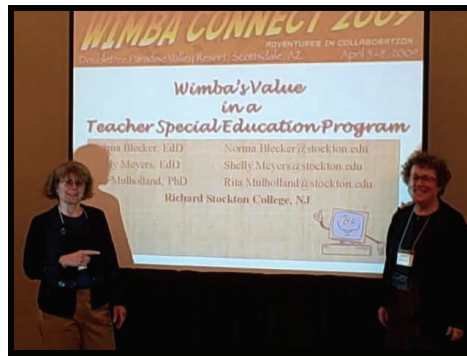
The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) is the largest international association dedicated to the education of students with exceptional needs. At its upcoming annual convention and exposition in Nashville, Tennessee in April, Drs. Shelly Meyers and Norma Blecker will be presenting preliminary data on the life skills project being conducted at The Arc. The presentation entitled **Life Skills Education:**

A Partnership of Higher Education, School District and Community is based on much of the work completed by those students enrolled in EDUC 5321 last fall.

Not to be left in New Jersey alone, Dr. Rita Mulholland will also be present at the Nashville conference. As an executive officer of the Division of International Special Education (DISES), she will be involved with meetings of this

division and the planning of its biannual conference in Riga, Latvia in July, 2010.

Dr. Norma Blecker and Carol Williams (adjunct) will speak on “Embracing Inclusive Approaches for Children and Youth with Special Education Needs” at the International Special Education Conference in Latvia (July 2010).



Dr. Shelly Meyers & Dr. Norma Blecker
Wimba Connect 2009



Dr. Norma Blecker
Associate Professor



Dr. Rita Mulholland
Assistant Professor



Dr. Shelly Meyers
Assistant Professor

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