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DMACC & IOWA WESLEYAN SIGN FIRST-EVER RN BSN 3+1 AGREEMENT



Rob Denson and Steven Titus

DMACC President Rob Denson (left) and Iowa Wesleyan University President Steven Titus signed an agreement resulting in the first-ever RN BSN 3+1 (Bachelors of Science in Nursing) completion program in the State of Iowa. The announcement was made on the DMACC Ankeny Campus.



Steven Titus and Lashaina Woods

DMACC fourth-term Ankeny Campus nursing student Lashaina Woods of Windsor Heights speaks at the news conference announcing the first-ever RN BSN 3+1 completion program in the state as Iowa Wesleyan President Steven Titus looks on. Woods, who has earned two Master's degrees, is considering

taking advantage of this RN BSN 3+1 program between DMACC and Iowa Wesleyan. As a result of this agreement, DMACC Nursing graduates will be able to complete their BSN degrees online in just one year, allowing them to stay in central Iowa and work. Also, there are financial aid opportunities through the Iowa Tuition Grant program.

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Dec. 5

STEM Seminar,
12:15 to 12:50 p.m., Bldg. #6
Room 14, Ankeny Campus

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Rachael Schmitt from
Frito Lay/Pepsico will
speak at 12:10 p.m.,
Bldg. #8, Room 13,
Ankeny Campus

Dec. 6

Ankeny Campus
Fall Graduation Reception,
6 p.m., FFA Enrichment
Center, Ankeny Campus

Dec. 7

Early Retirement
Reception, 3 to 5 p.m.,
Bldg. #7 Lakeview Inn,
Ankeny Campus

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Newton Campus
Fall Graduation reception,
12 noon, Newton Campus

Dec. 9

Urban Campus Fall
Graduation reception,
5:30 p.m., Urban Campus,
Bldg. #1, Room 124-126

Dec. 9

December Concert, 7
p.m., Bldg. #6 Auditorium,
Ankeny Campus

Dec. 12

Holiday reception,
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.,
Lakeview Inn, Bldg. #7,
Ankeny Campus

LUNCH WITH THE PRESIDENT



DMACC Urban students with President Rob Denson.

A group of DMACC Urban Campus students recently took part in a “Lunch with the President” event dining with DMACC President Rob Denson on the Urban Campus. Those who participated included (front row, left to right) Alicia Elliott of Des Moines, Liberal Arts; President Denson; Karen Marion of West Des Moines, Human Services; (back row, left to right) Jose Duran-Rodriguez of Des Moines, Economics and Finance; Taha Gesalla of Des Moines, Pre-Medicine; Paul Akpan of Ames, Biology and Political Science; Ahmed Gesalla of Des Moines, Mechanical Engineering; Bradly Hanawalt of New Hampton, Social Work; Alycia Green of Des Moines, Human Services; and Michelle Ward of Des Moines, Human Services.

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Dec. 12

DMACC Board of Directors meeting, 4 p.m., Eldon Leonard Board Room, Ankeny Campus

Dec. 13

West Campus Fall Graduation reception and awards ceremony, 5 p.m., West Campus Auditorium

Dec. 15

WTA Graduation reception, 6 p.m., Southridge Center

Dec. 15

Boone Campus Fall Graduation reception, 5 p.m., Boone Campus Auditorium

Dec. 15

Carroll Campus Fall Graduation reception, 5:30 p.m., Carroll Campus

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DMACC MEDALLION PRESENTED TO CONSUL GENERAL OF KOSOVO IN IOWA



Rob Denson and Xhavit Gashi

DMACC President Rob Denson (left) presents a custom-made medallion created by DMACC's Tool and Die students to General Xhavit Gashi, the Consul General of Kosovo in Iowa. This special medallion recognizes the dynamic partnership between Iowa and Kosovo in Des Moines and can be used by the Consul General to show appreciation to those who have made this partnership possible and work for its success.

DMACC has had a growing relationship with Kosovo for years. Several delegations from Kosovo have visited DMACC and toured the DMACC Urban Campus, Ankeny Campus and Southridge Center, and have enjoyed several DMACC Culinary Dinners. Denson and officials from Kosovo have discussed how Kosovo might benefit from DMACC's model of higher education. In 2013-14, DMACC selected Kosovo as its "Country of the Year" as part of its annual program to honor and study countries around the world. DMACC has already had one Kosovo student graduate and is looking forward to an active student exchange.



DMACC Tool and Die Professor John Neumayer and his students have made a number of customized medallions, which President Denson has presented to President Barack Obama, Vice President Joe Biden, and other political and business leaders across the nation.

MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL AT THE URBAN CAMPUS



Samra Mohammed and Khadro Warsame

First year DMACC students Samra Mohammed (left) of Sudan and Khadro Warsame of Somalia, serve food to DMACC Urban Campus English as a Second Language (ESL) Instructor Lynn Treangen of Des Moines at the semi-annual Multicultural Festival. Mohammed and Warsame are now living in Des Moines. Hundreds of Urban Campus students, faculty and staff attended the colorful event, which featured food, singing, dancing, a fashion show, and more.



Elba Dakane and Abshiro Hassan

Native Somalians Elba Dakane (left) and Abshiro Hassan, both DMACC Urban Campus students now living in Des Moines, pose for a photo wearing traditional Somali apparel at the Multicultural Festival held on the DMACC Urban Campus.



Ayan Osman and Niru Pokhrel

Two-year old Ayan Osman, daughter of Osman Osman and Hanadi Ahmed, formerly of Sudan and now living in Des Moines, steals the show from first-year Nursing student Niru Pokhrel, formerly of Nepal, during the talent portion of the Multicultural Festival.

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PIONEER CONNECTION

NOVEMBER MEETING

Thanks to Don Enright for inviting DMACC student veterans Shawn Young and Justin Harvey to share stories of valor at the November meeting. Thanks also to Dana Zeiser for showing a wonderful Veterans Day video before our special cake and lunch. We so appreciate our Pioneer Veterans and all of those who served and still serve to protect America. It was, and is, a very special meeting.

DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY

On Monday, December 12, we will join the DMACC Board of Directors in celebrating the season with homemade treats from the Pioneers and more. Festivities will be held in Building 7 of the Lakeview Inn from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Your generous contributions of non-perishable snack items will be gratefully accepted. Christmas sweaters are always fun to share! See you there.

JANUARY MEETING

Join us for pizza and a movie in the FFA Center on Thursday, January 13 at 11:30 a.m. We will be showing a great movie and it will be a good time to share a laugh or memory with your Pioneer friends.

For those of you traveling over this Holiday Season, SAFE TRAVELS, and have a wonderful break.

I will be writing to you from the Rio Grande Valley where we enjoy getting away from snow and ice.

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JOB OPENINGS

Academic Advisor, Ankeny Campus

Review Date: Dec. 14, 2016

Associate Director, Program Development –

Bridges to Success Grant, Southridge Center

Review Date: Dec. 12, 2016

Health Occupations Instructor, Perry VanKirk Career

Academy, (9 months per year contract)

Review Date: Dec. 12, 2016

Continuing Education Coordinator, Southridge Center

Review Date: Dec.12, 2016

If you're interested in any of these positions, please visit the DMACC website at jobs.dmacc.edu