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If you have information, ideas for new content, fun facts, or PCC trivia, send them to Megan for inclusion in the next newsletter!

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PCC Nursing Program Enrolls 40 for Fall 2019



On June 26, 2019 Pratt Community College enrolled 40 new and returning Practical Nurse (PN) and Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) students to begin the rigorous Nursing Programs this Fall.

These nursing students, make up the entire class for the Winfield, Pratt, and online cohorts, visited the main campus where they met with Admissions, Bookstore, Financial Aid, and Student Success representatives, and received their official introduction into their respective Programs.

Students, divided by Programs, met with the Director of Nursing, faculty and staff.

The mission of the Pratt Community College Nursing Programs is to facilitate a high quality education which encourages students to embrace lifelong learning and prepares them to function as a caring, professional nurse providing safe, quality, and evidence-based nursing care, within the communities they serve.

The Fall 2019 semester begins Aug. 21 for all Programs including the PN and ADN classes. To find out more about PCC Nursing visit prattcc.edu/nursing. The application process for Fall 2020 will open mid-Fall semester.

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Upcoming Dates

Independence Day	July 4
Campus Closed	July 5
Beaver Building Day	July 10
Board of Trustees Meeting	July 22



BUILD OUR FUTURE

PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Feature: Chris Himmelwright

Chris Himmelwright hasn't always been a part of the Pratt community. In fact, she and her husband are native Californians who embraced the small town life in 1981 after inheriting a fourth generation farm. Pratt has since developed into home for the Himmelwrights, and despite the daily challenges they must juggle, Chris tries to find time to give back to the community she has grown to love. One of the ways she gives back is by serving on Pratt Community College's President's Advisory Board.

"A few years ago, I received a letter asking if I would be interested in joining," said Himmelwright. "I'm on the Health Foundation as well, which is kind of the same thing. It is not the hospital board, just like the President's Advisory Board is not the PCC Board of Trustees. We are a liaison to the community."

Many members of the President Advisory Board hail from the various businesses in the Pratt area and are not necessarily connected to the college, said Himmelwright. They meet once a quarter for lunch, which provides them the opportunity to tell PCC President Dr. Michael Calvert what they are hearing in the community, how different events were perceived, and so on. They also have the chance to address the various needs in the community and brainstorm a solution. The newest program at PCC, Modern Distribution Sales and Management, started out as an idea brought to one of the meetings.

"One member has tried to and succeeded in partnering with the college in a manufacturing program and certificate," said Himmelwright. "Another has done some work where PCC has been at least open to programs in his industry. That's really the future, I think, for community colleges."

Other topics they discuss include the ever looming issue of funding.

"(Community colleges) are not going to get the funding they once enjoyed," said Himmelwright. "As Dr. Calvert has pointed out, it's much more expensive to educate auto mechanic students than an English student because of all the equipment. You've got this rise in the cost of education and a lowering of funding. It's a challenge."

As a stay at home mom, Himmelwright believes that participating on boards and associations are a great way to stay involved in the community and make sure her voice was heard. Her biggest challenge on the President's Advisory Board is contributing to some of the discussion since she does not have or work for a business, but she loves hearing ideas and providing her opinions to better the college and the community – something she believes is worth making time for.

"Some people can't do it," said Himmelwright. "They have kids, families, work and church. I was for the most part able to juggle everything. There were times I had to pay a babysitter so I could come to meetings, but it is well worth it."

She encourages those who do have the time to serve on a board in the community.

"It's our community. It's a small time commitment that's a good thing from both standpoints – for the industry that is trying to reach the community and the community that wants to feel like they are helping. It's very beneficial."

This year, Pratt Community College is honoring those who choose to help build the futures of our students. Each month during 2019, PCC is proud to feature those alumni, community members, board members and faculty who have done their part to build the future of the lives of students as well as the growth of the institution.

DEAN'S LIST

HONOR ROLL

Jaden Abernathy • Victoria Addington • Rylee Alexander
Mackenzie Anderson • Thelma Anele • Keaton Augustine
Elise Baranco • Dalton Beck • Matthew Becker • Alex Booth
Chayton Bussey • Isabelle Cannata • Yves Cherubin
Courtney Cleveland • Sydnee Connell • Brenton Cooke
Chase Coomes • Jacob Crabb • Luke Culbertson • Ty Esfeld
Westin Etheridge • Victor Farina • Rhys Farrow-Blance
Nathaniel Fowler • Zackary Gillespie • Shane Gleeson
Samantha Halabi • Dylan Hamilton • Joshua Hanson
Christopher Harmon • Tal Hartley • Joshua Hawley
Amy Heimerman • Spencer Heise • Sydney Henke
Austin Hermstein • Carlos Hernandez • Julia Hewlett
Lauren Hicks • Xavier Howard • Michael Hudson • Casly Israel
Kole Jantz • Peyton Kalmar • Jessica Klumpe • Dominick Kratzer
Jonathon Kuehnel • Ellison Langford • Tyler Leslie • Gavin Lively
Devon Lujan • Audriaunna Martin • Ky Matthews-Hampton
Jacob McBee • Blake McGinness • Dalton McNickle
Margarita Meireis • Brooke Menhusen • Hunter Metcalf
Andrea Migliozi • Joel Miller • Jacob Milton • Riley Moore
Brandon Munger • Bryce Murphy • Brandon North • Debra Olima
Tanner Orand • Kadesha Prescott • Samuel Ramirez
Austin Randolph • Brinklee Reed • Kaitlyn Reed
Charles Reynolds • Raul Rios • Theodore Robinson • Isaac Root
Katherine Rose • Chance Runnion • Wyatt Schulz • Clayton Scott
Kiura Shipman • Cameryn Simons Lee Sims • Dustin Smith
Garrett Smith • Ginny Smith • Karsyn Smith • Jonah Spore
Caleb Stover • Brenden Tauber • Rachel Tippens
Ryan Towbridge • Finehika Uhatafe • Simon Uhrig
Treven Veltman • Nicole Voss • Matthew Ward • Naomi Warren
Tanner Wedel • Stephanie Wells • Lucas Wepf • Kiara Whitmore
Wyatt Witmer • Camryn Youngers

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Elijah Austell • Simon Bassett • Isabella Battaglia
Kiauna Behee • Landon Borgelt • Brooklynn Bourgeois
Chantz Brungardt • Morgan Bullinger • Chase Bunyard
Kyla Calhoun • Francesco D'Aulerio • Joshua Dixon
Aaron Duncan • Mason Eck • Jessica Fierro
Jenna Fitzsimmons • Hunter Folsom • Kayley Geesling
Haley Gleason • Jeremy Hanke • Ashley Hansen Jorns
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Kendell Hutchison • Kassandra Jelosek
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Caleb Stephens • Enomfon Udo • Valeria Venegas
Dakota Washington • Blake Winter • Kiah Zhao



PCC Men's Basketball Coach Sean Flynn Helps Work Tournament in Mexico

Pratt Community College men's basketball coach, Sean Flynn, represented PCC at Hoops on the Beach in Cancun, Mexico from June 13 to June 16. The Hoops on the Beach event is hosted by International Basketball Training, a player development company that works with athletes of all levels and ages. Flynn worked as an evaluator by watching approximately 30 games at the 15, 17, and 19 and under levels. Players at the event came from countries such as Belize, Panama, Mexico, Argentina, Dominican Republic, and Puerto Rico.



"I met amazing young people on this trip," said Flynn. "I grew enamored with the competitive spirit of both spectators and athletes."

Flynn noted that players at the event were very physical, but not dirty. In fact, outside of the gym kids sparred and played tackle football.

"Contact is embraced as a positive teaching tool (in the Cancun area)," said Flynn. "Good sportsmanship is mandatory."

At the end of the event, Flynn spoke with a team from Argentina. After his speech, the Argentinian coach invited him to run his clinics in Buenos Aires, Argentina at the end of July, which he will attend.

Both of these events help with future international recruiting. In addition to the two international events he is working this year, Flynn also worked a series of clinics last summer in Australia. Two students he met at the Australian clinics will be attending PCC this upcoming fall.

Track and Soccer Facility Coming Together

The Pratt Community College Track and Soccer Facility construction is well underway. At the complex site, located east of Green Sports Complex at East 6th Street and Fincham Street, workers attached stadium lights to the tops of poles last week. Crews have installed the four light poles for the facility. The bulk of the dirt work is complete but there will be more fine dirt work done before the track and other facilities take shape, according to Pratt Community College President Michael Calvert.

Other construction planned or underway at the site includes footings for the concession stand, restroom and concession slab placed on the grade, start masonry if slab is cured, final field stabilization work, digging and setting the lift station structures.

To meet National Junior College Athletic Association requirements, an aluminum rail was added inside the track at a cost of \$34,000. The projected cost of the complex is \$3.5 million, said Kent Adams, PCC vice president of finance and operations.

A hammer throw cage to protect the athletes, officials and spectators, Adams said. The site is projected to open before the end of the year.



Rocky Patterson is 2019 Coleman PRCA Rodeo Steer Roping Champion

Congratulations to Rocky Patterson, the 2019 Coleman PRCA Steer Roping Champion! He was presented the spurs Wednesday afternoon at the Coleman County State Bank Arena. It's been a good Spring for Rocky. He became the first PRCA cowboy to win the National Circuit Finals Steer Roping twice when he wrapped up the 2019 crown April 28.

Second round: 4. Rocky Patterson, 10.8, \$500

Average: 1. Rocky Patterson, 37.7 seconds on three head, \$1,554.

In April of 2015, four times World Champion Steer Roper Rocky Patterson came back to PCC as head rodeo coach. Patterson first came to PCC as the head rodeo coach in 1991, and returned to full-time competition after nine years. Patterson holds four World Champion titles, most recently in 2018. In addition to his professional work and coaching, he holds a roping clinic every summer through the county 4-H for area youth.



ONE LAST BEAVER BUILDING DAY FOR FALL 2019 EARLY ENROLLMENT JULY 10, 2019

This pre-enrollment day allows incoming students to meet with advisers, register for classes, turn in transcripts and immunization records, set up self-service accounts, and register for campus housing.



register online

[PRATTCC.EDU/BBD](https://prattcc.edu/bbd)



New Student INFORMATION SESSION

AUG. 20 • 1:00PM • DENNIS LESH ARENA
INFO • PRIZES • GAMES • ICE BREAKERS
REQUIRED OF ALL DEGREE-SEEKING,
NEW TO PCC INCOMING STUDENTS ENROLLED IN 12 HOURS
OR MORE FOR FALL 2019

Pratt Community College will host a New Student Information Session on Tuesday, Aug. 20 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Dennis Lesh Sports Arena. The New Student Information Session is required for all new degree-seeking PCC students who are enrolled in 12 hours or more for the Fall 2019 semester.

This is the third year of the orientation style in an effort to increase student engagement and learning retention, students will be divided into groups to discuss a variety of topics such as financial aid, campus safety, and more. Trivia and games will be used to teach students important information they need to know while attending PCC.

The goal of the new format is to provide a fun and entertaining way for students to learn everything they need to know during their time at PCC. We want to get the students excited and prepared for the upcoming school year. Students will have the opportunity to engage with their peers and faculty and staff.

Prizes and giveaways will be awarded to students who actively participate. All students who attend will also have their name entered in a drawing for a chance to win a brand new Apple watch.

The New Student Information Session is guaranteed to be fun, informational, and engaging.

WELCOME

Fall Start Info

2019-2020

Residence Halls

Residence halls open August 18 at 9 a.m. Check in begins in the Upper Commons in the Benson Education Center, please **do not** go directly to the residence halls.

Room assignments are mailed mid-July. Please contact Residence Life at 620-450-2120 for housing information.

Registration and Enrollment

Complete any registration, enrollment, advising, or placement testing on August 19-20 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. **If you still need to enroll:** First-time non-enrolled students should begin in Admissions (Office 51).

Returning non-enrolled students should begin in the Student Success Center.

Payment and Billing

Payment plans can be set up using your Self-Service account. Instructions and details at prattcc.edu/paymentplan. Contact the Cashier / Business Office for assistance at 620-450-2143.

New Student Information Session

New student information session, mandatory for all degree-seeking, new to PCC incoming students enrolled in 12 hours or more for Fall 2019.

•Tuesday, August 20, 2018 •1-3 p.m •Dennis Lesh Sports Arena

Point of Contact: Susan Mayberry, susanm@prattcc.edu 620-450-2184

Semester Start Dates

Classes start August 21 at Pratt Main Campus. Check your class schedule for class start dates at the Coffeyville, Winfield, Wichita campuses as well as online.

EDUKAN fall start dates:

Session 1: August 12 (16 weeks) **Session 2:** August 12 (8 weeks) **Session 3:** Sept. 9 (12 weeks)

Session 4: October 7 (8 weeks) **Session 5:** Dec 2 (4 weeks)

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The PCC mobile application provides a convenient way for students to access SelfService, grades, class schedules, student financial information, view campus maps and find valuable campus information!

- On your smart phone visit the app store and download and launch **Ellucian Go**
- **Search** for Pratt Community College from the search bar
- Click on the **menu** in the upper left to see available applications like PCC News, Self Service, Canvas, Campus Maps, Events Calendar and Financial Info
- Use your SelfService **login and password** to access secure applications with a "locked" icon on the right

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