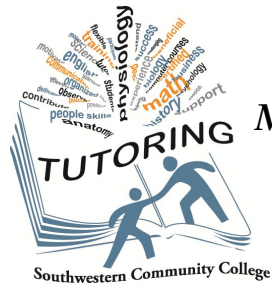
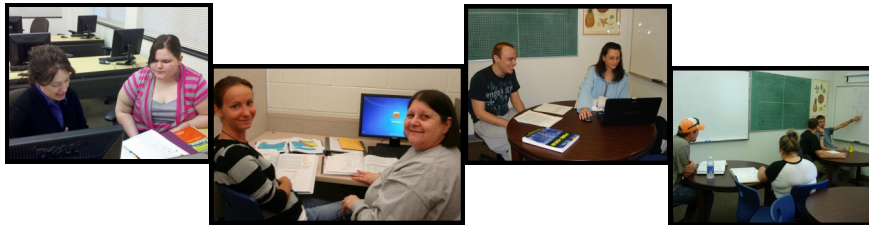


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Tutor Review



*Assisting
students
along their
educational
journey.*

The Tutor Program Challenge

To actively engage students in their learning and to tutor students in such a manner that they eventually become confident, independent learners.

A Special Thanks to Our Tutors

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| Karen Adams | Debra Dills | Everett Parris |
| Sherri Barborich | Alva Duke | Carly Pearson |
| Denise Barton | Samantha Greene | Carol Scott |
| Chris Beasley | Pam Hardin | Riley Shannon |
| Michael Bruce | Jessica Hightower | Winnie Virga |
| Annette Capriotti | Tessy Izquierdo | Virginia Weaver |
| Sarah Carothers | Eileen Kessler | George Whisnant |
| Russell Conover | Shay Marceau | Kendall Wilson |
| Brailey Derreberry | Karen Martin | Zihao Zhu |
| | Derek Palo | |



Tutor Training Day ~ Fall 2012

Another round of applause for SCC's Tutor Program Tutors! I am so fortunate to work with such a professional and devoted group of individuals.

As tutors, your hard work, dedication and enthusiasm does not go unnoticed. However, I believe you do not help students for the recognition, awards or compensation. Rather, I witness many of you celebrating along with your students as they see the light bulb come on for the first time, improve an exam grade, or finally connect what they are studying with a real life concept. This is the reward you look forward to!

You offer an engaging and effective environment—one in which students can ask questions, discuss solutions, explore alternatives, better understand concepts and strengthen their knowledge of course material. Your tutoring sessions incorporate discussions, questions, and various activities which promote self-direction. You recognize that this process helps students not only gain a deeper understanding of the subject, but builds self-confidence as well.

As tutors, you realize the importance of helping students become independent learners and sound critical thinkers. You provide effective study skills and offer various strategies so they may become successful students. Hopefully, these students will carry the strategies and concepts you convey into their eventual careers.

In addition to the hours you devote to tutoring, you also spend a great deal of time in training, reading and studying tutoring materials, reviewing course content, touching base with instructors, observing classes, and preparing to help the students who seek out assistance. You are an essential component of the academic resources SCC provides students and you are truly appreciated.

With deep admiration and gratitude,

Laurie

TUTOR STATISTICS Fall Semester ~ as of November 15, 2012

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| Number of Tutoring Relationships..... | 220 |
| Number of Tutoring Hours..... | 1,770* |
| Tutoring Expenditures including training | \$17,793 |

* Individual student hours; does not account for group work

Fall Semester All-Day Tutor Training ~ August 17th

- ♦ **Program Overview ~ Ethical Standards ~ Do's & Don'ts ~ Six Habits of Highly Effective Tutors**
- ♦ **Session Structure in 4 Steps**
- ♦ **Tutor Planner, Forms and Helpful Handouts ~ Time/Log Sheets ~ Scenarios**
- ♦ **Effective Note Taking**
Presenter: Dr. Barbara Putnam, Dean of Arts & Sciences
- ♦ **Questioning Techniques and Tutoring Scenarios**

Semester Training Workshops

Difficult Tutoring Situations

Presenter: Laurie Butler, Tutor Coordinator

To Infinity...and Beyond: Assisting Students through the Developmental Math Modules

Presenter: Mary Bradley, Developmental Math Instructor

To See What We Think: An Analytical Approach to Tutoring Writing

Presenter: Jennifer Hippensteel, Writing Across the Curriculum Coordinator

Encouraging Independence in Learning

Presenter: Cristina Korb, WCU Graduate Student, Former SCC Tutor & LAC Consultant

Working with ESL Students

Presenters: Russell Conover and Eileen Kessler, SCC Tutors

Evaluation Comments from Student Tutees



"I had a very positive experience with tutoring. [My tutor] was very patient and enthusiastic about the subject. He worked his tutoring style around my needs and taught me how to think for myself. Since tutoring, I have become progressively more confident in taking my tests. Tutoring has improved my grade."

"[My tutor] was amazing; kind and very supportive and went above and beyond to make me feel comfortable and assist me on any questions. Chemistry is a challenging subject but she kept me encouraged with her positive attitude."



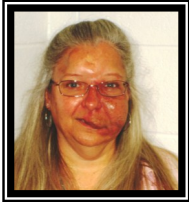
"Great ability to teach the material in a new way! [My tutor] encouraged me to think and problem solve, when I was not sure about a concept."

"There really is not anything I would change. I have had a tutor every semester in one subject or another and my experience has been great."

"I really enjoyed working with my tutor. He gave me feedback on my note taking, and questioned me on what I was learning. He always had a positive attitude and tried to explain things in multiple ways if I didn't understand them right away."



Meet our **NEW** Tutors



Name: Karen Adams

Major: Medical Office Administration

Subject Specialties: Microsoft Office Suite, Computer Literacy, Medical Office Courses, Developmental Math



Name: Denise Barton

Graduate: Health Information Technology

Subject Specialties: Medical Coding



Name: Chris Beasley

Major: College Transfer

Subject Specialties: Mathematics



Name: Michael Bruce

Major: AA, Web Design, Mobile Development

Subject Specialties: Computer Programming



Name: Annette-Marie Capriotti

Major: Medical Laboratory Technology

Subject Specialties: The Sciences



Name: Debra Dills

Major: Accounting

Subject Specialties: Accounting, Spreadsheets



Name: Jessica Hightower

Major: College Transfer

Subject Specialties: Mathematics



Name: Shay Marceau

Major: Robotic Engineering — College Transfer

Subject Specialties: Mathematics, Physics



Name: Derek Palo

Major: Computer Engineering Technology - College Transfer

Subject Specialties: Mathematics



Name: Riley Shannon

Major: Civil Engineering/Surveying

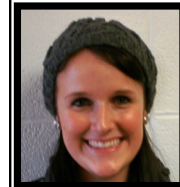
Subject Specialties: Mathematics



Name: Virginia Weaver

Major: College Transfer

Subject Specialties: Statistics, French, Biology



Name: Kendall Wilson

Major: Medical Sonography

Subject Specialties: Sonographic Courses



Name: Zihao Zhu

Major: College Transfer

Subject Specialties: Mathematics, Physics