New Active Learning Classroom!

Wilson C2004, home to the majority of our accounting classes, is our new Active Learning Classroom. The new desks and chairs can be easily rearranged to promote active learning, or “involv[ing] students in doing things and thinking about the things they are doing” (Bonwell 1993). The idea behind active learning is to invest students in their education with a more hands-on and engaged approach, which should better their understanding of their class material and keep them motivated to continue their studies. We will be collecting data about student and instructor satisfaction with the new facilities as well as final grades and completion rates. See the picture above or contact us to check out the new classroom!

IT Academy

Interested in receiving IT training and certifications? The IT Academy is our continuing education program that allows students to train and test for Cisco and/or CompTIA A+®, Network®, and Security+® certifications. We also now have a Pearson VUE and Certiport authorized testing center to administer certifications that we teach in our academy. Certifications can result in better jobs, pay raises, and new employment opportunities. Our IT Academy also welcomes those with a non-IT background who want to pursue certification programs.
What’s new and exciting about our programs?

**Accounting**
Besides having a new active learning classroom for students who come to campus, the Accounting Program also offers great benefits to online students. Starting Fall 2017, the Accounting Program (degree and certificates) can be completed 100% online.

**Business Administration**
First, we would like to welcome our new second fulltime Business Administration Instructor, Nicholas Ogada.
Second, the Business Administration curriculum is changing for Fall 2017 to meet current marketplace needs. We are excited to introduce four new classes: MKT 223 Social Media Marketing, MKT 232 Customer Service, BUS 139 Entrepreneurship I, and BUS 225 Business Finance.

**Community Spanish Interpreter**
This year, we started a new Medical Community Spanish Interpreter Certificate and Degree option. This semester, we are offering two new classes to students in those programs – SPI 221 Consecutive Interpreting I and SPI 243 Medical Interpreting I.

**Medical Office Administration**
Medical Office Administration has also made some program changes. Starting in Fall 2017, students can choose whether they want to focus on Electronic Health Records, or if they want to pursue a career in Medical Coding.

**Office Administration**
New this semester, students in OST 289 Administrative Office Management are shadowing office professionals at JCC and the community to gain more experience with the jobs they will be pursuing after graduation.

**Paralegal Technology**
Paralegal Technology students continue to excel. This year, students in this program obtained internships or employment at local law firms and the District Attorney’s office. In addition, two students passed the North Carolina Certified Paralegal Examination to become certified NC Paralegals.

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