STUDENT ADVOCACY & RESOURCE CENTER

September 21, 2021

WATCH US GROW DURING OUR INAUGURAL YEAR

We are here for you - the student at Washington County Community College - and will be constantly evolving to serve you more effectively. Our space will also be changing as the campus construction projects are completed providing more opportunity for you to connect with community partners and service providers.

The mission of the Student Advocacy and Resource Center (SARC)is accomplished through a CARES Model:

·Building strong Community Partnerships
·Advocating for students and their multi-faceted needs with faculty, staff, and community agencies
·Creating learning opportunities that increase student Resiliency through education and self-advocacy
·Facilitating programming that Engages students in their communities
·Ensuring student Success through achievement of individual, education, and career goals

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Celebrating 20 Years
Building vibrant communities

Are you 15-29 years old?

Are you passionate about supporting COVID-19 Vaccines promotion and health equity?

If so, we'd love for you to join our team!

Healthy Acadia is hiring five youth interns (ages 15-29) and one youth team leader (ages 18-29, with leadership experience) for a paid internship to help promote COVID-19 vaccination through peer outreach, education and communication for youth in these counties. This position is open for youth in Washington or Hancock county and will run from September- December 31st, 2021 with potential for extended opportunities.

Apply Now & start as soon as September 17th!

Insert Bit.ly link for application

Scan for Application

For questions and additional information contact corrie.hunkler@healthyacadia.org

Having trouble staying warm this winter?

DCP may be able to help!

You may be eligible for **fuel assistance** and **other benefits** if you do not exceed the income guidelines* listed below. Contact us for help getting through the paperwork!

Family/ Household Size	Monthly income	Annual income
1	$2,433	$29,191
2	$3,181	$38,172
3	$3,930	$47,154
4	$4,678	$56,136
5	$5,426	$65,118
6	$6,175	$74,100

*If a household member pays medical expenses, including health insurance, co-pays, prescriptions, etc., this may reduce your household income to make you eligible.

Call 610-5914 or 1-800-828-7544 to set up an appointment or for more information!

Downeast Community Partners

To apply for these programs you must call to make an appointment. Applications can take up to 30 business days to be processed; it's important to call early. Please have the follow documents when you call.

- Current proof of income for everyone in your household
- A current electric bill
- Date of birth and social security cards for everyone in your household
- Current photo ID for main applicant
- The name of your energy dealer as well as your account number if you have one.

Telephone lines open on September 13, 2021 to make appointments.

Please call between 8 a.m. and noon, Monday through Friday 1-800-828-7544.

For more information and documents visit: https://www.downeastcommunitypartners.org/services/house-and-home/info.php/Heating-Assistance-2/

Open Positions

The SARC Service Scholarship Student will serve as an assistant to the Student Navigator and as a peer mentor helping these students connect with appropriate campus resources, engage appropriately in campus life, and assist as a role model helping students to develop to their fullest academic, career, and personal potential.

Expectations for the SARC Service Scholarship Recipient

- Assist the Student Navigator with co-curricular event planning, operation of the Caring Cupboard and SARC, and office hours for peer tutoring.
- Serve as a role model at all times to all students.
- Represent the SARC and The Caring Cupboard in a positive manner and encourage use of both resources to fellow campus community members.
- Collaborate with the Student Navigator to create/facilitate learning opportunities/events/outings that develop a sense of community among the members of the WCCC community.
- Complete research of relevant resources and community information that can be shared with SARC students on social media.
- Serve as a technology guide for the student portal, email, and Brightspace
- Share knowledge about and guide students to appropriate campus resources

Qualifications

- Enrolled WCCC student in good standing academically
- Honor and respect diversity among students
- Ability to successfully navigate the campus portal, Brightspace and email system (or a willingness to learn)
- Availability to work days, evenings, and, on the rare occasion of a campus-wide event, weekends (students course schedules will be respected when scheduling work hours)
- Ability to work cooperatively and effectively with students, faculty, and administrators.
- Possess a sincere desire to help others develop to their fullest potential.
- Appreciation and understanding of the importance of nutrition and wellness to personal, academic, and career success

SARC Service Scholarship Compensation

Students interested in supporting the mission of the SARC should apply for the service scholarship position by filling out a WCCC Employment Application that can be obtained through this link: https://www.wccc.me.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019-WCCC-Application.pdf. A paper copy can also be requested from the Student Navigator via email at bfarrar@wccc.me.edu, by calling 207-454-1086, or stopping by the SARC. Completed applications should be turned in to Student Navigator at bfarar@wccc.me.edu or mailed to WCCC- Bernadette Farrar, 1 College Drive, Calais, Maine. Applicants should expect to interview for the position.

Students chosen for the position (s) will be provided with a scholarship that covers up to 18 credit hours per semester and a book stipend of $400 in exchange for 70 hours of work per semester in either the SARC and/or The Caring Cupboard. This is an estimated value of $2, 128 dollars a semester and $4, 256 per academic year. Students will still be responsible for any associated course fees and materials. Continuation of the position into a second semester is dependent upon remaining in good academic standing and acceptable job performance.

Caring Cupboard Assistants

Assist the Student Navigator with operations of the Caring Cupboard (student food pantry). Be willing to work independently in the Caring Cupboard to assist students at assigned times. Be available to help load/unload food and supplies and stock shelves in the Caring Cupboard.
Supervisor: Student Navigator Bernadette Farrar (1-2 positions)

Please see the financial aid office for an application.

MAINE SNAP-Ed
Healthy Eating on a Budget

Healthy Acadia
Celebrating 20 Years
Building vibrant communities

Washington County Community College
Calais, Maine
Discover Choices • Create Success

Washington County Community College and Healthy Acadia present:

Cooking Matters®

A FREE cooking and nutrition class just for students.
Learn how to prepare healthy, tasty, low-cost meals at home or in your dorm room!

- In-person hands-on lessons
- Food samples & recipes
- Free cookbook and groceries provided each week
- Tips for grocery shopping on a budget

Dates: Mondays, Oct. 4, 18, 25; Nov. 1, 8, 15, 2021

Time: 6 PM to 8 PM

Location Change: St. Croix Hall Kitchen!!

Register: Email Allie Cook at allie@healthyacadia.org
Call Bernadette at (207) 454-1086
Email bfarrar@wccc.me.edu

UNE UNIVERSITY OF NEW ENGLAND

COOKING MATTERS

Good Shepherd FOOD BANK OF MAINE

This institution is an equal opportunity provider. Maine SNAP-Ed is funded by the USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, which is administered by the Maine Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and implemented statewide by the University of New England (UNE) through contracts with local community organizations. Maine SNAP-Ed educates low-income families on low cost, healthy eating and active lifestyles. Contact mainesnaped@une.edu or 207-221-4560 for more information.

Both Commuter and Residence Students are invited and encouraged to attend!

Emergency Broadband Benefit Program

Open for Applications!

This program through the FCC allows eligible households—which include those with a Pell Grant recipient or that have experienced significant income loss since February 2020—to receive substantially subsidized broadband service ($50 monthly subsidy for most, $75 monthly subsidy for those on tribal lands) and devices ($100 one-time subsidy for a device).

The program offers a significant opportunity for eligible students who have struggled with getting and staying online to resolve those problems. Because of issues with the FCC's pre-existing eligibility verification system, however, it may take more time for postsecondary students to get through the process.

Visit https://getemergencybroadband.org to register and find more information at https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DOC-372014A1.docx