

# **REPORT TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES – May 2, 2023 – Exhibit No. 15**

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## **ACCREDITATION ACTIVITIES**

Julie Posey, Chair, Sonography, submitted the self-study accreditation report to the Joint Review Committee on Education in Diagnostic Medical Sonography. The Diagnostic Medical Sonography and Vascular Sonography programs are eligible and are applying for 10-year accreditation, which is the maximum award possible. After review of the self-study, an accreditation site visit will be scheduled for late 2023 or early 2024.

Program Co-Coordinators and the Teacher Education and Human Services Department Chair successfully submitted the Accreditation Conditions Year 1 Report for 2023 to the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The Early Childhood Education Program was awarded a 2-year conditional accreditation with an extended 5-years upon satisfaction of two conditions regarding rubrics.

The State Board of Emergency Medical, Fire and Transportation Services approved a three-year program accreditation renewal for the programs offered through the Department of Emergency Services Technologies.

#### PROGRAMS AND STRATEGIC PLANNING INITIATIVES

Pending Board approval of the Strategic Plan 2023-2028, Marketing is proactively working on a communication plan and a Strategic Plan Launch Committee of 12 members has been formed, representing departments and locations across the College. Timing of the launch to College employees is mid-May, with a community launch being planned for August 2023.

Michelle Arbogast, Chair, Teacher Education and Human Services department was awarded with an OhioLINK OER Course Redesign Mini-Grant through OhioLINK Affordable Learning. The grant provides funding "to help faculty learn more about using openly-licensed or other affordable course content for their high-enrollment courses." Dr. Arbogast will use the funds to redesign the EDU120 – Educational Technology course.

Teacher Education and Human Services department posted a new position, an adjunct pool for the ASL Interpreter Preparation Program. The ASL Interpreter Preparation Program is set to launch in Fall 2023.

# **ACADEMIC AFFAIRS**

• Humanities and Library. The Library in conjunction with the Humanities department hosted Poetry in Play for students to create poetry using different methods and to share with each other. Shannon Smith-Lee, Professor, English, read his work during this event.

- Humanities. "The Faces Of" art exhibit, as part of the BIG Read, held its opening reception on April 11 and is open through May 10. The exhibit shows that invisible illnesses have faces and why not judging but rather extending grace is so important.
- Interprofessional Education. Michelle Masterson, Director of the School of Interprofessional Education and Human Performance at the University of Toledo, presented to faculty and staff on the delivery of interprofessional education across healthcare curriculum and the increased outcomes for patients who are cared for by an interprofessional practice approach.

Veronica Burgert, Chair, Medical Assisting, accompanied Medical Assisting students to an interprofessional education event where Jeremy Chesser, Instructor, arranged and facilitated a mock-disaster response scenario with a theme of a theme of domestic violence, injured pediatric patient, and active shooter in a medical office. With assistance from Matthew Phillips, Chair, Emergency Services Technology, and John Leonard, Coordinator, Emergency Services Technology, students were able to problem solve, engage in simulated conversation with a 911 operator, police officer, and paramedic in an environment that provided a comprehensive experience highlighting the importance of interprofessional communication.

- Liberal Arts. Carey Marten, Professor, Visual Communication Technology, Rob Ticherich, Associate Professor, Music Business Technology, and Jeremy Meier, Chair, Fine and Performing Arts, presented on careers in the arts at the Perrysburg High School Career Day.
- MRI and Dental Hygiene. Genoa Career Fair at the high school hosted Suellen Barnum, Chair, MRI program and Elizabeth Tronolone, Chair, Dental Hygiene department, for information on health programs at Owens Community College.
- MRI. Suellen Barnum, Chair, participated in mock interviews for students in the health professions track at Penta Career Center.
- Nursing and Radiologic Technology. Millstream Career Center hosted Michelle Shephard, MSN, RN, Assistant Chair, Nursing, and Christine Smith, MS.Ed.RT.(R)(CT), Chair, Radiologic Technology, for a presentation on *Cardiovascular Imaging and Assessment* to the students. During the presentation there was discussion of medical imaging of the heart and auscultation of the heart and lungs; and students practiced auscultation. Students also received information about Owens programs and various health career opportunities upon graduation.
- Physical Therapist Assistant program. Sara Burke, Facilitator, engaged in mock interviews with the graduating cohort with Encore Rehabilitation (new this year). The mock interviews were face-to-face individually and then in a panel style (new this year).
- Physical Therapy Assistant and Dental Hygiene programs. Sara Burke, Facilitator, Physical Therapy Assistant Program, and Susan Nichols, Instructor, Dental Hygiene, completed the first stage of an interprofessional education project between the Physical Therapy Assistant and Dental Hygiene students.

- School of Business, Hospitality Management and Public Safety's Center for Emergency Preparedness (CEP) hosted a round of the <u>Super Fitness Challenge</u>. With WTOL Channel 11 and Super Fitness, over 30 people participated in a series of challenges drawn from the Fire Fighter Mile event. They donned fire helmets, jackets, and gloves for a variety of physical fitness training activities. Video highlights can be found <u>here</u>.
- Teacher Education. The department, hosted 30 students from Penta Career Center for a campus visit and tour, The students met with faculty from the Social Work and Education programs, and enjoyed a pizza lunch!

### ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT AND STUDENT AFFAIRS

• Admissions Office coordinated the Transportation Technologies Expo Day on April 5. Students toured facilities, talked with faculty and staff, and learned how to get started at Owens. Students attended from Whitmer High School, Vanguard Sentinel Career Center and Lenawee Intermediate School District Technical Center.

Admissions Office worked with College representatives to help coordinate Autism Awareness Week, April 3-7. Information was shared on student and academic support services as well as small-group campus tours. About 28 students came in groups from Anthony Wayne High School and Horizon Science Academy.

- Advising Office completed a student outreach initiative, March 20 to March 24, providing course recommendations to 1,437 eligible students who have not registered yet for summer and fall semesters. The Advising Office also staffed registration awareness tables to encourage students to meet with advisors and to register for classes for summer and fall.
- Campus and Community Connections hosted the northwest Ohio Campus Compact and ten guests from the local community attended the event. Owens became a partner in 2010 with grant funding through the Gates Foundation for the Connect2Complete program that piloted civic ambassadors focused on community engagement and student success, which morphed to better serve the needs of Owens students through the on-campus food pantry and garden. In the month of March, there were 65 households (91 individuals) who were supported through the food pantry.
- Career & Transfer Services hosted the College Transfer Fair and more than 70 students attended and nearly 30 colleges/universities participated in the event. In partnership with Penta Career Center, the manager and an advisor served as mock interviewers at Penta's Mock Interview Day for ten Penta students.
- Counseling assisted Career & Transfer Services with hosting an employee workshop, "Finding Our Joy: A Workplace Mental Wellness Approach." The recording will be posted to the Career & Transfer Services website. The Director of Counseling has worked with a new registered student organization, Peer Support, and two of the student members are pending certification. Counseling Center has reached full capacity for recurring sessions and some available walk-in hours. New interns starting in May. Counseling Services will be promoted at student recruitment events to encourage proactivity with mental wellness counseling services.

• Marketing developed branded-templates for campus partners to use for the development of flyers and social media posts. This was piloted with Workforce and Community Services, ensuring branding compliance and communication efficiency.

Marketing engaged Stamats to conduct an audit of the Owens website to be completed by June. The audit will focus on three areas: User Experience, Content Strategy and Governance, and Performance Compliance.

• Student Financial Services conducted two student outreaches: 1) for 202 students with outstanding financial aid requirements preventing financial aid payout; and, 2) for 71 out-of-state residents who may be eligible for Ohio residency.

Student Financial Services continues to conduct on campus FAFSA workshops for students to submit their financial aid applications. The department will revisit the standing FAFSA workshop and explore ways to increase access to students and recruits, beginning in June.

### **Recognitions of Students, Faculty and Staff**

- **Ciara Littlefield**, majoring in Sonography is a student employee at the Library, and she was chosen by the Midwest Associate of Student Employment Administrators as the **2023 Student Employee of the Year** for demonstrating excellence as a student employee in the area of critical thinking. She was nominated by the Library staff and she received a certificate and gift from Career & Transfer Services.
- Micki Cummings, Registered Health Information Technology Program and 2020 Owens graduate, was recognized as Ohio Health Information Management Association's 2023 Rising Star Recipient. The OHIMA Rising Star award distinguishes an emerging leader and OHIMA member who demonstrates significant potential in creativity, innovation, and leadership.
- Marcos Gomez, Director, Student Financial Services, and Erin Kramer, Director, Admissions, with Tony Dickens from the University of Toledo and Dave Stacklin from Penta Career Center, presented an informational session on the partnership between 2-year, 4-year colleges and career center to help students achieve success at the Ohio Association of College Admissions Counseling annual conference, Toledo on March 14.
- **Royann Johnson**, Director, Counseling, was published in Temple University's "The Advisor" with an article titled, *Institutionalization of Counseling Services on College Campuses*.
- Jane Berger, Director, Library, is participating in a global Human Library Organization research study organized by Dr. Sandra Morgenstern, University of Mannheim. The study will explore the attitudes of the global population toward current social issues.
- **Dr. Michelle Arbogast,** Chair, Teacher Education and Human Services attended the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual YWCA Child Care Business Summit in Toledo. She connected with child care program owners and administrators with professional business training, products or services.