Hudson County Community College Library

Application for the ACRL Excellence in Academic Libraries Award
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About Hudson County Community College (HCCC)

Hudson County Community College is a public, comprehensive urban community college committed to offering high-quality programs that are affordable, accessible and community-centered. Students at HCCC may pursue courses on two campuses, both of which are located in close proximity to public transportation hubs.

The College services the residents and businesses of Hudson County, one of the most densely populated and ethnically diverse areas of the United States. HCCC’s student body reflects the makeup of Hudson County with slightly more than 50% being of Hispanic heritage, about 16% African-American, 11% White, and 8% Asian-American/Pacific Islander. More than one-third of HCCC students were born outside of the United States and have reported nearly 105 different countries as their places of birth. Sixty percent of the College’s student body are women.

Within the past several years, HCCC has engineered unprecedented growth in its course offerings, established a central counseling program, reorganized student activities and government programs, and expanded the number and quality of its facilities. In addition to day and evening classes, the College now provides for studies seven days a week and its online course offerings have been fully realized.

HCCC is fully accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. Other accreditations include: the Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board of Engineering Technology; the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission; and the Committee on Accreditation of Respiratory Care.

College Mission Statement

The mission of Hudson County Community College is to provide high quality educational opportunities that promote student success and are accessible, comprehensive, and learning centered.

Vision Statement: We continually aspire to make Hudson County Community College such an excellent and innovative urban college that it can be a first-choice option for the students and communities it serves.

Values Statement: To fulfill the mission and vision of Hudson County Community College, we commit ourselves to these values:

- student success;
- academic excellence and learning support services;
- integrity, ethical behavior, and respect for others;
- celebration of our commonalities and respect for our differences;
- championship of innovation;
- inquiry and data-informed decision making;
- high quality and affordable educational opportunities; and
- responsible stewardship of the resources entrusted to us.
About the HCCC Library
The HCCC Library consists of two state of the art facilities, one in Jersey City and one in Union City, New Jersey. With new buildings, a stellar collection, new services like video digitization, and core services including bibliographic instruction and professional development workshops, the Hudson County Community College Library serves a community of approximately 10,000 unique students, faculty, staff, and community members each year. Collection highlights include the Culinary Arts Collection, the English as a Second Language Collection, and the College Archives, which includes newsletters, catalogs, yearbooks, handbooks, and photographs relating to the history of the administration, faculty, staff, and students of HCCC.

Library Mission Statement
The mission of the HCCC Library is to support students, faculty, and staff in their pursuit of knowledge. The Library strives to support student success by offering relevant, current, and interesting materials, both in print and online. To that end, the Library currently holds more than 50,000 books, 750 DVDs, 37,000 online journals, and 2800 ebooks.

2014-2015: A transformative year
Working as a team to develop an outstanding institution and further the College’s education mission
The 2014 to 2015 period was one of the most exciting and transformative periods in the library’s history. Under the leadership of Associate Dean for College Libraries Carol Van Houten, the Library’s staff worked together to complete a move from 25 Journal Square to a state of the art facility at 71 Sip Avenue, opened one of the first academic library Makerspaces in the country, developed a host of new services, and provided a record amount of programming and workshops for the College’s students, faculty, and staff.
Key accomplishments include:

- Working together to successfully move to and open a new library
- Creating and developing programming for one of the first academic library Makerspaces in the country
- Adding new services like video digitization and iPad circulation
- Hosting two exhibits
- Collaborating with student activities to host coffee houses and the College’s first literary salon
- Creating a much anticipated book club

Creativity and Innovation in Meeting the Needs of the Academic Community

Leveraging Space

With the opening of a new facility, the staff of the HCCC Libraries were able to leverage its new space into new opportunities to serve the College’s students, faculty, and staff. The transformative use of space began before the Library even opened, as during its construction, Associate Dean for College Libraries Carol Van Houten worked as part of the committee that oversaw the building’s construction, and helped ensure the Library had new types of spaces to serve student needs, including group rooms, a quiet study room, a prayer room, space for individual study, and group collaboration, and a cafe.

One of the most important spaces added in the new facility was a Makerspace – one of the first academic library Makerspaces in the country. Opening in the fall of 2014, the Library has utilized this space to host a wide variety of events, including a combination of arts and crafts, general interest, and technology programs. Programs of note include *Introduction to Jewelry Making, Discover Your Roots Through Genealogy*, photo editing, holiday cards and more. The Library also dedicates time each month to open hours, which allows students to exercise self-directed learning in a stress-free environment.

Seeking to provide access to all library services at both campuses, the HCCC Library also created a mobile Makerspace for our North Hudson Campus Library, which allowed library staff to host Makerspace activities despite not having a dedicated space to do so.
Strengthening Instruction
One of the Library’s most popular services is bibliographic instruction. While hosting over 100 one-shot instruction sessions across all subjects, the Library has endeavored to ensure that its role in teaching students to evaluate information remains relevant in the digital age. To this end, thanks to the efforts of Librarian Ellen Renaud, information literacy has been incorporated as a required component in all general education classes, and a library instruction visit has been added to all College Student Success first year experience classes. The HCCC Libraries also sought to make instruction more convenient, creating an online form for instructors to request instruction sessions, and adopting Libguides to facilitate the dissemination of research guides based on bibliographic instruction to the entire college community. To date, HCCC Librarians have created and collaborated with faculty to develop more than 70 research guides.

The Library has also taken advantage of its new space by adding a dedicated instruction room at the Main Library. Prior to that, the Library did not have a dedicated instruction room, a challenge that was overcome with the creation of an iPad instruction cart, the popularity and success of which was recognized with a nomination for the ACRL NJ’s Technology Innovation Award. The Library continues to build on the success of this solution by having installed a mobile instruction cart at its North Hudson Campus to overcome a similar challenge there.

Realizing that not all instruction takes place in the context of a class visit, the Library has also developed an extensive slate of informational workshops, on topics like citation management, career resources, STEM resources, classroom technology, and more entitled Sharpen Your Skills!.

As finding information across sources can be one of a researcher’s most difficult tasks, the HCCC Library has also integrated ProQuest’s Summon Discovery system to bring “search engine like” functionality to a variety of Library subscription databases, and integrated our resources integrated with Google Scholar.

Providing Access to Library Resources
The HCCC Library exhibited particular creativity in improving access to Library resources. One of the first moves in this area was to change the policies for circulation. First, the Library has increased the quantity of items each student, faculty, and staff member could borrow, going from 4 to 6, then to 8 items, and increased the loan period from two weeks to twelve weeks. This change allowed members of the HCCC Community to conduct more effective long term research and reduced the frequency of late returns.

The Library also refined the process for circulating audiovisual equipment. By cataloging all AV items, including projectors, laptops, and VGA cables, faculty and staff were able to experience the same convenience as borrowing a book or DVD, and the library was able to collect better statistics about how these items were used.

The Library also worked to strengthen its Reserves Collection, by collaborating with the bookstore to acquire copies of all textbooks used at HCCC each semester. It also helped serve the needs of the College’s growing alumni community by creating policies to allow alumni to borrow books and DVDs, and added an option for students to borrow books between semesters. Another circulation policy of note
was a move from paper to electronic notices for overdue books, which allowed students to receive reminders before items became overdue, making them much more likely to return them on time.

Under the stewardship of Sister Joanne Korn, the College’s longtime archivist, the Library also began digitizing the College Archives, beginning with its yearbooks collection. This project will help the College celebrate its rich history as it celebrates the 40th anniversary of its founding.

Productive Relationships with Students and Faculty

During the past year, the HCCC Libraries have worked tirelessly to strengthen our relationships with the College’s students and faculty. This began in September, as the Library revived a long dormant departmental liaison program to great success. Now, each of HCCC’s librarians attends academic division meetings, and takes advantage of the opportunity to work with faculty directly to help them integrate library resources into their teaching.

The Library is also in the midst of piloting an embedded librarian program. HCCC Librarian Cynthia Coulter is embedded with 22 online classes, providing reference assistance to more than 400 distance education student who may not have the opportunity to visit the library in person. Meanwhile, Librarian Lawren Wilkins is piloting an in-person embedded librarian program, providing a convenient point of contact for nearly 140 students across seven classes. Both the service as liaisons and the embedded librarian pilot are part of a trend toward more personalized service for the College’s students, faculty, and staff. As part of this trend, the Library has also worked to ensure that a professional Librarian is available during all hours that the Library is open.

The HCCC Library’s staff believe one of the best ways to serve the needs of our community is to participate in it. To that end, more library staff members serve on the campus governance body, the All College Council, than any other department. The Library’s nine participants include Carol Van Houten, Ellen Renaud, Cynthia Coulter, Lawren Wilkins, Oliva Montero, Kate Bellody, Compton Hubbard,
Johnathan Cintron, Devlyn Courtier, and John DeLooper, who served as the Committee’s Secretary from 2013-2015. Library staff also serve on a variety of other committees, with Ellen Renaud a long time member of the College’s Curriculum and instruction committee, Cynthia Coulter a key member of the Assessment Committee, and John DeLooper a part of the Administrative Computing Committee. Aside from these members, many other librarians and support staff serve on periodic, ad hoc, and search committees. Library staff also regularly present at College Service day, and host displays at adjunct orientation and student orientation.

In 2015, the Library also collaborated substantially with our colleagues in other units of the Student Affairs division. One of the first collaborations was with Student Activities to host a coffee house series, which brought musicians and performance artists to the library to play and discuss their music. Next was the College’s first Literary Salon, a Hispanic heritage themed event that featured local authors Nancy Mendez-Booth, Dr. Grisel Y. Acosta, and Vincent Toro. These authors spoke about developing identity and allowed student to share their own experience of identity and life stories.

Another important unit of the Student Affairs division is Cultural Affairs, which the library has embraced by creating its first ever book club, and hosting an exhibit from the Midwest Arts Alliance entitled *Estamos Aqui (We are Here)*, which featured 40 serigraph prints by artists speaking from the Latino/Chicano perspective about the celebrations, sorrows, challenges, and personal experiences of the artists. The book club included four works, Jean Kwok’s *Mambo in Chinatown*, Mario Vargas Llosa’s *The Storyteller (El Hablador)*, Miral Al-Tahawy’s *Brooklyn Heights*, and Amara Lakhous’s *Clash of Civilizations over an Elevator in Piazza Vittorio*. These titles, three of which were in translation, were chosen to honor the diversity of our student population. These activities follow successful precursor events in the 2013-2014 academic year like the *Let’s Talk About It: Muslim Journeys* reading and discussion series and the *Hometown Teams* exhibit from the Smithsonian Institute’s travelling exhibit service. In addition, HCCC Librarian Clifford Brooks also co-chaired the College’s Cultural Affairs Task Force, spending six months as a special advisor to the College President to help strengthen this component of HCCC’s service to the Hudson County community.
But above all, the Library puts its focus on students. Thanks to requests from students, the HCCC Library strengthened its social media outreach, adding a robust presence on popular social networks Instagram, and Twitter, as well as creating and maintaining a blog. Students feel free to approach the Library with new ideas, which has led to an expansion of services, first through a calculator loan program, which began as a collaboration with the Student Government Association, and continued through the expansion of the Reserves Collection and the addition of laptops and iPads for in-library circulation. As the HCCC Library strives to make access to information easier, we also collaborated with the College’s IT department to allow students to log in to library PCs using the same login account they use in computer labs, and to allow students to use the same login to access library resources from off campus. Recognizing that the way students search has changed, the Library also added the Summon Discovery layer, to bring “search engine like” functionality to library resources, and help students encounter new resources that they may not have considered.

The Library also knows that without feedback, opportunities to improve are limited. To that end, the HCCC Library has an active advisory board, which includes HCCC students, faculty, and staff, as well as librarians from neighboring institutions, and has added a survey to the library blog which allows students, faculty, staff, and community members can provide direct feedback about library services and a form where they can suggest purchases for the Library to consider.

Leadership in developing and implementing exemplary programs
One of HCCC’s most recent accomplishments that serves as a model for other institutions was the creation of a Makerspace. When the Makerspace was started in 2013, HCCC was one of the first community colleges to add this service, and as such, our library has hosted tours for local institutions and answered questions from others around the country. Due to challenge of budget and a new location,
the Library started low key, with primarily arts and crafts programming. Initial supplies were provided from donations from library staff. Later on, Intel Corporation provided a grant of 10 Galileo Arduino devices, which allowed staff to incorporate some electronics programs as well. When funds allowed, the Library expanded its Makerspace programming and resources, adding in more electronics and purchasing a Makerbot Replicator 3d printer. The popularity of the Makerspace, combined with the Library’s desire to have similar programming at both campuses led to another innovation – the creation of a mobile Makerspace at our North Hudson campus. The mobile Makerspace consisted of a repurposed AV cart, stocked with supplies for arts and crafts. As of this semester, the mobile Makerspace has hosted as many programs as our dedicated space, and proved to be just as big of a hit with students.

Another innovation of note that could serve as a model for other institutions was the creation of an iPad Cart. Using K-12 schools as an example, which often have a laptop cart that is shared among classrooms, HCCC purchased a Brentford Powersync iPad cart and 30 iPads, and used this setup for bibliographic instruction when there was no space available in the Library’s old location. This instruction cart proved popular with students, and its success led to a nomination for the ACRL-NJ College and University Section’s Technology innovation award. A year later, when a similar circumstance arose at our North Hudson Campus, we used the lessons learned from this project to create another mobile instruction cart, once again allowing us to provide bibliographic instruction without a dedicated space.

Next, our Workshop Series entitled Sharpen Your Skills! could be easily adapted by other institutions. This series served to highlight the subscription databases used by Librarians, providing more in depth coverage of these resources than can be provided in the context of a one-shot bibliographic instruction session. This series was an outgrowth of supplementary instruction the HCCC Library has always offered, which consisted of SMART Board and Brightlink projector technology trainings and Noodletools citation management training.

But perhaps the best way to serve as library leaders is to share knowledge with colleagues at other institutions. To that end, HCCC’s library staff are active statewide: Cynthia Coulter is the chair of the New Jersey Library Association (NJLA) College and University Section’s Research Committee and a member of the Virtual Academic Library Environment (VALE) planning Committee, Ellen Renaud is active in the VALE Digital Media Committee, John DeLooper is a member of the New Jersey Library Association’s Emerging Technologies section, and Associate Dean for College Libraries Carol Van Houten serves on the VALE Executive Committee, and is active in the VALE Member’s Council.

HCCC’s Librarians and support staff also present at statewide conferences, most notably Cynthia Coulter, co-chair of the ACRL/NJ Research Committee, who co-presented a seminar entitled, “Fostering Research Success: Getting Published, Collaborating, and Winning Grants” with the gracious help of several Elsevier staff, and who has presented at the NJLA Annual Conference and had a poster session at the VALE Users Conference. Other library staff active statewide include Ellen Renaud and John DeLooper who presented at NJLA on the Library’s iPad Instruction Cart, Lawren Wilkins who presented at VALE about Discovery Systems, and Devlyn Courtier and Johnathan Cintron, who will be presenting a poster at VALE in January 2016 about video games in libraries, as examined the Library’s Fall 2015 Super Smash Bros. tournament. HCCC’s Librarians are also published scholars, with the
HCCC Library’s Clifford Brooks notable as the author of the *Music! Words! Opera!* Series of educational manuals, co-written with Roger Ames. Brooks is also the author of an American Library Association Carnegie Whitney Award winning bibliography of opera in children’s literature, co-written by the HCCC Library’s John DeLooper. Various other library staff attend professional development events on a regular basis, and the Library as a whole also participates in statewide initiatives such as the recent LibraryLinkNJ sponsored New Jersey Maker’s Day Makerspace open house event, and has hosted meetings for the VALE Community College Caucus.

Planned Activities and improvements

During the Spring of 2016 and beyond the Library plans to continue to grow and develop. First, it will expand its literary salon and book club. Next, it will add training on the College’s new Aquos interactive displays. The Library is also in the midst of an archives digitization project, and hopes to make digitized versions of yearbooks available to students, faculty, and staff online by June, followed by more items such as photographs and historic documents. The Library also hopes to adopt a more data driven approach to student services, adding new assessment metrics and utilizing that data to drive decisions about how to best serve our college community. The Library also hopes to expand its embedded librarian program to more classes, both online and in-person. The Library also hopes to grow technologically, with a blog redesign planned for Summer 2016, which will include responsive design to serve students across all types of electronic devices.

The HCCC Library is well positioned to take advantage of its role at the center of our college community, and continue to develop exciting and innovative programs and consistent, high quality service, playing a key part as HCCC strives to become a first choice institution of higher learning.
Library Staff
Carol Van Houten-- Associate Dean, College Libraries
Kate Bellody-- Librarian
Sarah Bryant-- Secretary – Circulation
Johnathan Cintron-- Library Clerical Assistant – Technology
Cynthia Coulter-- Librarian, North Hudson Campus
Devlyn Courtier-- Library Clerical Assistant, North Hudson Campus
John DeLooper-- Director of Library Technology
Compton Hubbard-- Library Technical Assistant – Media Services
Oliva Montero-- Library Clerical Assistant – Patron Services, North Hudson Campus
Milena Moscoso-- Library Clerical Assistant – Periodicals and Reserves
Ellen Renaud-- Librarian
Lawren Wilkins-- Librarian
Mei Xie-- Librarian – Technical Services
Eusebio Abon – Library Clerical Assistant
Clifford Brooks -- Librarian
Kenny Bustamante – Library Clerical Assistant
James Bordone – Librarian
Tara Costello – Library Clerical Assistant
James Cox – Librarian
Sohir Elgebily – Library Clerical Assistant
Martha Gawchik – Librarian
Devika Gonsalves – Library Clerical Assistant
Michael Loiseau – Work Study
Catherine Lopez – Library Clerical Assistant
Akim John-Lewis – Library Clerical Assistant
Jessika Lynch – Library Clerical Assistant
Eileen Molina – Work Study
Jeanette Nelson – Library Clerical Assistant
Tahiri Nunez – Work Study
Hussein Odeh – Librarian
Noura Oubraham – Library Clerical Assistant
Nestor Pitre – Library Clerical Assistant
Jennie Pu – Librarian
Rikki Reyes – Library Clerical Assistant
Robert Richard – Library Clerical Assistant
Victor Rodriguez – Library Clerical Assistant
Christian Sanchez – Work Study
Lotta Sanchez – Library Clerical Assistant
Krishna Sahadeo – Library Clerical Assistant
Cathleen Sova – Librarian
Angelita Tubungbanua – Library Clerical Assistant
Ernestina Vargas – Library Clerical Assistant
Veronica Wilkes – Library Clerical Assistant
December 2, 2015

To whom it may concern:

I am very excited to recommend the Hudson County Community College Library for the ARCL Excellence in Academic Libraries Award. I am in a unique position at the College to make this recommendation because of my various roles at the College which include Director of Academic Foundations English (June 2012-Dec. 2014), Interim Associate Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (January 2015-present), and adjunct instructor in the Academic Foundations English, ESL, and Humanities departments. I have had the opportunity to work with Library staff in each of these roles as well as make use of the excellent facilities.

In my opinion, the HCCC Library excels in each of the criteria listed as needed to win this award. Our Library is the embodiment of our College mission, which is to “provide high quality educational opportunities that promote student success and are accessible, comprehensive, and learning centered.” During my time at HCCC, I have seen the Library collection grow in number and type of materials, as well as providing multiple ways for our students to access those materials. Dean Van Houten and her team constantly solicit suggestions for materials from College faculty, staff, and students. Besides having suggestion boxes available for all, the Library staff reach out to the College community at the beginning of every term (and at other periods throughout the year) with requests for purchasing suggestions, lists of course texts, services suggestions, etc. These overtures are made via email, at meetings, and at College events. They do everything possible to accommodate requests, and I have never heard of a reasonable request being denied.

In addition to traditional library materials and access to computers, the HCCC Library has laptops and even tablets available for students and faculty/staff to use. Faculty (both full time and part time) have the ability to check out these materials and A/V equipment for use in the classroom. In a time when educational technology use is on the rise, the Library has exercised considerable creativity in filling some gaps in available technology in the many classroom buildings at the College while renovations and purchases are being made. Being an urban institution, we have classroom buildings in a several block radius, many of which are underequipped with educational technology. Dean Van Houten took the initiative to make sure that each building was equipped with at least one portable A/V setup so that faculty would have quick and easy access to the technology they need without having to carry heavy equipment all over Jersey City.

The Library staff themselves are available at all times to assist students, faculty, and staff well beyond what most would consider within the scope of their duties. They offer workshops throughout the semester for students, not only on academic research-based subjects (and those are extensive), but also on career research, incorporating images into
academic papers, etc. These workshops are held in the Library itself, but the Library team will also visit individual classes and offer workshops tailored to specific assignments.

For faculty and staff, the Library team holds trainings on a variety of education technologies, including SMART Boards, Brite Link Projectors, and LibGuides. In addition, each academic division is assigned a Library liaison. This individual serves as a direct line from academic divisions to the library. The liaison attends monthly division meetings, bringing updates of offerings from the Library and carrying requests from the division back to the Library. The STEM Division liaison has been an invaluable asset. He is able to offer insights not only on Library happenings, but also on general technology innovations both in- and outside the College, and even serves on Division committees as a volunteer.

Library services go beyond just academic needs, however. While academics are primary, the HCCC Library team feels passionately that service to the community is a part of its mission as well. The community in this case includes the College community and the community of Hudson County. To that end, there are designated facilities, such as computers, for non-student community members to use, and workshops and events are available to them as well. For example, they offer film screenings and discussions, literary salons, Makerspace events and even art exhibits that are open to the College community and the general public.

Finally, the most recent Hudson County Community College Open House was held in the Library last month. It was an excellent way for the College to showcase the beautiful new facility. We had an unprecedented 340 attendees, and much of the credit can be given to the excellent Library staff who worked diligently with our Student Affairs Division to provide a warm, welcoming atmosphere for future students and guests.

I have very much enjoyed watching the growth and development during my time at Hudson County Community College. It is the heart of the College and truly deserving of this award. Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss this recommendation further.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Nesius
Interim Associate Dean, STEM
Appendix A: Links

Instagram
https://instagram.com/hccclibrary/

Twitter
https://twitter.com/HCCCLibrary

Blog
www.hccclibrary.net

HCCC Libguides
http://libguides.hccclibrary.net

Website
www.hccc.edu/library
Appendix B: HCCC Library Fall Programming Guide
In honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the Library will host its first Literary Salon in the Liberty Café. Join us in celebrating the history of Hispanics in the U.S. and the expansion of the American story and identity.

Thursday, October 15, 2015
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
In the Liberty Café

Hear featured authors Nancy Méndez-Booth, Dr. Grisel Y. Acosta, and Vincent Toro, and share your story on developing identity as a Latina/o in America. Students interested in participating in the Salon may prepare a written work to share. Refreshments will be provided by the Library.

The Library is honored to host Estamos Aquí (We Are Here) from November 10, 2015 through January 7, 2016. Organized by the Mid-America Arts Alliance, Estamos Aquí features 40 serigraph prints by artists speaking from the Latino/Chicano perspective. Curated by Brad Cushman, Curator and Gallery Director at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, the portfolio of prints expresses the celebrations, sorrows, challenges, and personal experiences of the artists. The exhibition will be installed on the third floor of the Library Building. The Library will host a gallery opening reception on Friday, November 13, 2015 at 4:00 pm.

A program of ExhibitsUSA, a national division of Mid-America Arts Alliance and The National Endowment for the Arts.
LIBRARY BOOK CLUB: FALL SEASON

Join us for lively book discussions in the Makerspace. We will read authors from China, Peru, Egypt, and Algeria. All books will be provided by the Library, and you may attend as many sessions as you like. Each session will be limited to 10 participants. Stop by the Library to pick up a book and register.

Thursday, September 24, 2015
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Mambo in Chinatown
by Jean Kwok

Wednesday, October 28, 2015
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Storyteller (El Hablador)
by Mario Vargas Llosa, translated by Helen Lane
(copies will be available in both English and Spanish)

Thursday, November 19, 2015
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Brooklyn Heights
by Miral Al-Tahawy, translated by Samah Selim

Monday, December 14, 2015
11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Clash of Civilizations Over an Elevator in Piazza Vittorio
by Amara Lakhous, translated by Ann Goldstein.

Visit: hccclibrary.net to learn more!
SMART Boards provide new ways to make learning interactive.

Now is the time to learn how to use them in your classroom. Introduction workshops will demonstrate how to get started with these devices, and will provide the foundation for creating your own lessons that take advantage of the interactive whiteboards.

Advanced workshops will cover techniques such as screen recording, playing videos, and more.

SMART Board sessions will be held in the Main Library Makerspace, and BrightLink workshops will be held at the North Hudson Campus.

**JERSEY CITY CAMPUS**  
*Sessions Held in Makerspace*

**Beginning SMART Board Training Sessions:**  
Wednesday, September 9 - 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Thursday, September 10 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Friday, September 11 - 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Saturday, September 12 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Monday, September 14 - 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 15 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, September 29 - 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Friday, October 16 - 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**Advanced SMART Board Training Sessions**  
Wednesday, September 16 - 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Monday, October 5 - 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Thursday, October 8 - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday, October 10 - 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**NORTH HUDSON CAMPUS**  
*Sessions Held in N 305*

**BrightLink Training Sessions:**  
Tuesday, September 8 - 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, September 9 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Thursday, September 10 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
Monday, September 14 - 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
Saturday, September 19 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Wednesday, October 14 - 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Thursday, October 15 - 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  
Friday, October 16 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.
The HCCC Library Makerspace - Fall 2015 Events

Arts & Crafts

Button Making
Thursday, September 17, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Create a button with the Library’s button maker. Bring your own images to turn into a button or choose from ones supplied by the Library.

Jewelry Making
Wednesday, October 14, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Add some bling to your life! Join us for a beginner’s level beading session. Materials will be provided.

Crochet for Beginners
Monday, November 2, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Take the first step in making your own clothes and home décor with crochet – a fun, relaxing, and easy needlework technique. Learn the basics of crocheting and begin your first project. The Library will provide materials.

DIY Decorations: Centerpieces & Wreaths
Wednesday, November 4, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Add a personal touch to your holiday by creating handmade centerpieces and wreaths.

Create Your Own Holiday Cards
Wednesday, December 2, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Make one-of-a-kind holiday cards for your family and friends using a variety of pens, markers, decorative paper, and art supplies.

Keep Calm & Color
Tuesday, December 8, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Coloring is not just for kids! Take a break from finals and relieve stress by coloring creative patterns and images.
The HCCC Library Makerspace - Fall 2015 Events

Innovation Lab

Innovation Lab: Galileo
Tuesday, September 22, 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Intel Galileo is an Arduino compatible microcontroller development board, used for creating interactive devices and tools with sensors and actuators. Learn how the Galileo works and begin creating “sketches” to program the devices.

Free, but registration is required. Register for the workshop at https://hccclibrarygalileo1.eventbrite.com. Registration is limited to 12 participants.

Innovation Lab: 3D Printing
Thursday, October 1, 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Learn about 3D printing and begin creating objects using our Makerbot 3D printer.

Free, but registration is required. Register for the workshop at https://hccclibrary3dprinting1.eventbrite.com. Registration is limited to 12 participants.

Innovation Lab: Galileo
Wednesday, October 7, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Free, but registration is required. Register for the workshop at https://hccclibrarygalileo2.eventbrite.com. Registration is limited to 12 participants.

Super Smash Bros. Tournament
Thursday, October 29, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, November 5, 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Main vs. NHC winners at the Main Library Super Smash Bros tournament! Sixteen bracket match, single elimination. Winners from each campus will square off in a Main vs. NHC match on November 5 at the Main Library.

Limited to 32 participants. Registration is required to compete. You may only compete in one tournament at one campus. Spectators are welcome and do not need to register. Register and read the complete details at http://hccclibrarysmashbros-main.eventbrite.com

Innovation Lab: 3D Printing
Tuesday, November 17, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Learn about 3D printing and begin creating objects using our Makerbot 3D printer.

Free, but registration is required. Register for the workshop at https://hccclibrary3dprinting2.eventbrite.com. Registration is limited to 12 participants.
The HCCC Library Makerspace - Fall 2015 Events

Open Hours @ the Makerspace

The Makerspace in the Main Library will be open with all supplies and equipment available for use. Visit the Makerspace during open hours to explore, create, and innovate using a variety of technology equipment and arts and crafts supplies.

The HCCC Library Makerspace is located in the Main Library (L116).

North Hudson Campus

Button Making
Wednesday, September 16, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Create a button with the Library’s button maker. Bring your own images to turn into a button or choose from ones supplied by the Library.

Innovation Lab: Raspberry Pi
Thursday, September 24, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Raspberry Pi is a tiny, inexpensive single-board computer that allows for basic programming and can be used as a “brain” to interact with other electronic devices. Learn about how it works, and how to use it in a wide variety of computing projects.

Free, but registration is required. Register for the workshop at https://hccclibraryraspberrypi1.eventbrite.com.
Registration is limited to 12 participants.

Jewelry Making
Thursday, October 8, 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Add some bling to your life! Join us for a beginner’s level beading session. Materials will be provided.

Innovation Lab: Raspberry Pi
Tuesday, November 3, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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NHC Student Lounge
Super Smash Bros. tournament! Sixteen bracket match, single elimination. Winners from each campus will square off in a Main vs. NHC match on November 5 at the Main Library.

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DIY Decorations: Centerpieces & Wreaths
Monday, November 16, 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Add a personal touch to your holiday by creating handmade centerpieces and wreaths.

Create Your Own Holiday Cards
Wednesday, December 2, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Make one-of-a-kind holiday cards for your family and friends using a variety of pens, markers, decorative paper, and art supplies.

Keep Calm & Color
Tuesday, December 8, 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Coloring is not just for kids! Take a break from finals and relieve stress by coloring creative patterns and images.

North Hudson Campus Library Makerspace events will take place in the North Hudson Campus Student Lounge.
Sharpen Your Skills!

Fall 2015
Library Research Workshops
Join us for in-depth workshops on a variety of topics.

Main Campus:
Workshops will be held in L319.

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) Resources
Thursday, September 17 - 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Career Resources
Saturday, September 19 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Nursing Resources
Sunday, September 20 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Nursing Resources
Monday, September 21 - 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

NoodleTools Citation Generator
Monday, October 5 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Using Images in Your Paper
Thursday, October 15 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

STEM Resources
Sunday, October 18 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

NoodleTools Citation Generator
Wednesday, October 28 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Using Images in Your Paper
Wednesday, November 4 - 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Business Resources
Monday, November 9 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Career Resources
Tuesday, November 10 - 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Business Resources
Thursday, November 12 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

North Hudson Campus
Workshops will be held in Room N305

STEM Resources
Saturday, September 26 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Career Resources
Saturday, September 27 - 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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NoodleTools Citation Generator
Thursday, November 19 - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

NoodleTools Citation Generator
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