

INSIDE ADMISSIONS

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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Name: Juan

Major: Computer Science

Graduation Year: 2023

Future Plans: Transfer to UMD College Park

High School: Tuscarora High School



Meet Juan! He is the SGA Vice President of Finance, co-president of the cybersecurity club, on the men's soccer team, a member of the Student Program Board, a student ambassador for the Admissions Office, and works in the Student Success Office. "FCC gives a certain sense of community. Everyone knows everyone here and everyone wants to help you. I have met so many people through getting involved on campus."



NEW PROGRAMS THIS FALL

The following programs are new to FCC and will be offered this fall:

- Baking and Pastry Arts (degree and certificate)
- Physical Therapist Assistant (degree)
- Public Safety A.A.S. with areas of concentration in:
 - Emergency Management (degree)
 - Fire Service Administration (degree)
 - National Security and Intelligence (degree)



INTRODUCING PRESIDENT CHEEK

Dr. Annesa Cheek is FCC's 11th President and began her term on July 1st. Dr. Cheek comes from St. Cloud Technical & Community College in Minnesota, where she had served as president since 2018. Prior to that presidency, Dr. Cheek spent 12 years at Sinclair Community College in Ohio, an institution serving over 30,000 individuals across five locations. In 2016, she was chosen by the Aspen Institute for its Presidential Fellowship, a national leadership program for community college presidents. Welcome to FCC, President Cheek!



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2022

- FCC's Hospitality, Culinary, and Tourism Institute (HCTI) was named one of the top culinary schools in the country by KaTom. KaTom, an independent restaurant supply company, ranks schools using data from the U.S. Department of Education's [College Scorecard](#). FCC's HCTI was ranked #9 out of the 700 schools reviewed.
- FCC's class of 2022 included 927 students, ranging from ages 17 to 73.
- The first Early College class graduated 15 students. The program began in fall 2020 where high school students attend FCC full-time during their junior and senior years of high school.
- FCC Baseball made it to the NJCAA DII World Series in Oklahoma. The Cougars ended their season with a 42-7 record.
- FCC launched Navigate, a free mobile app designed for college students. Navigate connects students to campus resources, reminds them of deadlines, and allows for easy scheduling of appointments with advisors.



THE MOSAIC CENTER

A new space at FCC! MOSAIC is an acronym for Making Our Spaces An Inclusive Community, and the MOSIAC Center seeks to do just that. We celebrate diversity through cultural, religious, and traditional festivities, address inequities through courageous conversations, promote inclusion through intentional interaction, and much more. The goals of the MOSAIC Center are: every student will feel included on our campus and understand that their contribution to our community is valued, every student will have the opportunity during their time at FCC to challenge their perceptions of the world and think critically about their beliefs, and every student will be able to engage in respectful communication with people who differ in both body and mind from themselves. Located in the Student Center, this space will hold different types of programming, events, and celebrations.



NEW FOOD LOCKERS FOR STUDENTS

Frederick Community College has set up a new contactless system to help combat food insecurity. Students in need of food can access it for free through a locker system on campus.

“Students can’t sit in a class and do well if they’re hungry,” said Dr. Benita Rashaw, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs. “As a college, it’s imperative that we provide more than academic support. We need to be thoughtful of providing what I call ‘when life happens’ support. Doing so adds to the overall success of our students, and that’s our highest priority.”

[A study done by the Temple University Hope Center](#) found that 39% of college students enrolled at a two-year institution in fall 2020 indicated they had experienced food insecurity in the previous 30 days.

While FCC has offered a food pantry for years through its Office of Student Leadership and Engagement, that requires a student to come in during office hours to access the food. The pantry also focuses on quick grab-and-go items like granola bars and fruit cups as well as microwavable items.

The new food lockers will differ in that they provide contactless pick-up, are accessible during evening hours, and offer shelf-stable food meant to be prepared at home such as canned meat and vegetables, pancake mix, peanut butter and jelly, and more.

“We know not all students are comfortable talking to someone and saying, ‘I need food,’” Dr. Rashaw said. “These lockers make it easier for students to get the food they need at their convenience. We don’t want any students to feel embarrassed if they’re hungry and need food. There is no shame in that, and FCC is here to help in any way we can.”

Each week, FCC will send out a sign-up link for the food lockers through its weekly NewsBlast sent to students. Once signed up, a student will receive their locker number, code, and a deadline for picking up the items. Eighteen students per week will be able to access the lockers.



Make sure to follow [@fccadmissions](#) on Instagram to learn about upcoming events, student testimonials, deadlines, and more.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

➤ Virtual Admissions General Information Session featuring the Financial Aid Office

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 6:00-7:00 pm

Join us virtually to learn about the enrollment steps, support services, and our programs. A Financial Aid representative will cover everything you need to know when it comes to paying for college.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

➤ Frederick County College Night

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 6:30- 8:00 pm

Meet representatives from over 100 college and universities. Students and parents may attend.

[Click here for more information.](#) Students do not need to register for the event.

➤ FCC Fall Open House

Saturday, October 8, 2022 9:00 am- 12:00 pm

Learn all about the different opportunities FCC has to offer! Engage with faculty and staff at a campus resource fair, take a guided campus tour, hear from a student panel, and attend a career exploration session.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

➤ FCC Night for High School Seniors

Tuesday, November 15, 2022 6:00- 7:30 pm

This event is for seniors and parents. We will hold a second Senior Night in the spring. Engage with faculty and staff at a campus resource fair and hear from Admissions and Financial Aid.

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

➤ Bridge to FCC- Event for Dual Enrolled Seniors

Thursday, December 1, 2022 9:00- 11:00 am

Event for seniors who are dual enrolled and are thinking of enrolling at FCC after high school. Hear from various campus departments, go on a campus tour, and receive your FCC student ID (must be enrolled in an FCC course to receive an ID).

Registration to follow.

FINANCIAL AID REMINDER

Complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** beginning **October 1st**. FCC's FAFSA code is **002071**.

Steps to Enroll for New Credit Students:

1. Apply at www.frederick.edu/apply
- **Dual Enrollment students must reapply**
2. Apply for Financial Aid (FAFSA code: **002071**)
3. Log into FCC Student Accounts
4. Take Placement Tests or Send Exemptions (*High school transcripts and testing exemptions should be sent to transferevaluation@frederick.edu.)*
5. **ROAR Orientation**
 - Complete online Go2Orientation
 - Meet with an academic advisor and register for classes
6. Pay for Classes
7. Buy Books

Campus Tours

Any interested students can [schedule a campus tour](#) throughout the fall semester.

Group Visit Request

Want to schedule a virtual or in-person visit with FCC Admissions? Fill out this [form](#) and we will contact you about the details.

Prospect Form

If a student wants more information on FCC, they can fill out a [prospect form](#).

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