

Welcome to The School of Education

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A Visit from New Jersey Teacher of the Year Lauren Marrocco

Several dozen of our pre-service teachers, graduate students, faculty and a few alumni enjoyed the chance to meet New Jersey's 2012-13 Teacher of the Year, Lauren Marrocco. Lauren visited Stockton at 4:30 on March 26, precepting day.

A 4th grade teacher at Edward Patten Elementary School in Perth Amboy, Lau-

ren shared some of her inspirational tips on becoming an effective teacher.

She incorporated the latest cognitive learning research that she has been trained to use by Quantum Corp.

If you'd like to decode HOT & FAST messages to the amygdala, [view the slides](#) and ask colleagues who attended.



Student Teacher Joseph Furmeister, New Jersey 2012-13 Teacher of the Year Lauren Marrocco, and Intermediate student Debi O'Kane exchanged a few ideas after the talk

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Achievements and Accolades

Congratulations go out to all School of Education faculty members who have earned successful Research & Professional Development Awards for the first round of FY14 funds:

Dr. Norma Boakes: Enhancing Mathematics Instruction through the Art of Origami with Primary School Teachers and Leaders of Lesotho, Africa

Dr. Susan Cydis: Fostering Technology Literacy in Future Teachers

Dr. Priti Haria: Family Storybook Reading Initiative to Promote Literacy amongst Head Start Parents

Dr. Deb Figart, Director of the Stockton Center for Economic and Financial Literacy (SCEFL) will be hosting an [Informed Investing](#) session on Wednesday, April 17 at 4:30pm in the Campus Center Board Room. All are invited.

The **New Jersey Office of Recruitment and Preparation** recently approved changes to two Stockton programs that will streamline both pre- and post-licensure programs:

The **Special Education Endorsement** Program will be available in a 21-credit, expedited format that combines accelerated terms and hybrid formats

Initial certification is now available in tandem with many traditional liberal arts first degree programs, making possible a four-year path to Teacher Education.

Congratulations to MAED Director **Dr. Kim Lebak** and Special Education Coordinator **Dr. Shelly Meyers** on the endorsement approval and to TEDU Coordinator **Dr. Norma Boakes** on the expedited degree with certification approvals.

Well done!

Congratulations to the SRI & ETTC Director **Patty Weeks** and Assoc. Director **Faisal Youhari** for a successful "From My Classroom to Yours" conference earlier this month. Well-attended and engaging, "Life in the Cloud" included many faculty, staff, alumni and students from the School of Education. Kudos also to the **SRI & ETTC staff** whose efforts shone through!

Reminder: please join us to honor **Dr. Joseph Marchetti**, one of Phi Delta Kappa's two Outstanding Leaders of the Year.

Professor Marchetti shares this honor with **Dr. Scott McCartney**, Superintendent of Schools for Egg Harbor Township.

Join both at the PDK Scholarship [Fundraiser](#), Mon 4/8 from 6-8pm at Stockton Seaview Resort.



New Jersey Department of Education: AchieveNJ and PARCC News

Based on the timeline in the TEACHNJ law, [AchieveNJ](#) is being implemented statewide in the 2013–14 school year. Visit the web site to view informational materials on the new performance review system, including the weights of each component.

New Jersey DOE officials are presenting regional [information sessions](#) throughout the state this

spring. Contact NJDOE from the [AchieveNJ](#) web site for additional information.

The Department also continues to publish a monthly newsletter with updates about rapidly changing policies and regulations. Read the March issue of [The Bridge](#) to keep pace. Subscription information appears on the last page of each issue.

Announcing its newly-granted non-profit status in March, PARCC has published [prototype items and tasks](#) on its national web site. The prototypes include ELA and Math items from grades 3 through high school. PARCC has also made available on its web site a [planning tool](#) and related guidance for school building and district leaders.

Mark Your Calendars

"It haunts me, the passage of time. I think time is a merciless thing. I think life is a process of burning oneself out and time is the fire that burns you. But I think the spirit of man is a good adversary."
-Tennessee Williams

- 4/3 Preceptorial Advising—No Classes
Faculty Deadline to Log In to goPortal for IDEA preferences
- 4/19 9:30am-1:30pm Campus Center Teacher Career Fair
- 4/22 IDEA student ratings open (close on 5/6)
- 5/6 Spring Classes end
- 5/7 ELL Training Sessions

- 5/8 Graduating student grades due to Registrar
- 5/10 Masters and Doctoral Degree Commencement
- 5/11 Baccalaureate Degree Commencement
- 5/13 Summer AB&G Begin
- 5/14 All grades due
- 5/18 Summer F Term Begins

- 6/15 Legacy Bike Ride
- 6/17 Summer C&D Begin
- 6/21-7/2 Freshman Orientation
- 7/1 Summer H Term Begins
- 7/8-12 Transfer Orientation
- 7/17 Summer E Term Begins
- 7/24 [NJEA TechCon](#)
- 8/22 [TeachMeetNJ](#)



IDEA Administration for Spring 2013

Way to go, School of Education faculty! Prior to the April 3rd deadline, we have had 100% participation in the IDEA preference log in and set up. Well done.

In these last few days before the deadline, IDEA faculty liaison Russ Manson recommends that faculty with smaller classes double-check enrollment, in case class sizes change your IDEA preference (small class

form, for example).

For those of you who chose any of the online administration options, please consider offering the class a token incentive when response rates reach 80% to encourage returns.

The School of Education office staff is also looking forward to providing you with any in-class assistance you need, from scheduling your class into a lab

for the IDEA period to sending reminder emails to visiting your room with a wheeled cart of laptops or iPads. Synchronous online administration improves response rate and provides you with easily readable open response comments in your summary report.

Contact Karin.Kallert@stockton.edu or phone the office x4688 to make arrangements.

SRI & ETTC: My Classroom to Yours

Stockton's Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center held the Annual "From My Classroom to Yours" Conference on March 13, 2013. Over 300 teachers participated in the event where they were able to attend workshop sessions in nearly 50 different topics throughout the day. The SRI&ETTC will be host-

ing the 3rd Annual New Jersey Anti-Bullying Conference 2013 on Stockton's campus on May 29-30, 2013. The event is being presented by The Ceceilyn Miller Institute for Leadership and Diversity in America. This year's theme is: **How to Create Safe, Positive School Climate and Culture**. To learn more, visit the conference [website](#).

To register using ETTC Hours go to <http://www.ettc.net/calendar/>

and find the link for the conference under "Featured Programs."

New Summer Workshop just added to SRI&ETTC Calendar— **All Things Google** on July 22, 2013.

Go to <http://www.ettc.net/calendar/> for more information.



Visit the SRI & ETTC at
10 Jimmie Leeds Road (near GS Parkway)

For more information about workshops, visit the web:

www.ettc.net

Resources & Opportunities for Current Students and Recent Alumni

Job Seekers: April 19, 9am join the Stockton Career Center and schools looking to hire at our Education Career Fair in the Campus Center Event Room. Dress for success, bring copies of your resume, and join us!

Vineland Public Charter School is hiring experienced NJ Specialized 6th grade teachers for Mathematics, Language Arts, Science,

and/or Social Studies. Email vpcharterschool@verizon.net or fax 856-691-1005.

The **New Jersey Student Education Association** has low-cost memberships available to students that include admission to the annual NJEA conference and other special events. Visit the [web site](#) to learn more about the benefits of NJSEA membership.

Join the new **Education Student Organization**. Visit the [Facebook page](#) and/or contact staff advisor [Kyle Calderwood](#). New Officers include **Liz Tomeski**, President; **Danielle Cairns**, VP; **Kaitlyn Hanschuch**, Secretary; **Stephanie Willems**, Treasurer.

Congratulate the officers in person at the **4/23 meeting, 5pm, Room J228**.



Sandy (MAIT alumna) Nancy Fiedler (Staff) and Louis (ITLA student) at "From My Classroom to Yours" Conference

Resources & Opportunities for Teachers, Supervisors and Faculty

Job Seekers: Camden City Public Schools are seeking [RAC Turnaround Principals](#) for 2013-14.

Want to "unwrap" the **Common Core Standards** "really fast?" Literally translated, "wiki" means fast. Join [wikiteacher](#) to explore and add your own lessons.

The online community **ed-Web.net** continues to offer a range of free professional development, including [webinars and professional learning communities](#).

The Arts in Education Model Development and Dissemination Grants Program supports the enhancement, expansion, documentation,

evaluation, and dissemination of innovative, cohesive models that integrate the arts into the core elementary and middle school curricula: [apply by 4/22](#).

Fans of NPR's "**Wait Wait...Don't Tell Me!**" might enjoy hearing ED Secretary Arne Duncan playing "[Not my job](#)."



Dr. Amy Ackerman (MAIT faculty) and Kate (MAIT student) at "From My Classroom to Yours" Conference



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The School of Education CONNECTS.

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Our School of Education prepares new K-12 teachers for TEAC-accredited initial certification. We emphasize more and better field experiences than most other pre-service programs in New Jersey.

We also offer three graduate programs: for master teachers, for instructional technologists and for aspiring educational leaders. Many of our courses lead to additional state certifications and endorsements, and all can be customized to meet your needs, both at our Stockton locations in Galloway, Atlantic City, Hammonton, Manahawkin or Woodbine, as well as anywhere within your school district. Special group and on-site tuition pricing plans are available as well.

Our Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center (SRI & ETTC) offers professional development aimed at increasing student achievement. Our Centers for Community Schools and Financial Literacy fulfill our commitment to excellence in student and community engagement.

From the Dean's Desk

Dear Friends of our School,
So much is changing in our education profession that it often seems overwhelming: transition to **Common Core** Curriculum Standards, including the new **PARCC** assessments; the **TeachNJ** law and all of the new performance review systems; and right along with all of that change, a new accreditation agency that **combines NCATE and TEAC into CAEP** to set standards for educator preparation programs. Additional changes on the higher education landscape include new DoE waivers for the "12-hour rule" that will allow some colleges to experi-

ment with **competency-based**, rather than "seat time" measures of compliance. Watch this newsletter for more updates.

Our **TEAC national accreditation review team** was on campus March 5-7. To a person, the team members were impressed with the high quality, professionalism and preparedness of our students, our faculty, our alumni, our cooperating teachers, our supervisors and our staff. Thank you to everyone who has provided feedback in the open comment forum. We await our preliminary report in April and a panel in August.

As the spring term draws to a close, we are already preparing for a busy summer, when the School will be offering numerous courses on campus, online and in hybrid format. As always our SRI & ETTC will be bustling with activities and custom workshops.

Join us whenever you can, and if you are interested in a topic for a course or workshop that you don't already see in our listings, please send me email at keenanc@stockton.edu to let me know your interest.

Sincerely,
Dr. "ClauDean" Keenan



Fun Spring Trivia: which School of Education faculty member flashed this St. Patrick's themed manicure under the document camera?