PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES



"Leader College" in Achieving the Dream

Past nominee for the Aspen Prize recognizing community colleges that strive for and achieve exceptional levels of student success

U.S. Department of Education Green Ribbon School

Areas of Strategic Focus:

- •Student Outreach
- •Student Completion
 - •Community Engagement
- •Diversity & Global Engagement
 - •Leadership in Technology

2014-15 Enrollment: 14,297 credit students 17,044 non-credit students

Focus on: Northampton Community College

Home to three of the last seven Pennsylvania Professors of the Year and 10,000+ inquisitive students, Northampton Community College provides career and transfer programs in more than 100 fields, including arts and humanities, business and technology, education and allied health. It is one of the largest employers in the Lehigh Valley and a major educator of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, emergency responders, radiologic technologists, dental hygienists, veterinary technologists, funeral service directors, chefs and early childhood educators.



The college is also one of the largest providers of workforce training, adult literacy programs, and continuing education classes in northeastern Pennsylvania and the only community college in Pennsylvania to offer on-campus housing.

With two sites in Bethlehem and a new LEED-gold certified campus in Monroe County, Northampton is the college of choice for one in four graduates of high schools in Northampton County and one in six graduates of high schools in Monroe County.

Northampton has been ranked among the top community colleges in the country in the national student success initiative "Achieving the Dream," as well as in sustainability and environmental education and in advances in the use of technology. Learning opportunities for students have been enriched through grants from the National Science Foundation, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the U.S. Department of State and through innovative programming in a Fab Lab and a community garden.

A \$10 million grant from the U.S. departments of labor and education is expected to have a long-term impact on strengthening the relationships between Northampton, Lehigh Carbon and Luzerne community colleges and local employers to meet workforce demands well into the future.

Northampton's 40,000+ alumni include a four-time

Pulitzer Prize recipient, an Academy Award-winning documentary director, CEOs, numerous health care professionals, educators, engineers, architects, artists, chefs and individuals with expertise in a wide variety of technical fields.

The College will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2017.