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Meet Dr. Natalie Greene

SCC'S 2013 Distinguished Alumni Award Recipient

Natalie aspired to be a doctor from a young age. However, after graduating from St. Charles West High School, she did not feel that she was smart enough to become a doctor. It was not until Natalie was 29 years old that she felt ready to begin college and start working toward her dream.



Medical Director and Physician

With her husband, Natalie created a plan for her education, and SCC was the first step. "SCC gave me confidence that I was moving in the right direction," said Natalie. "It really prepared me for the rest of my education."

Natalie attributes her leadership skills to the experience she gained at SCC. She served as Student Senate president, working closely with students, faculty, administration and the Board of Trustees. Natalie was also a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of the two-year college.

In addition to her studies and her leadership roles in student activities on campus, she managed to find time to have her first child.

Natalie graduated from SCC in May 2001 with honors and was selected to speak at the commencement ceremony as a representative of her entire class.

After attending SCC, Natalie added her second child to the family while obtaining her bachelor's degree at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She went on to receive her doctorate at A.T. Still University in Kirksville, Mo., and is a resident at Mercy Hospital.

After completing her residency in July, Natalie will begin as medical director and physician for the Macoupin County Health Department of Illinois.

Thank you, fellow community members, for believing in the power of education and making sure access to a college degree remains within reach for those with stories just like Natalie's.

13 million Americans

choose to attend community colleges each year. Here are four good reasons why.

National Average Tuition

Community college

\$3,130

Four-year university/college

\$8<u>,66</u>0

American Association of Community Colleges

Strength in Numbers

Each year, more than



More than 85,000 students have benefitted from SCC since it was established in 1986.

Through 24 associate of arts pathways and 41 career-technical programs, we are training those who will teach our children, care for our sick and elderly, enforce our laws, operate and repair our computers and provide financial and business services.



Nancy Anderson Future Teacher



Returning learner

> **Recent high** school grad

Future Computer Scientist



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International student



Increased Earning Power



WITH BACHELOR'S DEGREES.

According to Georgetown University's Center on Education and the Workforce

The Road to Completion In Missouri,

56% of degree completers

at four-year institutions started their journey at a community college.

2012 National Student Clearinghouse Research Center Snapshot Report

Major Gifts to the SCC Foundation

BY 2018, THE UNITED STATES WILL NEED 22 MILLION NEW WORKERS WITH COLLEGE DEGREES OR CERTIFICATES



As employers continue to demand more education from their employees, SCC launched two new programs to ensure more students are college- and career-ready.

BeReadyFortheFuture.com

Seeing positive results and significant growth of our Achieving Success in College Math program over the past six years, SCC knew it was time to broaden the message about being college-ready and created *BeReadyForTheFuture.com*. This online resource helps students and their parents understand how to choose the right school, navigate the admission process, find financial assistance and be successful in the classroom – regardless of where one ends up going.

Career Explorations Program

Job shadowing and mentoring opportunities provide students with invaluable insight as they seek to make lifelong decisions. SCC is building a community-wide database of professionals willing to provide such experiences to college students and, in the near future, those in neighboring K-12 districts. To learn more about this program and how you can participate, visit *stchas.edu/careerexplorations*.

These programs are **100 percent-funded** through private donations. Special thanks to our 2012-13 donors:

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Donation for Scholarship Makes Dreams Come True

When Andrea Sanchez moved to the United States from Colombia in 2011, she spoke and understood very little English. At the time, she was a high school senior and it was very difficult for her to communicate with people and make new friends. In just six short months, and with the help of SCC's English as a Second Language (ESL) program, Andrea's English had drastically improved.

Andrea began thinking about what the **American dream meant to her** and decided that it was going

Enhancing Learning Opportunities

Chemistry students at St. Charles Community College already had an advantage over students at other community colleges because SCC owned a High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC). The HPLC is standard equipment used by chemists to analyze data. **But, without an autosampler for the HPLC, use of the equipment was time consuming, and professors were not able to use it effectively in their classes.** to college so she could find a rewarding career she was passionate about. She graduated high school with excellent grades and made the decision to register at SCC but was unsure how she would be able to afford classes.

In Fall 2012, the SCC Foundation received an anonymous donation of \$10,000 to establish a scholarship specifically for ESL students interested in attending SCC for credit courses. Andrea received the first scholarship award of \$2,500 that would allow her to begin her college



courses in Fall 2013. "Having the honor and privilege to attend college has always been one of my dreams, and it will never be taken for granted."

Richard and Linda Jensen saw the importance of giving students hands-on learning experiences and made a gift of \$5,000 to allow the Chemistry Department to purchase the auto-sampler.



HPLC Auto-Sampler

The auto-sampler will not only give SCC students the advantage of gaining hands-on experience, but it will also lead to undergraduate research opportunities, collaborations with local universities and partnerships with other area institutions. SCC's students are now better prepared for their future studies and careers.

Your gifts impact



Meet Daniel – Recipient to SCC Foundation General Scholarship – After high school, Daniel Phelps enrolled in the United States Marine Corps Reserves. During that time, he met his wife and started a family. Once his enlistment was up, he knew he had to find a job that would support his family and construction was the logical choice at the time.

Daniel spent 20 years in construction but lost his job when the industry took a hit from the economy. He took the opportunity to return to school. **He had always thought that it was too late to pursue another career but came to realize that simply was not true.**

Daniel enrolled in the pre-engineering program at SCC and will continue on to earn a bachelor's in mechanical engineering. He dreams of working at a local aerospace and defense company and contributing to the future growth and effectiveness of our country's defense program.

With the support and encouragement of his wife and two teenage children, Daniel is looking to his future with anticipation. "Thank you for your generosity. I am very grateful, and it certainly makes a difference in my life." 2 Dedicated to Student Success –

Students in anatomy and physiology courses must learn all of the different parts of the human body. But, they may have just a few hours in class each week to have hands-on time with anatomical models. In order to supplement class time and text book learning, the ACE Tutoring Center has anatomical models available for check-out giving students additional time for handson learning.

Over the past few years, the SCC Foundation has provided grants to the ACE Tutoring Center that have allowed for purchases of additional anatomical models for student use.

As the demand for allied health and nursing programs continues to increase, the SCC Foundation is proud to provide help students with the resources necessary to be successful.

students at SCC.

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3 Meet Tiffany – St. Charles Kiwanis Club Scholarship and SCC Foundation Scholarship Recipient Tiffany Ramirez never dreamed that going to college was a possibility. When she was a young child, her father became ill, and her parents decided that it would be best to homeschool her. She never returned to a traditional high school to earn a diploma.

At 28, Tiffany made the decision to return to school. She earned her GED in January 2012 and immediately enrolled in college courses.

Attending college gave Tiffany increased confidence, and she began to get involved around campus. She now is vice president of Student Senate and president of the Tau Upsilon Alpha National Human Services Honor Society.

Tiffany is looking forward to a future where she can make a difference in the lives of children. But, she is most proud of the impact she is having on her own children. "I am working to show my children the importance of an education and that they can do anything." 4 Supporting Our Veteran Students As troops continue to withdraw from the Middle East, the number of veterans entering college continues to swell. SCC has seen significant growth in the student veteran population. These students were often finding it difficult to make the transition to college life.

In August 2012, the Student Veteran Organization was formed to provide transitional and educational support, camaraderie and personal development for veterans, current service members, veteran supporters and family members.

To further support the organization, SCC created a student veteran lounge. Having this space on campus provides students with a welcoming, comfortable and safe space to decompress, connect with their peers and focus on their education.

The SCC Foundation proudly granted funds to support our student veterans through the purchase of furnishings for the lounge.

Gifts to the Foundation are distributed in many ways – through **academic enhancements** and student **scholarships** – like those mentioned here. For more information about the Foundation and to learn how we help, check out our website at *stchas.edu/foundation* or 'like' us on Facebook at *facebook.com/sccfoundation*.

Thank you!

On behalf of all the students who have benefitted from your support, the SCC Foundation thanks its generous donors from 2012. Listed below are those who gave gifts totaling \$250 or more. These can also be found online at stchas.edu/foundation.



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The Foundation would like to offer a very special thank you to Brenda Lowder for her service as president, to Mike Lissner and Patti Silvey for their service on the executive committee and to departing member John Antes. Welcome to our newest members Don Kalicak, vice president of regional development at Mercy Healthcare Systems, and Pete Novak, senior manager of training systems and government services at Boeing.

Give the gift of education!

If you are interested in customizing a gift that best fits your passion, contact the Foundation Department today for more information.

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SCC Employees Making a Difference

Since 1995, the Employee Sponsored Program (ESP) has been fulfilling the mission of **spreading compassion** and **good will** to students, co-workers and our community. Some 220 generous ESP members raise more than \$25,000 each year to provide scholarships, celebration of life mementos to members of SCC who have lost a loved one, and to fund campus enhancement projects.

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After more than 20 years working in health care, Sean decided to take the next step and complete his nursing degree. After enrolling at SCC, he began taking the prerequisite courses he would need to enter nursing school. He has been working in the emergency room at a local hospital for the past 10 years and, this year, made the decision to go part-time so he could be a full-time student, complete his prerequisite courses and be ready to enter the SCC nursing program in fall of 2013. A scholarship from the Employee Sponsored Program is allowing him to continue working toward his goals.

LISTED HERE BY YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP ARE EMPLOYEES WHO SIGNED UP OR RENEWED ESP GIFTS FOR THE 2012-13 ACADEMIC YEAR.

* Denotes Employee Sponsored Program donors retiring in 2013 ** Denotes retired SCC employee



Thank you UPS for sending 30t volunteers!

Despite dreary weather, more than 1,050 people visited campus for tasty ribs and rockin' music at the fourth annual Rhythm & Ribs (R&R) event on May 10. This community-wide event was designed to draw people from all walks of life and all ages, and it did just that. Party goers savored ribs from *Etbyl's Smokehouse, Mannino's Market, Rib City* and *Stumpy's House of Bar-B-Que and* Catering. New to this year's event was the addition of veggie burgers and hot dogs from Quintessential Catering. Smash Band returned, along with opening music acts from the St. Charles West Jazz Band. SCC students joined the lineup to showcase their talents including music by Aurea Clark, Matt Wynn and Clockwork. Ticket sales, raffle and donations raised more than \$44,000. All proceeds will benefit scholarships and academic enhancements. Special thanks go to the remarkable SCC staff, event sponsors and over 150 volunteers for making the event possible. Thank you to the entertainment who kept the crowd dancing. And, thank you to our beverage sponsors including *Krey Distributing*, *Red Robin, Terra Firma USA* and *Ameristar Casino*.

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In 2012, we raised more than \$36,000! Proceeds funded student scholarships and academic enhancements. Special thanks to everyone who participated and our sponsors.



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Education Reimagined

Between now and 2020, the nursing field will **grow by 26 percent**, but that still won't be enough to meet the growing demand. There will be an **800,000 nurse shortfall**. In order to **meet the needs** of employers and to increase capacity, SCC has taken the next step in allied health education with Lindenwood University through the creation of the **LU/SCC Center for Nursing and Allied Health Sciences** in Dardenne Prairie, Mo.

Building the Region's First Virtual Hospital

Located within the Center, SCC created a state-of-the-art simulation environment that will allow us to increase program capacity while expanding hands-on learning experiences in a high yield, no-risk environment.



High-fidelity mannequins offer the opportunity for students to interpret patient data, enhance critical thinking, sharpen decision-making skills and practice safety.



The **four-room suite** will represent birthing, pediatric and medical/surgical care.

Multi-disciplinary simulations provide students with opportunities to **experience real-life scenarios** alongside teams of students from other disciplines within the healthcare arena. Different roles, same goal: learn how to provide excellent care.

LU/SCC Center for Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

An Invitation to Join Us

In order to meet the growing needs of our local hospitals and clinics for highly trained professionals, creating and maintaining an innovative, high-quality academic program is key. Your support is needed in the creation and sustainability of the Virtual Hospital, ongoing program enhancement and scholarships for students interested in pursuing these careers. To find out more, contact Kasey McKee at 636-922-8472.

Employment rates for SCC graduates are **nearly 100 percent**, and employer satisfaction levels are off the charts.

Want to get a sneak peek of the Center and Virtual Hospital?

Join us at the open house 4:30-8:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 15.

New Nursing and Allied Health Alumni Associations have been established.

These **FREE Alumni Associations** are a chance to reconnect with classmates, teachers and SCC.

For more information or to **RSVP** for the open house, contact Jeff Clobes at 636-922-8278 or jclobes@stchas.edu.



Want to Find Out More about SCC's Impact on Our Community?

You are invited to explore the **power of education**. When individuals gain knowledge, apply it within the workplace and build a career their lives are enriched and a **community is empowered**. At events throughout the year, we will share the progress of SCC's long range strategic planning and explore the **impact**, the **mission**, the **vision** and the **future** of SCC. Join us for one of our upcoming events:

7:30 a.m. Registration and Breakfast | **8-8:45 a.m.** Presentation SCC Student Center Private Dining Room

- Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2013
- Thursday, Oct. 31, 2013
- Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2014
- Thursday, March 20, 2014
- Tuesday, April 29, 2014
- Thursday, June 5, 2014

To **RSVP**, call Betsy Schneider at 636-922-8473 or email bschneider@stchas.edu.

Congrats 2013 Grads!

Lingru Kong was among the 800+ students graduating from SCC this year. She moved to the United States from China in 2010. Lingru was a top student in China, and she wasn't going to let a language barrier stop her from achieving her goal of earning a college degree. She enrolled in SCC's English as a second language (ESL) program and quickly began communicating in



English. Lingru graduated with high honors. With her associate's degree in hand, she is continuing her education with plans to earn her bachelor's degree in business.

SCC Friends & Alumni Stay connected with your community



Are you one of the **85,000+ people** who has attended SCC in the past 26 years? Or, would you just like to stay connected with community events and happenings?

Sign up today for SCC Friends & Alumni! It's FREE and as an SCC Friends & Alumni member, you'll receive special invitations via e-mail to join us for group activities for all ages – professional **networking** opportunities, **family** nights, **community** service projects and more. Find out more at *stchas.edu/f&a* or by calling 636-922-8278.

