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Coming Soon to ACC: Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree Program

By Dr. Don MacMaster • ACC President

A ground-breaking \$56 million nursing education expansion plan to help address the BSN shortage statewide was included in the FY23 budget recently signed into law by Governor Gretchen Whitmer. ACC will receive \$2 million to partner with a 4-year university to bring a BSN to ACC's main campus.

"Alpena Community College is pleased to have played a role in the development of this historic BSN legislation. It will provide access to the BSN credential locally and support health care across the region," said ACC President Dr. Don MacMaster. "We thank Senator Jim Stamas for his leadership in appropriating the funding to make this happen for the citizens of NE Michigan."

The collaborative plan will create seamless opportunities for nurses with associate degrees to complete their Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) on community college campuses. Under the program, community colleges will partner with a four-year college or university and design a BSN completion program with input from local employers and local workforce development agencies.

"This is about addressing our nursing shortage and meeting the health care needs of Michigan families, which was a problem even before the pandemic – especially in Northern Michigan," said state Sen. Jim Stamas,



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The program will significantly increase the number of nurses with bachelor's degrees that are in-demand at Michigan's hospitals.

"What an outstanding investment this grant gives in assisting those wishing to make the dream of earning a nursing degree possible," said Mike Erickson, president, MyMichigan Medical Center Alpena. "We look forward to continuing our partnership with Alpena Community College to help those dreams become a reality while supporting the overall health care of the northeastern region and strengthening the nursing workforce."

The program will increase access and affordability of Bachelor of Science in Nursing programs for students who completed their Associate Degree in Nursing at



ACC's Spring 2022 LPN nursing graduates.

a Michigan community college. Under the plan, grants will be administered by the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) and be awarded to Michigan community colleges.

The plan was developed by the Michigan Community College Association, the Michigan Association of State Universities, Michigan Independent Colleges and Universities, and the Michigan Health & Hospital Association. It is also backed by the Michigan Works! Association

BSN Connects to Current ACC Allied Health Initiatives

ACC is moving ahead on several Nursing program initiatives that align well with the BSN opportunity:

- ❖ Completion in September 2022 of the \$1.62 million Fitzpatrick Lecture Hall to become the hub for BSN education on main campus.
- ❖ Development of Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) cohorts for main campus and Oscoda campus beginning Fall 2022.
- ❖ Delivery of a part-time LPN to ADN (RN) track for incumbent nurses beginning Spring semester 2023.
- ❖ Expansion of simulator-based workforce training for local health care providers including Emergency Medical and first responder personnel across NE Michigan.

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- ❖ Use of distance learning technology and an Anatomage Table virtual cadaver to bring anatomy and physiology content to ACC nursing students and K-12 science students.

ACC continues to explore opportunities, such as the BSN, to support increased access to high-quality affordable health careers for the citizens of NE Michigan. As we see in every sector we work in, it's almost always better if we can help the community grow our own professionals. Thank you for your trust and continued support of ACC. We appreciate it.

Dr. Don MacMaster
ACC President

ACC Hosts 70th Anniversary Open House

By Mary Eagan • Director of Alumni Relations

Alpena Community College is celebrating a big birthday this fall and wants you to join the party!

The ACC Office of Alumni Relations is marking the college's 70th anniversary by inviting alumni and friends of ACC to take a walk down memory lane during an open house September 17 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The college welcomes all who'd like to see the improvements and growth of ACC up close and personal.

ACC 70th Anniversary Open House

September 17, 2022

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Alpena Campus

Cake-cutting ceremony, campus tours, giveaways, and lots of reminiscing!

*RSVP through the ACC
70th Anniversary Open
House webpage!*



The day will start with a special cake-cutting ceremony that will take place under the hospitality tent in front of Besser Technical Center at 1:00 p.m., followed by a fun Ask the Presidents forum, featuring former ACC presidents Dr. Donald Newport and Dr. Olin Joynton, as well as current ACC President Dr. Donald MacMaster.

At 1:30 p.m. you are invited to explore the ACC Alpena campus and its seven buildings. Either choose to navigate ACC by yourself or join a guided building tour, which begin every half-hour from 1:30 to 4:00, starting in the lobbies of Van Lare Hall, Besser Technical Center, Donald L. Newport Center, Charles R. Donnelly Natural Resources Center, World Center for Concrete Technology, Ferris H. Werth Electrical Power Technology Center, and Olin H. Joynton Fine Arts Center. Program directors

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and instructors past and present will be on campus giving demonstrations and talking about their fields of study at ACC.

The day will hold lots of opportunities to win prizes, with drawings for ACC-themed gift baskets in each building. Pick up a tour booklet in the lobby of any campus building and flip to the back for your ACC Tour Report Card. Along the tour, collect a sticker from each building on your report card and you'll have a chance at winning the deluxe ACC prize basket!

Light refreshments will be offered in Van Lare Hall and the Lumberjack Shack inside Besser Technical Center, while fresh popcorn awaits you near Park Arena in the Newport Center.

The Open House is your chance to reminisce and help preserve a little piece of ACC history. Take a break in the Fitzpatrick Center at Besser Technical Center and help us identify the people who appear in select photos from the last 70 years of the ACC student newspaper archive. And speaking of the school paper, be sure to stop by the Stephen H. Fletcher Library in the Newport Center to scroll through digital copies of our collection of the ACC *Timber Cruiser*, *Campus Update*, and *Polemic*.

Watch ACC's Facebook page and website for updates about this exciting opportunity to get an insider's look at the college. To be eligible for a spectacular Lumberjack prize pack, RSVP to the open house now via the QR code included in this article (just point your phone's camera at the square and a link will pop up for you to follow.)

In addition to the open house, ACC is compiling a virtual time capsule to preserve the memories of those who are part of the college's history and learn more about what ACC alumni have accomplished since their graduation. To participate, complete the survey by using the QR code.

Did You Know? Fun Facts About ACC History

When Alpena Community College opened its doors at 8:00 a.m. on September 15, 1952, it had 75 students enrolled and held classes inside Alpena High School. Seventy years later, over 85,000 students have taken at least one class at ACC, which has two campuses in Alpena and Oscoda, and offers as many fields of study today as there were students in 1952.

- ❖ One of the first College social events was a formal faculty tea party hosted by the ACC Student Council on Sunday, December 7, 1952. The event was held in room 106 at Alpena High School, which



A moment in ACC history: the ground-breaking ceremony for the Natural Resources Center in April 1971. Stuart Olmstead, acting ACC president, is on the far left.

was one of the classrooms used by ACC, and featured Christmas cookies, mints, and nuts enjoyed with musical accompaniment from violinist Mrs. Wesley Ball and pianist Mrs. L. Paul Brown.

- ❖ By October 1952 there were 47 full-time students and 31 part-time students.
- ❖ Tuition rates in 1952 were \$60 per semester for Alpena residents and \$90 for those living outside the city. There were two additional \$5 charges for general fees and for activities. The total cost for books for the semester was approximately \$25.
- ❖ The college employed nine instructors in 1952.
- ❖ The ACC men's basketball team had their home opener in December 1952 at Alpena High School. William Phillips and Robert Root served as co-captains of ACC's first squad.
- ❖ There were 25 classes offered in a variety of areas of study for the 1952-1953 academic year.
- ❖ There were three types of associate degrees offered: arts, commerce, and science.
- ❖ ACC graduated 23 students in its first commencement at 8:00 p.m. on June 4, 1954, at Ella M. White Elementary School Auditorium. Miss Sally Ball was the first to receive her diploma.
- ❖ The first attempt at a student newspaper was October 6, 1953. The title was *You Name Me!*

- ❖ Ground was broken on the first campus building, Central Hall (later named Van Lare Hall), in 1957 on land donated by Jesse Besser, along with the city and county of Alpena. The cost to construct the building and fill it with requisite equipment was approximately \$575,000. Central Hall opened in September of 1958.
- ❖ ACC earned accreditation by the Michigan Commission on College Accreditation in January of 1958.
- ❖ While a few scholarships were awarded to students in the College's earliest years, ACC's first substantial scholarship program, the Business and Industry Scholarship Program, began in 1957 with a \$20,000 gift from local business and industry leaders. That's about \$202,000 in 2022 dollars.



Jesse Besser (above) helped lay the corner stone for Central Hall (later renamed Van Lare Hall) in 1957.

Highlights of the 2021-22 Academic Year

By **Steve Fosgard** • Vice President of Instruction

Over the past year, ACC's faculty, staff, and administration worked diligently to bring new educational opportunities to students and the community. These opportunities include new workforce training programs, articulation agreements in high growth areas, new and revised programming, Michigan ReConnect, and more.

Here are a few of the highlights.

Art Revival

ACC's Art program continues its revival. A new degree is starting in the Fall of 2022 in Graphic Design. (See the article on page 12 for more info.) This program combines theoretical and applied knowledge that prepares students for careers in the growing field of graphic and digital design. The student art show was brought back in the Fall and Spring semesters and plans are in place to provide a space for visiting and local artists to display their works. If you haven't experienced the welcoming environment and enjoyed a beverage at the new coffee bar with Art Instructor Brian Schorn, please take the time and stop by.

Social Work Program with Western Michigan University

This past year ACC signed an agreement with Western Michigan University to provide a 2+2 agreement in Social Work. Developed with the help of Psychology Instructor Dr. Amber Vesotski, this agreement enables ACC students to continue their studies locally through our partnership with WMU in the field of Social Work. This is a



Steve Fosgard, Vice President of Instruction

great opportunity for anyone who thought about entering a career that helps others to reach their potential.

Adjuncts in Action

In addition to the great full-time faculty, did you know that ACC has adjunct faculty that are also in the top of their field? One example would be Dr. Kelly Bushey. Dr. Bushey was asked to work with Ukrainian refugees during the beginning of the war. She continued to integrate her professional life into the ACC, culminating in broadcasting a live lecture from Ukraine along with participating in a Q&A with Tim Kuehnlein's Political Science class from Ukraine.

Advances in Healthcare

This past fall our nursing faculty and students moved into the new and renovated Ruth C. Julian Hall

of Health Sciences located within Van Lare Hall. The new Hall of Health Sciences hosts state-of-the-art simulation labs, lecture rooms, general lab areas, faculty offices and more.

Along with the new space, plans for expanded Health Science opportunities are on their way. A new Certified Nurses Aid program was developed for those wanting entry level, high demand skills to explore the world of health care while they are employed. The LPN and ADN programs remain in demand and soon there will be a new Bachelor of Science in Nursing option for students and the community to further strengthen their skills in nursing.

ACC's Medical Assistant program went through its own changes this past year to better meet the needs of the students. Through the efforts of Instructor Kim Salziger, a student can now focus their first year of study on the MA courses leading to the opportunity for certification. A second-year option is available that will allow students to complete their studies towards an Associate Degree.

Student Success Center

Located in Van Lare Hall, the Student Success Center went through a transformation making the space more accessible and inviting. The testing center has been expanded to provide an open environment and the tutoring center has been upgraded to provide a more inviting atmosphere for individual and team tutoring activities.

Online Orientation has Arrived

New students now have the option to complete their new student orientation online. This option was created through the efforts of faculty members working with the Admissions and Instructional Technology departments to provide not only an authentic orientation experience but also an introduction to Blackboard, ACC's learning management system.

ACC Remains #1 for College Completion

Once again, ACC has earned the top spot for Michigan community college completion rates. This data comes from a report known as IPEDs. IPEDs data is used for comparison and growth of all 28 community colleges in the State of Michigan. This shows that our students finish their studies right here at ACC, meaning ACC's students graduate at a higher rate than the other 27 community colleges throughout the state.

Jobs Outnumber ACC Students

ACC's Concrete Technology program has with more job opportunities than students to fill those opportunities. Concrete Tech is a true STEM program combining science, technology, engineering, and math in an applied nature to graduate the future leaders in the concrete industry. Career opportunities exist locally, state-wide and nationally. For more information on this great career program contact Concrete Tech instructors Tim Onstwedder and Eric Kennedy, located in the World Center for Concrete Technology.

Two other programs that have

more job openings than students are the Manufacturing and Welding programs. Help is on the way to address this issue — both programs will begin transitioning to renovated new spaces made possible through an EDA development grant. Both programs will receive new locations, updated equipment, materials, and more lab space. The two things that will not be changing are the amazing faculty members in those areas, instructors Andrew Paad and Tim Ratz. They will continue to demonstrate the opportunities in their respective areas.



ACC's Welding and Manufacturing Tech programs will receive new locations, updated equipment, and more lab space.

Computer Careers and a Different Type of Athletics

One of the fastest growing career fields also involves one of the fastest growing NCJAA sports programs. That would be Networking, Cyber Security and Computer Sciences and the world of competitive E-Sports. Instructor

Matt Gallarno not only leads the programs in these areas, but is also the coach of ACC's E-Sports team. Careers in this area are among the fastest growing both in the state and nationally. Please stop in to see all that you can do with a certificate or degree in one of the many computer technology programs. Don't forget to ask about E-Sports. The experience is one that truly amazes.

Transferability of Courses

ACC prides itself on having some of the best transferability in traditional college programming. But there is nothing traditional about these courses except for the name. ACC offers courses online, remote and face-to-face to accommodate any student's lifestyle and learning preference. The faculty are world class and the facilities are inviting and engaging. The faculty in the Social Sciences, Humanities, and Math and Science departments are continually looking for ways to enhance the learning experience. One example of this can be seen in Newport Center Room 116. This traditional classroom is undergoing a transformation that will enhance the learning experience for students. This classroom was designed by Dr. Amber Vesotski and will be both a test project and model for future designs for the modern classroom.

What's ahead...

ACC continues to search out ways to make everyone's experience on campus in Alpena or Oscoda, online, remote or in any combination the most educational as possible. ACC is Northeast Michigan's higher education option and we look forward to showing all that ACC can do for you.

Oscoda Campus: New-Different-Special

By Dr. Marv Pichla • Director of the Oscoda Campus

New-Different-Special: these are the terms that drive the education and training team working at the Alpena Community College Oscoda Campus.

With a target focus on four distinct groups within the Northeast Michigan Region (traditional students, high school students, area business and the community), the ACC Oscoda Campus strives to diversity its learning opportunities to meet the always evolving individual needs of citizens.

2021-22 Oscoda Campus Highlights

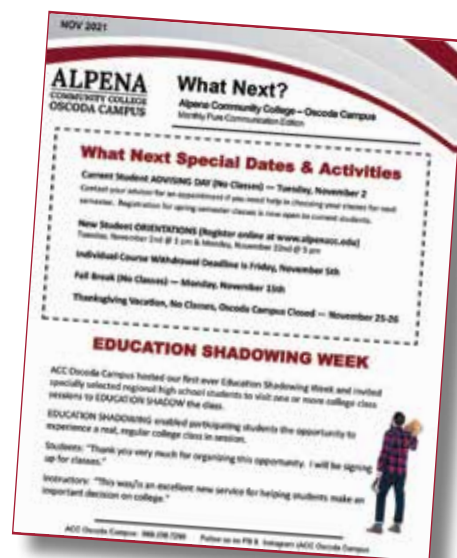
First, outlined below are highlights from initiatives created and facilitated at the ACC Oscoda Campus during the Fall 2021 & Spring 2022 semesters.

- ❖ **Lumberjack Starter Kits:** In an effort to better introduce area high school students into the dual enrollment/early middle college experience, seven (7) page Lumberjack Starter Kits were created and shared with partnering school districts.
- ❖ **Business of the Month:** For the Fall 2021 & Spring 2022 semesters, the following businesses/organizations were featured at the

Campus as Businesses of the Month:

- Ascension Hospital, September/October 2021
- Hale Hardware, November 2021
- Sunrise Side Home Healthcare, January 2022
- Acorn Health, February 2022
- Cooper Standard, March 2022
- Janis Tire & Auto, April 2022

- ❖ **Education Shadowing Week:** Similar to job shadowing, area high schools were encouraged to have potential dual enrollment/early middle college students “education shadow” a current student



to experience a college class in action.

- ❖ **Scholarships: When & How:** On February 2nd the ACC Oscoda Campus held a one-hour scholarship application strategic session “broadcast LIVE” using the VCS system to reach multiple local school districts.
- ❖ **HR Cooperative Start-Up:** In support of regional employers the ACC Oscoda Campus became the host for quarterly meetings for a Northern Michigan Human Resources professionals Cooperative.
- ❖ **ACC TALKS:** ACC (TED) TALKS were back in full during the term of this report. Featured presenters included:





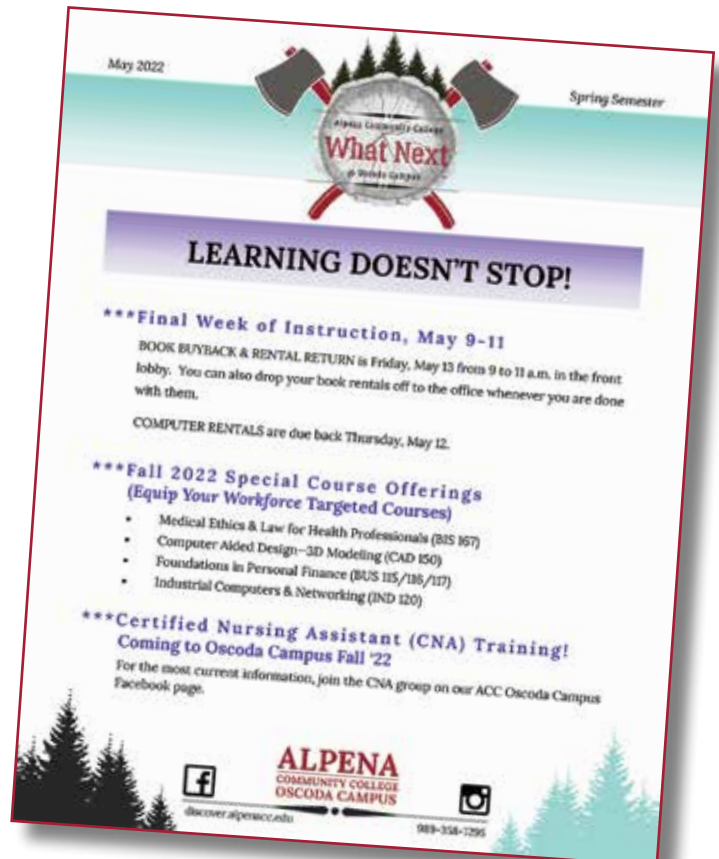
- Dr. Thomas Dowling, Ferris State University
- Roger Wood, Retired, Dana Corp. CEO
- Michigan State University & Central Michigan University Entrepreneurship Specialists

Upcoming Oscoda Campus Activities

Planned New-Different-Special actions for the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 semesters include:

- ❖ Welding Class Re-Start: In partnership with the Iosco Regional Education Services Agency (IRESA) an intro-to-welding course will begin at the Oscoda Campus on August 29th. Registrations are coming in.
- ❖ Develop Iosco Revitalized: The ACC Oscoda Campus is enhancing its partnership with the revitalized Develop Iosco organization. Business and community development are the priorities.
- ❖ ACC TALKS Preview: Upcoming ACC (TED) TALKS presenters include:
 - Sheriff Chris Swanson: Law Enforcement-Innovation Matters (9/27/22)
 - Randy Jorgensen: Woods-N-Water Magazine-Meet The Makers (12/1/22)
- ❖ Ideas Unlimited Club: Northern Michigan high school students will have the opportunity to receive “MENTORING MOMENTS” from Central Michigan University entrepreneurship program students LIVE via the VCS system every month. Discussion about new products, services and just idea-building will be the focus.
- ❖ Certified Nurse Assistant Start-Up: The ACC Oscoda Campus will be the pilot-center for a new CNA course following final State approval. A great opportunity for the area!

Remember there will always be more New-Different-Special opportunities at the ACC Oscoda Campus.



ACC Revives Baseball Team for 2022-23

By Jay Walterreit • Director of Public Information & Marketing

Play ball! Alpena Community College has revived the men's baseball team after a 50-year hiatus. The decision was announced in May 2022 and since then there has been a flurry of activity as the team prepares for competition.

Dr. Don MacMaster, ACC president, and Cindy DeRocher, athletic director, cited several reasons for bringing the team back, including longstanding community support for baseball, the relatively low cost to support baseball, and the anticipated enrollment bump that adding an athletics team would bring to the College.

ACC then went to work to find a coach. After an extensive search ACC hired Robert Enslen, an award-winning player and coach, as head coach of the Lumberjacks.

"My whole life has revolved around the game of baseball and it is my passion/calling to pass my knowledge of the game on to the next generation of players and the life lessons that come along with it," said Enslen in his application. "I played four years of baseball at Division I Oakland University and I also spent one season playing professionally for the River City Rascals in the Frontier League. I specialize in coaching hitting and fielding and the intangibles that go along with this great game."

With Enslen and his assistant coaches in place, recruiting began in earnest. Quickly over 30 players from throughout Northern Michigan and beyond expressed interest in being on the team!

The College also secured the use of Veterans Field in Ossineke to be the new home of Lumberjack baseball.

Stay tuned to for more news on ACC's new baseball team!



Rob Enslen, Head Coach, Men's Baseball Team



Above: the men's baseball team celebrated a milestone on July 25, 2022, with a letter-of-intent signing event in Park Arena. Twenty-three recruits participated. Below: ACC secured the use of Veterans Field in Ossineke to be the new home for Lumberjacks baseball. College staff and volunteers have worked over the summer to prepare the field for collegiate play.



ACC Foundation Develops Early College Housing Assistance Pilot Program

By **Brenda Herman** • Executive Director, ACC Foundation

Michigan's Early Middle College program has been revolutionary for community colleges and high school students alike. The program allows schools like Alpena Community College to partner with participating area school districts to offer students an opportunity to earn a high school diploma and transferable college credits, associate degree, and/or professional certification with the addition of a fifth year of high school. It's a program ACC has delivered well to the benefit of many.

In fact, ACC's Early College (EC) program has been so successful in attracting students that kids from as far away as Tawas have been participating. Travelling that distance to earn an education presents some challenges that the Alpena Community College Foundation is stepping in to address.

When the students reach the final year of the program (fifth year of high school) they are 100% enrolled in ACC courses. While some students may be able to take online courses as they did earlier in the program, sometimes it just isn't feasible. This is especially true for students enrolled in a vocational program such as machine tool, utility tech, or nursing. In this case, the students must physically be on



*Brenda Herman, Executive Director
of the ACC Foundation*

campus by either commuting or moving closer to Alpena.

While a traditional college student can apply for financial aid, EC students have not yet received their high school diploma and therefore don't qualify for federal student assistance programs such as PELL or TIP, which could help cover living or commuting expenses. The ACC Foundation is committed to helping these students complete the program by providing the support they need to succeed.

The College saw an emerging need that threatened access to education for a particular group of ACC students. ACC

Foundation trustees were able to address that threat because of the trust donors have in their ability to direct unrestricted funds where they are needed most. A generous unrestricted gift was designated by the ACC Foundation Board of Trustees to subsidize a pilot program for housing assistance scholarships for 13th year EC students. Through this program, five scholarships of up to \$5,000 each are available to out-of-district EC students to cover the cost of rent expenses for the 2022-23 academic year.

Qualified students must be entering the 13th year of the EC program. They must also demonstrate academic success by having a minimum 2.0 GPA, and financial need as indicated on a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Only students living outside ACC's tuition district are being considered for the pilot program.

Six students applied for the pilot program and four students have been awarded scholarship assistance to cover their full rent for the 2022/23 academic year. One scholarship is remaining.

With the success of the program, the ACC Foundation will be looking to expand the program for next year.

New and Unique Art Programs Debut in 2022

By Jay Walterreit • Director of Public Information & Marketing

In the past year students and visitors to the Olin H. Joynton Fine Art Center have been treated to a variety of new and unique artistic experiences thanks to the

creative energies of Art Instructor Brian Schorn. Now in his second year, Schorn

and his vision for building an artistic community — branded as Art+Design — have invigorated ACC's fine arts programs and the building in which they are housed.

Part of the Art+Design philosophy can be seen in the two new programs Schorn has introduced to the Fine Arts curriculum. Students can enroll in



either an associate in arts (AA) Graphic Design program or an associate of applied science (AAS) Graphic Design track depending on their academic goals.

The AA Graphic Design program is right for students who wish to transfer to a four-year institution for further schooling. The AAS Graphic Design program prepares students for immediate job placement in the professional graphic design field. Additionally, classes in the AAS track are considered to be career and technical education, which qualifies them to be taken by dual enrolled students. Those CTE classes will also transfer to other schools.

Another aspect of Schorn's Art+Design philosophy can be seen manifested on the walls and in the halls of the Fine Arts Center.

Where some people saw utilitarian brick walls, Schorn saw places for displaying art. Three large-scale banners now hang on the building's exterior walls. The works are by major figures in modern art and contemporary graphic design including Robert Motherwell, Roy Lichtenstein, and David Carson. ACC thanks the Besser Museum for permission to reproduce the art works and David Carson for the design-type collage.

An additional removable mural wall reserved for student use was added to the concrete block wall outside the west entrance. Student murals will rotate on a regular basis and be created based on individual and collaborative proposals as well as course projects.

Other exterior changes include the addition of four colorful round tables to allow students to eat lunch, socialize, or just take a break outside. Five black wildflower planters were added to the front and sides of the Fine Arts Center to add a splash of natural color.

Brian Schorn can be reached at schornb@alpenacc.edu or 989.358.7230.



Above: Art Instructor Brian Schorn works to prepare the rotating student mural display place in front of the Olin H. Joynton Fine Arts Center. Behind Schorn is the newly-hung reproduction of a Roy Lichtenstein work.

Criminal Justice Program Continues to Diversify and Improve Course Offerings

By Jay Walterreit • Director of Public Information & Marketing

Alpena Community College's Criminal Justice program continues to adapt and grow under Instructor Rob Mills.

Mills took over leadership of the Criminal Justice program after the retirement of Larry Thomson in 2021. Prior to becoming a full-time instructor Mills was an adjunct instructor for ACC from 2010 to 2015. His career before ACC included 30 years in the Air Force where he served in many ways, including as a law enforcement specialist, military police investigator, anti-terrorism officer, and FBI basic police sniper.

One of Mills' first priorities after the program leadership transition was to begin talking to the students and evaluating the curriculum. Mills identified a need to diversify the course offerings to better meet the needs of some students who were considering careers other than law enforcement. There are many career options for students with a CJ background.

"One of the CJ program's goals is to provide a wide set of experiences for its students," said Mills. "Exposing students to more career options helps them better understand how the whole system works and allows them to pursue jobs besides law enforcement or corrections. Our students appreciate that."



The Criminal Justice program, now under the leadership of Instructor Rob Mills, has introduced a variety of new courses designed to broaden students' perspectives and career choices.

As part of adding different class offerings Mills recruited new adjunct instructors including Deputy Mike Lash of the Alpena County Sheriff's Office and Keith Myers, Undersheriff of Alcona County; he is also recruiting several other candidates.

In addition to the new adjunct instructors, Mills added more guest speakers to his classes. Presenters included an emergency dispatcher, a representative from the prosecutor's office, and someone from the child protective services agency. Students were able to get a broader picture of how the various agencies work together.

Mindful that ongoing training is needed even after students graduate, Mills has worked with the Michigan Commission of Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) to supply continuing education to actively serving officers. Most recently ACC's Oscoda Campus hosted a MCOLES seminar on Law Enforcement Response to Domestic Violence. Another seminar is set for June 2023.

"ACC's Criminal Justice program is taking care of students right now, and taking care of the future of law enforcement," said Mills. Interested students can contact him at millsr@alpenacc.edu or 989.358.7208.

The Stephen H. Fletcher **LIBRARY**

Fall 2022 Library Hours

Monday-Wednesday.....7:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Thursday.....7:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Friday.....7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday.....12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Special Dates

August 22-25 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
August 26 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
August 27-28 CLOSED
September 3-5 CLOSED
November 15 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
November 24-27 CLOSED
December 17-18 CLOSED
December 19-22 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
December 23-January 2, 2023 CLOSED

Located in the Newport Center Building, the Library and A-V areas provide intellectual access to recorded knowledge and information consistent with the present and anticipated teaching and research responsibilities of Alpena Community College. The Alpena Community College academic library collection is generally most suitable for adult use; those obtaining library cards must be a student at ACC or its University Center, or be a non-student at least 18 years old.

The Library consists of books, pamphlets, periodicals, microforms, reference, CD and on-line materials. Computerized local and regional library catalogs and inter-library loan facsimile service give students, community patrons, and college staff quick access to materials anywhere in the country. Computerized (CD and on-line Internet) full-text access is available for over 10,000 unique periodical titles, The Detroit Free Press, and an assortment of other national and local newspapers. Computer access to the Internet, websites and email is also available in the ACC Library.

AV equipment is used on campus at the Alpena and Oscoda Campuses for instructional programs and for class use by individual students. Community groups holding meetings in college facilities may also request use of this equipment.

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Fall 2022 Wellness Center Hours

August 22 - December 22, 2022

Call 989.358.7409 for more information.

Monday-Thursday.....6:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Friday.....6:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Special Dates

September 5 (Labor Day) CLOSED
November 24-27 (Thanksgiving Break) CLOSED
December 23-January 2 (Christmas Break) ... CLOSED

The Frederick T. Johnston Wellness Center is FREE to all ACC students who are currently taking classes! It is also open to the public, faculty, and staff. Located adjacent to Park Arena, the Wellness Center features health and fitness programs designed to meet your needs. Offering a variety of the newest equipment on the market, including treadmills, elliptical trainers, cross steppers, rowers, Airdyne and recumbent bikes, stair masters, 14-piece Camstar weight training equipment, and a smith machine.



ACC Programs of Study

Alpena Community College offers courses that are equivalent in content and quality to freshman and sophomore courses at four-year colleges and universities. Students can complete programs of study preparing them to transfer to a four-year institution or to seek immediate employment. Those seeking personal enrichment or new or updated job skills, as well as visiting students from other colleges are welcome at ACC.

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| Accounting (AAS)* | Economics (AA) | Pre-Engineering (AS) |
| Anthropology (AA) | Education (AA) | Pre-Fisheries & Wildlife Management (AS) |
| Apprentice, Electrical (C) | Electrical Maintenance Tech (AAS) | Pre-Law (AA) |
| Apprentice, Millwright (C) | Electrical Systems Technology (BS)** | Pre-Medical Technology (AS) |
| Auto Service & Repair (C, AAS) | Environmental Science (AS) | Pre-Medicine (AS) |
| Biology (AS) | Fine Arts (AA) | Pre-Pharmacy (AS) |
| Business Administration, General (AA)* | General Sciences (AS)* | Pre-Veterinary (AS) |
| Business Information Systems | General Studies (AGS) | Psychology (AA, AS) |
| • Administrative Professional (AAS) | Geography (AA) | Small Business Management (C, AAS)* |
| • Business Services (C) | Graphic Design (AA, AAS) | Sociology (AA) |
| • Executive Assistant (AA) | History (AA) | Utility Technician (C, AAS) |
| • Medical Info Specialist (AAS) | Industrial Sales (AAS) | Welding Fabrication (C, AAS) |
| • Office Info Tech Specialist (AAS) | Industrial Technology (C, AAS) | |
| Business Management (AAS)* | Liberal Arts, General (AA)* | |
| Chemistry (AS) | Marine Technology (AAS)** | |
| Computer-Aided Design (CAD) Technology (AAS) | Marketing (AAS) | C — Certificate |
| Computer Info Systems (AA) | Mathematics (AS) | AA — Associate of Arts |
| Computer Science, General (AS) | Machine Tool Technology (C) | AAS — Associate of Applied Science |
| Concrete Technology (AAS)** | Machine Tool Technology, Advanced (C) | AS — Associate of Science |
| Construction Technology — Green Building (C) | Machine Tool Technology (AAS) | AGS — Associate of General Studies |
| Criminal Justice | Medical Assistant (C, AAS) | BS — Bachelor of Science |
| • Corrections (AAS) | Millwright Technician (AAS) | |
| • Corrections Officer Academic Program (C) | Natural Sciences (AS)* | |
| • Pre-Service Program (AAS) | Network Administration (C, AAS) | |
| • Transfer Program (AA) | Nursing, Licensed Practical (C)* | |
| Customer Energy Service (C, AAS) | Nursing, Registered (AAS) | |
| | Physics (AS) | |
| | Political Science (AA) | |
| | Pre-Construction Management (AS) | |
| | Pre-Dental (AS) | |

* Course work for these programs is regularly offered at the Oscoda Campus. You may have to travel to the Alpena Campus for some courses.

** You won't find this program at any other Michigan college!

Get Class Cancellations on Your Phone!

ACC students can now receive class cancellation notifications and other info on their phones! ACC's new SchoolMessenger system provides **alert notification services for class cancellations, weather delays, campus closures, and emergency broadcasts via SMS text messaging and email.**

For more information about SchoolMessenger, please visit ACC's SchoolMessenger webpage, discover.alpenacc.edu/admissions/current_students/schoolmessenger.php.

Getting Started at ACC

Applying

Alpena Community College grants admission to all persons who have earned a high school diploma or GED, or who are 18 years of age or older and who demonstrate the ability to benefit from a particular program of study. You can contact the ACC Admissions Office at 989.358.7339. You can also apply online at www.alpenacc.edu. Complete and submit your application for free; there is no application fee at ACC.

Financial Aid

Apply for financial aid as soon as you decide to take courses. Submit the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** (FAFSA) online as soon as possible. Apply online at www.fafsa.gov and authorize electronic release of the results (called the Student Aid Report or SAR) to ACC by including our code number, 002237.

Assessment

Information for placement testing is located on page 8. Students can complete their placement testing at either our Alpena or Oscoda campus. It's free; there is no charge for ACC placement assessment. The ACCUPLACER test can be waived if you have a sub score of 18 or higher on the ACT in the areas of Math, Reading and English, or SAT scores of 25 or higher in Reading, Writing, and Language; 26.5 or higher in Mathematics.

Orientation/Registration

All new students must attend a mandatory orientation session where they will meet with an advisor, register for classes, and get a better feel for college expectations. Your advisor will help you plan what courses you need to take to achieve your academic goals. Choose the most convenient orientation time either online or on our Alpena Campus. Bring the registration form that you and your advisor filled out. Turn it in and be ready to pay the tuition and fees for your course(s).

Yes, at this step, you do have to pay whatever balance remains after any financial aid you are receiving is applied. Even so, ACC's rates are affordable ... and parking is free!

Books

The ACC Bookstore has your textbooks, course supplies and ACC clothing and accessories. The Bookstore will have extended hours during Central Registration and the first week of classes. Many of the Bookstore services are available online.

If you have any questions about admissions, financial aid or registering, call the Admissions Office at 989.358.7339.

Get a Head Start on College with Dual Enrollment Courses

Dual enrollment is a great way for high school students to earn college credits and take classes not offered by high schools. Under ACC's Dual Enrollment Program, eligible high school students may enroll in approved ACC classes and the local school district pays all tuition. ACC encourages interested high school students and parents to contact their high school principal or guidance counselor for eligibility guidelines and dual enrollment information.

For a number of years ACC has also accepted enrollment by high school seniors who have a recommendation from the school principal or counselor but do not qualify for dual enrollment. Concurrently enrolled high school students are responsible for payment of all tuition and fees.

For more information on dual enrollment, contact Mike Kollien in the ACC Admissions Office at 989.358.7339.

Admissions Policy

Alpena Community College grants admission to all persons who have earned a high school Diploma, Certificate of Completion or GED, or who are 18 years of age or older, and who demonstrate the ability to benefit from a particular program of study. Ability to benefit may be demonstrated by those who:

1. Have satisfactory skills* as measured by institutional placement testing for reading, language and numerical skills or
2. Can produce Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) test score results of 500 or better when coming from a non-English speaking country.

The age requirement is waived for a high school student who:

1. Is a dually enrolled high school student* as provided for by the State School Aid Act, as amended, or
2. Is certified as having attained junior status toward graduation as determined by the high school or the home schooling association issuing the diploma. College course enrollment will be determined in accordance with the Alpena Community College ACCUPLACER placement test results for reading, language, and numerical skills.

* Interested high school students should contact their high school principal or guidance counselor for further information.

This admissions policy applies to admission to the College only and is intended to assure students of both opportunity and quality in programs. Admission to a specific curriculum or course is based on student interest, achievement, and test scores necessary for preparation to enter a specific program or course.

Michigan Transfer Agreement

Alpena Community College participates in the Michigan Transfer Agreement between public and private community colleges and universities in Michigan.

This agreement provides ACC students more assurance of having completed their general education requirements when they transfer to a participating four-year college or university. Working closely with your academic advisor is recommended to assure meeting MTA requirements. To fulfill the Michigan Transfer Agreement, students must successfully complete at least 30 credits, with at least a 2.0 in each course.

To be eligible for the Michigan Transfer Agreement at Alpena Community College, a Minimum of 1 college level course must be taken at Alpena Community College. Transcripts of ACC graduates who meet the MTA requirements will automatically be certified for MTA when degrees are posted to academic records. Students who transfer prior to the completion of a degree program but have completed the MTA requirements may also be certified upon request. Requests should be made to the Registrar, 108 Van Lare Hall.

Institutional Statement of Non-Discrimination

The College policies and practices for **admission, employment and activities** comply with requirements of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendment of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as amended, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (ADEA), the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) of 1990 and the ADA Amendments Act of 2010; Title II of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008. The College **does not discriminate** on the basis of **race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sex, age or disability**. The College practices and policies also comply with the Michigan Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act (PDCRA) and the Michigan Elliott-Larson Civil Rights Act (ELCRA) which prohibits discrimination in hiring based on age, height, weight and marital status and familial status in addition to race, color, religion, sex (which includes pregnancy) and national origin. For more information contact the Title IX, Section 504, the Age Discrimination Act and Title II coordinator: Carolyn Daoust, Title IX Coordinator/Director of Human Resources, VLH 102, 989.358.7211, email: daoustc@alpenacc.edu.

The College's Statement on Non-Discrimination is published on the College website at discover.alpenacc.edu.

2022-23 Academic Calendar

FALL SEMESTER 2022

August

- 5 Tuition due date for Fall 2022 Early Registration; Early Registration ends
- 6-22 Open Registration for Fall 2022 - Tuition Due at Time of Registration
- 23-28 Central Registration for Fall 2022 - Tuition Due at Time of Registration
- 29 Fall 2022 semester classes begin

September

- 5 Labor Day — College closed
- 9 Last day to drop classes with full tuition refund (full semester courses)

October

- TBA Global Awareness Series events — to be announced
- 7 Deadline for Fall Semester graduation application
- 14 ACC Open House - classes in session
- 24 Early Registration opens for Spring 2023 (Returning Students)

November

- 2 Orientation/Advising Day - no classes; offices open for normal hours
- 4 Fall 2022 individual course withdrawal deadline
- 15 Fall Break — no classes; College offices open
- 24-27 Thanksgiving vacation — College closed

December

- 2 Tuition due for Spring 2023 Early Registration; end of Spring Semester Early Registration
- 3 Open Registration begins for Spring 2023 - Tuition Due at Time of Registration
- 9 An Evening with the Arts (student art exhibit)
- 9 Fall 2022 complete withdrawal deadline
- 12-15 Final Instruction Week
- 23-31 Winter Break — College closed

SPRING SEMESTER 2023

January

- 1-2 Winter Break — College closed
- 3 Deadline for Spring Semester graduation application
- 9 Staff Development Day — offices closed; Open Registration for Spring 2023 ends; tuition due at time of registration
- 10 College offices reopen
- 10-15 Central registration - Tuition Due at Time of Registration
- 16 Spring Semester classes begin
- 27 Last day to drop classes with full tuition refund

March

- 20-24 Spring Break — no classes; offices open for normal hours
- 27 Early Registration opens for Summer/Fall 2023 (Returning Students Only)
- 29 Orientation/Advising Day - no classes; offices open for normal hours
- 31 Spring 2023 individual course withdrawal deadline

April

- 7-10 Easter Break — College closed
- 11 Easter Break — no classes; offices open for normal hours

May

- 5 Spring 2023 complete withdrawal deadline
- 5 An Evening with the Arts (student art exhibit)
- 8-10 Final Instruction Week
- 11 Commencement, 7:00 p.m., Park Arena

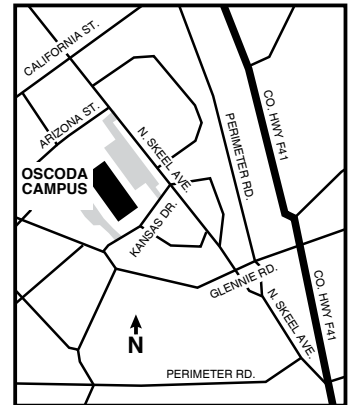
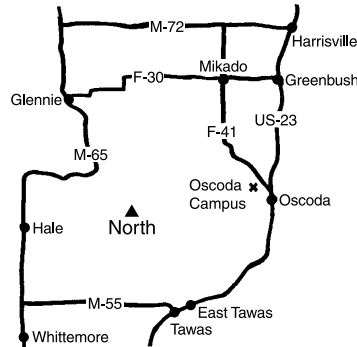
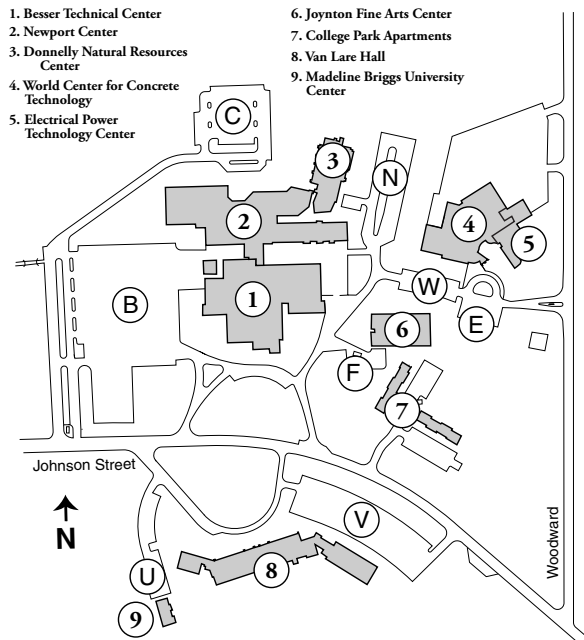
Please Note: A calendar with the most current information regarding campus events and important academic dates is updated during the year. Pick one up at the ACC Bookstore (BTC 104), the ACC Library (CTR 111), or Oscoda Campus Office.

Get the latest Academic Calendar information on the ACC website:
https://discover.alpenacc.edu/calendar/academic_calendar.php

Alpena Campus

665 Johnson Street, Alpena
989.356.9021
1.888.468.6222

The Alpena Campus is easy to find, located just east of the traffic light at U.S. 23 and Long Rapids Road/Johnson Street.



Oscoda Campus

5800 Skeel Ave., Oscoda
989.739.1445
1.888.468.6222, press 9

The Oscoda Campus is easy to find, located just off F-41 in the Huron Shores Educational Center on Skeel Avenue at the former Wurtsmith Air Force Base.

MISSION

The Mission of Alpena Community College is to create a culture of educational excellence and service to the community.

VISION

To be recognized in our local and global communities as the premier resource and first choice for exceptional, affordable, and innovative education.

VALUES

- We demonstrate accountability to all our stakeholders, students, staff, business partners, industry alliances, and taxpayers.
- We act with integrity, placing fairness and honesty at the center of all our actions.
- We aspire to excellence in all our endeavors.
- We show respect for diversity, individual contributions, and educational partnerships.

GOALS

1. **Campus/Culture** — Offer a welcoming, safe and adaptable culture that inspires diversity.
2. **Learning/Education** — Motivate continuous exploration of diverse opportunities and knowledge acquisition through a flexible learning environment.
3. **Community** — Stimulate community collaboration, which fosters comprehensive economic, cultural, and community development.
4. **Value** — Exercise sustainable value that supports career pathways and fiscal responsibility.

Everyone is Invited!

ACC 70th Anniversary Open House!

**September 17, 2022
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Alpena Campus**

Please join current and past faculty and staff along with ACC alumni from across the decades for a celebration of ACC's 70 years of delivering quality education in Northeast Michigan.

- ❖ **Cake-Cutting Ceremony!**
- ❖ **Panel Discussion with ACC Presidents!**
- ❖ **Campus Tours!**
- ❖ **Giveaways!**
- ❖ **And lots of reminiscing!**

*RSVP through the ACC 70th Anniversary Open House
webpage using the QR code below!*



Celebrating 70 Years
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