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Danville Area
Community College

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75 Years of Educational Excellence at DACC

In 1946, more than 12 million men and women who had served in World War II were returning to America. A majority of them would rely on the G.I. Bill to fund their dream of a college education.

Anticipating a sudden influx of veterans, Danville High School's visionary teacher Mary Miller formed an alliance with the University of Illinois' extension site and began leading a group of teachers to teach College courses to veterans and local residents

By 1965, Otto Schafer of the Veterans Administration in Danville offered local business owner Lou Mervis and Ms. Miller seven buildings and 50 acres of land that the VA owned along Danville's East Main Street corridor. Ms. Miller moved her College from cramped high-school classrooms to what would eventually become a beautiful 75-acre campus featuring rolling hills, gardens, and red-brick buildings that were built more than a century ago.

After 75 years, Mary Miller's college—which she dedicated with a book titled "A Chance for All"—continues to flourish, serving thousands of students each year on the Danville Campus and at the Hoopston Learning Center.

Thanks in no small part to more than \$7 million in donations from philanthropist Julius W. Hegeler II, the historic buildings have been renovated and classrooms boast state-of-the-art educational technology. Mary Miller also would have been proud to see that the iconic clock tower presiding over the grassy quad keeps perfect time.



Founding President Mary Miller (center), celebrating DACC's 20th birthday in 1966 with Mary Ann Diller and Ron Eldred.

Our Mission

Danville Area Community College is committed to providing quality, innovative, and accessible learning experiences that meet the lifelong academic, cultural and economic needs of our diverse communities and the world we share.

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DACC’s 2021 graduates from the nursing program. This group’s pass rate for the NCLEX licensing exam was a stellar 85 percent.

Dear Friends of DACC:

The portrait of Mary Miller hangs prominently in the second-floor corridor in Vermilion Hall. Every day on my way to my office, I pass by the founding president’s picture and wish her “good morning.” Every so often, she even answers me back with something like, “DACC is a wonderful college that has been the lifeblood of this community for 75 years. Don’t screw it up.”

Since its inception in September 1946, DACC has been a “student-centered” institution. First and foremost, Ms. Miller was a teacher who was committed to fostering student learning. Even so, she also possessed a remarkable amount of business acumen. She was able to leverage relationships with the University of Illinois, the City of Danville, Danville High School, and the Veterans Administration to deliver a college to Danville.

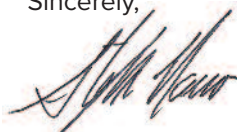
During its early days, the College consisted of a handful of high-school classrooms. Over the next two decades, the College evolved into a junior college with a primary focus of helping students earn an associate degree and transfer to a senior institution to complete a baccalaureate degree.

By 1965, the College found its permanent home on what was originally 50 acres of land and seven vacant buildings that the federal Veterans Administration transferred to College District 507. As DACC’s services expanded beyond transfer education to career-and-technical education, corporate education, developmental education, and community enrichment, DACC became a comprehensive community college. Appropriately enough, in 1979, the Board of Trustees changed the name to Danville Area Community College.

Those of us currently employed at DACC are honored to be charged with keeping the light of education burning brightly throughout District 507. As we celebrate DACC’s 75th anniversary in 2021, we pay tribute to Ms. Mary Miller—an American educator who had the courage and the vision to guide DACC from its inception and through its first 26 years.

Ms. Miller’s legacy is alive and well at DACC as we take Ms. Miller’s mantra to heart in making sure that DACC continues to offer “a chance for all” to a better life through education. Most important, I do my best every day not to “screw it up.”

Sincerely,



Dr. Stephen Nacco
President
Danville Area Community College



Dr. Stephen Nacco has been DACC’s president since 2016.



The portrait of DACC’s founding President Mary Miller, who led DACC originally with the title of dean but later as president from 1946-1972.

DACC PRESIDENTS



Dr. William J. Langas
1972-78



Dr. Joseph A. Borgen
1978-81



Dr. Ronald K. Lingle
1981-88



Dr. Harry J. Braun
1989-99



Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs
1999-2016

Board of Trustees



The 2021 Board of Trustees for Danville Area Community College, attending Commencement on May 19, 2021. From left: Chair Dave Harby, Tracy Cherry, student trustee Laura Duncan, Dylan Haun, Sandra Finch, Vice Chair Greg Wolfe, John Spezia, and Terry Hill.



Mr. David W. Harby — Chair | Term runs to 2023

Elected to the DACC Board in 1999, Mr. Harby is a Country Financial representative in Danville. He has served as DACC’s Board Chair since 2013. Mr. Harby graduated from DACC and Illinois State University. He was a Distinguished Alumnus at DACC. For the Illinois Community College Trustees’ Association, he served as president from 2010 to 2011 and has won numerous awards from the ICCTA, and the ACCT Central Regional Trustee Leadership Award.



Mr. Greg Wolfe — Vice Chair | Term runs to 2025

This will be Mr. Wolfe’s first year as vice chair to the Board. He was originally elected to the Board in 2013 and re-elected in 2019. Over the past few years, he has served as liaison to the Illinois Community College Trustees’ Association and has served as a member of the ICCTA Executive Board. He formerly chaired the Trustee Education and Leadership Committee. Mr. Wolfe is a senior product consultant for Watts Copy Systems. Mr. Wolfe continues to participate in a number of community service projects. He also helps boost corporate sponsor sales for the Danville Dans—a minor-league baseball team. Before his election to the DACC Board, he had served 12 years as president of the Oakwood Community Unit School District #76.



Ms. Tracy Cherry | Term runs to 2025

Ms. Cherry was appointed to the DACC Board in September 2018 to fill the unexpired term of Tonya Hill after she became executive director of the DACC Foundation. The following year, Ms. Cherry was elected to a six-year term on the DACC Board. That same year, she became the principal of Danville High School and made an immediate impact in fostering a culture of respect in Vermilion County’s largest school. Prior to that, she served for seven years as principal at Kenneth D. Bailey Academy. Ms. Cherry has devoted most of her 35 years in education to serving as a teacher and administrator for Danville’s District 118. She first came to Danville in 1990 as an elementary physical education teacher. Before Danville, she taught in the Kansas City, Missouri, public school system and was the first minority teacher hired by the Barstow School, a private preparatory school. As a college athlete, she was an All-American field-hockey player.



Ms. Sandra Finch | Term runs to 2027

Elected to the DACC Board in April 2021, Ms. Finch is the Human Relations Director for the City of Danville. Over the past six years, she has served on DACC’s Access, Equity, and Diversity Committee, which provides community input to the College regarding its efforts to provide outreach to underrepresented groups in the community and to build greater diversity in its workforce. A Danville resident, Ms. Finch also serves on the United Way Community Investment Committee; she serves as Treasurer for the Vermilion County Unmet Needs Committee, which provides financial resources to individuals in the community whose situations do not qualify for local resources; and she is the Program Chair for the Dr. Martin Luther King Celebration Committee.



Mr. Dylan Haun | Term runs to 2027

Mr. Haun was elected to the DACC Board in 2021. A DACC graduate, in 2015-16, he served on the DACC Board as student trustee. After earning an associate degree, Mr. Haun received a bachelor in science in occupational safety from Columbia Southern University. He's currently matriculated in a master in business administration program at the University of Illinois' Gies Business School. He currently serves as the safety engineer for Guardian West. His younger brother Logan has also served as a student trustee at DACC.



Mr. Terry Hill | Term runs to 2023

Mr. Hill was elected to the DACC Board in 2017. A DACC graduate, he earned a bachelor's degree from Illinois Wesleyan and a master's degree from Eastern Illinois University. As DACC's track-and-field coach, he won four straight national championships from 1993-1996 and was named "coach of the year" for all four years. After a 30-year career as a teacher in Oakwood, he became athletic director at Danville High School, retiring in 2007. Mr. Hill was inducted into the NJCAA National Track and Field Hall of Fame in 2005.



Mr. John Spezia | Term runs to 2023

Coach Spezia was elected to the DACC Board in 2011 after having served as the DACC basketball coach for 23 years and DACC's athletic director for 19 years. He coached DACC to the 1991 NJCAA national championship. He was elected to the Hall of Fame for the National Junior College Athletic Association and for the Illinois Basketball Coaches' Association. He helped bring the NJCAA national men's basketball tournament to Danville in 1994. He was also elected to the DACC Hall of Fame and the Illiana Sports Hall of Fame. Other roles include serving as president of the NJCAA Men's Basketball Coaches Association, the assistant men's director for Region 24, a coach for the men's national basketball team of Antigua/Barbuda, a board member of the Danville Boys & Girls Club, and a board member for the Illinois Basketball Museum. He is currently athletic director and boys' basketball coach for Notre Dame de LaSalette Academy. In 2020, he became the chair of Danville's Palmer Arena Board.



Ms. Laura Duncan — Student Trustee | Term runs from 4/15/2021 - 4/14/2022

Ms. Duncan was elected by DACC students as their representative to the DACC Board for 2021-22. An honors' student who has been a full-time DACC dual-credit student during her senior year at the Schlarman Academy, Ms. Duncan is a top student who graduated from high school in May 2021. She will continue her education by studying nursing at DACC beginning in the fall of 2021.



New Board Members Sandra Finch and Dylan Haun and Student Trustee Laura Duncan.



Board Chair Dave Harby addressing the crowd of more than 100 gathered on June 25 in the lobby of the former Army Reserve. The occasion was the dedication of Hegeler Hall in recognition of the Julius W. Hegeler II Foundation's donation to support nursing education.

Student Learning

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2020-21

Accreditation

Prepared and submitted a report to the Higher Learning Commission in advance of the October focused visit by a two-member visiting team; developed a professional-development plan for accreditation review in health information technology and nursing.

Adult Education

Thanks to American Job Center funding, DACC's Adult Education and Middle College provided nearly 100 students with high-school equivalency along with credentials as certified nurses or in office systems.

American Job Center

In recognition for the DACC-managed AJC having exceeded all State benchmarks for providing education and job placement for unemployed residents, the AJC earned a four-year renewal, which would extend the grant funding through 2025; the AJC and DACC's Career Services hosted three on-campus "Drive-Thru" job fairs in the midst of the pandemic, attracting hundreds of job seekers and accommodating more than 40 companies.

Articulation

Entered into new agreements and memoranda of understanding with Aspen University, St. Joseph's College, McKendree University, Grantham University, Southern Illinois University, and Iowa Wesleyan University; Accounting Professor Brian Fink negotiated a transfer program with Indiana Wesleyan University in accounting that enables DACC graduates to earn an associate plus 30 hours at DACC and then transfer to IWU to complete the bachelor's and master's degrees and become eligible to test for the Illinois CPA.

Clinical Partnerships

Established new Health Information Technology clinical sites that ensure students experience more personal assistance; for radiation technology, established a new clinical site at Carle Ortho Sports Medicine Clinic.

Co-Curricular Education

Developed and disseminated a manual for co-curricular assessment.

Corporate Education

Partnered with Ed-2-Go to provide self-paced and instructor-led online training; provided coaching and mentoring on importance of Essential Employability Skills for several local businesses; introduced Power Up Essential Skills Coaching for residents in Section 8 housing complexes to link individuals with job readiness skills while providing a connection to education, training and supportive services.

Course Management

Deactivated 58 courses that are no longer relevant.

COVID Recovery

To take a collegial approach to managing through the pandemic, Human Resources led the COVID Advisory Response Team (CART) that included members of the faculty and classified-staff associations as well as key administrators; Spring face-to-face classes began as synchronous online classes and then the vast majority of them returned to campus in mid-March, thanks to the availability of vaccinations for DACC faculty and staff beginning in early February.

Dual-Credit Classes

Prepared Georgetown High and Milford High for dual-credit classes in mathematics.

Educational Technology

With a new Anatomage table, the College built a dedicated 3D modeling lab for anatomy and physiology students; using federal CARES funds, DACC created a technology loaner program, distributing nearly 100 laptops and 200 mobile hotspots and other equipment to ensure that the College's neediest students were able to participate in online education; Blackboard Collaborate (web-conferencing tool) was launched and training was provided to all faculty.

Industrial Support

The College increased class capacity in Certified Drivers' License training by overhauling an additional tractor trailer and cab and by purchasing a new

driver simulator, thereby more than doubling the graduates in the six-week program.

Nursing

Nursing faculty reviewed curriculum to ensure alignment with national licensing tests.

Online Teaching

In response to the pandemic, the College populated more than half of the 765 online course shells in Blackboard, with more than 70 percent of these courses requiring no additional textbook or software expense; for synchronous learning, an institutional Zoom license was purchased to integrate with Blackboard.

Program Development

Developed a music business program and a program for music production; introduced a newly approved certificate for public health medical billing; agriculture changed its focus to a campus-based precision-agriculture program with enhanced technology including aquaponics, drones, GPS, and a Farm Bot; Community Education added online programs for certified optician and veterinary assistant program.

Radiation Technology

Reviewed and revised the curriculum so that graduates have the skills that healthcare employers need.

Teaching Strategies

Hosted meetings with faculty to review low ratings on student evaluations in order to develop strategies for improvement.

Vermilion County Works

Using funds from a \$182,000 Apprenticeship Expansion Grant, VCW succeeded in finding employment opportunities for more job seekers than the grant required, with more than 65 apprentices placed.



DACC hosted a number of “Drive-Thru” job fairs in 2020-21. On May 5, the East Main Street parking lot accommodated 33 regional businesses that hosted more than 200 job seekers in cars. The initiative represented a team effort involving the American Job Center, Vermilion County Works, and Career Services. Austin Grammer of the Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity attended the Job Fair and praised the hosts. “DACC is doing more to support local business and industry than anyone I’ve seen in the State. Conducting a job fair in this manner is definitely what I would consider a ‘best practice’ that ought to be replicated everywhere else.” Shown here from Vermilion County Works are Chuck Jones and April Smith.



Middle College students are shown here during their annual end-of-the-Spring-semester field trip to Kickapoo State Park under the guidance of Wes Brown, Kathy Leary, and JR Scruggs. The May 30 graduation featured 31 Middle College students who graduated with a high-school equivalency or returned to their high school of origin for graduation.

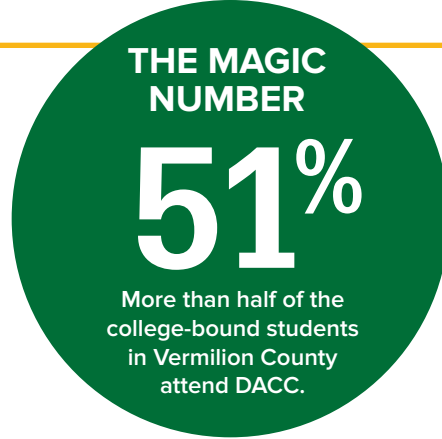
Student Learning



Vermilion County Works Director Jonathan Jett operated the only one-stop center in Illinois that remained open to serving the public throughout the pandemic.



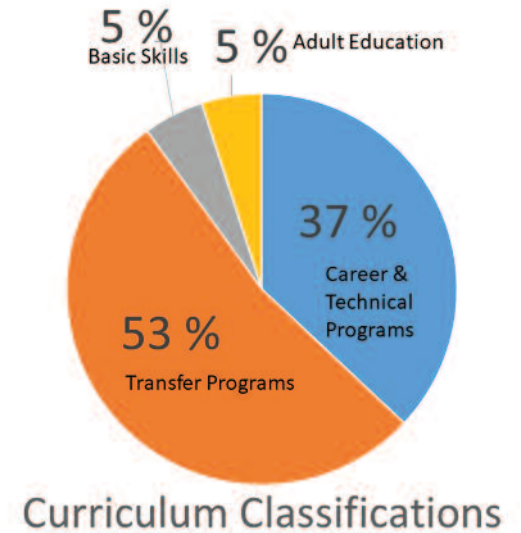
Criminal Justice Professor Rickey Williams received national recognition from NISOD for his teaching excellence. The award includes a plaque and silver medallion. Academic Affairs Vice President Dr. Natalie Page visited Professor Williams in his classroom to deliver the hardware.



The number of bachelor's degree programs that DACC students have available locally and affordably thanks to DACC's 3 + 1 partnerships with Franklin University, Iowa Wesleyan University, and Eastern Illinois University. Students earn a bachelor's degree by completing a DACC associate degree and then an additional year of DACC classes. The remaining 30 credits are through online classes.

CORPORATE EDUCATION FACTS

Companies Served:	42 (unduplicated)
Employees Trained:	3,612
Contract Revenue (Gross):	\$316,876
Contract Revenue (Net):	\$111,082
Additional State Revenue Earned:	\$54,895



1 TO 16

DACC's Faculty-to-Student Ratio, a hallmark of a college that is positioned to advance student success by supplying small class sizes and keep employee engagement.

- MOST POPULAR MAJORS AT DACC**
1. Nursing
 2. Business
 3. Education
 4. Criminal Justice
 5. Psychology

ENROLLMENT IN HEADCOUNT

FY 2021	5,369
FY 2020	7,663
FY 2019	7,913
FY 2018	8,182
FY 2017	8,265

ENROLLMENT IN CREDIT HOURS

FY 2021	40,378
FY 2020	48,799
FY 2019	50,852
FY 2018	51,526
FY 2017	52,559

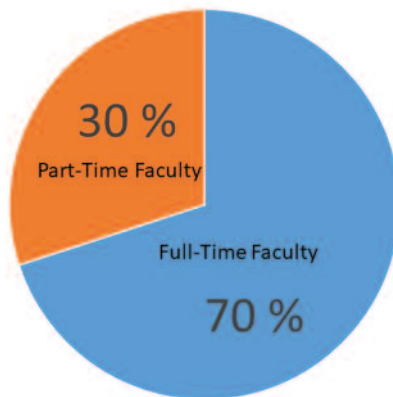
AVERAGE AGE OF CREDIT STUDENTS

FY 2021	20
FY 2020	29
FY 2019	27
FY 2018	28
FY 2017	29

PROGRAM OFFERINGS

Associate Degrees:	34
Certificates:	51
Bachelor's Degrees (3 + 1 partners):	36

Courses Taught at DACC



THE MAGIC NUMBER

108%

Increased enrollment in DACC online courses during FY 2020-21 as a result of the COVID pandemic. The year's total of 29,289 online credit hours was the highest in College history.



At the Fair Oaks projects, Leo Davis (right) and Leland Groves (middle) are shown here as presenters along with Corporate Education Director Stephanie Yates for a first of 12 "Power Up" sessions held at the housing complex. The program provided residents with grant-funded life-skills training.



Auto Tech Instructor Dean Graves (standing, 3rd from left) with his AUTO 228 class for diagnostic engine testing. They're shown here after taking the Pontiac G8 for a spin on the US 41 dragstrip in Morocco, Indiana. Their car passed with flying colors.

Student Success

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2020-21

Athletics

Since creating a dedicated tutoring lab two years ago, record numbers of DACC student-athletes earned top academic honors, with 16 named to the NJCAA All-Academic Team in 2020 and 19 in 2021. Prior to that, the number of students receiving this distinction never exceeded 11; eSports attracted nearly 70 student participants, with the College investing \$10,000 to upgrade the lab in the lower level of the Clock Tower building.

Department of Corrections

Reinstituted a tutoring program for offenders in DACC career and transfer classes.

Financial Literacy

The Financial Aid department adopted an online financial-literacy tutorial and began encouraging students to avail themselves of it as part of the application process for financial aid.

Food Service

For implementation in Fall 2021, developed plans for expanding dining options from the central location in Lincoln Hall to additional annexes in the Mary Miller Complex and the Clock Tower building.

Graduation Incentive

To encourage students to graduate on time, DACC offered a price incentive bonus for those who enroll for 15 or more credits. The College increased “Bonus Class” participation by 14 percent by changing the plan to a flat \$600 credit for students who enroll in any class beyond 12 credits. Also, rather than restricting bonus classes to a set list, all classes are eligible.

Hoopston

For the certified nursing assistant class, 8 of 13 College express students finished the class and passed the state exam; for the adult class, 3 of 7 finished the class and passed the state exam; Hoopston provided access for Middle College students who are unable to get to the Danville Campus during the pandemic; Hoopston High School purchased Edgenuity licenses so students can do DACC-managed credit recovery there.

Library

To create a more inviting and social area for students to relax, interact, eat lunch, and use computers, Facilities maintenance staff and the Information Technology Director remodeled the main level of the library to create open space and tables with computers; The library lent 418 items to 176 DACC patrons, 131 items via OCLC to public libraries and out of state libraries and 111 items via I-Share to Illinois college libraries; DACC library patrons borrowed 224 items from other libraries, 171 via I-Share and 53 via OCLC.

Mentoring

DACC’s coordinator of mentors successfully refocused the program by emphasizing contacts through text-messaging in order to increase communications with full-time students.

Military Friendly

After investing several years of time and expense into adopting programs to recruit and support the educational success of veterans—which includes the establishing of a Veterans’ Freedom Center as an exclusive lounge where service veterans can relax, study, and socialize among other veterans—the College has earned national recognition as a “Military Friendly” institution.

Open Educational Resources

In response to the pandemic, the College populated more than half of the 765 online course shells in Blackboard, with more than 70 percent of these courses requiring no additional textbook or software expense.

Retention Initiatives

Completed preliminary assessment of onboarding practices and communication timelines; with a focus on underserved populations, identified and took corrective measures to address various holes and gaps in success skill-sets and timeliness and methods of communications.

TRIO

TRIO Professional Tutors offered in-person and virtual tutoring sessions during the 2020-21 program year; TRIO partnered with the chief diversity officer to support the “Toolbox” program for African-American male students; built a

partnership with the Adult Education department’s GED and Middle College students; also created a pathway with student veterans to enter TRIO and receive services.

Underrepresented Students

Hired a Chief Diversity Officer and trained a new coordinator for the “Toolbox” program to boost retention and completion for African-American male students. The retention rate of 82 percent for Toolbox students was 12 percent higher than the overall retention rate; introduced a partnership between TRIO and Toolbox to expand student network and resources; advisors and counselors completed training to assist students from underserved populations and those of low socioeconomic status.



Under the guidance of head coach Matt Cervantes and assistant coaches Kelley Cervantes and Mark Wedel, DACC’s softball team “coped with COVID” by carving out a 24-7 season and a collective GPA of 3.15.

THE MAGIC NUMBER

42%

Graduation rate for first-time, full-time degree seekers who entered DACC in the Fall of 2018—tying the record set two years ago and nearly double the national average among community colleges.

NUMBER OF DACC GRADS 2021

Associate of Arts	104
Associate of Applied Science	104
Associate in General Studies	49
Certificates	276
TOTAL	545

MOST GRADUATES BY PROGRAM

General Associate in Arts (Transfer)	104
General Education Core Curriculum	72
Associate in General Studies	49
Certified Nurse Assistant Certificate	49
Tractor/Trailer Certificate	34
Radiologic Technology AAS	22
Nursing AAS	22
Medical Assistant Certificate	17
Level 1 Nursing Certificate	17
Applied Computer Science	12
General Associate in Science	10

GRADUATION RATES

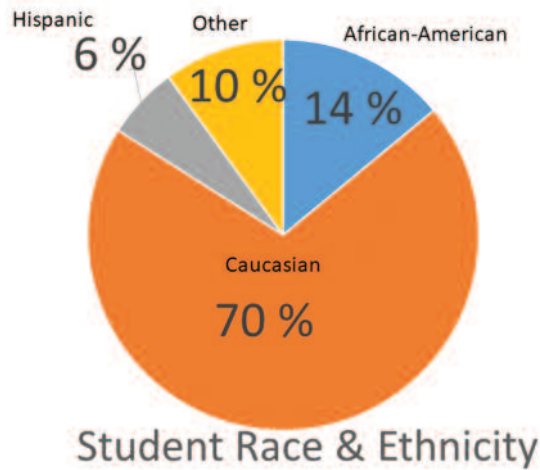
(3-year, First-time, Full-time)

Class of 2021 (Fall 2018 cohort)	42%
Class of 2020 (Fall 2017 cohort)	40%
Class of 2019 (Fall 2016 cohort)	42%
Class of 2018 (Fall 2015 cohort)	38%
Class of 2017 (Fall 2014 cohort)	38%

Student Success



DACC's new Chief Diversity Officer Dr. Dwight Lucas II has taught full-time graphic design courses at DACC since 2008.



On the left is Isaiah Loyd, who's ranked No. 1 in the nation in the eSports game called Hearthstone. On the right is Alex Keaben, who's ranked No. 11 nationally. As pioneers of eSports these students have helped put the College on the map of America's fastest growing sport.



DACC can now proudly display the Military Friendly logo for 2021-22, signifying to the world that not only are veterans welcome at the College—they also do well here.

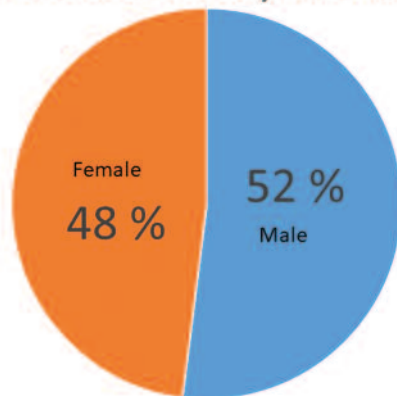


TRIO Academic Advisor Chelsea Thomas appeared on the video celebrating TRIO's 23rd anniversary celebration and was chosen for a STAR award.



JR Scruggs joined DACC this year to coordinate the College's successful "Toolbox" program for the retention and success of African-American male students. Shown here with Mr. Scruggs is the DACC Foundation's Gina Davis.

DACC Students by Gender



DACC STUDENT ATHLETES

NJCAA All-Academic Members

2006-07	2
2007-08	1
2008-09	2
2009-10	2
2010-11	1
2011-12	4
2012-13	3
2013-14	4
2014-15	4
2015-16	4
2016-17	7
2017-18	11
2018-19	8
2019-20	16
2020-21	19

In its second season, the women's golf team has a student-athlete who earned a place in the NJCAA national championships. Mackenzie McCoy competed on May 10-13 in Ormond Beach, Florida at the Plantation Bay Golf course. Coach Debbie Toler joined her star player during the tournament.



Institutional Excellence

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2020-21

Advisement Support

Implemented the online appointment scheduling system for advisors and counselors as well as an online Degree Audit Request form for students to access off campus.

Chief Diversity Officer

Dr. Dwight Lucas II, Professor of Graphic Design, was named DACC's new Chief Diversity Officer based on both his scholarship and experience in working with underrepresented groups. A member of the President's Cabinet, he will focus on helping to guide the College's diversity initiatives with regard to recruiting students and employees from underrepresented groups.

Cloud Computing

To protect the College network against cyberattacks and to protect its data for essential business operations, DACC migrating from an on-campus, server-based system to cloud-based computing.

Cross-Training

To build a more nimble workforce in the Business Office, the Finance Division cross-trained eight employees to become competent in at least one other essential function, including payroll, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and purchasing.

Golf Simulator

To help recruit male and female student athletes, DACC's golf coaches for the men's and women's teams raised \$25,000 in donations to purchase a golf simulator for use in the drill room in the former Army Reserve.

Health Insurance

After major changes were made with health insurance to reduce costs to the College and employee, participation in the family plan increased by nearly 30 percent while insurance premiums increased just slightly to 1.4 percent.

Hegeler Hall

Received a \$3 million pledge (\$1 million per year over three years) from the Julius W. Hegeler II Foundation to help fund the \$5.7 million renovation of the

former U.S. Army Reserve to become the center for DACC's healthcare education.

Jacobs Hall

In May 2021, the College completed the \$2 million rehabilitation of Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs Hall to serve as the College's new center for students studying visual, performing, and musical arts.

Labor Negotiations

Through an interest-based bargaining process, the College and the Faculty Association agreed to a one-year contract, effective July 1, 2021, that includes a number of new initiatives to benefit both students and employees, such as the development of a Teaching and Learning Center to assist faculty in year-round professional development.

Middle College Support

Secured a State ICCB grant to purchase 50 Chromebooks and 20 Kajeet hotspots for use by high-school students enrolled in DACC's Middle College program.

Online Scholarship Applications

Since implementing online scholarship applications four years ago, FY 2020-21 saw a record number of electronic applications, surpassing 300. The online app also streamlined reading.

Payment Plan

To improve the services for students who pay tuition through the payment plan, Nelnet past due balance payment plan was implemented and operational in December 2019. The number of students enrolled continues to grow. The 103 enrollees include 61 active students who paid \$50,510, which is nearly half of the money owed.

Policing Simulator

To improve the learning experience for criminal-justice students, DACC has partnered with the Danville Police Department to purchase and install the MILO Range Classic simulator.

Proctoring Online Classes

To improve the Blackboard learning management system, the College installed the Respondus Lockdown Browser & Monitor to provide faculty and students with a tool for proctoring students while they’re taking examinations.

Renovation and Construction

Together with the Illinois Capital Development Board, the College hired an architect, Bailey Edwards, to prepare buildable plans for the \$2.5 million renovation of the Clock Tower building and the Hegeler Horticulture Center; DACC’s maintenance staff completed a number of successful projects, including the construction of a room in the Bill Black Center to become the home for the Anatomage table, the renovation of the Bremer Theater’s control booth, and the installation of a protective wall and other security enhancements to the lobby area of the Child Development Center.

SharePoint

To provide a secure intranet for employees and students to store and share documents, the Director of Online Education and Director of Information Technology installed and customized SharePoint with a spring 2021 roll out.

Web Site Upgrade

To help job seekers get online access to employers looking to hire, Vermilion County Works has reengineered its Web site to include the full gamut of services provided by VCW and the American Job Center’s 11 partner agencies.



The Julius W. Hegeler II Foundation’s \$3 million gift will help boost healthcare education at DACC. Julius is shown here during the Aug. 31, 2017 ceremony to announce Julius’s gift to restore the former Carnegie Library and name it in honor of former DACC President Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs, who is on the right. On the left is Hegeler Foundation Member Lois Wise.



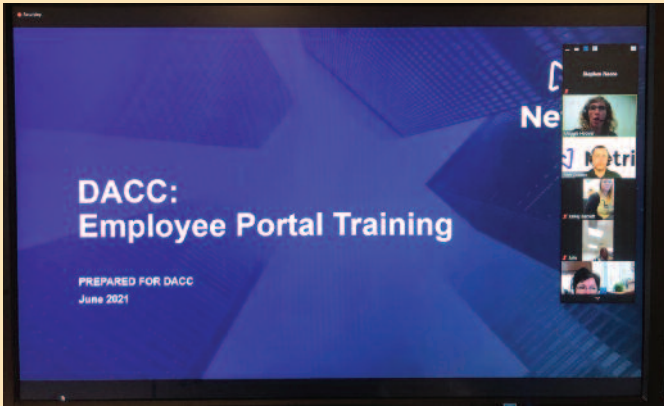
Carle Hospital Senior Vice President Dr. Timothy Meneely toured DACC and was impressed with the quality of DACC’s nursing and medical-imaging facilities and equipment. Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill joined Dr. Meneely on the tour to give a demonstration of the new Anatomage table, which was funded in part by the Phyllis Dougherty-Fabrizio and Dr. Joseph Fabrizio New Initiatives Fund.

FINANCIAL AID FACTS AT DACC (2020-21)

Pell Grant Recipients:	749
Monetary Assistance Program Recipients:	362
MAP Disbursements:	\$397,302
Pell Disbursements:	\$2,614,598
Loan Recipients:	105
Loan Disbursements:	\$354,531



Institutional Excellence

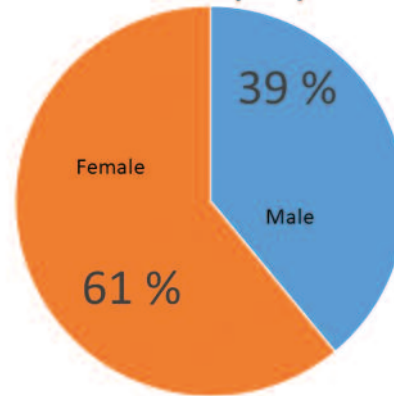


DACC officially launched SharePoint this year. DACC's SharePoint serves as the College's new employee portal for storing, managing, and sharing information.



Dr. Dwight Lucas II taught African-American History classes on the Danville Campus and the Hoopston Learning Center in 2020-21. The College offers the class for free to help raise community awareness about the contributions that people of color have made throughout the nation's history.

DACC Employees



Dr. Carl Bridges became DACC's Vice President of Academic Affairs and Chief Academic Officer with the approval of the Board of Trustees on Sept. 23, 2021. Dr. Bridges' prior experience includes serving as the dean of student services of Kennedy King College in Chicago and as the vice president of academic and student affairs at Hocking College in Pottsville, IL. He earned a doctorate in business education from Northern Illinois University, a master's in business administration from Bradley University, and a bachelor's in organizational behavior from the University of Illinois.

EMPLOYEE EDUCATION LEVEL

	Faculty	Admin	Staff
Doctorate	25 %	4 %	0 %
Master	55 %	32 %	9 %
Bachelor	14 %	46 %	11 %
Associate	6 %	13 %	53 %
High School	0 %	5 %	27 %



Building Services Attendant Jennifer Miller is sterilizing a unisex bathroom at DACC with one of the College's new electromagnetic spray guns. The sanitizer that shoots out of the gun can clean walls and stalls--and possibly also scares away ghosts.

COLLEGE CABINET

As the College's leadership team, the Cabinet includes the heads of academic divisions and administrative divisions.

2021 College Cabinet

President:	Dr. Stephen Nacco
Vice President, Academic Affairs:	Dr. Carl Bridges
Vice President, Student Services:	Stacy Ehmen
Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer:	Tammy Betancourt
Vice President, Human Resources:	Jill Cranmore
Vice President, Operations and Board Secretary:	Kerri Thurman
Chief Diversity Officer and Professor of Graphic Design:	Dr. Dwight Lucas
Assistant Vice President, Liberal Arts, Library & Assessment:	Dr. Penny McConnell
Assistant Vice President and Executive Director, American Job Center:	Brian Hensgen
Executive Director, DACC Foundation:	Tonya Hill
Executive Director, College Relations:	Lara Conklin
Dean, Mathematics, Sciences, and Health Professions:	Kathy Sturgeon
Dean, Adult Education & Middle College:	Laura Williams
Dean, Business & Technology:	Terri Cummings
Secretary:	DiDamie Cramer
Full Time Faculty	Headcount: 61
Administrator/Professional Employees (includes Department of Corrections)	Headcount: 72
Support Staff Employees	Headcount: 59
Part-Time Employees	61 Part-Time Faculty 45 Federal Work Study and Student Workers 2 Continuing Part-Time Support Staff 21 Tutors and Coaches



DACC's 2021-22 Cabinet

ILLINOIS EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

DACC Faculty Association

President:	Ashley Hargrove
VP:	Amanda Poffinbarger
Secretary:	Candice Milam
Treasurer:	Marji Larson
Membership:	Ruth Lindemann
IEA Rep:	Ryan Wyckoff

Classified Staff Association

President:	Brandon Tuggle
Vice President:	Suzanna Aguirre
Treasurer:	Vacant
Secretary:	Lisa Osborne
IEA Representative:	Angel Fellers

Organizational Advancement

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2020-21

Affordable Bachelor's Degrees

The college unveiled a 3 + 1 bachelor's-in-nursing agreement with Aspen University; a new articulation with McKendree University; a 3 + 1 nursing program with Grantham University, offering a pipeline for nursing students to earn an associate degree and complete the bachelor's and master's in nursing; and a transfer program with Indiana Wesleyan University in accounting that enables DACC graduates to earn an associate plus 30 hours at DACC and then transfer to IWU to complete the bachelor's and master's degrees and become eligible to test for the Illinois CPA.

Alumni Engagement

Promoted Alumni membership through social media and traditional advertising that includes alumni stories in the bi-annual newsletter; guided Alumni Board in activities including community events like Rotary and NJCAA that cultivate partnerships with community members.

Barbering Academy

Community Education developed a Barbering program that the Curriculum Committee approved for implementation during the summer of 2022. The 1,500-hour, year-long program leads to a certificate that entitles a graduate to sit for a State licensing examination.

Business Enterprise Program

In order to reach out to underrepresented businesses and encourage them to bid on College requests for goods and services, the College developed and implemented a purchasing program to benefit minority-owned, women-owned, and disabled-owned businesses qualifying within the State's Business Enterprise Program. The Board approved this new policy in February 2021.

College for Kids

Community Education added 13 additional College for Kids camps during the summer of 2021 and enrollment jumped by more than 60 percent compared to the previous summer with 250 participants.

Foundation's "Futures Campaign"

Although the campaign would never move beyond the "silent" phase due to

the COVID crisis, the two years in this initial phase resulted in donations and pledges totaling more than \$4 million—easily surpassing the original campaign target. In 2020 alone, the Foundation awarded 553 scholarships valued at \$704,000. Seventeen new scholarships were added in FY 2020-21.

Funding Educational Equipment

Donations to the DACC Foundation helped improve the educational quality of several programs: the purchase of a transponder that helped improve the clarity of the images appearing on echocardiography screens; new robotics software has funded an overhaul of the robotics program; the purchase of an Anatomage table has become a key teaching tool for anatomy and physiology students.

Innovative Enrollment Initiatives

College Relations battled the COVID-related enrollment decline with initiatives like the half-price discount for Internet classes and the introduction of Saturday "Six Pack" weekend-college courses.

"Legends" Series

To pay tribute to DACC's 75-year history and the people who shaped the DACC legacy, the College launched the "Legends" series that features televised interviews with former College employees, students, donors, and longstanding supporters of the College. In FY 2020-21, College Relations and the Video Production unit produced two half-hour episodes, each of which includes three historic figures.

Mascot Mania

DACC's new mascot "Mick Jaguar"—so named as the top-vote getter from a College-wide contest among students and employees—has become a popular participant in sporting events and open houses.

Online Advertising

College Relations took a multi-pronged approach to advertising that included targeted email, social media, search engine optimization, geo-fencing, and Google Adwords. The response exceeded industry benchmarks in triggering a response (click through or telephone call) from the public.

Sister School

To form a community alliance with the neighboring Meade Park Elementary School as DACC’s “sister school,” the Dean of Adult Education and Student Services led a number of outreach events with Meade Park, including classroom interaction, reading sessions, and a mask-sewing activity.

Small Business Development Center

Retired restaurant owner Earle Steiner became the new Director of the SBDC, which immediately began partnering with DACC Corporate Education to allow for even greater opportunities for the College’s local businesses. Along with a campus office, the SBDC opened an annex for the SBDC at Plaza 31 in north Danville, for increased visibility. The new location at Plaza 31 has a large conference room that can be used for workshops with advance notice.

Student Testimonials

Student banners containing pictures and testimonials of high-achieving DACC students have been sent to their high schools of origin; College Relations and Recruitment are planning on introducing “DACC All-Star Jaguars” in Fall 2021 to recruit 15 or so students to appear on marketing materials and provide outreach in a new work-study program that would replace the Board of Student Scholars.

Television and Broadcasting

Community Education and Liberal Arts upgraded the television studio and control room with three new production sets, studio cameras, switching unit, and audio sources thanks in part to a donation from Champaign TV WCIA. As a result, DACC had the capability to stream live programming through the educational channel, YouTube, and the Web site.

Video Marketing

The video production unit and recruitment enlisted student teams to create short and long format videos for use on social media and broadcast. Videos were posted on YouTube and the DACC Web site, generating thousands of “hits.”

After becoming DACC’s Director of the Small Business Development Center, Earle Steiner pledged to find a way to provide SBDC services not only on the DACC campus but also in a location to support the Danville’s North Vermilion business corridor. In June 2021, he began providing services to local entrepreneurs in a second-floor suite at Plaza 31, which is located on North Vermilion in Danville.



Community Education’s Video Production class was a big hit for the College’s first-ever “Spring Fling” for kids.

Organizational Advancement



Over 250 children of all sizes and ages attended College for Kids summer camps in 2021.



Dr. Gerald Cockrell, the ICCTA's Distinguished Alumnus for 2020 and the president of the DACC Alumni Association, is shown here at a "Big Check" ceremony to thank him for endowing a DACC scholarship.



Vermilion Healthcare Foundation donated funds to purchase a transponder to improve medical-imaging education. Echocardiography Instructor Jamie Moreland is providing a demonstration for the Foundation's Jim Anderson and Cindy Peck (right) and for DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill.



DACC staff and faculty sewed more than 700 masks for the children at the College's "Sister School" and neighbor, Meade Park Elementary School. Showing off the junior-sized masks is Adult Education's Susie Catlett.



Every third Wednesday throughout the summer, DACC Cheerleaders helped serve at the St. James United Methodist Church Food Pantry in Danville. Says Cheerleading Coach Nikia McGlory, "I really like having the team do volunteer work because it serves as a reminder that when they are stressing over classes, they are still blessed in so many ways. It also lets students know that if they find themselves in a similar position there are services and people available to help."

Danville Campus

DANVILLE CAMPUS BUILDINGS

Bremer Conference & Workforce Development Center

- Conference Rooms
- Corporate & Education
- Culinary Arts
- Small Business Development Center
- Theater

Cannon Hall

- Career & Veterans Services
- Developmental Education
- Student Success Center
- Institutional Effectiveness
- Testing & Academic Services Center

Clock Tower Center

- Art/Ceramics/Painting
- Audio-Visual
- Community Education
- Distance Learning
- E-Sports
- Instructional Media Center
- Liberal Arts Division
- Library
- Vermilion Room
- Writing Center

Jacobs Hall

- Art Gallery
- Classrooms
- Performance Center

Lincoln Hall

- Bookstore
- Business Division
- College Express
- Copper Penny Room
- Counseling/Advisement
- Food Service
- Laura Lee Room
- Online Services
- Recruitment & Retention
- Security
- Shipping & Receiving
- Subway Restaurant
- Student Union

Mary Miller Complex

- Athletics
- Engineering
- Fitness Center
- Gymnasium
- Health Careers
- Math and Science Solutions (MASS) Tutoring
- Mathematics
- Nursing
- Sciences

Ornamental Horticulture

- Julius W. Hegeler II Greenhouse

Prairie Hall

- Adult & Basic Education
- Certified Nurse Assistant
- High-School Equivalency Test Prep Services
- Literacy
- Middle College

Technology Center

- Agriculture
- Automotive
- Business & Technology Tutoring
- Drafting/CAD
- Electronics
- Industrial Training Center
- Information Systems
- Manufacturing
- Online Learning Lab
- Tractor Trailer Driving
- Welding
- Wind Technology

Vermilion Hall

- Administrative Offices
- Admissions & Records
- Business Office & Cashier
- College Relations & Marketing
- Financial Aid
- Foundation Office
- Human Resources



The fabled Clock Tower building on the Danville Campus.



The former U.S. Army Reserve will soon become the Hegeler Center in honor of Julius W. Hegeler II as the future home of healthcare education at DACC.

Hoopeston Learning Center

**847 E. ORANGE STREET
HOOPESTON, IL**

How the Hoopeston Learning Center Came to Be

The idea for the Hoopeston Learning Center surfaced in 2008 when DACC President Alice Marie Jacobs met with Hoopeston leaders who told her they were interested in a satellite DACC location. By 2009, DACC’s Board of Trustees pledged their support. The Carle Hoopeston Regional Health Center donated the 4,900-square-foot building to the College. From 2012-13, the College renovated in the facility. Work included the construction of five classrooms and a student commons.

Funding the new Center came from a variety of sources, including \$206,000 from the Hoopeston Area Healthcare Foundation and \$30,000 from the Hoopeston City Council.

Classes began in September 2013 at the renovated facility, which is located at 847 E. Orange St.

Bill Nicholls, a community leader in Hoopeston and a member of the DACC Foundation Board, broached the idea of the portrait. “Dr. Jacobs has done so much good for Hoopeston with the development of the center. Having her picture displayed inside is a fitting way to pay tribute to her contributions.”



Some of DACC’s Pep Band visited the newly renovated TV studio for a recording session.



The most popular new venue at DACC in 2021 is the eSports lab in the lower level of the Clock Tower building.



Hoopeston Learning Center Director Karla Coon (left) with Center Assistant Anna Silver.

DACC Foundation

2020-21 HIGHLIGHTS

Awarded 560 student scholarships totaling:	\$704,000
Grants issued:	\$1,861,786
Instructional Equipment funded:	\$76,381
Instructional Materials funded:	\$84,278
Trailing and Professional Development funds provided:	\$1,187
Promotions:	\$916
Student Emergency funds:	\$909
Total Disbursements from the DACC Foundation	\$2,522,770

THE MAGIC NUMBER

100%

Percentage of DACC students who applied for a DACC scholarship in 2021 and received at least a partial DACC Foundation scholarship.



Manufacturing Instructor Todd Flessner hosted a "Big Check" ceremony to honor the Gene Haas Foundation's annual \$10,000 donation for student scholarships. Joining Professor Flessner are Business & Technology Dean Terri Cummings, student Lorenz Tiu, and Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill.



Retired DACC Nursing Professor Pat Brown has endowed the Patricia A. Brown Nursing and the Jerome D. "Jerry" Brown Scholarship. She's flanked by President Nacco and Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill.



Retired OB-GYN Dr. Donald Rokosch meets the legendary Hal and uses a stethoscope to check Hal's heartbeat. Hal is a high-fidelity little robot boy whose behavior is eerily life-like. The DACC Foundation was able to purchase Hal to support nursing education thanks to donations from Dr. John Mason and the Schlecht Family Foundation.



The DACC Foundation received nearly \$25,000 for the Kietzmann Family Scholarship in honor of legendary DACC administrator Dave Kietzmann. The College and Foundation teamed up for a retirement dinner in his honor on July 15, 2021.

DACC FOUNDATION LEADERSHIP, 2020-21

OFFICERS

Lesley Shore, President
 Ryan O’Shaughnessy, Vice President
 Cory Acton, Treasurer
 Theta Lee, Secretary
 Thomas Chamberlain, Immediate Past President

STAFF

Tonya Hill, Executive Director
 Sandy Dreher, Controller/Office Manager
 Gina Davis, Scholarship Coordinator



The staff of the DACC Foundation had another amazing year in 2020-21, with the endowment surpassing \$23 million. Over the past year, the Foundation awarded 560 scholarships totaling \$704,000. From left, Controller Sandra Dreher, Executive Director Tonya Hill, and Foundation Scholarship Coordinator Gina Davis.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Cory Acton
 Jim Anderson
 Tom Chamberlain
 Richard Cheney
 Nancy Dalenberg
 Diane Hampel
 Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs
 Larry Jahn
 Dave Kietzmann
 Chris Kittell
 Ed Layden Jr.
 Theta Lee
 Sybil Mervis
 Vickie Miller
 Dr. Jaya Nelson-Ellington
 Ryan O’Shaughnessy
 Maruti Seth
 Lesley Shore
 Jane Towne
 Marilyn Tucker
 Jaclyn Vinson
 Lois Wise
 DeMarko Wright

Nancy Bates, Director Emeritus
 Julius W. Hegeler II, Director Emeritus
 Dr. John C. Mason Jr., Director Emeritus
 Tuck Meyer, Director Emeritus
 Dr. George Richards, Director Emeritus
 W. John Shane, Director Emeritus

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Dr. Stephen Nacco - President, DACC
 David Harby - Chairperson,
 DACC Board of Trustees



DACC held a ceremony to thank Infrastructure and Energy Alternatives (IEA) for donating \$20,000 to provide financial assistance for students in DACC’s wind- and solar-technologies program. On the right is Chris Hanson, executive vice president of IEA. Mr. Hanson credits DACC Instructor Greg Hansbraugh (middle) for producing skilled graduates who have moved into highly successful careers at IEA. Also holding the “Big Check,” from left, are DACC President Stephen Nacco, IEA Vice Presidents Alyson Hanson and Lucy Martinez, DACC Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill, and Talent Acquisition Specialist Nilam Bhatt.

Financials

DANVILLE AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES FOR THE OPERATING FUNDS | FY 2020-21

Revenues	FY 2021
Property Tax Revenue	\$5,150,471
Personal Property Replacement Tax	859,981
ICCB Base Operating Grants	1,620,697
ICCB Equalization Grant	2,531,835
Career-Tech Vocational Credit-Hour Reimburse	170,605
Tuition	5,893,825
Fees	1,537,415
Institutional Waivers (Less)	(2,269,633)
Transfers	2,593,224
Facility Rent Revenue/Interest/Other	147,404
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$17,235,824

Expenditures by Object	
Salaries	\$11,069,408
Employee Benefits	1,957,818
Contractual Services	647,735
Materials & Supplies	1,400,937
Meetings, Travel, Conferences	114,851
Fixed Charges	242,733
Utilities	765,889
Capital Outlay/Transfers/Other	66,551
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES	\$16,552,612

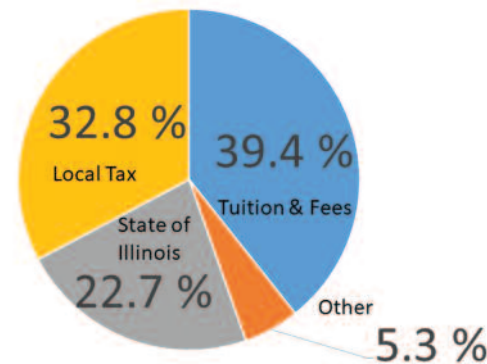


For the ninth-straight year, DACC's Vice President of Finance Tammy Betancourt and her staff have earned praise from the government reporting office for being "one of the most skillful and dedicated staffs in the State" in their meticulous management of DACC's finances. Through their conscientious efforts, DACC once again earned a clean annual audit from an independent auditing firm. Shown here from the Finance Division are Carl Lewis, Linda Shreeves, Carol Neff, Johna Bolton, Sherri Grubbs, Julie McClintock, Debbie Knight, Kelley Beckett, Jessica Miles, and Vice President Tammy Betancourt.



To support the massive transition to online learning during the early days of the COVID pandemic, the College relied on federal funds to purchase and lend laptops and other technology to its neediest students. Staffing the distribution center in the DACC Library is Library Assistant Kathy Hantz.

Source of DACC's Operating Budget



The Financial Aid Department served 1,958 students in FY 2020-01. Shown here holding tulips that United Way gave out as a token of appreciation are Director Janet Ingargiola, Assistant Director Candace Miles, and Office Specialist Rebecca Courchesne.

DACC History



Mary Miller—whose title as the head of DACC was Dean before changing to President—is shown here signing certificates for two students, Toni Fillhouer and James Curry—circa 1948.

May 13, 1946: Mary Miller founds DACC as an extension center of the University of Illinois in 1946.

August 22, 1949: DACC becomes a public junior college under Danville Public Schools.

September 30, 1951: The College receives the name Danville Junior College.

January 11, 1964: The Danville Area Community College Foundation is formed as a nonprofit 501 (c) 3 to support student scholarships.

August 1, 1965: The College acquires seven historic buildings from the Veterans Administration on East Main Street, moving to its current 75-acre campus.

September 12, 1965: The Danville Junior College Foundation launches a fundraising drive to support the move to the new campus.

April 11, 1966: DACC becomes an independent two-year area college with the election of its first Board of Trustees and the establishment of District 507.

May 17, 1969: Dedication of the Ornamental Horticulture Center.

April 30, 1970: Opening of the Mary Miller Center and Gymnasium.

July 1, 1972: Dr. William Langas becomes DACC's second president, replacing founding President Mary Miller after her 26-year tenure.

July 9, 1972: Completion of the Technology Center, which includes the South Bay, Weld Shop, Machine Shop, and offices.

June 15, 1979: Dr. Joseph Borgen becomes DACC's third president.

September 1, 1979: The name Danville Junior College is changed to Danville Area Community College to be more reflective of the services rendered as a comprehensive community college.

September 3, 1981: Dr. Ronald Lingle is announced as DACC's fourth president.

June 1, 1982: Renovation of the Bremer Theater and construction of conference rooms.

September 10, 1982: Renovation of the Clock Tower building.

February 14, 1987: Completion of the expansion of the Mary Miller Center's first and second floor, for Math and Science education.

July 1, 1989: Dr. Harry Braun is named DACC's fifth president.

September 3, 1992: Expansion of the Technology Center and dedication in the name of former DACC President Harry Braun to open classrooms and offices on the north and west wings.

March 16, 1994: DACC hosts the first of what will be 26 consecutive years (including this year) as host of the NJCAA Division II national men's basketball tournament.

August 18, 1997: Dedication of the Child Development Center.

July 1, 1998: Remodeling of the Bremer Theater is completed.

December 15, 1998: Job Training Partnership/Vermilion County Works moves to new location at 407 N. Franklin Street.

September 1, 1999: Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs becomes DACC's sixth president.

November 1, 1999: Opening of Lincoln Hall.

May 17, 2000: Remodeling completed for the first floor and basement of the Clock Tower Library.

April 1, 2001: Remodeling of the art and painting rooms in the Clock Tower building.

October 24, 2002: Completion of \$30 million in renovations to Cannon, Prairie, and Vermilion Halls.

DACC History

September 30, 2004: Dedication of the First National Bank Collection of Public Art in the Clock Tower Center.

September 10, 2005: Community Education begins holding classes in a store at the Village Mall.

November 7, 2007: Dedication of the Bremer Conference and Workforce Development Center.

July 31, 2009: Demolition work completion on buildings 5, 9 and 10 as well as underground tunnels.

October 10, 2009: Julius W. Hegeler II Garden Gateway is dedicated.

March 29, 2011: Opening of the Julius W. Hegeler II Greenhouse.

July 11, 2011: Construction of the Wind Turbine Training Tower, which is located on farm ground.

October 24, 2012: Completion of Mary Miller Complex expansion and renovation and the naming of the William B. Black Health Professions Center.

July 15, 2013: DACC is named an Achieving the Dream Leader College.

September 16, 2013: Opening of the Hoopston Higher Learning Center: first day of classes.

December 10, 2014: Dedication ceremony to open the Julius W. Hegeler II Advanced Technology Center.

August 15, 2016: Dr. Stephen Nacco becomes DACC's seventh president, replacing Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs, who retires on Aug. 30 after 17 years as DACC's president.

November 1, 2016: DACC dedicates the Bobette Steely Hegeler Memorial Bench in front of the Clock Tower.

February 15, 2017: DACC opens a classroom in the center of Fair Oaks, a series of projects that the Housing Authority manages. The classroom has been outfitted with technology sufficient to accommodate up to 15 students.

July 1, 2017: DACC becomes one of the nation's few community colleges to become a regional one-stop operator for a federally mandated American Job Center.

August 31, 2017: After receiving an official notice of transferring the former Carnegie Library from the Veterans Administration to DACC, the Board of Trustees holds a ceremony to dedicate the building in the name of Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs. A \$2 million bequest from philanthropist Julius W. Hegeler II will fund the renovation of Jacobs Hall.

August 25, 2018: The College hosts its first annual "Farm to Fork" dinner to raise money to support the Sustainability Farm, a hands-on agricultural learning lab for students that the Foundation's Kristy Herr and her husband Jerry Bartos have provided for College use.

October 25, 2018: The DACC Board approves the creation of the College's first-ever women's golf team and restores men's golf, which had been discontinued since 2013.

May 5, 2019: The installation of HVAC units on the roof of the Mary Miller Gym completes a \$600,000 capital project that results in bringing air conditioning to the Gym.

August 19, 2019: DACC begins offering night classes in English, math, sociology, and high-school preparation at Georgetown-Ridge Farm High School.

November 7, 2019: The Board of the Higher Learning Commission reaffirms the reaccreditation of DACC through 2029. The Standard Pathways will require a comprehensive visit on the fourth year, 2023.

March 30, 2020: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the College ends all classroom instruction and delivers all courses exclusively online for the remainder of the spring semester.

June 30, 2020: The College receives the deed to the U.S. Army Reserve upon completing a \$150,000 purchase of the two building, 3.5-acre property located on the northeast corner of the Danville Campus.

May 15, 2021: Under the direction of Facilities Executive Director Doug Adams, DACC completed the \$2 million renovation of Jacobs Hall—on time and within budget.

June 25, 2021: Dedication of Hegeler Hall in honor of Julius W. Hegeler II, whose Foundation pledged \$3 million over three years to fund the renovation of the former U.S. Army Reserve to become DACC's new home for healthcare education.



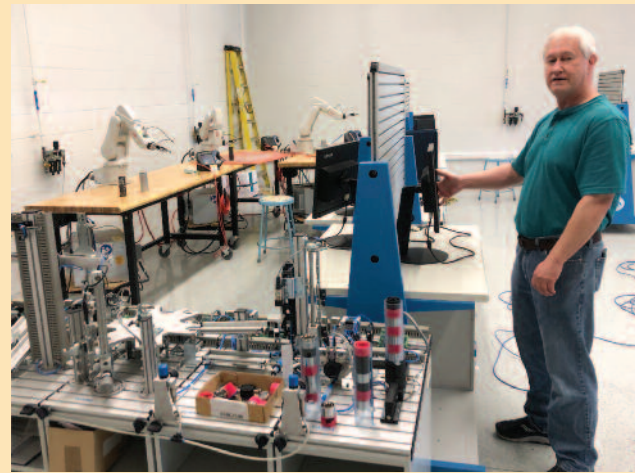
On Feb. 25, 2021, the DACC Board approved eight faculty for tenure, which is the most ever in any year on record. The “Great 8 of 2021” are Dr. Nancy Duran, Spanish; Dr. Jonathon Wade, Sociology/Psychology; Dr. Burcu Carlon, Anatomy & Physiology; Erica Johnson and Angela Shaffer, Nursing; Brandy Marron, Agriculture; and Dean Graves and Alan Wilson, Automotive Technologies.



Scholarship recipient Mikayla Williams telling her heart-warming story to the packed Mary Miller Gym for the Sept. 17 Honors Program—which returned as a live event after last year’s Covid-driven “virtual” ceremony.



After the pandemic forced the College to deliver a “virtual” Commencement in 2020, the 2021 Commencement returned to Campus and in person in what is now the air-conditioned Mary Miller Gymnasium.



Thanks to the work of Computer Network Technician Vince Frost, DACC can now offer a state-of-the-art robotics program to support local manufacturers.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS AT DACC

Dale Foster	1966
Annabelle Neel	1966
Vivian Schultz	1972
Mertin Hoskins	1975
Vickie Miller	2017
Louis Mervis	2017
Julius W. Hegeler II	2018
Dr. George Richards	2019
Dr. Alice Marie Jacobs	2019
Dick Cheney	2020
Phyllis Rogers	2021



Receiving an honorary degree during the May 21 Commencement is Phyllis Rogers, a venerable teacher in the Danville school district and also a DACC tutor and donor who built an endowed scholarship in the name of her late husband Gary. Conferring the Associate in Letters to Ms. Rogers is Foundation Executive Director Tonya Hill.

DACC “BY THE NUMBERS” IN FY 2020-21

23,081,733	Total value, in dollars, of the DACC Foundation Endowment
17,235,824	DACC Operating Budget in FY 2021
8,350,000	Tuition and Fees Received, in Dollars
5,716,000	Local Tax Revenue Received, in Dollars
4,116,373	State Revenue—Credit Hours, Equalization, CTE Formula
2,864,454	Federal Pell grant dollars awarded to DACC students
2,522,770	Total dollars contributed to the College in 2020-21 by the DACC Foundation
704,000	Scholarship Dollars Awarded in FY 2021 by the DACC Foundation
370,000	Revenue in Dollars from Corporate Training (FY 2021)
40,377	Total student credit hours
38,000	Number of local residents annually receiving DACC services
5,369	Credit Enrollment – Headcount
1,295	Non-Credit Enrollment – Headcount
560	Number of Students Receiving DACC Foundation Scholarships
545	Number of Graduates with associate degrees or certificates
192	Full-time Employees
72	Administrator/Professional Employees
61	Full-time Faculty
59	Support Staff Employees
57	Fall-to-Fall Retention Rate for full-time students
42	Percent Graduating on-time: First-time, Full-time Fall Cohort
37	Percentage of Vermillion County High School Grads who choose DACC
21	Tutors and Coaches
20	Average Age of DACC Credit Students
1	DACC Students—They’re truly Amazing!



**Danville Area
Community College**

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