

QUINCY COLLEGE



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Quincy College opens new state-of-the-art Admissions Reception Center in Presidents Place with 6/15 Event *Announces New Director of Admissions*

Social Release (140 Characters): Quincy College expands into new state-of-the-art Admissions Reception Center in Quincy Center; to host 6.15 ribbon cutting. Open to public.

Quincy, MA (6/8/16) - Quincy College has built a new "front door" to the college, encouraging the community and prospective students to learn more about programs in a new, state-of-the-art Admissions Reception Center (ARC).

Quincy College Board of Governors and Quincy College President Peter H. Tsaffaras, J.D. are pleased to invite the local community to join the college in celebrating the grand opening of the new Quincy College Admissions Reception Center on Wednesday, June 15th, 2016 at Twelve Noon, Presidents Place, Suite 101N, 1250 Hancock Street, Quincy, MA. Presentations & Formal Ribbon Cutting will take place at 12:00 pm, followed by light fare until 1:30 pm. Guests are encouraged to RSVP online at www.qcarc.splashthat.com. Event is open the public and media is encouraged to attend.

The ARC occupies a coveted first floor location in Presidents Place located at 1250 Hancock Street, in Quincy across from the MBTA Quincy Center T-Station. The 1,700 square foot space will include, among other features, a four screen matrix television presentation wall, designed to present college programs in rich media, tablet computers pre-loaded to assist students in researching programs and/or applying to Quincy College, and ergonomically designed furniture to facilitate greater interaction between Admissions Associates and visitors.

The state-of-the-art Admissions reception center (ARC) is adjacent to the Barnes & Noble at Quincy College Bookstore and will provide visitors to the building an excellent first impression of Quincy College, showcasing two high quality and impressive student service functions.

Quincy College Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance, Joseph Mercurio reflects on the development of the ARC and its alignment with the mission of the college: "With the development of the space comes a rejuvenated approach to college admissions. The Admissions Office is now a full-fledged outreach, recruiting and student support organization. The Quincy College admissions staff will now provide prospective students with full support in the admissions process and reach out to various community groups, such as adult learners, high school guidance counselors, and others to promote the academic programs of Quincy College. With this new space the admissions team will be able to better perform their functions and fulfill the community college mission."

Previously Quincy College had a small "Enrollment Office" which performed the combined functions of Registration, Admissions and Student Payment, combining services for perspective students as well as continuing students. With the inauguration of the new Admissions Reception Center Quincy College will reach out to help students navigate through the college admissions process in a pro-active way, finding the best suited option for each student - all in a highly personalized way. When transactions between the Admissions Reception Center require follow-up with the Registrar, The Financial Aid Office, or the Advising Office staff and students will find themselves in close proximity, only one flight away from each other.

Leading the way in the new ARC space will be newly appointed Quincy College Admissions Director, Eric Clark. Mr. Clark is no stranger to higher education having worked at Eastern Nazarene College as Director of the Center for Academic Success. He most recently held a position at the Woodward School for Girls serving as Director of Academic Services, STEM Initiatives and Special Programs. Mr. Clark is also known as Professor Clark having taught at both Eastern Nazarene and Quincy College as an Adjunct Professor in Mathematics. Mr. Clark holds a Masters Degree in Secondary Education and a Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics from Eastern Nazarene College.

Mr. Clark elaborates on his new role with Quincy College and the ARC: "I'm excited to lead a team of Admissions counselors who are passionate about connecting prospective students with the right program and finding the best pathway that ensures success, not only in a classroom, on our Plymouth or Quincy campuses but also in the real-world. We are the first experience many will have with Quincy College and we look forward to ensuring that this interaction is a positive, personalized conversation. The new Admissions Reception Center space will only further help us to facilitate critical relationships and connections with the greater South Shore Community. My proverbial door is always open and I look forward to seeing many prospective students explore Quincy College offerings in the new Admissions Reception Center. "

For more information about Quincy College Admissions, please visit: <http://www.quincycollege.edu/departments/admissions?/admissions>.

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ABOUT QUINCY COLLEGE

Founded in 1958, Quincy College is a two-year, municipally affiliated community college serving approximately 4,500 students at campuses located in Quincy and Plymouth, Massachusetts. Quincy College is an open access institution that encourages academic achievement and excellence, diversity, economic opportunity, community involvement, and lifelong learning. The College facilitates valuable learning relationships that inspire students to realize their educational and professional futures. The college offers 35 associate degree programs and 21 certificate programs in a variety of disciplines, including those within Professional Programs, Liberal Arts, Natural & Health Sciences and Nursing. The college is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, and is licensed by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education to grant the degrees of Associate in Arts and Associate in Science. The college draws a diversity of students from the greater Boston area as well as 121 countries around the world.

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