

# LEARNING LAB NEWSLETTER



*The Learning Lab is the central location for academic support services at Henry Ford College. We strive to assist students and faculty with evidence-based techniques for improving students' academic preparedness and success, while empowering them to become independent, self-motivated, and resourceful learners.*

## Lab Notes

Welcome to the first issue of the Learning Lab's newsletter! We're very excited to offer this means of communication for keeping you informed about our office.

At the Learning Lab, we pride ourselves on providing help that complements and builds upon in-class instruction. Our professional and student staff are dedicated to assisting all HFC students with academic support. This ranges from quick questions during drop-in tutoring, to individual academic coaching, to workshops and presentations for large audiences.

We plan to offer at least two newsletters each academic year (Fall & Winter).

This newsletter will be an evolving document; subsequent issues may change in length, format, and content.

To kickoff our first issue, we are offering you—our loyal readers—a **chance to name the newsletter!**

“**Learning Lab Newsletter**” doesn't have quite cachet we want, so...

**Be bold! Be creative! Be imaginative!**

Please submit your entries via email with the title “**Learning Lab Newsletter Contest**”. Please limit your entries to **a maximum of one per person**. The deadline is **May 10, 2019**. The winner will be announced in our **Fall 2019 newsletter!**

One lucky person will have the **glory and honor** (and receive a **gift card**) for their contribution to our publication!

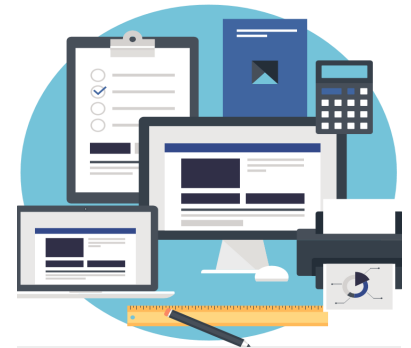
Along with your contest entry, please send any feedback about the newsletter to [learnlab@hfcc.edu](mailto:learnlab@hfcc.edu).

Thank you for reading!

**Chardin Claybourne**  
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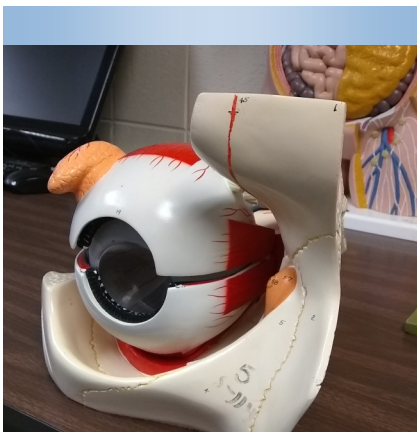


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### Dates to Remember

- Fall 2019 Registration Open To All Students: April 25, 2019
- Final Exams Begin: April 30, 2019
- Commencement Ceremony: May 4, 2019
- Winter Grades Available to students: May 6, 2019



## Anatomy and Physiology: New Eye Models

The Biology Department has recently donated three additional eye muscle models for students to use in the Learning Lab.

These anatomical models can be found in our Biology Lab, AKA "The Bone Room".

The Learning Lab initially reached out for these models after a Peer Tutor noticed that not enough models were available for use during busy periods.

Interested students may use these (and other) models by bringing their HFC ID to the Learning Lab where they are available for up to 45 minutes.

### MATH-131: Open Office Tutoring

The Learning Lab is happy to announce that select faculty are offering assistance for **MATH-131** at HFC.

Tutoring for these courses will be provided by Professors **Shanna Simpson-Singleton** and **Jeff Morford**.

Students must keep in mind these are open office hours for **MATH-131 only**.

For those interested, tutoring will take place on weekly on **Tuesdays from 3-5 p.m.** and will be located in **Room G-129 (Health Careers)**.

### Prospective Tutors

The Learning Lab hires current Henry Ford College students to serve as Peer Tutors. To be considered for a paid position please visit the HFC Career Services website to view open positions and additional information.

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## Tutor Spotlight: Shawn Stovall

Shawn is a newer hire who quickly demonstrated his ability to navigate the hiring process, despite having to go the distance in collecting everything required due to various circumstances.

Shawn never let this get him down and continued great communication with various campus stakeholders involved in submitting paperwork. We knew right away that this meant that when Shawn set his mind to something, it meant that it would indeed get taken across the finish line.

Shawn also demonstrates professionalism in tutoring that respects everyone's self-worth, and clearly outlines just how the Learning Lab operates. Thank you, Shawn, for your talents and skills which have been instrumental for the Learning Lab!



## HFC NetTutor in the News

NetTutor, HFC's online tutoring service was recently featured in one of Henry Ford College's weekly newsletters.

The article noted that since its launch in the Fall of 2018, NetTutor has enabled "more than 65 students" to complete over "200 sessions" of online tutoring.

Chardin Claybourne, lead faculty of HFC's Learning Lab, noted that since NetTutor's debut, usage has steadily increased.

The availability of 24/7 online tutoring helps make NetTutor a good resource for students who need support outside the Learning Lab's tutoring schedule. Students interested in taking advantage of NetTutor can access it through their HFC Online accounts.



## New Tutoring Subject: BBA-110

This semester, the Learning Lab has begun tutoring support for BBA-110, a business language skills class offered at HFC.

The move for the Learning Lab to begin offering assistance for this course was prompted by Prof. Elaine Saneske of the School of Business, Entrepreneurship & Professional Development.

"BBA-110 is a course which emphasizes the logic as to why we punctuate documents", notes Prof. Saneske. Specifically, this course teaches students that there is methodology behind the way we use different punctuations such as commas and semicolons in our writing.

Prof. Saneske notices that students often initially struggle with this course as this form of writing is not something students pick up in traditional K-12 education.

Though BBA-110 is listed as a business course, Prof. Saneske encourages all students to take this course as the subject matter can relate to all professions. "This is the most vital class any student can take", Prof. Saneske says.

For students in need of assistance, BBA-110 tutoring is currently offered Monday through Thursday, 1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. with Peer Tutor Alissa Moffit.