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FREE Cutting Edge GIS/GPS Integrated Computer Applications Certificate Program at HCCC

Hudson County Community College (HCCC) is offering a FREE 75-hour GIS/GPS Integrated Computer Applications course beginning on Monday, March 1, 2010. This course incorporates training in geographic information systems and global positioning systems with a project management component that utilizes Microsoft Office.

This new technology has applications in several industries, especially Transportation, Logistics and Distribution, and will provide participants with a competitive advantage when seeking employment. Participants who successfully complete the course will be awarded a certificate and five credits toward an Associate's Degree in Computer Science. This course is supported by [North Jersey Partners](#).

For more information or to register for the course, please contact Robert Fairchild at (201) 360-4246 or rfairchild@hccc.edu. No pre-registration placement or testing required. Classes will be held at the HCCC Culinary Arts Institute/Conference Center in Jersey City. Seating is limited so register immediately.

FREE TLD Career Opportunities and Skill Sets Training Course at PCCC

Thinking about a career in the Transportation, Logistics, and Distribution (TLD) industry or changing careers? Passaic County Community College (PCCC), with support from [North Jersey Partners](#), is offering a FREE TLD Career Opportunities and Skill Set 60-hour training course focused on the TLD industry. In less than three weeks, participants will be provided with a host of information about this exciting and growing industry.

The course runs from March 1 to March 16, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Friday at PCCC in Paterson. Participants must have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent as well as have the ability to speak, write and read in English. For more information or to register, please contact Nina Hernandez at (973) 684-6210.

Connect to TLD Micro Site for the Talent Network

The Transportation, Logistics, and Distribution (TLD) industry employs over 420,000 workers in the Garden State making it a critical market sector, especially in northern New Jersey. Moreover, ensuring a skilled workforce is key to the industry's success.

In turn, [North Jersey Partners](#) supports the [TLD Talent Network](#) that is building clear career pathways by partnering with industry, workforce development organizations and academic institutions. You can connect with the [TLD Talent Network](#) through the [TLD Micro Site](#) that provides valuable information about this growing and changing industry.

Retail Training Curriculum on the Web

The retail industry offers an exciting career path for those interested in this market sector. However, there are a variety of skills necessary to be successful. In turn, with support from [North Jersey Partners](#), the [Retail Training Curriculum](#) was developed based on input from the [Retail Industry Advisory Council](#). The Council is a collaboration of businesses, the National Retail Federation (NRF), the community colleges, the Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs), and One Stop Career Centers in the [North Jersey Partners'](#) eight county region.

This curriculum is available through the North Jersey Workforce System and offered periodically. Training for businesses can be scheduled on an "as-requested" basis. To find out more about the curriculum, when it is offered, and any applicable fees, please contact the community college in your county. A listing of those contacts can be found on the [North Jersey Partners](#) web site.

Take FREE Online Project Management Courses Any Time

Three one-hour Project Management online courses, available at no cost, have been customized for the Transportation, Logistics, and Distribution (TLD), Healthcare and Life Sciences, and Information Technology industries.

These online courses, funded by [North Jersey Partners](#), were developed to provide an overview of Project Management, the skills required to be successful, and case studies tailored to the specific growth industry. In addition, the Project Management certification process can be accessed through the [North Jersey Partners](#) web site.

Seize the Opportunity of Entrepreneurship Through a Webinar

[North Jersey Partners](#) developed and presented a webinar in mid-February to the One Stop Career Centers and Workforce Investment Boards (WIBs) to assist them in assessing and offering entrepreneurship as a career choice to prospective clients. The webinar will be featured on the [North Jersey Partners](#) web site in March as well as provided to the One Stops and WIBs for their internal use.

Judith Sheft, associate vice president of technology development at the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT), and Jeffery Dunn, executive director of The B.O.S.S. (Business One Stop Service) presented the webinar that was hosted at NJIT.

SAVE the DATE!

Friday, March 26 – [2010 New Jersey Technology Council \(NJTC\) Venture Conference](#), The Palace at Somerset Park, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. To register, go to [NJTC](#).

[North Jersey Partners](#) is a sponsor of both events. In addition to these dates, [North Jersey Partners](#) supports and promotes a variety of training sessions and workshops. Please visit our [Calendar of Events](#) or [Current News](#) for the updates and the latest information.