

DCC MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE.

THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOURSELVES WITH THIS COMMUNITY.

it's always a strange feeling when something you've been wishing for finally arrives.

if you're anything like me, you've been manifesting end-of-semester vibes since sometime around Groundhog's Day. there is nothing quite like the arrival of springtime weather; it has been so tempting to cast all responsibilities to the wayside and soak up these longer days. now, with the end of the semester upon us, i am so looking forward to a change in rhythm that will, hopefully, allow me to breathe a little more deeply.

i hope the summer months ahead bring forth the same kind of hope and renewal for you.

at the same time, this juncture always fills me with a sense of regret—mainly, for how quickly i wished for time to pass by. i hurried through moments of stress or discomfort in an effort to get here... and now that "here" has arrived, it is bittersweet. next week, we will celebrate with the Mu class for one last time, as they present their Capstone projects and move onward toward their junior year. the Nu class will wrap up their final days as first-year students and return next year with an inevitably different spirit, altogether changed by the growth of the past 9 months.

at the staff level, too, DCC will see significant changes. Dr. Skye will be leaving us, after spending a generous year allowing us to learn from her intellect, wit, wisdom, and compassion. and Danielle will also move on, pursuing her career in architecture after spending not only two years with us as a Graduate Assistant, but also formerly two years with us as a DCC undergraduate student from the Eta class. even though we are indescribably lucky to have Jonathan return next year, the absence of both Dr. Skye and Danielle will be meaningfully felt every day.

as much as we wish for time to march us forward, it brings with it momentous shifts. i hope all of us can take a few quiet moments in these coming weeks to appreciate what we've gained and lost, what endures and what has evolved, and how undergoing these transformations alongside one another—together, as a community—means for us.

i, for one, am grateful to have born witness to so many DCC students' and colleagues' growth this past year. you all continually change and challenge me. i am proud to learn, work, and teach among you. it has been a pleasure, DCC!

WE'RE HIRING!

DCC has begun the hiring process for Student Managers for the 2023-2024 academic year. We are currently seeking a minimum of three (3) returning students to fill two (2) slots as Makerspace Managers and one (1) slot as SoundStudio Manager. Remember: without Student Managers, we cannot open these spaces for student use during the evenings and weekends. We hope you'll strongly consider this opportunity for a flexible job serving your DCC community, right in the comfort of Prince Frederick Hall.

Full position details and expectations have been provided via email, sent to returning Nu class students on April 24.

Interested students must apply by completing this brief form, AND scheduling a virtual interview between May 12-25.

We look forward to working with you!

Spring Merchandise Sale. Featuring the original, tournament-winning design by Caroline Dinh (Mu), this year's StuCo Spring Merchandise features a black Hanes EcoSmart hoodie (S35 USD) and will be available for online purchase until the end of the day today, May 1.

Click here to grab yours before it's too late! All proceeds will support StuCo events and activities for current and future DCC students.

Makerspace and Sound Studio End-of-Semester Closures. Please be advised that the DCC SoundStudio will offer its last open session this Tuesday, May 2; and the DCC Makerspace will close for the semester at midnight on Wednesday, May 10. Thank you for a vibrant year in the Makerspace and Sound Studio! We'd like to additionally express our gratitude to Young-A Kim, Daria Holoman, and Lily Gallihue for their tremendous leadership as Student Managers. Their generosity of time and energy ensured that these resources were available to the DCC community all year long. Thank you so much; we couldn't have done it without you!!!

CAPSTONE FAIR 2023

It's our favorite time of year!

All DCC students, family, friends, and supporters are invited to Capstone Fair 2023, to be held next

Tuesday, May 9, from 5-7pm in the Multipurpose Room and Seminar Room of Prince Frederick Hall.

We are proud to showcase the imaginative, daring, vibrant, and joy-filled creative work of our students in the Mu + Lambda classes.

We sincerely hope you'll join us to celebrate them, to say farewell to Dr. Skye and Danielle, to vote for your Mu class superlatives and the Capstone Fair Fan Favorite, and to congratulate the winners of the inaugural DCC First Family Contest.

See you there!

pocc Community Yoga. The final yoga practice of the year will be held from 10-11am via Zoom on May 5. All yoga practices are free and open to all past, present, and prospective DCC students, their families, and friends. Access the DCC Yoga Zoom Room here.

triumphant DCC Family in the inaugural First Family contest will be announced at the close of this year's Capstone Fair. If you think your Family might be in the running for top honors, be sure to save-the-date for the First Family celebration dinner! Members of the winning family will be invited to break bread together at The Hall CP on Friday, May 12, at 7:30pm.

Kappa Class Graduation Party. With tremendous thanks to Joanna, Christina, and Josh, we are marking this huge milestone in the lives and academic careers of our Kappa class! It's time to graduate, seniors!!! Join us where it all started, in the MPR, on Friday, May 12, from 7-9pm for food, games, photos, and your DCC Honors cords!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

LET YOUR COMMUNITY
CELEBRATE YOU! HAVE
SOMETHING EXCITING TO
SHARE? SUBMIT TO
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BY THE 25TH OF EACH MONTH.

MAY

05 — Georgia H., Mu

07 — Kelsey A., Nu

09 — Devon G., Mu

14 — Daria H., Mu

14 — Lylah M., Mu

14 — Dasi F., Nu

15 — Lillian Z., Mu

15 — Gabrielle H., Nu

16 — Bia M.L., Nu

18 — L. N., Nu

18 — Mateo R., Nu

25 — Nuelle J., Mu

25 — Janna C., Nu

27 — Riya M., Mu

27 — Sarah M., Mu





OUR COMMUNITY BENEFITS EVERY DAY FROM THE ENERGY, LEADERSHIP, AND GENEROSITY OF OUR STUDENT COUNCIL. WHILE WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE RETURN OF **SOPHIE**, **DASHA**, **GABRIELLE**, **MATEO**, **AND BRIAN** IN AUGUST, WE ARE SAYING GOODBYE TO **ALLISON**, **SARAH**, **BRYANT**, **JOYCE**, **AND ALLEN** AFTER TWO YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE.

THANK YOU, STUCO!

THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU DO TO KEEP DCC STRONG, ENGAGED, FED, AND CARED FOR. YOU'VE LEFT AN INDELIBLE MARK ON THIS PROGRAM AND THESE PEOPLE. WHEREVER YOU GO, WHATEVER YOU DO, WE WON'T BE FAR BEHIND—CHEERING YOU ON, CHAMPIONING YOUR GROWTH, AND WISHING SO DEARLY THAT LIFE TREATS YOU WELL.