Two-year degree programs prepare students for careers in growing professions

Public invited to Nov. 9 fair to learn about A.S. degrees in biotechnology, electrical power, environmental science, health sciences and more

(Palm Beach Gardens, Fla. – October 25, 2011) Anyone interested in starting a new career will benefit from a free “program fair” on Wednesday, Nov. 9 from 10:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Myrna Rubenstein Pavilion on the Palm Beach Gardens campus, 3160 PGA Blvd. The event will feature several of the College’s two-year Associate in Science degree programs, in particular those offered on the Palm Beach Gardens campus. For more information, call 561-207-5220.

At the fair, attendees may learn about A.S. degree programs in biotechnology, electrical power technology (including alternative energy), environmental horticulture, environmental science and paralegal studies, as well as health science programs in radiography, respiratory care and sonography. Prospective students will be able to talk with Palm Beach Garden campus professors and advisors to find out more about the diverse career tracks in these growing fields.

With the current emphasis on job training, particularly in the STEM professions (science, technology, engineering, mathematics), the career-focused Associate in Science degree is garnering new interest. A.S. degrees provide the knowledge and skills necessary to obtain entry-level positions and sit for industry certification exams. Most of the College’s A.S. degree programs include internships with area employers and all programs work closely with business partnership councils to ensure alignment with the skills employers need. Transfer to certain bachelor’s degree programs also is possible with an A.S. degree, including to Palm Beach State’s Bachelor of Applied Science degree programs. For more information on these programs, go to palmbeachstate.edu and click on Areas of Study or use the search option.

Serving more than 51,000 students annually, Palm Beach State College is the largest institution of higher education in Palm Beach County, providing the bachelor’s degree, associate degrees, professional certificates, career training and lifelong learning. Established in 1933 as Florida’s first public community college, it offers more than 100 programs of study at locations in Lake Worth, Boca Raton, Palm Beach Gardens and Belle Glade.

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