

EMMC to offer tuition-free certificates to 25 students in rural Maine

BANGOR — Eastern Maine Community College will offer two certificate programs within its Medical Office Technology degree starting this fall at its off-campus centers located in Dover-Foxcroft, Ellsworth, and East Millinocket.

The programs, Health Care Secretary and Computer Applications Specialist, are a total of 34 and 30 credits, respectively, and will be offered to a cohort of up to 25 students.

Students enrolled in the programs will not be charged tuition or fees, and will receive the first semester's textbooks at no cost. Students will also be eligible to apply for financial aid to help defray related educational expenses.

Funding for the program offerings comes from the Maine Community College System's Bring College to ME program, which deliv-

ers targeted community college programs on an intermittent basis to rural parts of the state.

"These certificate programs will provide significant education and career opportunities for residents of rural Maine," said academic dean Liz Russell. "Graduates will be well-qualified to work in hospitals, clinics, and doctor's offices, or continue on to complete a two or four-year degree."

Students will have the option to complete EMCC's two-year associate degree in Medical Office Technology, which fully transfers to the University of Maine at Fort Kent's Business Management program.

"Expanding access to education throughout rural Maine is critical to the State's workforce and economy," said Dr. Lisa Larson, EMCC President. "Offering these certificates tuition-free facilitates educational access by introducing many first-time students to

good, entry-level higher learning opportunities."

Between 8-9 students will enroll in the programs at each of EMCC's higher education centers located in Dover-Foxcroft, Ellsworth, and East Millinocket. Courses will be delivered in person, online, and at a distance using Zoom Video Conferencing.

For more information on student eligibility, program descriptions, and curriculum, please visit emcc.edu/news-events/motcertificates.

Students looking to enroll can contact Stacy Green at EMCC by calling 974-4680.

Eastern Maine Community College is a two-year college that provides the highest quality post-secondary technical, career and transfer education and serves as a dynamic community and economic development resource. In addition to its Bangor campus, the college has three off-campus higher education centers in Dover-Foxcroft, Ellsworth, and East Millinocket.

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Maine Torchbearer Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi International Honor Society recently honored two members for 65 years of active membership. At a ceremony held this spring, Joan Rosie (left) and Marjorie Bowen, both of whom joined Beta Sigma Phi in 1951, were presented a special 65-year pin for their active service to their sorority. This significant milestone is shared with very few other members. Both Rosie and Bowen have attended their chapter's meetings and continue to participate in many of its activities.

Collins Center for the Arts adds performance to 2016-2017 season

ORONO — The Collins Center for the Arts has added another performance to its 2016-17 season. An Evening with Pat Metheny, with Antonio Sanchez, Linda Oh & Gwilym Simcock, is scheduled for 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 15, 2017.

Far more than a guitar legend, Metheny is a bril-

liant builder of bands, and he opens the fifth anniversary season with his latest game-changing ensemble.

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