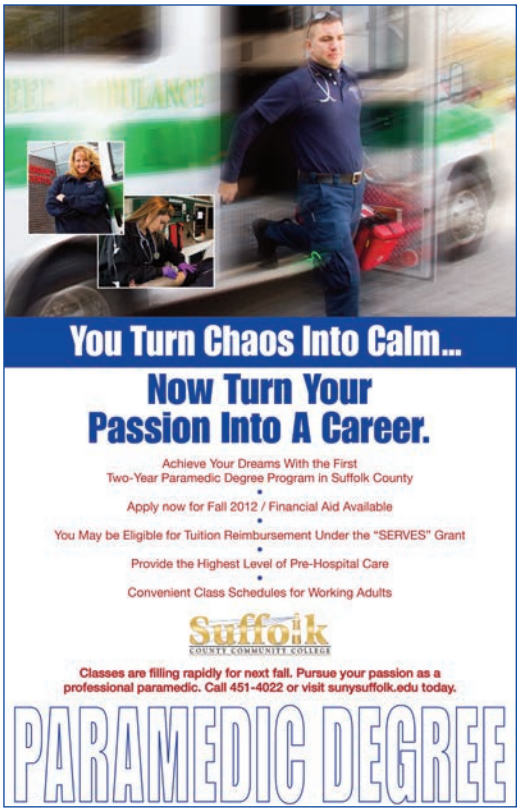
Academic Affairs. Responding to a need expressed by the community for qualified first-responders, we will begin offering an A.A.S. Paramedic Program in fall 2012 to provide innovative and comprehensive training in out-of-hospital, emergent and non-emergent medical care. In the past, Suffolk County residents had to travel to Queens County to access the nearest degree program. Building on its existing Emergency Medical Technician training, SCCC's new Paramedic certificate and degree programs encompass a combination of classroom, lab and clinical field experiences.

During spring 2012, the College contracted with Ad Astra Information Systems to deliver a strategic capacity and course offerings analysis. Five years of data was collected and analyzed. The college-wide Master Schedule Process Committee (MSPC) places a priority on maximizing resources and has demonstrated a successful outcome with regard to room utilization and course offering management. Ad Astra indicated they have never seen such exceptional management of an academic master schedule in all of the schools they have performed similar Strategic analysis. Since the presentation of their findings, Ad Astra has requested that the College's Associate Dean for Student Affairs Gary Campbell deliver a presentation to College Provosts and Registrars from across the nation at their annual summit this coming December to review the Master Schedule Development Calendar and the vetting process that develops the calendar for Suffolk.

The College-wide Academic Integrity Committee, a standing committee of the College Academic Standards Committee, has reviewed the Academic Integrity portion of the Code of Conduct and made recommendations to revise and expand the College's existing academic integrity policies and procedures. In addition, the Academic Standards Committee adopted revised add/drop, late registration and academic probation policies.

Since 1972, SUNY Board policies have been passed and enacted to strengthen the transfer experience within SUNY. Along with AA or AS degree acceptance, present policy assures the transferability of 30 credit hours of general education courses from seven of ten defined categories. Also assured for transfer are major related courses typically taken in the first two years of academic study. Additionally, students are not required to repeat courses that match the content of courses successfully completed. To determine if there are improvements that can be made to ensure that these policies are being carried out and to solicit suggestions on ways that these policies might be better implemented, the College took a leadership role in designing and issuing a SUNY Mobility Survey to the 64 SUNY campuses. Over 70% of SUNY's institutions responded. The final report was issued in June and contained suggested action items to address issues raised by the respondents.



The College will be filling its first cohort for the new Paramedic Program this coming fall.

