



NEWSLETTER

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NATIONAL CENTER FOR TEACHER RESIDENCIES

NCTR Network continues to effectively prepare teacher residents for their roles in the classroom with 92% of principals reporting that the graduates are more effective than the typical first-year teacher (NCTR Annual Report, 2022-2023).

"We're excited about the future and look forward to welcoming new cohorts of future teachers to campus!, shared Dr. Anna Harrison, Assistant Director of Curriculum and Instruction."

NCTR GRANT PAVES THE WAY: BENNETT'S TEACHER RESIDENCY PROGRAM TO ADDRESS NORTH CAROLINA'S EDUCATION CRISIS

Recently, the education program at Bennett received a large SEED grant from the National Center for Teacher Residencies (NCTR). NCTR's core commitment is to build and develop teacher residencies as a lever to address the enduring and systemic inequities in school systems facing children of color and children living in low-income communities. The \$125,000 grant will support the institution's efforts to prepare students to become teachers. This organization is helping set up Bennett's first teacher residency program on campus. Unlike the state's residency licensure program, Bennett's teacher residency will support aspiring educators with bachelor's degrees as they take education courses and go through the state licensure process. Research indicates that programs like this one lead to higher rates of teacher retention and job satisfaction, two factors that heavily influence the teacher shortage in North Carolina and beyond. For more information, contact Dr. Anna Harrison at Anna.Harrison@bennett.edu.



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE MADE ACCESSIBLE: BENNETT'S STUDENT SUCCESS TUTORING SERVICES

The Office of Student Success (OSS) Tutoring Services continues to provide academic support to promote success for every student. Face-to-face and online drop-in tutoring, individual tutoring, and small group tutoring are available to ensure that students get the help they need in the general education curriculum coursework in preparation for their major courses. Trained tutoring services, professional writing consultants, and peer tutors facilitate instruction and introduce students to supplemental resources using current best practices. For the 2023-2024 Academic Year, Tutoring Services provides free services for all currently enrolled students, and when utilized regularly, it can be a key factor in helping students meet and exceed their short-term and long-term educational goals, strengthen writing skills for academic, personal, and professional purposes, and help students become more confident, effective, scholars in and out of the classroom. Contact Ms. Tonya Doane, Student Success Activity Director, at TDoane@Bennett.edu for more information.

FOLLOW, LIKE, SUCCEED: BENNETT COLLEGE'S OFFICE OF STUDENT SUCCESS SOCIAL MEDIA TEAM IN ACTION



The Office of Student Success (OSS) also implemented a new initiative for the 2023-2024 academic year with the addition of the OSS Social Media Team. Throughout the year, the Social Media Team alerts students on important dates such as Final Exams, Mid-Terms, and Registration, announcements about Student Success and campus-wide events, and inspirational and motivational messages for Bennett students and the Bennett College Community. The OSS Social Media Team has been busy since its October 2023 launch!

Happy New Year!

from The Office of Sponsored Programs