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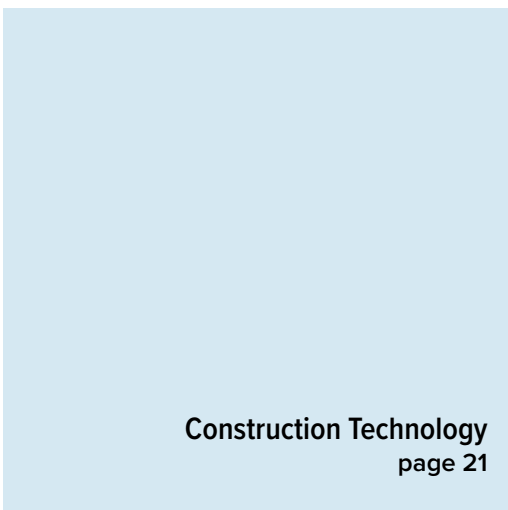
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Welcome to C-GCC's Community Engagement and Professional Development



Columbia-Greene Community College's Office of Community Engagement and Professional Development (CEPD) provides educational opportunities, personal enrichment, career development, and cultural programs for residents of Columbia and Greene counties.

Non-credit and continuing education courses, training programs, workshops, and community events will help fulfill lifelong-learning and personal development goals.

Questions? Contact Katie Davis, Interim Director of CEPD, at katherine.davis@sunycgcc.edu, or call **518.697.6370**.

Katie Davis

Interim Director of Community Engagement and Professional Development

» **LET'S GO!**

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#CoGreene!



Tuition Funding: Columbia-Greene Workforce New York

Columbia-Greene Workforce New York, located in the Professional Academic Center at C-GCC, provides a variety of employment-based services and offers grant-based tuition assistance for eligible people and programs that lead to industry-recognized credentials in high-demand fields. Eligible CEPD courses are noted in the course descriptions. For more information call **518.697.6510**.

💰 **Look for this symbol to find courses eligible for Workforce NY support.**

HOW TO REGISTER

Spring and Summer 2025

BY PHONE: 518.697.6370 Mastercard, Visa, American Express, and Discover cards are accepted over the telephone for all non-credit course registrations. Please have all registration and card information on-hand when calling.

IN-PERSON: Registration and payment may be made in person at Suite 709 in the Professional Academic Center of the Columbia-Greene Community College campus at 4400 Route 23, Hudson, NY 12534.

Accessibility

The College provides an inclusive campus for all students. Got questions? Contact the Office of Accessibility Services at oasweb@sunycgcc.edu.

Materials

Some courses require additional books and supplies not covered by the course fee. These supply lists will either be provided upon registration, by the instructor prior to class, or within the course description.

Refunds

Occasionally, courses must be canceled prior to their start because of low enrollment or unforeseen circumstances. If this occurs, students will be notified by telephone. If the College cancels a course, the registration will be refunded in full. Those wishing to withdraw from a course must request a refund at least 2 business days before the class begins. No refunds will be made after the first class.



FIND US!



» The Office of Community Engagement and Professional Development is located in **Suite 709** in the Professional Academic Center (PAC). Come visit us: columbiagreene.edu/CEmap.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Spring and Summer 2025



CANNABIS EDUCATION

Cannabis Home Cultivation

Growing cannabis with higher yields and better aromas, flavors, and effects can take a bit of effort and knowledge. This self-paced asynchronous course gives home growers aged 21+ a foundation for growing their best cannabis. Students will have access to three hours' worth of video content and supplemental reading in the month leading up to the remote Q&A session with the instructor. The course material also will be available to students after the course ends. The New York Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act permits the home cultivation of six cannabis plants per adult, and up to 12 per household with two or more adults.

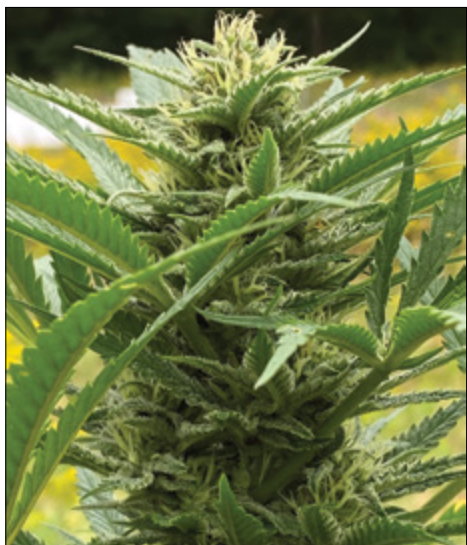
INSTRUCTOR: Rich Kolozsyc is a grower and breeder who focuses on outdoor growing in the northeast. He believes in regenerative agriculture, plant medicine, and the right to grow cannabis.

SI 99378-1Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 February 26, 2025 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$125

SI 99378-2Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 May 21, 2025 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$125



CAREER AND BUSINESS SKILLS



Child Care Training Program

Interested in opening an in-home daycare? This program will provide comprehensive training, equipment, and physical plan modifications for those interested in operating an in-home daycare program. The class will start with an informational session, and include mandatory health and safety training, Office of Children and Family Services orientation, and business practice training. Please call the office for the detailed course schedule; classes will be provided over the course of a month, delivered in-person, and generally in the evenings after 5:30 p.m.

INSTRUCTOR: Family of Woodstock

PR 72174-1Z

The Family of Woodstock, Inc. – Child Care Connections Site
 351 Fairview Ave., Suite 310
 Hudson, NY 12534
 Begins: February 13, 2025
 Fee: \$1,400

\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available. Call 518.697.6510.

Notary Public Seminar

This seminar provides preparation for the New York State Notary Public Test. Topics include situations that a Notary Public may encounter including conflicts of interest, professional ethics, proper fees, special situations, when to defer to an attorney, and minimizing legal liability. All materials included. The link to schedule an exam is exams@dos.ny.gov.

INSTRUCTOR: Steven E. Williams is a member of the American Society of Notaries as well as a practicing Mobile Notary, Mortgage Loan Signing Agent, and a New York State licensed Mortgage Loan Originator.

BU 68142-1Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
 January 30, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

BU 68142-2Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
 March 20, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

BU 68142-3Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
 May 1, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

BU 68142-4Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
 June 26, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

BU 68142-5Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
 August 14, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Fee: \$85

\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available. Call 518.697.6510.

Become a New York State Notary Signing Agent

After completing this introductory course, students will have the opportunity to work on a freelance basis with mortgage, title, and signing companies who hire employees to notarize and present mortgage loan documents. Please note: students must be a current Notary Public in order to become a Signing Agent.

INSTRUCTOR: Victor Bujanow is a NYS Notary Public, Certified Notary Signing Agent, statewide Notary Public college adjunct instructor, and a member of The American Society of Notaries.

PR 72170-1Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 February 19, 2025 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

PR 72170-2Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
 April 17, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$95

PR 72170-3Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Tuesday
 June 17, 2025 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

PR 72170-4Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 August 13, 2025 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Fee: \$95

\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available. Call 518.697.6510.

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Budgets 101 ***New!***

This class will help students understand how budgets get created and used by businesses and organizations of all sorts. Learn how to read and understand town and school budgets to become a smarter taxpayer, and create a personal budget template for your own finances!

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Stacey Hills is an Associate Professor of Business at Columbia-Greene Community College, as well as a Treasurer on multiple non-profit Boards of Directors.

BU 28256-1A

C-GCC – Room 136

August 20, 2025

Fee: \$75

1 Wednesday

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



Getting Paid to Talk

For students who have ever wondered how to work in voice-over, this workshop is a realistic first step. An easy-to-access remote learning system will take students behind the scenes at Voice Coaches' main studios in Albany, NY, that produces voice-over content from audio books, training material, animation, and commercials, to socially relevant content, television, and much more!

INSTRUCTOR: Members of the Creative Voice Development Group in Albany, NY

PR 32184-1Z

Voice Coaches

26 Vly Rd.

Albany, NY 12205

April 28, 2025

Fee: \$30

1 Monday

6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

PR 32184-2Z

Taught via Zoom

June 23, 2025

Fee: \$30

1 Monday

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

How to Start Any Home Business: 250 Business Ideas!

Taught by a Chamber of Commerce past President and award-winning business owner, this comprehensive course will offer workshop-style information on more than 250 legitimate home business ideas, mandatory legal documentation, ways to market products and services, how to take tax deductions (this workshop included), and more.

INSTRUCTOR: LeeAnne Krusemark is an author, speaker, business owner, Chamber of Commerce past President, and guest instructor at more than 200 colleges nationwide.

PR 24103-1Z

Taught via Zoom

March 4, 2025

Fee: \$50

1 Tuesday

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

PR 24103-2Z

Taught via Zoom

July 30, 2025

Fee: \$50

1 Wednesday

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Introduction to Financial Statements

New!

Learn how financial statements work for organizations, as well as how to read and interpret the documents. This course is relevant for both new business owners and people who want to begin investing!

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Stacey Hills

BU 28255-1A

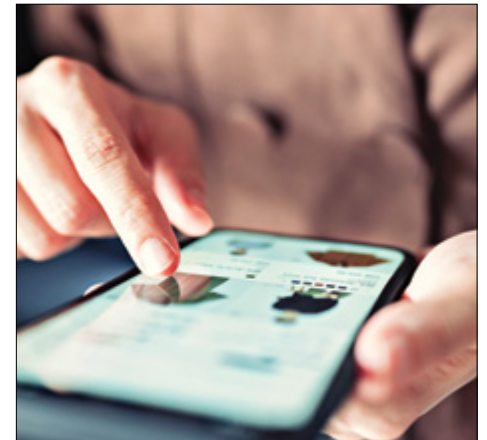
C-GCC – Room 136

August 18, 2025

Fee: \$75

1 Monday

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



Monetize Websites, Blogs, and Social Media with Affiliate Marketing

Earn a passive monthly income from selling other people's products by placing a merchant-provided advertisement link on your site and get a commission for every sale, click, or lead! Learn where to find 1000+ free and low-cost opportunities and how to avoid scams or links that won't offer a beneficial ROI (return on investment).

INSTRUCTOR: LeeAnne Krusemark

PR 24246-1Z

Taught via Zoom

February 27, 2025

Fee: \$50

1 Thursday

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

PR 24246-2Z

Taught via Zoom

July 24, 2025

Fee: \$50

1 Thursday

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Start Your Own Online Business

New!

Turn ideas or homemade products into income by starting an online business! Students will learn how to find and fill a gap in a niche market; build their own website; market their business effectively to entice potential customers; take care of business forms and taxes; and create multiple sources of income.

INSTRUCTOR: LeeAnne Krusemark

PR 72178-1Z

Taught via Zoom

March 5, 2025

Fee: \$50

1 Wednesday

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

PR 72178-2Z

Taught via Zoom

July 23, 2025

Fee: \$50

1 Wednesday

5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT COURSES

COMPUTER SKILLS

Introduction to QuickBooks Online

This introductory course will cover the basic features in QuickBooks and how these features apply to best practice bookkeeping principles. Learn how to effectively and efficiently use QuickBooks to manage daily bookkeeping tasks and develop an understanding of how the data is entered, processed, and reviewed.

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Stacey Hills

CM 28441-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 or via Zoom
2 Mondays and 2 Wednesdays
Begins: February 10, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$130

CM 28441-2A

C-GCC – Room 111 or via Zoom
2 Mondays and 2 Wednesdays
Begins: June 2, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$130

\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.



Advanced QuickBooks Online

This course deepens the knowledge of all the aspects needed to properly manage service and product-based businesses with QuickBooks Online. Topics covered include managing users, chart of accounts, beginning balance set up, historical transactions, financial reports, checks, A/P, A/R, budgeting, transfers, purchase orders, payroll, sales tax, connecting banks, manually uploading transactions, bank reconciliations, attachments, and inventory. This course is especially relevant for bookkeepers as well as business owners.

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Stacey Hills

CM 28484-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 or via Zoom
2 Mondays and 2 Wednesdays
Begins: February 24, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$130

CM 28484-2A

C-GCC – Room 111 or via Zoom
2 Mondays and 2 Wednesdays
Begins: June 16, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$130

\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITY! These QuickBooks classes can be used to receive **Columbia-Greene Community College credit**. Students desiring to receive credit for AC 116 QuickBooks will need to meet the learning outcomes through an additional project. Credit may be awarded after successful completion of both Introduction to QuickBooks Online and Advanced QuickBooks Online, as well as a project and learning evaluation. For more information, please contact Dr. Stacey Hills at stacey.hills@sunycgcc.edu.

Adobe Photoshop Level 1

New users of Adobe Photoshop will learn how to edit and enhance photographs, as well as the essential concepts and getting started in the workspace. With Photoshop, one can remove unwanted objects, correct poor lighting, have fun by fixing messy hair, and more! Learn to scan old, damaged prints and restore them.

PREREQUISITE: Familiarity with basic computer skills

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Zunitch, a seasoned IT professional, owns Business Point Systems, a career training company providing technology education and high-value career skills to businesses and individuals for more than a decade.

CM 28368-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 2 Saturdays
Begins: March 1, 2025 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$135

CM 28368-2A

C-GCC – Room 111 2 Saturdays
Begins: June 7, 2025 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$135

Adobe Photoshop Level 2

This course continues Adobe Photoshop Level I for users who would like to improve and enhance their skills. Students should bring old digital photos and/or a digital camera.

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Zunitch

CM 28464-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 2 Saturdays
Begins: March 15, 2025 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$135

Computer Basics for Seniors Level 1

Starting with the very basics, students will learn essential skills and terminology that will unmask the mystery of the computer. Topics include using the mouse and keyboard, booting and logging in, finding and running programs, using the Internet, reading email, viewing photos, and setting up folders and files. Please bring email addresses and passwords to class. Students may bring their own laptops if they have their login ID and password. Please note the instructor cannot fix individual computer problems or find lost passwords during class.

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Zunitch

CM 28444-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 4 Saturdays
Begins: February 1, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$155

CM 28444-2A

C-GCC – Room 111 4 Saturdays
Begins: July 12, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$155

\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.

Create a Website with WordPress Level 1

In this course, students will build a live, working website using WordPress, one of the world's most popular platforms for web hosting and content management. Through a series of hands-on exercises, students will install and configure the WordPress software; choose and configure a theme; create pages, posts, and menus; and enhance sites with widgets and plug-ins.

PREREQUISITE: Familiarity with basic computer skills

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Zunitch

CM 28462-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 3 Saturdays
Begins: February 1, 2025 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$155

CM 28462-2A

C-GCC – Room 111 3 Saturdays
Begins: July 12, 2025 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$155

\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Microsoft Excel Level 1

This class is for new users of Microsoft Excel who would like to create professional quality spreadsheets for business or personal applications. Participants will learn how to enter data and save a workbook; create a basic spreadsheet; create and enter formulas to perform calculations, manipulate data, and apply formatting to modify a worksheet; print the contents of a workbook; and learn strategies for managing large workbooks.

PREREQUISITE: Familiarity with basic computer skills

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Zunitch

CM 28448-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 2 Saturdays
Begins: March 1, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$135

CM 28448-2A

C-GCC – Room 111 2 Saturdays
Begins: June 7, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$135

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.**

Microsoft Excel Level 2

Participants will learn how to streamline repetitive tasks and display spreadsheet data in a more visually effective way. Topics include using advanced formulas, techniques, and options to organize worksheets and table data; creating and modifying charts; analyzing with Pivot Tables, Slicers, and Pivot Charts; adding graphics to a spreadsheet; and learning advanced ways to customize and enhance workbooks.

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Zunitch

CM 28449-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 2 Saturdays
Begins: March 15, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$135

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.**

Personalized Computer Help

Take advantage of this unique opportunity to receive one-on-one instruction and assistance with computer questions. Students will be able to receive help specific to their needs. Students may bring a laptop or use the computers available in the classroom. Topics include website building; general computer questions; email; using the internet; streaming; Excel; Photoshop; video editing; managing files; getting started with an application;

and more. Students must have basic knowledge of their applications. Windows computers only; no Macs, Chromebooks, tablets, or cell phones.

INSTRUCTOR: Dan Zunitch

CM 28480-1A

C-GCC – Room 111 1 Saturday
February Saturdays (1, 8, 15) 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
February 22, 2025 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

March Saturdays (1, 8, 15, 22) 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

June 21, 2025 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

August Saturdays (2, 9) 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Fee: \$95 (per two-hour time slot)

Other times can be arranged – call 518.697.6370 to schedule

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.**

ESL AND LEARNING SUCCESS

ESL Bridge-to-College

Columbia-Greene's ESL Bridge-to-College is an intensive, non-credit course that helps academically qualified non-native English speakers learn the advanced English language skills required for college success. The course consists of two complementary instructional modules that provide college-level skills preparation in grammar, reading, and writing. The core classroom instruction is supported through supplemental opportunities in the College's Student Success Center and a professional tutor.

INSTRUCTOR: Eileen Ordu

SI 99345-1Z

C-GCC – Room 113A and 113B
Mondays and Thursdays
Begins: January 27, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Fee: \$15
No class February 17

Young Adults Education for Success Program (YES), Ages 18-21

The Young Adults Education for Success (YES) Program provides one-on-one and group instruction for adults ages 18-21 striving to improve their prospects for



workplace and career success. The course prepares students for the General Education Development test. GED program services include a workplace skills assessment, and instruction in reading, writing, and mathematics up to the pre-college level. YES accepts students on an ongoing basis, with 16 hours per week of instruction available beginning in September. Contact the Workforce New York Office for full eligibility and funding details at 518.697.6510.

INSTRUCTOR: C-GCC staff

SI 99246-1A

C-GCC – Room 117
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
Begins: Ongoing 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

HEALTH PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Basic Life Support for Health care Professionals

Receive or renew the Basic Life Support certification in one evening. This course is appropriate for health care professionals, nursing students, and anyone else in need of certification.

INSTRUCTOR: Stacy Collier-Deieso, MA, is an Adjunct Instructor at Columbia-Greene Community College.

HE 36302-1A

C-GCC – Room 404 1 Monday
January 27, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Fee: \$90

HE 36302-2A

C-GCC – Room 404 1 Tuesday
May 27, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
Fee: \$90

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.**

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CAREER DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Basic Life Support Skills Testing Only

This course is for students who have taken the American Heart Association Basic Life Support Certification Course online, and only need to complete their in-person skills testing. Students must bring a printed copy of their online AHA BLS Completion Certificate. Information on the online BLS Certification Course can be found here: <https://cpr.heart.org/en/courses/basic-life-support-course-options>

INSTRUCTOR: Stacy Collier-Deieso

HE 77200-1A

C-GCC – Room 404 1 Monday
 January 27, 2025 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$60

HE 77200-2A

C-GCC – Room 404 1 Tuesday
 May 27, 2025 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$60

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
 Call 518.697.6510.**



Standard First Aid/CPR/AED Course

This American Heart Association Standard First Aid Course provides individuals with the knowledge and skills necessary to recognize and provide basic care for injuries and sudden illnesses until medical personnel arrive. The course covers all required topics such as recognizing emergencies, prioritizing care, using or applying rescue breathing, administering Adult CPR, and dressing wounds. The instructor will administer the American Heart Association First Aid/CPR certificate exam at the end of the class. The certification earned for this course is valid for two years. Note: this class is not for professional recertification for EMT First Responders.

INSTRUCTOR: Stacy Collier-Deieso

HE 36239-1A

C-GCC – Room 404 1 Monday
 February 3, 2025 5:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$90

HE 36239-2A

C-GCC – Room 404 1 Monday
 June 2, 2025 5:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$90

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
 Call 518.697.6510.**

SECURITY GUARD TRAINING



8-Hour Pre-Assignment Training Course for Security Guards

Prior to obtaining a security officer's license in New York State, students must attend and pass this course. Topics covered include the role of the security guard, legal powers and limitations, emergency situations, access control and identification, public relations and communication, ethics, and conduct.

INSTRUCTOR: William DeLuca served as a police officer for 21 years and is certified as a Master and General Topics Instructor by the New York State Bureau for Municipal Police. He also is a retired Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at Columbia-Greene Community College.

PR 68333-1A

C-GCC – Room 134 1 Saturday
 February 15, 2025 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$90

PR 68333-2A

C-GCC – Room 134 1 Saturday
 August 9, 2025 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$90

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
 Call 518.697.6510.**

Annual In-Service Training Course for Security Guards

This eight-hour mandated in-service training course is for all security guards in New York State and must be completed on a calendar-year basis for each year succeeding the completion of the mandated 16-hour On-the-Job Training Course for Security Guards. Topics covered include the role of a security guard, legal powers and limitations, emergency situations, communications and public relations, access control, report writing, ethics and conduct, and elective topics.

INSTRUCTOR: William DeLuca

PR 68424-1A

C-GCC – Room 134 1 Saturday
 March 8, 2025 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$90

PR 68424-2A

C-GCC – Room 134 1 Saturday
 July 12, 2025 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$90

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
 Call 518.697.6510.**

16-Hour On the Job Training Course for Security Officers

This 16-hour course must be completed within 90 days of employment as a security officer and provides detailed information on the duties and responsibilities of the role. Topics covered include the responsibilities expected of the security officer, legal powers and limitations, emergency situations, communications and public relations, access control, ethics and conduct, incident command system, and terrorism. Students must have completed the Eight-Hour Pre-Assignment Training course to attend this class. Successful completion of this course requires passing a written examination.

INSTRUCTOR: William DeLuca

PR 68346-1A

C-GCC – Room 134 1 Friday and 1 Saturday
 Begins: April 25, 2025 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$160

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
 Call 518.697.6510.**

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PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Spring and Summer 2025

ARTS AND CRAFTS

Contemporary Analog Collage

Using different kinds of materials, students will learn to hand-cut, design, and arrange images to tell their stories and create something uniquely meaningful to them. Students will be able to think about composition and how to produce a cohesive work using easily acquired materials, as well as their imaginations.

INSTRUCTOR: Kathryn Velis Turan has been a working artist for more than 20 years, focusing on mixed media fiber and paper art. Her work has been shown nationally and internationally.

AR 44381-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 5 Thursdays
Begins: March 6, 2025 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$150

AR 44381-2A
C-GCC – Room 509 5 Thursdays
Begins: May 22, 2025 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$150

AR 44381-3A
C-GCC – Room 509 5 Thursdays
Begins: July 24, 2025 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$150

CERAMICS

Pottery Wheel Throwing

Learn the fundamental skills of throwing on a potter's wheel or improve existing skills. This course offers individualized instruction based on existing ability. Beginners learning to use the pottery wheel will gain an understanding of the essential skills needed to create pottery. The class will include a presentation on glazing techniques and technical discussions about kiln firing. All supplies are included. Please note that each class is limited to five students, with a practice session available from 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. before the scheduled class.

INSTRUCTOR: Fred Koschetzki, <http://ceramicartists.com>, MA University of Denver, MFA Southern Illinois University.



AR 08961-1A
C-GCC – Room 503 5 Mondays
Begins: January 27, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

AR 08961-2A
C-GCC – Room 503 5 Wednesdays
Begins: January 29, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

AR 08961-3A
C-GCC – Room 503 5 Mondays
Begins: March 17, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

AR 08961-4A
C-GCC – Room 503 5 Wednesdays
Begins: March 19, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$275

FIBER ARTS

Bundle Dyeing

Bundle dyeing is an innovative process that bypasses the need for the dye pot, allowing for the direct transfer of natural dyes and their herbal qualities into cloth. In this workshop, students will learn the basics of natural dyeing, including how to prepare fabric and use local ethically foraged plants, flowers, and food scraps, as dye material.

INSTRUCTOR: Make Workshop founder Diana Rupp, author of Sew Everything Workshop

AR 44368-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 1 Sunday
June 8, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Fee: \$100 (includes supplies)

Handspinning Yarn

Do you have sheep, alpacas, llamas, bunnies, sheep dogs, or mohair goats in your life? Fashion yarn from their fur in a timeless fashion by hand on a drop spindle, or more quickly with a spinning wheel! No experience is necessary to participate.

INSTRUCTOR: Claudia Krisniski, owner of Countrywool, has been teaching facets of fiber arts for more than 40 years. Using natural fibers, she is dedicated to enhancing the local fiber community's health and productivity.

AR 08860-1Z
Countrywool
59 Spring Rd.
Hudson, NY 12534 1 Sunday
June 1, 2025 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50

AR 08860-2Z
Countrywool
59 Spring Rd.
Hudson, NY 12534 1 Sunday
July 20, 2025 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50



Introduction to Embroidery

By mastering just a few easy stitches, students will gain the skills to create original works of art using a variety of hand embroidery methods. Perk-up jeans and tee-shirts, and/or be able to complete a design by your favorite needlework artist. No experience necessary!

INSTRUCTOR: Diana Rupp

AR 44354-1A
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Saturday
March 1, 2025 10:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$65 (includes supplies)

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Introduction to Sewing Machines

If you have never touched a sewing machine, or the last time you did was in a home economics class, this is the perfect workshop to develop basic machine sewing skills! In addition to showing students how to successfully thread a machine, the instructor will teach the basics of sewing by making a simple fabric wallet.

INSTRUCTOR: Diana Rupp

AR 44371-1A

C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria
February 1, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Fee: \$85

AR 44371-2A

C-GCC – Room 105
March 22, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Fee: \$85

AR 44371-3A

C-GCC – Room 105
May 3, 2025
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Fee: \$85

Knit a Basic Sweater *New!*

This three-session class over three months will cover constructing a pullover sweater with raglan sleeves, knit completely in the round. Experienced knitters welcome, or those who have previously taken Knitting a Wool Scarf. Classes will meet March 2, April 6, and May 4.

INSTRUCTOR: Claudia Krisniski

AR 08772-1Z

Countrywool
59 Spring Rd.
Hudson, NY 12534
Begins: March 2, 2025
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Fee: \$140

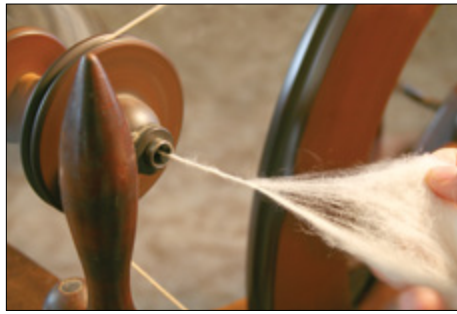
Knitting a Wool Scarf

This class will teach the basics of knitting with soft and renewable wool yarn. Topics to be covered include casting on; knit, purl, garter, ribbing, cable, and seed stitches; joining yarn; and casting off. Continental, English, or American knitting will be taught with full support for right or left-handed knitters.

INSTRUCTOR: Claudia Krisniski

AR 08816-1A

C-GCC – Room 105
February 1 and 15
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Fee: \$75



Quilting 101

This four-part workshop teaches students all the basics of making a patchwork quilt from piecing the top to assembling the layers and binding. Some basic machine sewing experience is required. The first and last class will be taught in-person at the College, and the second and third classes will be taught via Zoom.

INSTRUCTOR: Diana Rupp

AR 08103-1Z

C-GCC – Room 105 and Zoom
Begins: April 3, 2025
6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$145

Spinning Raw Sheep's Wool *New!*

Learn to spin yarn from a freshly clipped sheep's fleece using hand tools only! Bypass any washing until after the yarn is made.

INSTRUCTOR: Claudia Krisniski

AR 44389-1Z

Countrywool
59 Spring Rd.
Hudson, NY 12534
June 15, 2025
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50

Tapestry Weaving

Learn the basics of hand weaving with yard, fabric, and raw wool. In addition to learning how to create fabric and one-of-a-kind works of art using a variety of patterns and techniques, students will be given a small weaving frame loom that they can take home, along with extra yarn to continue working long after the workshop ends.

INSTRUCTOR: Diana Rupp

AR 16027-1A

C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria
June 7, 2025
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Fee: \$95 (includes supplies)

Zip-o-riffic Pillow

The pièce de résistance: a pillow cover with an invisible zipper and tidy French seams that would rival any similar style found at high-end home furnishing boutiques! This workshop will teach a number of valuable sewing skills with an emphasis on invisible zipper installation and professional looking results.

INSTRUCTOR: Diana Rupp

AR 44372-1A

C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria
February 1, 2025
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Fee: \$75

AR 44372-2A

C-GCC – Room 105
May 3, 2025
1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Fee: \$75

DRAWING AND PAINTING

Exploring Watercolor and Collage

Find your inner artist while experimenting with watercolors and collage. In this course, students will explore color theory, color mixing, composition, art history, and watercolor techniques and tricks. They also will build on or improve their drawing skills. Participants will engage in a variety of exercises while gaining confidence, and, most importantly, having fun! Homework will be encouraged, but not required. Every level of skill is welcome.

INSTRUCTOR: Karen Martin is a working artist with a degree in art and design from Long Island University.

AR 16079-1A

C-GCC – Room 509
Begins: February 7, 2025
11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Fee: \$100



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PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Drawing from Life

In this class, students will develop their hand-eye coordination, focusing on really seeing what's in front of them. Line, mass, light source, and the use of negative space will be explored in a variety of exercises. Students will work with a range of mediums to enable the development of a full complement of techniques. (Model fee included.)

INSTRUCTOR: Luis Macia, an accomplished artist originally from New York City, was an apprentice to the noted watercolorist Irwin Greenberg, as well as the social realist, Max Ginsburg. His work has appeared in solo and group shows in New York City and the Hudson Valley.

AR 16164-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Tuesdays
Begins: January 28, 2025 6:15 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

AR 16164-2A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Tuesdays
Begins: March 11, 2024 6:15 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

AR 16164-3A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Tuesdays
Begins: June 17, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
No class July 1

Fee: \$160



Drawing Marathon

Open to all levels of skill, this “marathon” is a great opportunity to work from a live model and/or a beautiful still life. Stay all day or come and go as you please! A live model will create short poses up to 20 minutes for the first four hours, followed by a long pose for the remainder of the day. Students won't break a sweat at this marathon; all the work is done with artists' tools!

INSTRUCTOR: Luis Macia

AR-44373-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 1 Sunday
August 10, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Fee: \$35



Exploring Pastels: The Marriage of Drawing and Painting *New!*

Explore the complexities and joy of pastels! Topics include preparing and toning surfaces; mixing and blending; losing and finding edges; contrast; and the effects of warm and cool colors on composition. The first class will be primarily instructional, while the final three classes will use photo reference, still life, and a live model.

INSTRUCTOR: Luis Macia

AR 44387-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 4 Mondays
Begins: March 3, 2025 6:15 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Fee: \$75

The Figure in Extended Pose

This course is for students who wish to work on a single pose for the entire class to explore the figure in greater depth. Pastels, watercolors, and/or oil will be used to study and capture line, form, mass, light, and negative space to create a fully realized picture. Teaching methods include instruction, demonstration, individualized attention, and support through the process. Model fee included.

INSTRUCTOR: Luis Macia

AR 44366-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 5 Wednesdays
Begins: February 5, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: \$150

AR 44366-2A
C-GCC – Room 509 5 Wednesdays
Begins: June 18, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: \$150
No class July 2

Hudson Valley Plein Air

In this class, students will use pastels, watercolors, or oils to capture the beauty of the Hudson Valley. Instruction will begin with surface preparation, broadly blocking in the scene through creating a fully realized composition. A strong emphasis will be

placed on color, structure, composition, and capturing the ever-changing natural light. The first class will meet at the Gazebo in Hudson Riverfront Park.

INSTRUCTOR: Luis Macia

AR 44367-1Z
Offsite 6 Wednesdays
Begins: June 18, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$85
No class July 2

AR 44367-2Z
Offsite 6 Sundays
Begins: June 22, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$85
No class July 6

Indoor-Outdoor Springscapes

The large windows in the Professional Academic Center (PAC) give students the opportunity to capture the outdoors while staying indoors. Students will use pastels, watercolors, or oils to capture the beauty of the Hudson Valley. Teaching methods will include instruction, demonstration, individualized attention, and support through the process. Individuals may set up outside on mild days!

INSTRUCTOR: Luis Macia

AR 16150-1A
C-GCC – PAC Lower Lobby 6 Sundays
Begins: March 23, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Fee: \$85
No class April 20

Pen and Ink Workshop

This class places an intensive focus on creating form from line and shading using a variety of techniques and tools. Cartridge pen and speedball pen and ink on Bristol pad can provide a broad range of effects capturing bright lights and deep shadows. These techniques also serve to strengthen drawing skills.

INSTRUCTOR: Luis Macia

AR 44382-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 3 Wednesdays
Begins: April 23, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: \$60

AR 44382-2Z
C-GCC – Room 509 3 Mondays
Begins: July 28, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: \$60

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Studio Painting Level 1

This class for beginners will focus on individual instruction and lectures on perspective; central focal points; Rule of Thirds and the Golden Mean; color theory; eye magnets; composition theories; and brushwork.

INSTRUCTOR: Robert A. Lahm is a graduate of the Newark School of Fine and Industrial Arts (Advertising Design and Illustration) and Montclair Art Museum School.

AR 16257-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: February 1, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon

AR 16257-2A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: March 29, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon

AR 16257-3A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: May 17, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon

AR 16257-4A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: July 12, 2025 9:00 a.m. – Noon

Fee: \$150

Studio Painting Level 2

This class continues Studio Painting Level 1, The course will focus on enhanced techniques; landscape painting; still life painting; portrait painting (Renaissance and direct methods); and animal portraiture.

INSTRUCTOR: Robert A. Lahm

AR 44388-1A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: February 1, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

AR 44388-2A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: March 29, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

AR 44388-3A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: May 17, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

AR 44388-4A
C-GCC – Room 509 6 Saturdays
Begins: July 12, 2025 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Fee: \$150

COOKING AND BAKING

Beginner Cookie Decorating

Students interested in working with royal icing are encouraged to get the ball rolling in this exciting class! Step-by-step instructions will be provided as participants decorate five basic cookie designs to take home. Students will be provided the instructor's blogpost, loaded with cookie decorating information and recipes, as well as a goodie bag. Open to ages 10 and up. No refunds will be provided within 48 hours of the class.

INSTRUCTOR: Cindy Burek has been teaching cookie decorating classes for seven years at local businesses and hotels, in addition to other local community colleges. She owns Buttercup Cookie (www.buttercupcookie.com).

SI 99368-1A Valentine's Theme
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Thursday
February 6, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$75

SI 99368-2A Easter Theme
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Saturday
March 22, 2025 Noon – 2:00 p.m.
Fee: \$75

SI 99368-3A Spring Theme
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Wednesday
May 7, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$75

SI 99368-3A Farmer's Market Theme
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Wednesday
June 4, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$75



Beginner Plus Cookie Decorating

This class takes the next step in the cookie decorating journey and is for students who have basic experience using royal icing but want slightly more challenging cookie designs. The class will decorate four or five cookies and learn additional step-by-step instructions while incorporating more fun techniques and tools. Goodie bag included. Open to ages 10 and up. No refunds will be provided within 48 hours of the class.

INSTRUCTOR: Cindy Burek

SI 99400-1A Valentine's Theme
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Tuesday
January 28, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

SI 99400-2A Easter Theme
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Thursday
April 3, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

SI 99400-3A Camping Theme
C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria 1 Tuesday
July 15, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Fee: \$85

Jewish Cooking and Baking for Children, Ages 7-11 *New!*

In this exciting new offering, children will make noodle kugel, rugelach, hamentashen, and challah. The class will be part demonstration, part hands-on learning. The class will meet for four consecutive days.

INSTRUCTORS: The Sisterhood Ladies of Congregation Anshe Emeth have extensive experience cooking Jewish recipes. They have prepared cookbooks in the past and catered numerous luncheons and dinners at the synagogue.

CK 40169-1Z
Congregation Anshe Emeth
240 Joslen Blvd.
Hudson, NY 12534 Monday through Thursday
Begins: July 14, 2025 10:00 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$125

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Jewish Baking: Making Hamentashen ***New!***

Learn how to make hamentashen in this new course offered by The Sisterhood Ladies of Congregation Anshe Emeth. Students will learn through hands-on practice and demonstration.

INSTRUCTORS: The Sisterhood Ladies of Congregation Anshe Emeth

CK 40170-1Z

Congregation Anshe Emeth
240 Joslen Blvd.
Hudson, NY 12534

1 Tuesday
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

March 4, 2025
Fee: \$45

Jewish Baking: Making Challah ***New!***

Learn how to make challah in this new course offered by The Sisterhood Ladies of Congregation Anshe Emeth. Students will learn through hands-on practice and demonstration.

INSTRUCTORS: The Sisterhood Ladies of Congregation Anshe Emeth

CK 40171-1Z

Congregation Anshe Emeth
240 Joslen Blvd.
Hudson, NY 12534

1 Tuesday
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

April 29, 2025
Fee: \$45

DOG TRAINING

Obedience Level 1

This course provides an introduction to obedience training and covers leash manners (informal heel), formal heel, sit and sit stay, down and down stay, place, recall, climb, and leave it/okay. Note: Anyone wishing to view the facility or speak with the instructors in person must make an appointment with Specter K9. Please do not visit the facility without an appointment.

INSTRUCTORS: Danyelle and Jerry of Specter K9 have been training dogs for nearly a decade and are dedicated to helping owners build better relationships with their dogs.

SI 99061-1A

Specter K9
Germantown, NY

6 Saturdays
Noon – 1:30 p.m.

Begins: February 1, 2025
Fee: \$475

DANCE

Belly Dance Spirit

Traditional belly dance for beginners and experienced dancers! Students will learn variations of torso, arm, and hand movements; travel steps; and short choreographies using sample combinations. Classes focus on improvisation and individual expression. Please wear stretchy exercise clothing or belly dance clothes if you have them. Dance shoes or socks are required.

INSTRUCTOR: Donna Barrett is an experienced belly dance instructor who has recently performed locally with the Hudson Festival Orchestra and at Hudson Hall for Winter Walk.

DA 57001-1A

C-GCC – Room 505

4 Mondays

Begins: March 24, 2025

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$60

DA 57001-2A

C-GCC – Room 505

4 Mondays

Begins: June 2, 2025

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Fee: \$60



Tango Nuevo: Intro

Argentine Tango is completely improvisational, making the genre uniquely challenging – and rewarding – as a partner dance. This course establishes a strong foundation of traditional tango technique, while also exploring more “nuevo” forms of musicality, connection, and non-verbal communication. All students learn both the leader and follower roles and rotate partners throughout class.

INSTRUCTOR: John Mahoney has studied Argentine Tango and Butoh in New York and Montreal. He also participates in Five Rhythms and dance meditation events.

DA 57006-1A

C-GCC – Room 505

6 Tuesdays

Begins: May 20, 2025

6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Fee: \$90

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Defensive Driving

Students who complete this course will qualify for a reduction of up to four points from their driving record for violations received during the 18 months prior to the class and will become eligible for a minimum insurance reduction of 10%. Students may repeat this course every 18 months for point reduction only. Offered in cooperation with the NYS Department of Motor Vehicles, the NYS Department of Insurance, and the Empire Safety Council.

INSTRUCTORS: Victor Bujanow and Deborah Harpine are certified by the Empire Safety Council.

DD 68057-1A

C-GCC – Room 612

1 Saturday

February 8, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

DD 68057-2A

C-GCC – Room 612

1 Saturday

March 8, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

DD 68057-3A

C-GCC – Room 612

1 Saturday

April 5, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

DD 68057-4A

C-GCC – Room 706

1 Saturday

May 3, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

DD 68057-5A

C-GCC – Room 612

1 Saturday

June 7, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

DD 68057-6A

C-GCC – Room 612

1 Saturday

July 19, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

DD 68057-7A

C-GCC – Room 612

1 Saturday

August 9, 2025

9:00 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Fee: \$50

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

GARDENING

Designing with Natives *New!*

This class will dive into how to enhance design with native plants. Whether students are looking for a wild landscape or a more formal garden, native plants will work! Natives can be used in container gardens, window boxes, foundation plantings, and so much more. This class will help students think through the steps of design and composition, while creating beautiful landscapes using native plants for their own communities and back yards!

INSTRUCTOR: Shanti Nagel is the founder of Design Wild and a graduate of the School of Professional Horticulture at the New York Botanic Garden. She has been an industry professional for more than 15 years and is a current instructor at the Brooklyn Botanical Garden.

SI 99406-1A

C-GCC – Room 134 3 Wednesdays
Begins: February 5, 2025 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: \$125



Ecological Landscape Care Basics

In this class, students will explore the 10 beginning principles of ecological garden care, including re-thinking the lawn, maintaining biomass, loving the soil, planting for ecology, and much more. The class will go in-depth on each principle and explore changes to improve the ecology and health of any property size. Students will leave with specific goals and projects for their own property.

INSTRUCTOR: Shanti Nagel

SI 99379-1A

C-GCC – Room 134 3 Wednesdays
Begins: March 12, 2025 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: \$125

GENERAL INTEREST

Energy Efficiency and Affordability *New!*

Plan for energy needs with the Capital District Clean Energy Hub! Students will learn about energy efficiency options; how to read and save on utility bills; heat pump technology; maintenance; and financial incentives for clean ways of heating the home and water.

INSTRUCTOR: Christina Bohnsack is a Capital District Community Energy Project Manager, and a Manager of Heat Smart Capital Region, which seeks to increase education and uptake of energy efficiency and clean energy technology.

SI 99403-1A

C-GCC – Room 202 1 Wednesday
June 11, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: \$5

Hudson-Athens Lighthouse Tour

The Hudson-Athens Lighthouse Preservation Society takes participants on a guided tour of the beloved Hudson-Athens Lighthouse built in 1874. The tour offers an opportunity to learn about the important role that the Hudson River played in the development of towns and the role that the lighthouse plays in the safe navigation of river transportation. Note: The ferry boat is covered and tours run rain or shine.

INSTRUCTOR: Hudson-Athens Lighthouse Preservation Society guides

SI 99383-1Z Departing from Athens

4 N. Water St., Athens NY 12015 1 Saturday
July 12, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
July 12, 2025 Noon – 1:30 p.m.
Fee: \$30

SI 99383-2Z Departing from Hudson

23 Ferry St., Hudson NY 12534 1 Saturday
July 26, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
July 26, 2025 Noon – 1:30 p.m.
Fee: \$30



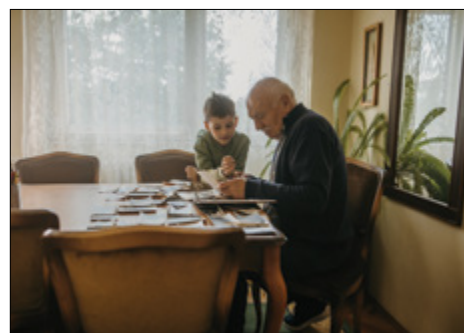
Let's Go Bikepacking *New!*

Ever wanted to give bikepacking a try? Now is the chance! This three-session class will consist of essential planning for bicycle travel and overnight camping; practicing packing gear on bicycles and test riding outdoors; and a 40-mile ride on bikes loaded with gear.

INSTRUCTOR: Tyler Burton is a NYS DEC Licensed Guide (#9095), and owner/lead guide for Lichen Bike Tours.

SI 99405-1A

C-GCC – Room 706
1 Tuesday, 1 Thursday, 1 Saturday
May 20, 2025 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
May 22, 2025 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
May 24, 2025 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Fee: \$250



Personalized Genealogy Research Assistance

This virtual genealogy class offers a one-on-one Zoom session, where students can sign up for a time slot to receive personalized help with their research. Topics include general genealogy assistance, online resources, and using digital collections. Basic genealogy knowledge and Zoom familiarity are helpful.

INSTRUCTOR: Holly MacCammon is a professional genealogist and archivist. She has a Master's in Library Science from St. John's University and a professional learning certificate in genealogical research from Boston University.

SI 99381-1Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
February Thursdays (20, 27) 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
March Thursdays (20, 27) 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
April Thursdays (17, 24) 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: \$85 (per time slot)

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES



Solar Energy 101: Tapping Into the Power of the Sun For Your Home *New!*

This course is an informational seminar on solar energy options available to New Yorkers. The course will cover residential systems as well as community solar. Students will learn how to be smarter consumers, and how to understand and navigate financial incentives.

INSTRUCTOR: Bradley Towle has a Photovoltaic Installation Certification through Hudson Valley Community College, and roughly a decade of experience working in the field of solar and clean energy.

SI 99404-1A

C-GCC – Room 202 1 Wednesday
 April 9, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$5

HEALTH AND MOVEMENT

FUNDamentals of Golf

Learn the fundamentals of the golf swing and gain an understanding of the various clubs. The class covers how and when to hit with a driver, fairway woods, and irons; pitching and chipping usage; putting technique; alignment; and green reading. Open to all skill levels!

INSTRUCTOR: Gerard Ecker, United States Golf Teachers Federation (USGTF), has been a Level 3 Golf Instructor since 2010 and an instructor at Thunderhart Golf Course and Sunnyhill Resort and Golf Course for 12 years.

PH 62051-1A

C-GCC – Gymnasium 4 Thursdays
 Begins: April 10, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$125

PH 62051-2A

Thunderhart Golf Course
 2740 County Rd 67
 Freehold, NY 12434 4 Thursdays
 Begins: July 10, 2025 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$125

Introduction to Fencing *New!*

Get a taste of the fun and excitement of a modern sport with a rich history! Instruction centers on basic footwork, blade work, attacks, parries, rules, and fencing strategies. Learning the sport of fencing can improve one's balance, focus, and flexibility; let the "sword" empower you on your journey to self-discovery! All equipment is provided, and participants should wear comfortable pants and sneakers. Open to ages 16 and up.

INSTRUCTOR: Hope Konecny is the owner of Gristmill Fencing, Yoga, and Art. She has more than 35 years of coaching experience leading university teams and college programs, and has run small group and individual training courses for students of all levels.

PH 62342-1Z

The Gristmill
 268 County Route 405
 Greenville, NY 12083
 Begins: April 2, 2025 5 Wednesdays
 Fee: \$225 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.



Introduction to Modern Nutrition

In this course, students will learn basic nutrition information, including major macromolecules and sources of each. Students will find reliable health information and practice reading and evaluating nutrition labels. The course also will cover the positive effects of adopting a plant-based diet.

INSTRUCTOR: Margaret Clayton is an Adjunct Instructor at Columbia-Greene Community College and has more than 12 years of experience as a Director of Nutritional Wellness for a behavioral health care company.

HE 72201-1A

Taught via Zoom 3 Thursdays
 Begins: May 22, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$85



Pilates Mat Class

Pilates mat is a great place to begin to learn the basic fundamental movements and Pilates exercise principles that can accommodate any fitness level. Improve strength, flexibility, balance, and posture by incorporating floor-based Pilates movements that stimulate the deep muscles of the body.

INSTRUCTOR: Suzanne Hazelton is a Certified Instructor for Body Be Well Pilates in Catskill, NY.

HE 62310-1A

C-GCC – Room 612 or Zoom 6 Mondays
 Begins: January 27, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$100
 No class February 17

HE 62310-2A

C-GCC – Room 612 or Zoom 6 Mondays
 Begins: March 24, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$100

HE 62310-3A

C-GCC – Room 612 or Zoom 5 Mondays
 Begins: May 19, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$90
 No class May 26

Stretch and Flow: Yoga with Julia

Join a gentle yoga class that promotes balance, strength, and flexibility. No experience is necessary! Expect a mix of standing and floor poses. A yoga mat is recommended, as well as any props for accessibility such as two blocks or a blanket/towel to enhance the practice.

INSTRUCTOR: Julia Vona-Shea is a 500-hour certified yoga instructor who values gentle, slow-flow practices that promote alignment and balance in the body. To learn more about her and her classes, visit beyouyoga.life.

HE 36292-1A

C-GCC – Room 612 or Zoom 8 Tuesdays
 Begins: February 25, 2025 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$110

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Tai Chi

Tai Chi, an advanced form of Qigong, involves moving in a flowing, continuous manner from one posture to the next, resembling swimming gracefully and effortlessly through the air. Tai Chi increases balance both physically and emotionally, improves circulation, reduces excessive stress and tension, lessens anxiety, and improves posture and flexibility.

INSTRUCTOR: David Haines has been a teacher of Qigong and Tai Chi for 40 years. He also has been a practitioner of the Trager® Approach to Movement for 35 years.

HE 62248-1A

C-GCC – Room 612

6 Wednesdays

Begins: May 21, 2025

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Fee: \$90

Tai Chi and Qigong for Busy People

Qigong, an ancient Chinese discipline, emphasizes breathing, meditation, and movement to enhance the flow of energy, or chi, throughout the body, helping to develop dynamic health and wellness. Its advanced form, known as Tai Chi, involves moving from one posture to the next, resembling swimming through air. Both help to reduce stress, improve posture and flexibility, and increase one's emotional and physical balance.

INSTRUCTOR: David Haines

HE 62293-1A

C-GCC – Room 612

6 Wednesdays

Begins: March 19, 2025

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Fee: \$90

20-Minute Body and Mind Routine *New!*

This class is an easy-to-learn daily program for essential movement and wellbeing, beginning with a warm up to reduce the major knots of tension, followed by six simple-yet-powerful Qigong and Tai Chi movements to balance one's energy. The class concludes with a seated self-massage and meditation creating an inner smile and sense of wellbeing.

INSTRUCTOR: David Haines

HE 72205-1A

C-GCC Room 612

6 Wednesdays

Begins: January 29, 2025

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Fee: \$90

Virtual Meditation Group *New!*

Jumpstart a new meditation practice or strengthen your existing practice on Zoom from the comfort of home! With the strength of a supportive group, students will meditate together, share tips and tricks, and explore what's working and where they could use some help. Throughout the course, the class will explore different types of meditation to help them decide as individuals what best meets their needs.

INSTRUCTOR: Geoff Gloak is a health coach, life coach, and Core Energetics practitioner. He uses holistic coaching and somatic practices to help his clients achieve and maintain their personal goals and overall happiness.



HE 72204-1Z

Taught via Zoom

12 Wednesdays

Begins: January 29, 2025

7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$85

HOME LIVING

Basic Candle Making: From Wax to Wick *New!*

In this exciting new class, students will dive into the essentials of candle making, perfect for both hobbyists and those considering a small business venture. Hands-on learning covers all the fundamentals, from selecting the right materials, to understanding safe handling practices. Students will explore various waxes, wick types, fragrances, and container options, along with insights into the science of wax melting, scent diffusion, and burn quality.

INSTRUCTOR: Dionne Gule has 13 years of experience in skincare and body/home product creation.

AR 08227-1Z

C-GCC – Student Center

February 1, 2025

Fee: \$70

1 Saturday

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

The Basics of Backyard Chickens

There are many choices to make and equally as many mistakes to avoid when raising chickens. Prevent information overload and misinformation by learning the fundamentals and best practices of raising happy and healthy chickens. Topics include planning proper housing and facilities, choosing the right chicken, learning correct feeding and care, and more!

INSTRUCTOR: Nicole Childrose, PhD, has owned, operated, and consulted for small farms and other organizations, and has diversified operations with livestock, poultry, and ultra-niche crops. She is an Associate Professor of History and Division Chair of the Technical Professions at Columbia-Greene Community College.

SI 99363-1A

Taught via Zoom

March 27, 2025

Fee: \$70

1 Thursday

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.



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PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

From Hive to Honey: A Beginner's Guide to Beekeeping

This course is the ideal starting point for aspiring beekeepers, covering the basic knowledge and skills necessary to successfully nurture a thriving honeybee colony through the year. The class will explore the intricacies of beekeeping, including colony dynamics, essential skills, expectations, challenges, planning, costs, local resources, time commitments, and much more. No experience necessary!

INSTRUCTOR: Linda Aydlett has been a beekeeper for more than a dozen years and has taught aspiring beekeepers in Columbia and Greene counties for the past several years. She is the founder of the Columbia County Beekeepers' Club and a Cornell University Certified Master Beekeeper.

SI 99385-1A

C-GCC – Room 136
February 1, 2025
Fee: \$75

1 Saturday

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

SI 99385-1Z

Mountain Top Library
6093 Main St.
Tannersville, NY 12485
February 8, 2025
Fee: \$75

1 Saturday

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



Grapes of the Hudson Valley and How to Make Wine *New!*

In this exciting new offering, students will learn about hardy grape varieties that can be grown sustainably in the area, and how to make wine from them. Wine varieties include dry and sweet; red and white; dessert; and seasonal. The class will taste several wines to explore the flavor profiles of the wines that can be made. Both novice and experienced grape growers and winemakers will be welcome. Note: This class is only open to students 21 years of age and older.

INSTRUCTOR: J. Stephen Casscles has more than 50 years of experience growing grapes and making wines

in the Hudson Valley. He also is the author of *Grapes of the Hudson Valley & Other Cool Climate Regions*.

SI 99402-1A

C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria
Begins: April 17, 2025
Fee: \$30

2 Thursdays

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Starting Your Small Farm

This course is for students actively thinking about starting a small farm. Tools and information essential to the foundations of farming will be examined so participants can apply the basic principles to their own operation. A start-up plan will be developed, and each participant will learn the basics of agronomics, develop resources, understand proper equipment investment, and much more.

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Nicole Childrose

SI 99369-1Z

Taught via Zoom
June 26, 2025
Fee: \$70

1 Thursday

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Suds and Soap: A Beginner's Guide to Artisan Soap Making

Dive into the transformative world of artisan soap making in this comprehensive course! Students will explore the evolution of soap making and acquire an understanding of the cultural and scientific advancements that have shaped its journey. The course will emphasize the nourishing properties of various natural ingredients, teaching students how to choose and combine these elements to create soaps that are both beautiful and beneficial.

INSTRUCTOR: Dionne Gule

SI 99397-1Z

C-GCC – Staff Cafeteria
June 14, 2025
Fee: \$95

1 Saturday

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.



LANGUAGES

Basic Conversational American Sign Language (ASL) Level 1

In this exciting offering, students will learn basic conversational phrases, sentence structure, vocabulary, numbers, and the manual alphabet. Also covered will be a brief overview of Deaf history as well as the uniqueness and beauty of Deaf culture.

INSTRUCTOR: Diane Barkstrom has been teaching for 28 years at many different levels and institutions and is currently an adjunct faculty member at Columbia-Greene Community College. She is a member of the ASL Teacher's Association and holds a National Interpreter Certification.

LA 44479-1A

C-GCC – Room 130
Begins: January 27, 2025
Fee: \$130
No class February 17

6 Mondays

7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**\$ Workforce NY tuition funding available.
Call 518.697.6510.**

Basic Conversational American Sign Language (ASL) Level 2

This course continues Basic Conversational American Sign Language Level 1. Students who completed the Level 1 course are encouraged to continue expanding their knowledge of American Sign Language!

INSTRUCTOR: Diane Barkstrom

LA 44480-1A

C-GCCC – Room 130
Begins: May 19, 2025
Fee: \$130
No class May 26 or June 30

6 Mondays

7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

Conversational Japanese: Elementary

Learn essential Japanese words and phrases for personal enrichment, travel, or just plain fun. Throughout this six-week course, students will learn phrases for greetings and basic conversations, and will practice speaking with interactive exercises and authentic dialogues. Students also will learn about Hiragana, a Japanese writing system.

INSTRUCTOR: Rika Kobayashi, MA, graduated from Columbia University and has licenses to teach Japanese and English. She has been a Japanese-language lecturer for undergraduate students and has taught at the secondary level in Japan.

LA 44466-1Z

Taught via Zoom 6 Mondays
Begins: February 3, 2025 Noon – 1:00 p.m.
Fee: \$125

Conversing in Spanish

This introduction to Spanish will emphasize how to initiate language and respond to information and questions in a variety of social situations. Participants also will learn when cultural differences require use of specific Spanish expressions. Speaking and listening will be emphasized, but some reading may be included. The paperback book, *Easy Spanish Phrase Book* by Dover Publications (ISBN number is 0-486-28086-1) is required and available online.

INSTRUCTOR: Russell Kratz, PhD, is a teacher of English and Spanish who studied Spanish in Costa Rica and has traveled in Spain, Argentina, Costa Rica, El Salvador, and Puerto Rico.

LA 44457-1A

C-GCC – Room 105 4 Tuesdays
Begins: July 8, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Fee: \$100

Qu'en Pensez-Vous (What Do You Think)? Intermediate-Advanced French *New!*

Each week, students will learn about one or two different themes relating to society, sport, trends, customs, travel, cuisine, and much more. Students will then share and debate among each other about their experiences. Intermediate and advanced students of the French language are encouraged to sign up!

INSTRUCTOR: Henri Montali has been tutoring English speakers of all ages for many years. He also has taught academic English to French children, as well as daily life English to adults wanting to enhance their language skills.

LA 44481-1Z

Taught via Zoom 10 Mondays
Begins: February 3, 2025 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Fee: \$130

MUSIC

Beginner Acoustic Session

This class is perfect for musicians who have little or no experience playing but want to try jamming with others. Songs are limited to a few chords, played at a slow to moderate tempo, and drawn from genres such as Folk, Rock & Roll, Traditional, and others. No minimum skill level is needed, but a rudimentary knowledge of one's instrument is recommended. This class works for all instruments, but stringed instruments are ideal. Singers welcome too!

INSTRUCTOR: Mike Pagnani has been performing, teaching, researching, and curating traditional music in the Hudson Valley for more than a decade. He is a multi-instrumentalist, singer, songwriter, and composer, and knows hundreds of traditional tunes.

MU 62348-1A

C-GCC – Room 502 8 Tuesdays
Begins: February 18 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Fee: \$160

Intermediate Acoustic Session

This class is ideal for beginner to intermediate musicians who have at least a year of experience with their instrument or have at least some experience playing with others. Songs are not limited by chord or key, are played at tempo, and are drawn from a variety of genres chosen with class input. This class accommodates all instruments, but stringed instruments are ideal. Singers welcome too!

INSTRUCTOR: Mike Pagnani

MU 62350-1A

C-GCC – Room 502 8 Tuesdays
Begins: February 18, 2025 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Fee: \$160

Beginner Ukulele

Join this hands-on ukulele class for beginners! Students will be introduced to ukulele basics: holding the instrument, scales, chords, and basic music theory. Time during each class will be devoted to playing exercises and songs, but students will get more from the class if they can devote time each week to practice on their own. Students must bring their own ukulele to class.

INSTRUCTOR: Carmen Borgia, a professional musician and sound mixer, has taught at The School of Visual Arts in New York City and Seton Hall University in New Jersey. He also hosts live, weekly ukulele jams in Catskill.

MU 62347-1A

C-GCC – Room 136 6 Wednesdays
Begins: March 5, 2025 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$125

MU 62347-2A

C-GCC – Room 136 6 Wednesdays
Begins: May 21, 2025 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Fee: \$125



Flute Lessons

Private flute lessons can be for anyone who wants to learn how to play the flute and have fun with the instrument, as well as students preparing for solo performances or auditions. These one-on-one lessons include how to read music, intonation, sight reading, and basic musical principles. Students may choose the number of lessons they would like to sign up for.

INSTRUCTOR: Barbara Rizek-McGuckin earned a Bachelor of Music from Hunter College and completed graduate work at the Brooklyn College Conservatory. She is currently a member and manager of The Hudson View Trio and the Arabesque Trio.

MU 62349-1A

C-GCC – Room 502 8 Thursdays
Begins: February 6, 2025 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Beginner lessons (30 mins)
Fee: \$35 per lesson

Intermediate lessons (45 mins)
Fee: \$50 per lesson

Advanced lessons (60 mins)
Fee: \$60 per lesson

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES

PERSONAL FINANCE



CreditAbility

For students who are unsure of their credit, this workshop will help them understand who looks at their credit, and how to build good credit to obtain a good credit score.

INSTRUCTOR: Financial Wellness Coach from Greylock Federal Credit Union

FI 68395-1Z
 Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 June 11, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 Free

Habilidad Crediticia Construya un Historial de Crédito Estable

Este seminario se enfoca en quien necesita hacer crédito y por qué, el significado de un reporte de crédito y su puntaje, cómo establecer crédito, consejos sobre cómo usar crédito sabiamente, identificación de trampas costosas, y sus derechos y responsabilidades como consumidor.

INSTRUCTOR: Entrenador de bienestar financiero de Greylock Federal Credit Union

FI 68395-1Z
 Enseñado vía Zoom 1 Jueves
 17 de Julio de 2025 16:30 a 17:30
 Gratis

Navigating the Medicare Maze

This educational seminar will enable those over the age of 65 to understand Medicare Health Insurance options. Seminar participants will receive an overview of the major features of Medicare

including original Medicare, hospital insurance, medical insurance, Medicare Advantage, and prescription drug coverage. Medicare supplements and the relative benefits of national versus local networks also will be discussed.

INSTRUCTOR: Erik Lehtinen is an independent financial consultant based in Columbia County known for his expertise in advanced Medicare planning and review.

FI 24244-1A
 C-GCC - Room 105 1 Tuesday
 March 4, 2025 10:00 a.m. – Noon
 Fee: \$5

FI 24244-2A
 C-GCC - Room 105 1 Tuesday
 April 8, 2025 10:00 a.m. – Noon
 Fee: \$5

FI 24244-3A
 C-GCC - Room 105 1 Tuesday
 May 20, 2025 10:00 a.m. – Noon
 Fee: \$5



Preparing for Homeownership

This course is for students who are planning to buy a home in the next few years but aren't ready to put in an offer quite yet. Participants will learn about savings, credit, potential added expenses, insurance, improvements, and more!

INSTRUCTOR: Financial Wellness Coach from Greylock Federal Credit Union

FI 68399-1Z
 Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 February 12, 2025 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
 Free

Cómo Prepararse Para Comprar Casa

Esta sesión es para la persona que quiere comprar una casa en los próximos años. Se enfoca en hacer un presupuesto para gastos adicionales, creación

y/o arreglo de crédito, ahorro para pagos iniciales, etc. La sesión también compara renta versus compra de casa. Dependiendo de la situación de cada persona, rentar puede ser una mejor opción.

INSTRUCTOR: Entrenador de bienestar financiero de Greylock Federal Credit Union

FI 68399-1Z
 enseñado vía Zoom 1 Jueves
 13 Marzo de 2025 16:30 a 18:00
 Gratis

Wills, Trusts, and Estate Planning

This informative course will offer students the chance to learn about estate planning using a Last Will and Testament and a Revocable Living Trust. Other topics include Probate, costs, expenses, attorney's fees, and additional recommended documents such as a Living Will and a Durable Medical Power of Attorney.

INSTRUCTOR: Daniel F. Carbone is a practicing lawyer who has been teaching this course for more than 30 years.

FI 68398-1A
 C-GCC – Room 206 1 Monday
 May 5, 2025 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$5

FI 68398-2A
 C-GCC – Room 206 1 Tuesday
 August 12, 2025 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
 Fee: \$5

WRITING

A Beginner's Guide to Getting Published

Students interested in publishing freelance writing by selling a magazine article, short story, poem, or even a novel to a traditional publisher should enroll in this comprehensive workshop. Topics include becoming a "published" writer overnight, submitting manuscripts correctly, writing irresistible query letters, and more.

INSTRUCTOR: LeeAnne Krusemark

HU 24211-1Z
 Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 February 26, 2025 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$50

HU 24211-2Z
 Taught via Zoom 1 Wednesday
 July 16, 2025 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
 Fee: \$50

To register, call **518.697.6370** or visit columbiagreene.edu/continuingeducation.

PERSONAL ENRICHMENT COURSES



A Beginner's Guide to Using FREE ChatGPT (AI) for Writers

ChatGPT (AI) is here to stay and is the future for writers and content creators. Students will learn how to incorporate this cutting-edge technology to gain ideas and inspiration, and write web content, articles, novels, and scripts. Students also will learn how to register for a free ChatGPT account, input effective writing prompts, build creative content, determine ChatGPT's capabilities and limitations, and understand the ethical and legal considerations of ChatGPT.

INSTRUCTOR: LeeAnne Krusemark

HU 99085-1Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
February 27, 2025 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50

HU 99085-2Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
July 24, 2025 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Fee: \$50



Be a Better Writer: 10 Easy Tips to Improve Your Writing Now!

Improving writing skills is just a matter of knowing simple tricks to make prose more impactful and readable. In this hands-on session, students will use examples and exercises in real time to learn how to make sentences flow properly while still maintaining reader interest. Students will leave with a workbook full of writing tips and tricks.

INSTRUCTOR: LeeAnne Krusemark

HU 99082-1Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Saturday
March 1, 2025 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Fee: \$60

HU 99082-2Z

Taught via Zoom 1 Thursday
July 10, 2025 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
Fee: \$60

Poetry: Creative Expression

Drawing inspiration from poets Keats to Frost, and Dickinson to Collins, this comprehensive introduction to poetry writing is recommended for beginners as well as seasoned writers looking to sharpen their skills. Students will receive an overview of the medium followed by an examination of poetry's different forms and styles. Writing instruction focuses on using concise language and reviewing and revising students' own work.

INSTRUCTOR: Phyllis Carito, MFA, writer, and teacher. Her published works include two chapbooks and poems in various literary magazines.

HU 44475-1Z

C-GCC - Room 130 or via Zoom 4 Thursdays
Begins: May 22, 2025 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Fee: \$125

Ready to Write Your Memoir? ***New!***

Everyone has a story to tell! This class will cover all elements of memoir writing, from process to publication. Sharing and getting feedback on one's writing will strengthen the ability to communicate the story to be told and will prepare the story to be shared with family and friends.

INSTRUCTOR: Phyllis Carito

HU 99086-1Z

Taught via Zoom 4 Wednesdays
Begins: February 5, 2025 10:30 a.m. – Noon
Fee: \$100

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Automotive Technology Programs

Automotive Technology Programs provide exciting opportunities to combine cutting-edge technology with a hands-on work environment. You'll enjoy:

- **Career Advantages:** With a strong demand for skilled technicians, Columbia-Greene offers a highly marketable and desirable skillset.
- **Flexible Program Options:**
 - A two-year Automotive Technology A.O.S degree program prepares students for a management-level automotive career.
 - A one-year certificate program ensures a fast-start career.
 - Specialize in manufacturer training with Subaru, Toyota, or Audi-Volkswagen.
 - Pursue a partnership path for BMW.

Whether enrolling in the degree or certificate program, Columbia-Greene prepares technicians to find a successful career in a growing industry. **Scholarships and financial aid are available for qualified students.**

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Construction Technology Certificate

The **Construction Technology Certificate Program** is a dynamic one-year program that provides students with the skills and hands-on experience needed to excel in the construction industry, including:

- Foundational training in framing, siding, roofing, basic plumbing, and electrical work, door and window installation, and more.
- Hands-on learning with at least 75% of instructional time spent in a state-of-the-art lab working with tools, machinery, and scaffolding.

Graduates find immediate employment in a variety of career options:

- Roles in trades such as framing, finish carpentry, siding, roofing, plumbing, electrical, and more.
- Opportunities in historic preservation, contributing to restoration and rehabilitation projects.
- Seamless transfer pathway to SUNY Delhi's Bachelor's Degree in Construction Management: Design and Building.

With cutting-edge facilities, expert instruction, and flexible career pathways, the Construction Technology Certificate Program is the ideal launchpad for a rewarding career in construction. **Scholarships and financial aid are available for qualified students.**



Medical Office Assistant Certificate

The Medical Office Assistant Certificate Program equips students with the skills needed to succeed in the fast-growing medical office field. Key features include:

- Comprehensive Skill Development in medical transcription, patient medical record management, generating and processing insurance forms, coordinating hospital admissions, arranging laboratory services, billing, bookkeeping, and more.
- Flexible Options for those not able to take the full program. Opt to take the billing and coding course and be eligible to sit for the **Medical Coder and Biller Certification Exam** offered through the American Medical Certification Association (AMCA).

This program provides a strong foundation for students seeking immediate entry into the health care administrative field, with flexible options to tailor education to their career goals. **Scholarships and financial aid options may be available to qualified students.**

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Phlebotomy Pre-Certification Course

The **Phlebotomy Course** is a one-semester course that prepares students for the certification exam in this expanding health care field.

- **Comprehensive Skill Training:**

- Perform capillary punctures and venipuncture using the vacutainer and winged infusion set.
- Learn to centrifuge blood cells and properly test specimens.
- Understand lab values and norm ranges to ensure accurate and efficient testing.

- **Career Readiness:**

- Gain the technical proficiency and safety skills required to work in physicians' offices and other health care facilities.
- Prepare to sit for a certification exam at the end of the course, enhancing employability and credentials in this in-demand field.

With a strong focus on practical skills and certification readiness, the Phlebotomy Course provides students an excellent pathway to a rewarding career in health care. **Financial assistance may be available for qualified students.**



Health Care Facilitator 3-Course Microcredential

The **Health Care Facilitator 3-Course Microcredential** offers a high-quality, fast-finish credential that meets the needs of today's learners and health care employers.

- **Program Overview:**

- May be completed in just semester by taking the focused, three-course curriculum.
- Open to anyone seeking to build experience in health care facilitation.

- **Skill Development:**

- Support health care facilities and providers in telemedicine.
- Provide one-on-one assistance connecting patients with their health care providers while maintaining confidentiality.

- **Certification and Completion:**

- Eligible to sit for the Medical Assistant Certification exam offered through the AMC.
- Gain immediate skills and knowledge necessary to excel in a rapidly evolving specialty of health care.

Financial assistance may be available for qualified students.

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WORKFORCE-READY CREDIT COURSES



Medical Office Procedures Pre-Certification Course

In one semester, Medical Office Procedures Course equips students with essential administrative skills for the health care field.

- **Comprehensive Skill Training:**

- Input patient information accurately into medical records systems.
- Schedule appointments and manage calendars efficiently.
- Handle billing processes and generate medical office lists and reports.

- **Career Readiness:**

- Gain practical knowledge about administrative support in today's health care environment.
- Prepare for roles in medical offices, clinics, and health care facilities with high demand for skilled support staff.

With a focus on practical administrative skills, the course offers a valuable pathway to a rewarding career in health care administration. **Financial assistance may be available for qualified students.**



Police Basic Training Certificate

The **Police Basic Training Certificate Program** is a comprehensive one-year program that prepares students for a career in helping others, upholding the law, and making a difference in their community.

- **Comprehensive Training:** This 30-credit certificate program meets and exceeds all New York State Division of Criminal Services Phase I Pre-employment Police Training requirements.
- **Career Advantages:** 100% of Columbia-Greene Police Basic Training program graduates have secured employment in law enforcement
- **Earning Potential:** The average annual salary for Police and Sheriff's Patrol Officers in the region is \$72,800.

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