

# Benton Center Quarterly

Fall 2014

## A Community Committed to Inclusion

With the new academic year looming, I started reflecting on why I chose this field of work. For so many of us who work in higher education, what we do is an extension of our values.

At LBCC, our values inspire our actions and unite us as a community. Among our values, none stands out more than commitment to inclusiveness, as expressed in our LBCC Values Statement:

*We honor and embrace the uniqueness of every individual, and promote the free and civil expression of ideas, perspectives and cultures.*



The days leading up to the start of the term are a reminder of what this value looks like in practice. When you spend any amount of time here, especially in and around our Registration Services, you see and hear first-hand how we actualize this value. You'll see students as young as a few months old signing up (with their parents) for Parenting Education classes. You'll hear native languages from every continent (except maybe Antarctica, do they even have a native language?). Younger students from surrounding high schools are here to get a jump-start on their college experience. Many of our Degree Partnership Program students can't help but announce their presence in orange and black. And a devoted (and growing) cohort of retirees continue to make the Benton Center their place for fitness, artistic expression, and a wide range of other personal enrichment activities.

Our commitment to inclusion can create some interesting intersections. For the first time in history, we're seeing three and sometimes four generations in the same classroom. Often, language differences correlate with various national origins and customs, some of which may not be familiar to us. Our trans-global, inter-connected world is now reflected here on a daily basis, and this can present some challenging situations as we learn how best to engage everyone who seeks to improve themselves through their experiences here.

But learn we do, all of us, students and educators alike. Here's wishing you a memorable year, filled with the free and civil expression of ideas, perspectives and cultures.

In service,  
Jeff Davis  
Regional Director for Benton County

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# Benton Center Bookstore News...

Happy Trails Mo... Welcome Nancie!

Stop by the BC Bookstore and say “Hi” to Nancie Meyer, our new Bookstore supervisor. Nancie, who is also the textbook buyer for all the LB campuses, will be stationed at the Benton Center on Tuesdays and Thursdays, overseeing the operations here. Our core bookstore team still includes Robin Evans, Sean Hodge, and Ryan Benz. We’ve also added the charming Ginger Hainz to the mix. We’re ready for anything!

## Textbook Requisition Dates for 2015

Winter term: November 6

Spring term: January 16

Summer term: March 20

Fall term 2015: May 8

Calculator rentals have moved from the Learning and Career Center to the Bookstore. Please send students who need to rent a calculator to us.

**Tell us what you think!** We are constantly looking for ways to improve our merchandise selections, from books to bagels to binders! Don’t be shy, let us know!

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## Word MOB returns to the Benton Center October 17



Word MOB V comes to the Benton Center the evening of **Friday, October 17, 7-10:00 pm** in the Benton Center Student Lounge. This hugely popular event brings together fans of spoken word, our own LBCC poets and aspiring rhymers from the community.

There will be an open mic opportunity during the evening as well as invited performers. Sign-up for open mic begins at 7:00 pm.

Student Leadership Council will generously provide drinks and snacks.

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*We*  *Our Students!*



# Strategies for Working with Our International Student Population

Jan Fraser-Hevlin from the LBCC Counseling Department is offering a 90 minute workshop on **Thursday, September 25 from 3:30-5:00 pm** in **BC104**. This mini-class is intended to provide support to our instructional and support staff who work with international students. She will cover useful information as well as give staff an opportunity to ask questions and share their own challenges in working with this specific group of students.

## It's Good to Be Green!

Please help us be green and save on printing/copying expenses by providing your students with electronic versions of your usual printed materials whenever possible.

Not able to furnish them electronically? You can still help us save money by planning ahead and sending your print orders to Printing Services.

*Thanks for your help!*



## Important Dates

### September

- 16 COLLEGE CLOSED (All staff Inservice)
- 25 International Student Workshop
- 29 Fall Term Classes Begin

### October

- 1 Benton Center Welcome Day
- 17 Acoustic Showcase
- 17 Word MOB V

### November

- 11 COLLEGE CLOSED (Veterans Day)
- 21 Acoustic Showcase
- 27-28 COLLEGE CLOSED (Thanksgiving Day Holiday)

### December

- 6 Benton Center Study Jam
- 8-12 Book Buyback
- 12 Benton Center Pottery Sale
- 12 Open Registration for Winter Term 2015
- 12 Last Day of Fall Term
- 22-28 COLLEGE CLOSED (Winter Break)

Winter Term 2015 begins January 5



# NEW CLASSES!

## VIDEO EDITING I: BASIC SKILLS



Perfect for beginners with a passion for creation! Edit short videos combining stills, video, music, titles and basic graphics. See the Benton Center class listings.

## GOOGLE APPS FOR YOU



See the Albany Center class listings.

## SOCIAL MEDIA FOR BUSINESS



Social media sites now make it easier than ever to interact with friends, family, community members and business contacts for both personal and professional use. Gain an overview of popular tools, starting with Facebook and LinkedIn. Learn how to leverage your time, personalize privacy settings and share content beyond your network. See the Lebanon Center class listings. See the Benton Center class listings for Social Media (for general audiences)

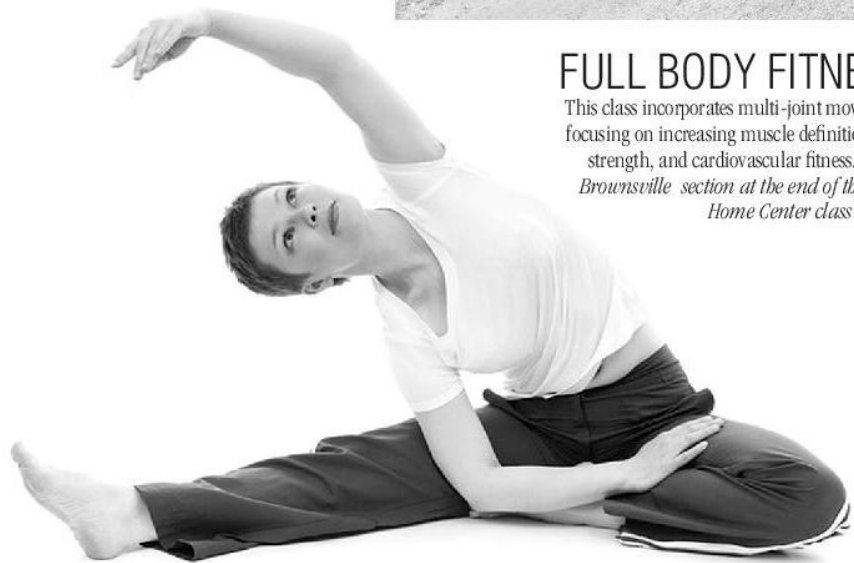
This two-day clinic will provide the basic skills and techniques for participants to increase their enjoyment in the fast growing sport of mountain biking. The incredible new Alsea Falls "flow trail" is the training ground for this course. Learn body positioning and balance, switchbacks and cornering, braking and maneuvering obstacles, wheel lifts, pumping, safety, trails stewardship and more! See the Benton Center class listings.



## Mountain Bike Mojo Ride with Confidence!

## FULL BODY FITNESS

This class incorporates multi-joint movements focusing on increasing muscle definition, core strength, and cardiovascular fitness. See the Brounsville section at the end of the Sweet Home Center class listings



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Certification training leading to a career as a certified computer technician, network technician, or systems/network security

### Cisco Certification Path

CCENT/CCNA ICND1  
CCNA ICND2

Certification training leading to a career as a Cisco Certified Entry Networking Technician or as a Cisco Certified Network Associate

### Microsoft Certification Path

Windows Server 2012 R2 70-410  
Windows Server 2012 R2 70-411  
Windows Server 2012 R2 70-412

Certification training leading to a career as a Microsoft Certified Solutions Associate

See the Benton Center class listings. Email [corvallis@linnbenton.edu](mailto:corvallis@linnbenton.edu) or call 541-757-8944 for information. Includes coaching, Transcender® practice exams and virtual labs. Does not include costs of certification/testing administered through [pearsonvue.com](http://pearsonvue.com)

