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TO THE GRADUATING CLASS OF 2025...

The excitement of starting at Eastern International College (EIC) can be described as a worldwind! New friendships blossom, late-night study sessions quickly become routine, and students swiftly learn to navigate the demands of their academic pursuits.

Yet, the journey is not without its share of challenges. Many students encounter academic pressures, financial hurdles, and personal obstacles that test their resilience. Balancing coursework with jobs, clinical responsibilities, and externship hours often leads to long, exhausting days.

Congratulations

During these challenging times, support systems—including faculty, friends, and family—are essential, offering encouragement and guidance to help students overcome difficulties. Despite the struggles, the finish line gradually comes into view as each semester brings them closer to achieving their goals.

To the Graduating Class of 2025, congratulations on reaching this remarkable milestone! Your achievement is a testament to your hard work and dedication, which is proudly recognized by the faculty and staff at EIC. Earning your degree is not just a formality; it represents years of perseverance, growth, and countless experiences that have shaped you into the professional you are today. The graduation ceremony is a celebration of not only academic success but also of your personal growth and development towards your future career throughout your time with us.

As you walk across the stage, know that you carry with you a wealth of experiences, friendships, and invaluable lessons learned along the way. This moment signifies not just the end, but the exciting beginning of your next adventure as a healthcare professional, where you will use your knowledge and skills to make a difference.



DENTAL HYGIENE NEWS



DENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS: GIVE KIDS A SMILE DAY

On February 3, 2025 and February 5, 2025 Eastern International College hosted Give Kids A Smile day. Give Kids A Smile is an organization dedicated to providing full-service dentistry free of charge to children 14 years and younger who do not have access to adequate dental care due to lack of insurance or finances. Dental Hygiene Students participated in educating and providing full extensive preventative dental care to children who otherwise would not have access to adequate oral healthcare.



Our students provided exceptional dental education to children and their parents on proper toothbrushing, flossing, nutrition and general home care according to the child's specific needs. We had doctors, staff, and students dressed as tooth fairies help avoid any dental anxieties. Each year Eastern International College students look forward to doing their part in giving back to the community.

STUDENT AMERICAN DENTAL HYGIENISTS' ASSOCIATION (SADHA) & ITS NEWLY ELECTED CHAPTER OFFICERS!

The Student American Dental Hygienists' Association (SADHA) is a professional organization dedicated to supporting and guiding students pursuing careers in dental hygiene. Through workshops, conferences, and mentorship programs, students gain a deeper understanding of the field, stay informed about industry advancements, and develop essential professional skills.

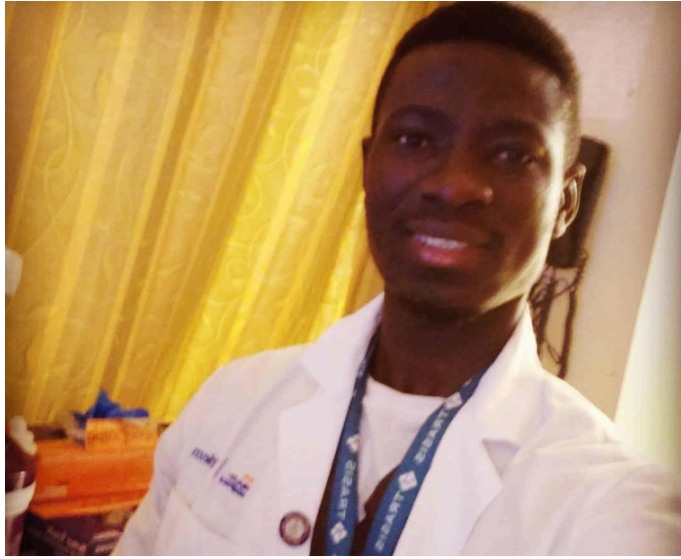


Joining SADHA offers students a wealth of opportunities that go beyond academics, providing access to exclusive educational resources, scholarships, and leadership experiences. Through hands-on learning, community outreach programs, and advocacy initiatives, members can actively contribute to promoting oral health awareness while developing essential clinical and professional skills.

Actively participating in SADHA showcases a commitment to professional growth and continuous learning, traits that stand out to employers. Ultimately, SADHA equips students with the skills, knowledge, and connections needed to thrive in their careers, making it an invaluable resource for anyone pursuing dental hygiene.

Our SADHA chapter officers and members are: Advisor: DH Clinical Coordinator, Evelyn Garcia, RDH, BS, M.ed, President: Mae Raja, Vice President: Klaudia Yousef, Secretary: Danielle Lombardo, Treasurer: Ilana Rotem.

DIAGNOSTIC MEDICAL SONOGRAPHY NEWS



DMS ALUMNI FACULTY HIGHLIGHT: INTERVIEW WITH SIABA SWARAY

Q: When did you graduate from EIC? Can you tell us a little bit about your experience after graduating EIC and your work experience?

A: I graduated from EIC in 2017. After graduation, my experience was fantastic. I was fortunate to secure an externship at Harlem Hospital in New York, which I approached with the mindset of treating it like a job. This mindset paid off, as I was hired there immediately following my graduation. The environment fostered teamwork, and I was surrounded by exceptional mentors who significantly enhanced my skills and understanding. Today, I serve as the supervisor at Harlem Ultrasound Radiology, and I am grateful to EIC for equipping me for this journey.

Q: Reflecting on your journey: How does it feel to be back at EIC as an instructor? What class or lab do you teach now?

A: Returning to EIC as an instructor is a wonderful experience. It's incredibly fulfilling to come back to the institution that launched my career. Currently, I teach DMS 201, 203, and 311 Labs.

Q: Since you were once a student here, does that help you connect with your students? How so?

A: Absolutely. Having been a student in these very classrooms enables me to deeply relate to my students. I understand their anxieties of failing and anticipations, and I strive to provide hope by demonstrating that they, too, can achieve their goals.

Q: How did being a student here change the way you teach now? Are there things you learned as a student that you still use in class?

A: My time as a student here laid the foundation for my career. My thorough understanding of anatomy and physiology distinguished me from my peers during my externship. When faced with a complicated case, I always revert to the basics, which helps me navigate complex situations effectively.

Q: What advice would you give to students pursuing a career in sonography? What are some important steps they should take after graduating?

A: First and foremost, ask yourself if you truly desire this career. It's challenging, and if it were easy, everyone would pursue it. Medical Sonography is a fulfilling profession, but your success hinges on your determination to push yourself. While school provides the necessary knowledge, it's up to you to utilize that knowledge effectively.

After graduation, there are critical steps to take:

- Ensure you obtain your SPI (Sonography Principles and Instrumentation) certification, followed by your ARDMS Registry. This preparation will position you favorably when job opportunities arise.

- I was fortunate to receive an offer from Harlem Hospital because of my education and skill set, but without my registry, I would have missed that opportunity. Therefore, stay prepared and don't wait too long to take the registry after graduation.



NURSING NEWS



BSN STUDENTS ATTEND HEALTH FAIR IN BLOOMFIELD

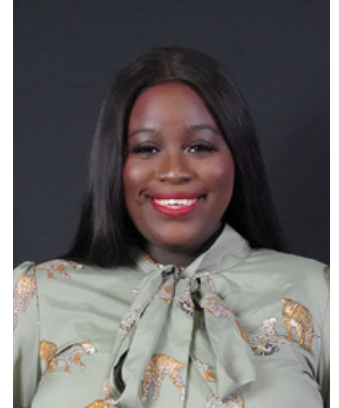
On Monday, April 7th, 2025, five BSN Nursing students from NUR 303 clinical group attended a health fair at St. Thomas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church in Bloomfield, NJ. The nursing students gave back to their community by assisting with performing vital signs for 80 senior citizens.

Through community outreach, the nursing students were able to spread their knowledge on vital signs and health awareness. Attending health fairs is important for nursing students as it helps them practice their clinical skills while giving back to the community.



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT: INTERVIEW WITH NJNS UPCOMING GRADUATE

Bienvenue Missamou, a BSN student and Second Vice President of New Jersey Nursing Students Inc. (NJNS), initially explored various career paths before finding her passion in nursing.



Through NJNS, she has gained invaluable experiences, including networking at conferences and participating in the the NJ Sharing Network's 5K Celebration of Life walk, which helped raise \$1 million for organ donation. She also received a scholarship from the Institute of Nursing. She is the recipient of The Sylvia Edge Scholarship.

She credits accountability, time management, and proactive learning for her success in balancing academics and extracurriculars. Bienvenue plans to remain involved in NJNS, volunteer, and pursue advanced degrees with aspirations of becoming a nursing educator. Influenced by mentors like Dr. Mullings and Nursing Faculty Member, Angela Caballero, M.S.N., she is committed to making a lasting impact in the nursing field.

NURSING ALUMNI FEATURE



(From left to right Jerry Ortiz, Allison Daus, Rachel Yanez, Nursing Faculty Member Rino Alcantara, M.S.N., Adrian Olbes, Darlena Cruz)

EIC Alumni, Adrian Olbes, recently completed the ADN Nursing program in December of 2024. Adrian recently passed the NCLEX in February 2025. Currently, Adrian is working as a Registered Nurse at Palisades Medical Center. Nursing Faculty member, Rino Alcantara, M.S.N. was at clinical with a current senior group when they met Adrian on the unit on his first day of orientation as a newly hired Nurse.

CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

LOCAL EMPLOYERS JOIN IN FOR THE SPRING CAREER FAIR AT EIC!



On Tuesday, March 4, 2025, five local employers visited the Eastern International College campus for our Spring Semester Career Fair. Career Fairs at Eastern International College are held once every semester.

Our employers in attendance this semester included: Prosmile, Great Expressions Dental Centers, Smile Brands, Carepoint Health, and Care Options for Kids Homecare.

58 Students from all three on-campus programs joined the career fair, making connections and networking with our attending employer partners. This semester saw a 26% increase in student participation overall, compared to last semester's Career Fair attendance.

CAREER SERVICE SESSION: PREPARING FUTURE GRADS FOR THE JOB MARKET



Career Services Coordinator, Kristine Watco, presents the Career Service Sessions as part of the graduation requirements. The goal is to prepare graduates from all programs for the job market as they embark onto their professions.

The workshop focuses on resume/cover letter writing, interview preparation, job search tips, and how to network on professional sites such as LinkedIn and professional organizations garnered towards the health sciences and medical fields.

SAVE THE DATE: UPCOMING CAREER FAIR

Upcoming Career Fair Date: Thursday, July 17, 2025

Discover Opportunities and Network with Employers



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS

LEARN MORE ABOUT EIC'S ALPHA BETA KAPPA (ABK) NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

EIC is pleased to inform the entire college community that in 2024, the Alpha Beta Kappa (ABK) National Honor Society (<https://www.abkhs.org/>) has officially established a Chapter at Eastern International College Alpha Kappa of New Jersey. This prestigious recognition marks a significant distinction for our institution.

Alpha Beta Kappa (ABK) is the premier national honor society for postsecondary institutions across America, including career colleges, universities, and other educational entities. Chapters of ABK are awarded to institutions demonstrating sustained excellence in educating and training individuals across various fields essential to modern society. The Society's mission is to promote and recognize academic achievement, leadership, and character. Membership is based on merit, and ABK celebrates personal integrity, excellence in intellectual and physical pursuits, and dedication to improving society, regardless of race, color, gender, creed, or national origin.

BENEFITS OF THE ABK HONOR SOCIETY

As members of Alpha Beta Kappa, students enjoy several valuable benefits:

- National Student Recognition
- Reference Alpha Beta Kappa on Your Resume
- Lifetime Membership (a one-time fee, no annual dues)
- Letters of Reference (available upon request)
- Support for inquiries from employers, colleges, graduate schools, and scholarship committees
- Personalized Membership Certificate, including a profile of the honor student, their institution, and the Chapter
- Alpha Beta Kappa Gold Seal of Distinction on all certificates
- ABK Gold Key, which comes with a congratulatory letter, a narrative about the society, and an ABK Honor Cord



The Mark of Distinction

Congratulations to the following students who met the criteria for Eastern International College Alpha Beta Kappa (ABK) National Honor Society!

The list of students who met the criteria in 2025:



GINA DI ANTONIO
(DH)



TAMARYN TUNKEL
(BSN)



AIMEE ULEP
(DH)



SABRINA PEREZ
(DH)



HANEY PATEL
(DH)

UPCOMING EVENTS

VOLUNTEER FOR GRADUATION!



Scan QR down below to volunteer for our upcoming graduation ceremony. The graduation will be held at William Patterson University on Thursday, June 5th, 2025.. We appreciate any participation from the EIC student community.

VOLUNTEER FOR GRADUATION

Scan Here

TO SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER &
FOR MORE DETAILS:



STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Eastern International College is proud to announce its launch of an official Student Ambassador Program! The Student Ambassador Program will be launching in the Summer 2025 Semester.

Its main goal is to harvest leadership skills through student mentorship, community outreach, and student belonging within the EIC community.

WHY JOIN? THE STUDENT'S ROLE:

- Strengthen leadership skills
- Enhances your resume and makes you look well rounded
- Hone your public speaking skills
- Network with professionals and staff
- Enjoy special Student Ambassador social events



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- ✓ Network with professionals and staff
- ✓ Student Ambassador social events such as volunteering and networking opportunities

MORE DETAILS TO COME IN SUMMER SEMESTER!

ACADEMIC & EVENTS CALENDAR

SUMMER SEMESTER 2025

- **May 9, 2025**
Faculty Orientation
- **May 8, 2025**
Orientation for New Students
- **May 12, 2025**
Summer Semester Begins
- **May 23, 2025**
Last Day for Add/Drop
- **May 26, 2025**
Memorial Day - College Closed
- **June 20, 2025**
Juneteenth - College Closed
- **July 4, 2025**
Independent Day - College Closed
- **July 14, 2025**
Last Day to Withdraw from Classes
- **July 17, 2025**
Summer Career Fair
- **August 23, 2025**
Last Day of the Summer Semester
- **August 29, 2025**
All Final Summer Semester Grades Due to Registrar