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### NEW GCC SPRING COURSES TO ADDRESS GLOBAL ISSUES

Deptford Twp.-Three new courses are on the agenda this spring at Gloucester County College, all with a worldly connection.

To better assist individuals for whom English is not their first language, GCC is implementing an English Composition 101 class for International and ESL (English as a Second Language) Students. This class, which will include the same academic content as other required English composition courses, will specifically target the writing needs of ESL students. Non-native speakers of English struggling to understand and complete class assignments because of insufficient oral and writing proficiency will now be able to receive specialized instruction. Taught by a bilingual instructor, the class will focus on cultural writing structure dissimilarities, classroom etiquette and the basis of the American academic paper. Classes will meet Monday and Thursday from 8 to 9:15 a.m.

Locally, nationally and globally, politics and the environment are a hot topic in today's news. GCC's Politics and the Environment (POL 170) class will address the growing interest in protecting the environment by defining problems and offering potential solutions. Students will gain an understanding of the scientific, economic, psychological, societal, and governance factors required to effectively "think globally and act locally." This new class will meet Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Music is a universal language and GCC students interested in gaining a better understanding of the symphony won't want to miss this new Web-enhanced course. Unlike typical music appreciation courses, History of the Symphony (MUS 170-01) will focus on a small number of works investigating various aspects of the symphony in greater detail. The course is structured to provide a basic foundation of knowledge about

this important genre and no previous musical experience is necessary. History of the Symphony will meet Wednesday evenings 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Registration for GCC spring classes begins December 8. For information on courses, visit [www.gccnj.edu](http://www.gccnj.edu) or call (856) 415-2197.

*Located in Deptford Township, N.J., Gloucester County College is a comprehensive two-year institution of higher learning with more than 6,000 full- and part-time day and evening students enrolled in 70 academic programs in business, humanities, allied health, technologies and the math and sciences. An additional 10,000 men and women are registered in the college's non-credit Continuing Education Division classes. To learn more about Gloucester County College and its programs, visit [www.gccnj.edu](http://www.gccnj.edu).*