

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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Skills champions congratulated at Scottish Parliament



Students who helped New College Lanarkshire reach the top spot of a prestigious skills competition for the third time in four years were recognised at the Scottish Parliament.

Jamie Hepburn MSP congratulated 12 students from the College at an event hosted by Clare Adamson MSP to celebrate their recent achievements at WorldSkills UK – which once again put New College Lanarkshire at the top of the leader board for skills provision in the UK.

The group were congratulated by both MSPs alongside Linda Fabiani MSP and Graham Simpson MSP for finishing the national competition with four gold, two silver, four bronze and two highly commended medals.

College wins student engagement award



New College Lanarkshire won a prestigious Learner Engagement award at the national sparqs (student partnerships in quality Scotland) conference at Surgeons' Hall in Edinburgh on Thursday 23rd March.

The Learner Engagement Team and Students' Association attended the conference to pick up the award for best initiative which has made the most impact on the enhancement of the student experience for the Be Engaged programme.

They were also shortlisted for a further accolade - student representative of the year, for class representative Stuart Florence.

College first in UK to offer BIM certification



Architectural Technology students from New College Lanarkshire are at the forefront of the industry as they take on a prestigious industry training course - the first college students in the UK to do so.

HND Computer Aided Architectural Design and Technology (CAAD&T) students from the Motherwell Campus will take on the Building Information Modelling (BIM): Principles Certification (SCQF Level 7).

Building Information Modelling is a process used globally in architectural design, and the certificate will give learners the skills, knowledge and confidence to work on BIM projects in their careers while adding to their professional qualifications for future employment.

Apprentices win place at Engineers of Tomorrow contest



Six of NCL's finest apprentices won a place at an Engineers of Tomorrow contest in London after competing against fellow students in skills competitions.

First-year Joinery and Carpentry apprentices and third-year Electronic Fire & Security Systems apprentices participated in competitions held at the Motherwell Campus as part of Scottish Apprenticeship Week.

The competition in Electronic Fire & Security Systems involved 35 trainees being tasked with installing either an intruder or a fire alarm to British and European standards in just two hours.

All six winning apprentices will now travel to London in June to take part in IFSEC International's 19th annual 'Engineers of Tomorrow' contest, which takes place at ExCeL London.

College Development Network Marketing Awards



NCL was named the number one college for marketing and communications – after winning three gold awards and a silver at the College Development Network Marketing Awards.

The College won prizes in each of the four categories it was short-listed for:

- Gold for a Communications and PR campaign for the launch of a unique partnership between the College and League 1 team Clyde FC
- Gold for its Promotional Literature campaign for marketing material detailing the College's Modern Apprenticeship offering
- Gold for its new and re-vamped college website with sector-leading features including a career finder tool
- Silver for an Internal Communications campaign to build and launch a new staff portal

This is the second year running the College has been awarded for its Internal Communication and Communications and PR campaigns, after winning Gold in 2016 along with a Silver for Market Research.

Former student nominated for Olivier Award



Performing Arts graduate, Karen Fishwick, was nominated for 'Best Actress in a Supporting Role' for her part in *Our Ladies of Perpetual Succour* at the Olivier Awards.

The former student studied HND Musical Theatre and BA (Hons) Acting at the College in 2011, and credits her success to her studies.

Engineering student to represent UK at global skills competition



A student has been selected to represent the UK in the world's largest international skills competition in Abu Dhabi.

Betsy Crosbie gained the place in Team UK after winning silver in Mechanical Engineering: CAD at WorldSkills UK in November.

She will now go on to compete against the world's finest at the competition in October.

Lecturer made honorary member of elite culinary society



One of NCL's chef lecturers has become the first female to be made an honorary member of an elite culinary society after judging at an event in Dubai.

Ann Brown, who has been dubbed the hospitality industry's 'Marzipan Queen', is the first woman to join the list of honorary members of the Emirates Culinary Guild.

The Emirates Culinary Guild has more than 90 honorary members made up of chefs from around the globe.

Furthermore, Ann has recently been invited to become a committee member of the World Association of Chefs' Societies (WACS).

Having garnered a global reputation for her pastry work and food artistry during a career spanning three decades, Ann combines her teaching work at the College's Motherwell Campus with judging competitions across the UK and internationally.

Students sizzle at ScotHot event



New College Lanarkshire Hospitality and Professional Cookery students dominated the awards board at a national culinary competition – bringing home six medals.

Six Professional Cookery students from the College's Motherwell and Cumbernauld campuses competed in the Scottish Culinary Championships at annual food exhibition, ScotHot, held in the SEC Glasgow.

The students competed across five categories during the two-day competition to achieve one gold, three silver and two bronze medals.

Photography student recognised for award



A photography student from New College Lanarkshire has been honoured in the Scottish Nature Photography Awards.

Nikolai Zemljannikov, who is originally from Estonia and now lives in Hamilton, finished in third place in the Student category of the prestigious awards scheme.

The 35-year-old, a student of HND Photography at our Motherwell Campus, impressed a judging panel with three images of picturesque falls near Sandford in South Lanarkshire.

Nikolai will receive a certificate in recognition of the honour as well as featuring in the Porfolio Yearbook 2016 and a touring exhibition later this year.

Awards sweep for photography students at industry event



Four NCL students scooped five awards at the British Institute of Professional Photography Awards alongside two former students who won three.

A gold, three bronzes and one merit awards were given to the current students, along with two golds and a silver for recent graduates.

College nominated for three Marketing Society awards



New College Lanarkshire has been nominated in three categories at the upcoming Marketing Society Star Awards – the most prestigious event for marketing professionals.

The College is nominated in the Integrated Marketing, Public Sector and Chairman's Award categories for its 2016/17 marketing campaign, 'Turn a like into a living'.

The awards will be presented at a ceremony in June and the College faces competition including University of Edinburgh Business School, Scottish Government, Food Standards Scotland, Royal Bank of Scotland and VisitScotland.