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MLT Pinning Ceremony

WELDON, N.C. – The Halifax Community College (HCC) Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) program hosted its pinning ceremony on Wednesday, May 8.

The joint ceremony, with the School of Nursing and the School of Dental Hygiene, included student remarks as well as award presentations. The first award presented was the inaugural Sue Tidrick Clinical Excellence Award. Tidrick has been a foundational part of the MLT community, consistently leading by example throughout her career. According to Lonnie Barker, department head of the MLT department, “Sue has been a mentor, teacher, co-worker and leader in the clinical laboratory in our region for over 35 years. When you think about quality and the traits of a good laboratorian, we always think of Sue.” The recipient of the award was Autumn Karen Britton.

The second award presented was the department’s inaugural Patriot Award. The award is presented to the student with the highest grade point average in the graduating class. This year, the MLT department had two students who had earned a 4.0 throughout their academic careers. The recipients were Autumn Karen Britton and Wenchan Song Dickens.

Dr. Julie Galvin, department chair of HCC’s Biology department, presented each graduate for their pinning. The graduates were pinned by faculty member Arnette Davis and were presented flowers and a framed copy of the Medical Laboratory Technology Pledge to the Profession by Barker.

The MLT department recently successfully completed their reaccreditation process, ensuring that each of the graduates – and their future counterparts – will continue to receive best-in-class training at HCC.



The MLT graduating class of 2019 with instructor Arnette Davis and department chair Lonnie Barker.

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