University of South Carolina Lancaster

# Lancers Edge

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We are excited to announce that USC Lancaster has been ranked the number one 2-year campus in the state and the number four overall 2-year

campus in the nation by niche. com. Niche is a website that helps students discover the schools and neighborhoods that are right for them. Niche rigorously



analyzes dozens of public data sets and millions of reviews to produce comprehensive rankings, report cards and profiles for every K-12 school, college and neighborhood in the United States.

### Beyond the Classroom

Since its launch in Fall 2015, the USCL Research Club has endeavored to foster student undergraduate research at USCL and to promote the Graduation with Leadership Distinction (GLD) program. As a result, there have been over



40 scholarly presentations at meetings by faculty and students from all disciplines, 20 professional student presentations at local or regional conferences, and 5 students have completed the Research Pathway for GLD. In February 2018, Molly Melton and Kailey Miller (pictured center) presented their research at the Southeast Regional American College of Sports Medicine

Conference in Chattanooga, TN. These students wrote grants under faculty supervision to fund the travel to this conference and were wonderful representatives for USC Lancaster.

#### **BSN Program Update**

As of May 2018 the USCL Bachelor of Science in Nursing Collaborative Program will have graduated approximately 150 BSN prepared nurses. These nurses are working primarily in our local health care facilities providing excellent care to the citizens of Lancaster, York, Chester, and beyond. The most recent NCLEX scores were >99% reflecting the quality education being provided to the BSN students. The USCL Nursing simulation lab has shown to be a real asset in meeting the needs of the BSN students. Recently we received a grant from the Lutz



Foundation to equip the lab with a medication dispensing system. In addition, we received an emergency preparedness grant from the J. Marion Sims Foundation which resulted in improved

equipment such as crash carts, defibrillators, and various other emergency supplies. The BSN team continues to seek out support and partnerships to enhance the program.





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#### Go Lancers!

The Lancers compete in baseball, men's and women's soccer, and women's volleyball in the National Junior College Athletic Association,

and have seen much success over the last eleven years. The men's soccer team posted its best overall record in Fall 2017 with nine wins, and the team defeated Cape Fear Community College for



the first time in program history. The baseball team ended their 2017



season as regular season champs. The 2018 season has begun under the leadership of new head baseball coach Nick Calhoun. The Lady Lancers Volleyball team will begin their fourth year with Coaches Burke and Hassell and will practice and play their matches on campus this fall at the Gregory Family YMCA. The volleyball team is also successful off the court averaging a 3.55 team GPA. Athletics schedules can be found at

usclathletics.com. Please come out and support Lancers athletics.

### Native American Studies Center

On October 5, 2017 USC Lancaster celebrated the 5th anniversary of the Native American Studies Center. Visitors to the NASC between October 2016 and September 2017 number 8,170 making the total for the first five years 37,675. The Center also reached its goal of raising over \$10,000 to establish an endowment for Center operations and programs that further its mission. This effort was spearheaded by ten year old Jake Catoe who raised over \$2,000 for this fund and much was donated in

The Native American Studies Center will host its 13th annual Native American Studies Week Friday, March 16th through Wednesday, March 21st. Entitled "Political, Economic, and Civil Rights Movements

coins.



in Indian Country," the week features an arts and crafts festival, film



screening, art exhibit opening, and lectures discussing grassroots activism in American Indian communities, activism of Native women in various roles, and presidential policies toward indigenous people from a Native American perspective. Events are free and open to the public. For more information, call 803-313-7172.

#### **Educational Foundation of USC Lancaster**

The Educational Foundation of the University of South Carolina Lancaster (EFUSCL) was founded in 1963 to "receive and administer funds for education and charitable purposes."

In addition to owning the real estate of the campus, the EFUSCL receives and manages charitable donations to support USC Lancaster. Most gifts are designated for scholarships, but the Foundation also manages gift and grant funds that are designated for other purposes.

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