

## Start dates for GENEVA COLLEGE Degree Completion Program classes

### Bachelor of Science

#### COMMUNITY MINISTRY

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Thursday, October 2, 2008

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Monday, February 23, 2009

Beaver Falls, Pa.  
Thursday, February 26, 2009

#### HUMAN RESOURCES

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Monday, October 6, 2008

Somerset, Pa.  
Wednesday, October 8, 2008

Monroeville, Pa.  
Thursday, January 29, 2009

Beaver Falls, Pa.  
Thursday, February 26, 2009

#### HUMAN SERVICES

Beaver Falls, Pa.  
Tuesday, August 26, 2008

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Wednesday, September 3, 2008

Johnstown, Pa.  
Thursday, September 11, 2008

#### ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Monday, October 6, 2008

Beaver Falls, Pa.  
Thursday, February 26, 2009

Call for details.  
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Degree Completion Program  
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## GENEVA COLLEGE DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM

# Progression

## DCP shows support for innovations in the human resources field

The Pittsburgh Human Resources Association hosted the People Do Matter Awards on April 17. The ceremony was initiated to recognize and encourage businesses that have instituted practices to reward employees while improving work performance. The Geneva College Degree Completion Program had the honor of being this year's Gold Sponsor.

The DCP was pleased to stand behind PHRA president and DCP graduate Faith Stipanovich '94 in this year's event and show western Pennsylvania companies that there is more than one way to inspire efficient and educated workers in many areas, including human resources.

The Geneva College Degree Completion Program offers partnerships with businesses who would like their employees to receive a quality education that would benefit both them and their workplace. By partnering with Geneva, a company can expect



DCP counselors with PHRA president and DCP graduate Faith Stipanovich '94

employees to receive practical learning with immediate application to the work environment, tuition reductions and personal attention with academic advising on location.

For more information about this opportunity, call Alice Price at 800.576.3111.

## Is it time to make your career shine even brighter?

If you have prior work experience, and perhaps some college experience, the Geneva College DCP can help you complete a bachelor's degree.

Explore the possibilities and learn more about the program in which you are interested. If these days or times are inconvenient, call 800.576.3111 to set up a personal visit with an enrollment counselor.

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Monday, July 28 & August 11, 3:30 – 6:30 p.m.  
Pittsburgh Theological Seminary  
616 North Highland Avenue

Beaver Falls, Pa.  
Thursday, August 7, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.  
Geneva College Degree Completion  
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In addition to our Beaver Falls office, we have office hours at the Regional Learning Alliance in Cranberry and the Pittsburgh Theological Seminary in East Liberty.  
Regional Learning Alliance  
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## FROM THE DEAN

*“Reformed thought claims that through the work we are called to do God himself carries on his creative activity in this world...work makes us into God’s representatives on*

*earth, His stewards, entrusted with the task of developing the rich resources of the earth for the benefit of the human community.”*  
—Lee Hardy, The Fabric of This World

*The human services major that Geneva College offers through the Degree Completion Program enables students to explore and develop their God-given gifts as they serve others in government, nonprofit and faith-based human service programs. As we educate and train people to become human services professionals, we also teach them who they are as God’s representatives, bearing His image. Working in and through social structures, Christians called to serve in this field can derive great satisfaction from the knowledge that God provides for the needs of others through human hands. It is through such service that the students and graduates of the Degree Completion Program carry out the mission of Geneva College as “servant-leaders to transform society for the kingdom of Christ.”*

*Our human services students are committed to the work of the kingdom of Christ. In this edition of Progression, you will read Deborah White’s story. Serving as a professional nurse, Deborah sees the human services program as a way to enhance her calling to serve underprivileged clients. What an opportunity to utilize the rich resources of the earth, as well as her own gifts, to serve the human community as God’s representative!*

*Geneva’s Degree Completion Program is a challenging opportunity for adult students to complete their bachelor’s degree in the context of a Christian community. Through prayer and practical support, students, faculty and staff work together to encourage and help one another. As you have the opportunity, consider joining a class in a location near your home or workplace. Take up the challenge and learn what it means to be “entrusted with the task of developing the rich resources of the earth for the benefit of the human community” through an education that brings a focus on God’s calling to use your gifts as his representative.*

Dr. Ralph N. Phillips

## BRIDGE PROGRAM

### Fall 2008 Course Schedule

The Bridge Program is designed for busy adults who need to earn credits either to enter the Geneva College Degree Completion Program or to complete their degree after completing the DCP. This program helps you “bridge the gap.”

#### BEAVER FALLS CAMPUS

##### SOC 110 SOCIOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVES

3 social science core or elective credits  
Mondays, September 8 and October 27  
Mandatory face-to-face sessions

##### ACE 104 GOSPEL OF LUKE

3 elective credits  
Tuesdays, September 9 – October 28

##### CHM 140 FUNDAMENTALS OF CHEMISTRY

3 natural science core or elective credits  
Wednesdays, September 10 – October 22

##### ACE 101 HISTORY OF THE 60s

3 elective credits  
Thursdays, September 11 – October 16

##### HUM 118 CLASSICAL AND CHRISTIAN CULTURES

3 humanities core or elective credits  
Mondays, October 27 – December 15

##### ACE 232 CHRISTIAN REDEMPTION IN THE BOOKS OF RUTH AND JONAH

3 elective credits  
Tuesdays, October 28 – December 16



Geneva’s Northwood Hall, Beaver Falls campus.

#### REGIONAL LEARNING ALLIANCE AT CRANBERRY WOODS

##### ACE 132 GLOBALISM AND MULTICULTURALISM

3 elective credits  
Wednesdays, September 3 – October 22

##### BBL 112 OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY

3 Old Testament core or elective credits  
Thursdays, September 4 – October 23

##### ACE 112 WORLD OF ISLAM

3 elective credits  
Wednesdays, October 29 – December 17

##### BBL 113 NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

3 New Testament core or elective credits  
Thursdays, October 30 – December 18

Class enrollment is limited.

For registration and financial aid information, call 800.576.3111.

Register online at [www.geneva.edu](http://www.geneva.edu).

Register and begin class up to October 30.

## APPLAUSE

#### JUDITH E. TOBIAS '08

DCP Community Ministry Class 032, Pittsburgh  
Judith has accepted a position as pastor of Calvary United Methodist Church in McKeesport, Pa. She began her service as pastor on July 1.

#### BOBBIE JO COMES '08

DCP Human Services Class 002, Beaver Falls  
Bobbie Jo has recently been offered a job as the chief program officer at Venango Training and Development Corporation. Bobbie Jo says that it is because of her degree from Geneva that she has this opportunity.

#### WE ARE PROUD OF YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS!

Keep us informed so we can share your story with others.  
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## Balancing the present and building the future

Deborah White had two-and-a-half years of college and an associate degree in nursing when she decided that she wanted to return to school. She loved her job as a nurse and knew that further education could open more possibilities for her. However, she believed that her work and home responsibilities would prevent her from re-entering the classroom.

After much prayer, Deborah found the solution to her dilemma. In her church, she discovered information on Geneva College’s Degree Completion Program. Because the DCP is a 17-month program with classes meeting only one night a week, Deborah knew that she could manage schoolwork along with her other responsibilities.

“One of [the program’s] main attractions...was the consideration Geneva displayed to its students, knowing that many of the students had jobs and families,” she says.

Deborah chose the human services program because it could work as a complement to her nursing degree. She loved her roles of serving her patients and advocating for their needs, and further education would enhance her strengths and develop her ability to care for patients.

While Deborah found the class schedule to be the most beneficial aspect of the structure of the DCP, the classroom atmosphere offered a different kind of accommodation. Surrounded by a Christian community

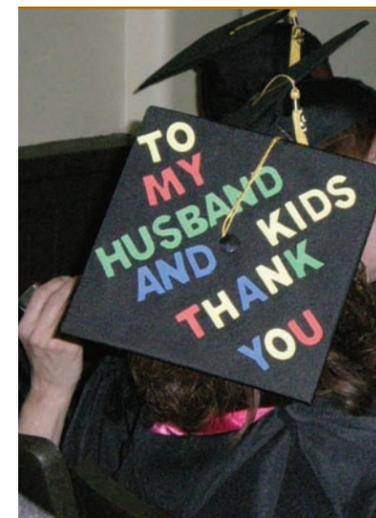


Deborah White '08 is a graduate of the DCP’s first human services class.

of instructors and classmates, Deborah received more support than she could have imagined. The instructors prayed for her and with her. Deborah felt that she always had peers and instructors who understood difficult life situations.

“My classmates became much more than classmates—they became my friends and prayer buddies,” she says. “This type of camaraderie may have been difficult to achieve at another college or university.”

A member of the DCP’s first human services class, Deborah says that earning her degree was one of the most rewarding and satisfying experiences of her life. Although the curriculum can be challenging and fast-paced, she believes the program provided the education and encouragement she needed to achieve her goals. Deborah intends to use her degree to become a nurse educator or a case manager in a social service department, advocating for health benefits for underprivileged clients.



Bobbie Jo Comes '08 spells out her appreciation for the love and support of her family.

## COMMENCEMENT 2008

On May 15, Geneva College hosted the commencement ceremony for the graduate and adult education programs. Not only was the Degree Completion Program delighted to celebrate with its 101 students who had received bachelor’s degrees, but also to announce the graduation of its first three human services cohorts.

The DCP began its human services program nearly two years ago and is getting ready to begin classes 8, 9 and 10 in Beaver Falls, Pittsburgh and Johnstown this fall.

Interested in learning more about the area of human services? Contact an enrollment counselor at 800.576.3111 about the human services program, field and job opportunities.



The Geneva College Degree Completion Program has joined the Facebook team!

Now you can join our team online by visiting [www.facebook.com](http://www.facebook.com) and searching for “Geneva College Degree Completion Program.”



## BIBLE CHALLENGE EXAMS

*for prospective and current DCP students*

BIB 112 Biblical Introduction I – Old Testament and BIB 113 Biblical Introduction II – New Testament

Fulfill community ministry core requirements or fulfill human resources, organizational development or human services elective requirements.

Earn three semester hours for each exam.

Beaver Falls, Pa.  
Saturday, September 13, 2008

Pittsburgh, Pa.  
Saturday, November 15, 2008

Advance registration required.  
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