Opportunities are Waiting

The doors a college degree can help you open may be endless. The options that lie before you are unique and plentiful. While the time in a classroom—on campus or online—may be limited to just 17 months, the learning that takes place once you’ve started your educational journey is limitless. One of the goals of Geneva College is to motivate students to pursue knowledge using whatever opportunities God places before them. The secret is to trust where God is leading you as He prepares you for His purposes.

One of the students who completed his degree through Geneva’s Adult Degree Programs has been a living example of this concept. Richard Wingfield was looking to earn his degree to prepare himself for his ministry in Braddock, Pennsylvania. Since Geneva College had the major and the program that fit his needs and schedule, he entered the community ministry major that met in Pittsburgh.

And while a bachelor’s degree could have been sufficient, more opportunities unfolded before him. Richard continued to study at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary for both his Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees. The completion of those degrees led him not only to preach at his church in Braddock, but also teach at the Center for Urban Biblical Ministry and occasionally in the Adult Degree Programs.

“The principles I gained from my time at Geneva gave me a solid biblical foundation and practical application of ministry. I was able to adjust the principles I learned to my ministry context, and utilize them with the intent of improving the quality of life in the community where I serve.”

The opportunity Richard had to finish his bachelor’s degree at Geneva has multiplied into opportunities to serve innumerable amounts of people through his work as a preacher and teacher.

Opportunities to learn, opportunities to work, and opportunities to serve—what opportunities are waiting for you?

Opportunities are Waiting

Upcoming Class Starts

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP
Online October 7, 2013
Online December 9, 2013
Online February 17, 2014

HUMAN RESOURCES
Online October 7, 2013
Online December 9, 2013
Monroeville January 29, 2014
Beaver Falls February 3, 2014
Johnstown, February 10, 2014
Sharon February 11, 2014
Online February 17, 2014

ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
Johnstown February 10, 2014

HUMAN SERVICES
Pittsburgh September 17, 2013
Everett September 25, 2013
Pittsburgh March 3, 2014

CHRISTIAN MINISTRY LEADERSHIP
Pittsburgh October 1, 2013
Online October 7, 2013
Online December 9, 2013
Beaver Falls February 3, 2014
Online February 17, 2014

Explore the possibilities and learn more about the program that interests you. Visit our website to find the locations and times of our information meetings, or call 800.576.3111 to set up a personal visit with an enrollment counselor.

www.geneva.edu/adultdegree

Applause

JOANNA SUTHERLAND ’12, Human Services Class 019, Everett, has been accepted to West Virginia University for a master’s in rehabilitation counseling. Joanna received a full scholarship, which covers books, mileage and other expenses in addition to tuition, funded by the U.S. Rehabilitation Services Administration. She has also been promoted to vocational evaluation assistant in Goodwill Industries.

AMANDA HENRY ’12, Human Services Class 019, Everett, has been accepted to West Virginia University’s master’s in rehabilitation counseling program. She recently received a promotion at Independent Family Services as family guidance coordinator.

We are proud of your achievements! Keep us informed so we can share your story with others. 800.576.3111 • adultdegree@geneva.edu
From the Dean

“Lifelong learning” can be a confusing phrase, but allow me to explain: this is the ongoing pursuit of self-motivated learning that may include formal instruction (such as school) but also informal and self-directed education. The Bible is replete with examples of the importance of knowledge, and how learning about creation points us to knowledge of God and a better understanding of who He is (e.g., Ps. 19: 1-2; Rom. 1:19, 20). Lifelong learning means not only studying new things, but also being trained to see old things differently. It means exploring, discovering, finding new adventures and immersing ourselves in learning about God’s good creation. It means being awed by beauty, truth and occasionally glimpsing the beauty of God reflected in His work.

Research has demonstrated that this kind of learning is important for our well being. Ongoing learning through all stages of life encourages lifelong learning: 

1. Read the Bible and books that confirm your faith, as well as books that challenge your faith. Read prayerfully and thoughtfully.
2. Challenge yourself to take advantage of formal learning opportunities, such as one of Geneva’s Adult Degree Programs or graduate programs. This will help promote more disciplined thinking and open doors to new and challenging employment and further learning opportunities.
3. Always be reading a book or two.
4. When you are not in the classroom, continue to discuss ideas with friends. Skip the small gossip. Be an idea person!
5. When you run up against something you don’t know or understand...look it up! Learn a new skill while you are at it.
6. Volunteer to be part of something that is larger than you. Teach classes in your church, visit with the elderly, encourage the lonely and fatherless, feed the hungry, repair and build homes for the homeless.

Geneva College offers degree programs both in the classroom and online that will challenge you to think and learn. Call an enrollment counselor or check Geneva’s website for more information about how you can join those who value lifelong learning.

Dr. Ralph N. Phillips

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Bridge Program

The Bridge Program is designed for busy adults who need to earn credits either to enter the Geneva College Adult Degree Programs or to complete their degree after finishing the courses in their major. This program helps you “bridge the gap.”

Classroom Bridge courses meet from 6 to 10 p.m. For course descriptions or to register, visit www.geneva.edu/bridge.

BEAVER FALLS CLASSES

LIFESPAN DEVELOPMENT 3 Human services core or elective credits Mondays, October 28 – December 16
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE 3 Natural science core or elective credits Tuesdays, October 29 – December 17

INTRODUCTION TO NEW TESTAMENT 3 Christian ministry core or elective credits Wednesdays, October 30 – December 18
CHRIST IN THE OLD TESTAMENT 3 Elective credits Thursdays, October 31 – December 12
FULLY ONLINE CLASSES October 16 – December 4
FUNDAMENTALS OF ACCOUNTING 3 Accounting principles core or elective credits
OLD TESTAMENT SURVEY 3 Old Testament core or elective credits
CLASSICAL AND CHRISTIAN CULTURES 3 Humanities core or elective credits
RENAISSANCE TO THE PRESENT 3 Humanities core or elective credits
INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY 3 Social science core or elective credits
EARTH AND SPACE SCIENCE 3 Natural science core or elective credits
FAITH AND MONEY 3 Elective credits
PRIORITIES, GOALS AND ATTITUDE 3 Elective credits

INTRODUCTORY TO THE NEW TESTAMENT III
INTRODUCTORY TO THE OLD TESTAMENT III
ACCREDITED ACCOUNTING
GENERAL ARTICLES

Bible Challenge Exams

For prospective and current Adult Degree Programs students.

Biblical Introduction I Old Testament

Courses fulfill core requirements for Christian ministry leadership majors, and elective requirements for human resources, organizational development, organizational leadership and human services.

Earn three semester hours for each exam.

BEAVER FALLS
Saturday, January 18, 2014

PITTSBURGH
Saturday, November 2, 2013
Saturday, March 15, 2014

Advance registration required. Call for details and study guide. 800.576.3111 • adultdegree@geneva.edu

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Geneva College ranked high in Affordability

AffordableCollegesOnline.com recently ranked Geneva College among the top “highest return on investment colleges” in Pennsylvania. For adults who need to complete a bachelor’s degree to help them succeed at work and other responsibilities, look no further than Geneva College Adult Degree Programs.

AC Online’s goal in this study was to determine quality, fully accredited, four-year, non-profit institutions based on tuition costs that will give you more bang for your buck. Using criteria of affordability based on the National Center for Education Statistics, PayScale’s 2013 College Value Report, Carnegie Classification, and Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, Geneva was ranked 45 in the top 402 colleges where degrees pay off the most. This means that students who graduate from these colleges earn more over their lifetimes, on average, than graduates from other Pennsylvania institutions.

95% of Geneva ADP students receive some kind of financial aid.

Geneva ranked
45 out of 402 in colleges where degrees pay off the most.

Geneva’s Adult Degree Programs are ready to make finishing your degree fit your budget!