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Lindsey Wilson teams with BCTC for new degrees

*School of Professional Counseling
opportunities at Regency campus*

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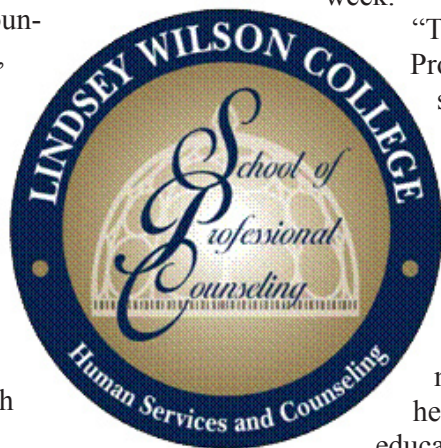
Lindsey Wilson College's School of Professional Counseling has begun offering degree programs in Human Services to Bluegrass Community and Technical College students.

According to Stacy Springston, coordinator for the School of Professional Counseling at BCTC, students will have the option to pursue a bachelor's degree in Human Services and Counseling or a master's degree in Mental Health Counseling.

The classes are being held at Regency Campus on Friday and Saturday. Individual courses consist of three weekend sessions. According to Springston, bachelor's requirements can be completed in 18 months and master's requirements can be reached in 24 months.

To qualify, interested students must have completed 60 credit hours or have an associate's degree.

These programs are new to BCTC, and Springston says that they have been "extremely successful" at the other Kentucky Community and Technical College campuses. Weekend classes offer better accommodation for working students, mothers, fathers, and others who aren't able to attend classes throughout the week.



"The School of Professional Counseling is the only one of its kind in the nation," says Springston. "The creation of the school signifies Lindsey Wilson's commitment to mental health counselor education."

Lindsey Wilson College is located in Columbia, Ky., and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Applications are currently being accepted. Interested students should contact Springston. Her office is located at Regency Campus in room 109. Students may also inquire by phone at (859) 967-9443 or e-mail springstons@lindsey.edu.

Passport, please

*Students
benefit by
attending
events*

By **CAROL LEATH**
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The Multicultural Affairs department has an innovative and fun way for students to learn about our cultural differences. It is the passport project.

Passports work along the same lines as the passports needed to travel from country to country. Students get their passports stamped when they attend multicultural events or take designated classes.

Each stamp has a dollar amount associated with it. After students accumulate \$1,000 in points, they are eligible for prize drawings to be held at the end of each semester. So far, the prize list consists of a laptop computer, CDs and a trip to an undisclosed destination.

Charlene Walker, vice president of Multicultural Affairs, said, "Pass-

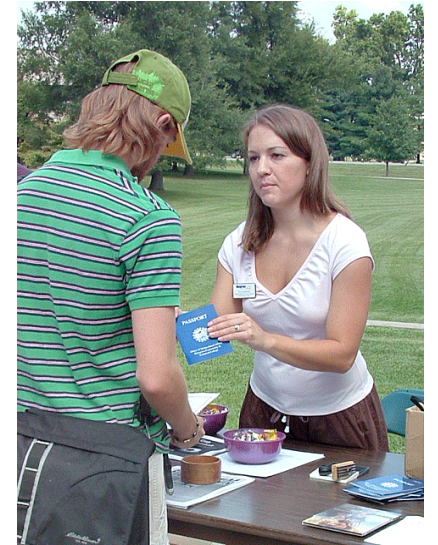


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Erin Howard explains the passport program to student Chris Rockefeller.

ports will allow students to travel all over the world without leaving their campus home." Walker explained the program's objective: "Education is the key to promoting an appreciation of the world and the impact that global awareness plays on the economic development in the Bluegrass community."

Several classes can earn a passport stamp. The classes include foreign languages, criminal justice, journalism and English. Eligible classes are listed in the Passport. All that is needed to earn these stamps is to complete those classes.

Since this program will still be offered next semester, students may want to keep this in mind when scheduling classes for the spring semester.

Vera Foushee, Multicultural Affairs administrative assistant, sees the passport project as "a way to introduce students to diverse cultures."

Passports are free. They can be picked up at events sponsored by Multicultural Affairs or in Room 211 of the Oswald Building on the Cooper campus.

