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Click on the buttons below to check out our Healthcare and Teacher Education Alumni Spotlights!

#### **Healthcare Alumni**



Join us for Alumni Coffee Hour on November 15th at the Mocha House!



Catch EGCC at the Holiday Parade on December 1st!



Catch EGCC at the Annual Christmas Parade on December 2nd!

#### **Online Students:**

The EGCC Alumni Association Events Committee will be hosting a Winter Movie Night:



Stay tuned to Facebook and your emails for the details of this fun event!



Have you caught up on all the episodes on the EGCC Alumni Podcast? Find it on the Spotify, Apple, and Google podcast platforms!

Interested in being a guest and telling your story? Send an email to: alumni@egcc.edu, Subject line: Podcast Guest



Please know that your diploma will be ordered after all grades from your last semester are posted and the Dean of your program provides final approval. Diplomas may take 6 to 8 weeks to arrive via mail to your address on file with the college once the college places the order. Please make sure your address is up to date as we will use the address you have on file with the Registrar's office. This is where your diploma will be mailed. Your EGCC transcript will also be updated at this time to reflect a graduation status and an official copy of your transcript can be ordered through the <u>National Student Clearinghouse</u> link. The transcript is the document that institutions and employers will request for graduate verification.



# **ALUMNI AMBASSADORS NEEDED**

#### CALLING ALL ALUMNI LOCAL TO THE YOUNGSTOWN AND STEUBENVILLE CAMPUSES!

We are looking to connect with our alumni and get involved in our communities!

If you are interested in volunteering at local events representing EGCC as an alum, mentoring current students, and/or helping at EGCC campus events, please sign up at the link below:

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Networking is a crucial component of building a successful career, and as an EGCC alum, you have a unique advantage in your professional network. Here are some pieces of advice for college alumni looking to enhance their professional networking:

- 1. \*\*Leverage Your Alumni Network:\*\* The college alumni network is a valuable resource. Join and connect with the EGCC Alumni Association, attend alumni events, and make use of online platforms like LinkedIn to connect with fellow graduates. Your shared college experience provides an immediate conversation starter and common ground.
- 2. \*\*Set Clear Goals:\*\* Determine what you want to achieve through networking. Are you looking for career advice, job opportunities, or industry insights? Having clear objectives will help you focus your efforts.
- 3. \*\*Give Before You Get:\*\* Networking is a two-way street. Offer your expertise, advice, or assistance to others before asking for their help. This creates goodwill and builds meaningful relationships.
- 4. \*\*Diversify Your Network:\*\* Don't limit your network to people from your own field or industry. Expand your horizons by connecting with people from various backgrounds, professions, and experiences. You never know where the next opportunity might come from.
- 5. \*\*Stay Active on LinkedIn:\*\* LinkedIn is a powerful tool for professional networking. Ensure your profile is up to date, join relevant groups, and share valuable content. Engage with your connections by commenting on their posts and sending personalized messages.
- 6. \*\*Attend Industry Events:\*\* Conferences, seminars, and workshops related to your field are great places to meet professionals with similar interests. Look for local events and webinars as well. Make sure to exchange contact information with those you meet.

- 7. \*\*Follow Up:\*\* After meeting new contacts, follow up with a personalized email or message. Mention where you met and any specific points you discussed. This keeps the connection warm and shows your genuine interest.
- 8. \*\*Build a Personal Brand:\*\* Your online presence and reputation matter. Share your insights and knowledge on social media and in industry-specific forums. Consistently providing valuable content can establish you as an authority in your field.
- 9. \*\*Seek Mentorship:\*\* Don't be afraid to reach out to experienced professionals for guidance. Many alumni are willing to help those from their alma mater. A mentor can provide valuable insights and support.
- 10. \*\*Be Patient:\*\* Building a strong professional network takes time. It's not about the quantity of connections but the quality of relationships. Focus on nurturing meaningful connections, and the benefits will come over time.
- 11. \*\*Maintain Relationships:\*\* Networking isn't a one-time activity. It's an ongoing process. Stay in touch with your connections, even if you don't currently need anything. Send a message to check in or congratulate them on their achievements.
- 12. \*\*Show Gratitude:\*\* Whenever someone helps you in your career, express your gratitude. People are more likely to assist you in the future if they feel appreciated.
- 13. \*\*Stay Informed:\*\* Keep up with the latest trends and news in your industry. Being knowledgeable and informed will make your networking interactions more valuable.

Remember that networking is about building genuine relationships, not just collecting business cards or connections on social media. Approach it with authenticity, a willingness to learn, and a spirit of reciprocity, and you'll find it to be a valuable resource throughout your career.



### **2024 EGCC Alumni Advisory Council**

Looking for a way to get involved with the Alumni Association? What a better way to do so than to let your voice be heard! Apply to join the Alumni Advisory Council! The AAC is a body that meets quarterly to discuss the EGCC Alumni Association and ways to improve and enhance the organization. If you are interested in joining, please submit your application here:

### **Alumni Advisory Council Application**



We recently had a discussion with EGCC alum, Anthony 'Ant' Garrett, who recently received his master's degree from Western Governor's University. Ant took some time to provide us with real life insight into the WGU experience and answer questions for EGCC alumni who may be considering attending this institution.

Password: wkF^56W.

View Zoom Recording

#### ALUMNI SPECIAL INTEREST CHAPTERS

Get connected to other EGCC Alumni who share your interests/community! Get in the conversation and join the fun activities!

EGCC Alumni- LGBTQIA+ Chapter EGCC Black Alumni Chapter EGCC Alumni Union Connection





#### GET CONNECTED. STAY CONNECTED.

FACEBOOK Eastern Gateway Community College Alumni Association TIKTOK @easterngatewaycc\_alumni INSTAGRAM @egcc\_alumni

### UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

Did you know that you lose access to your student email account immediately after graduation? Make sure that we have an alternate email address on file so that you are not missing any important information and updates from the Alumni Association. Additionally, be sure to update your email address if you have changed jobs.

Update Your Email Address Here!





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