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Forsyth Tech Hosts Fulbright Scholar from Australia

Ray Cadmore to Offer Lecture on Integration of Emerging Technologies into Community College Curriculum

(Winston-Salem, NC) – This fall, Forsyth Tech is hosting Australian Fulbright Professional Scholar, Raymond Cadmore, through the National Center for the Biotechnology Workforce (NCBW) of BioNetwork, which delivers best training practices to areas in which emerging bioscience technology is developing.

Cadmore, who teaches food processing sustainability at Sunraysia Institute of TAFE in Mildura, in northwestern Victoria, Australia, will focus his research on the integration of emerging technology, such as biotechnology and biomanufacturing, into community college curriculum. TAFE, similar to the U.S. community college system, is Australia’s largest provider of vocational education and training.

Cadmore will share his research and observations in a presentation entitled “Integration of Emerging Technology into Community College Curriculum: An Overview and Background” as part of Forsyth Tech’s SciTech Lecture series on Thursday, September 18, at 4 pm in the Oak Grove Center Auditorium, located on the college’s Main Campus, 2100 Silas Creek Parkway (directions are included below).

This presentation is free and open to the public.



During his Fulbright research in the U.S., Cadmore will visit other colleges as well as federal and state officials, tapping into the network of contacts Forsyth Tech has established as lead member of the recently awarded U.S. Department of Labor Community College Consortium for Biosciences Credentials Trade Adjustment Assistant Grant (c3bc).

“I arrived at Forsyth Tech just last month, and already I’m impressed with how closely community colleges working in emerging technology operate with local industry partners,” Cadmore says. “It’s a tight relationship and is providing me with an understanding of the ways industry, government and vocational educators in this country go about engaging with future training needs.

“North Carolina in particular has reasons to be happy,” he adds. “This state went after biotechnology 30 years ago and has stayed ahead in that sector. I’m hoping to bring back home the best practices I’m observing here as a way to help build the Australian biotech and biomanufacturing skilled workforce of the future.”

Cadmore will return to Australia in November.

Directions to the Oak Grove Center, Forsyth Tech, Main Campus:

The Oak Grove Center is On Forsyth Tech’s Main Campus at 2100 Silas Creek Parkway in Winston-Salem. Enter Campus on Miller Street and go to the end of the street. Turn left onto Oak Grove Road, and then turn into the first driveway on the right.

About BioNetwork (ncbionetwork.org)

The mission of BioNetwork is to provide high quality economic and workforce development for biotechnology and life industries across North Carolina through education, training, and laboratory resources. Operated by the North Carolina Community College System, BioNetwork offers incumbent worker training, transitional worker training, and pre-employment classes on specific topics and skill sets through hands-on training in simulated industrial environments, through virtual learning, and in face to face learning sessions in one of three BioNetwork facilities or at the industry site. BioNetwork also supports the future biotechnology and life science workforce through teacher training and student outreach.

About NCBW (biotechworkforce.org)

The National Center for the Biotechnology Workforce (NCBW) was created through a US Department of Labor High Growth Grant Initiative in September 2004 and operated in this capacity until September 2008. On October 1st, 2008 the NCBW became a part of BioNetwork.



In October 2012, the NCBW became the operational site for the Community College Consortium for the Biosciences Credentials initiative, funded by the US DOL under a round two TAACCCT grant. The NCBW is the operational site of NSF – ATE DUE # 130410 Project Grant called the Bioscience Industry Fellows Program (BIFP).

About Forsyth Tech (forsythtech.edu)

Forsyth Tech provides students with flexible educational pathways to a competitive workforce for the community and global economy. The college offers associate degrees, diplomas, and certificates in more than 200 programs of study, including programs that promote personal and professional development through non-credit courses and seminars, as well as customized training for business and industry. Forsyth Tech is the fifth largest community college in North Carolina and serves more than 35,000 students with approximately 1,500 full and part-time faculty and staff.



Caption: Ray Cadmore, Australian Fulbright Professional Scholar 2014 at Forsyth Tech