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Terry Campus Staff Member Recognized for 30 Years of Service

DOVER- Dr. Daniel Houghtaling, director of the Delaware Technical & Community College, Terry Campus Corporate and Community Programs Division, was recognized for 30 years of service to Phi Theta Kappa, the international honor society of the two year college, during the spring induction ceremony.

Dr. Houghtaling started the Terry Campus chapter in 1987. That year, there were only 300 chapters in the United States. Now Phi Theta Kappa is the largest honor society in American higher education with over 1,200 chapters world wide. Dr. Houghtaling currently serves as the organization's Middle States Regional Coordinator.

"If Dr. Houghtaling hadn't started Phi Theta Kappa here, we wouldn't be able to make our mark on the community," Ernesta Coulbourne, a recent criminal justice technology graduate, said. The four themes of the honor society's mission are leadership, scholarship, fellowship and service.

"To fail is to try; to not try is to fail," guest speaker Dr. Michael Castello, professor and site director for Southern Illinois University, Carbondale at Dover Air Force Base, said.

Failing is not what brought the 27 students into the society's ranks. The organization requires its members to uphold a 3.33 grade point average while participating in leadership practicum and community service.

For more information on Phi Theta Kappa and other clubs and organizations on the Terry Campus, please visit www.dtcc.edu/terry/pages/clubs.htm.

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