At Sullivan College of Technology and Design, we encourage our faculty and staff to increase their education and skills so that they can continue to provide our students with the best education possible. Here are some recent achievements:

Robert “Mitch” Mitchell, instructor in the Mechanical CADD and HVAC/R programs, has been promoted to the position of Evening Division Dean at SCTD. Mitchell is completing his Ph.D. in Strategic Management at Sullivan University. Charles Wayne Wood, Computer Network Administration instructor wanted to give his students real experience with troubleshooting and repairing PCs, so he initiated the first PC Clinic at Sullivan College of Technology and Design. His students, preparing to sit for A+ computer repair certification, get practical, hands-on experience, people get their computers repaired reasonably, and the proceeds from the clinic support local charities. John Heuglin, also a Computer Network Administration instructor, has earned his Bachelor’s in Human Resource Leadership and plans to work on his Master’s in Management Information Technology (MSMIT) this spring. Tim Brown, Computer Graphic Design and Dynamic Web Development instructor, is also working on his MSMIT degree. Brown was one of six finalists for the Kentucky Association of Career Colleges and Schools Outstanding Instructor and Rising Star awards. Another Computer Networks Administration instructor, Allen Smith, is working on his Bachelor’s in Information Technology degree. Craig Niemann presented programs on service learning and how to incorporate it as part of instruction at The Kentucky Association for Career and Technical Education (KACTE) workshop and at The Kentucky Association for Career Colleges and Schools (KACCS). Niemann is Chair of Graphic Arts and Dynamic Web Development programs at SCTD. Not pictured, Graphic Arts and Dynamic Web Development instructor Tom Willis, is working on his Bachelor’s in Graphic Design.

Giving credit where credit is due

“I chose Sullivan College of Technology and Design (SCTD) mainly for the small classroom feel. With smaller classes, lesson plans conform around the student instead of the student conforming around a lesson plan. This has allowed Sullivan’s instructors to give unparalleled hands on time with each student, which has been a key part of Sullivan’s success. The small classroom feel carries over to many other aspects of a student’s experience at SCTD. As the quarters progress, you see the same faces in every class. This allows you to really get to know the people you spend a large chunk of your day with. Creating those friendships fosters teamwork in the classroom, with everyone putting their minds together to achieve the same end goal.

Sullivan has been a leader in Computer Aided Design Drafting (CADD) programs for colleges in this area for decades. After leaving high school with four years of CAD under my belt, I knew that if I wanted to further my learning I would have to do it at Sullivan. The curriculum of CAD classes covers a broad spectrum of the industry. By teaching drafting in AutoCAD, Inventor and Microstation, Sullivan can fully prep its students for competitive jobs upon graduation. Strong general education classes like Physics, Strengths, Statics, Fluid Power and Professional Development ensure that each student develops a well rounded skill set.”

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