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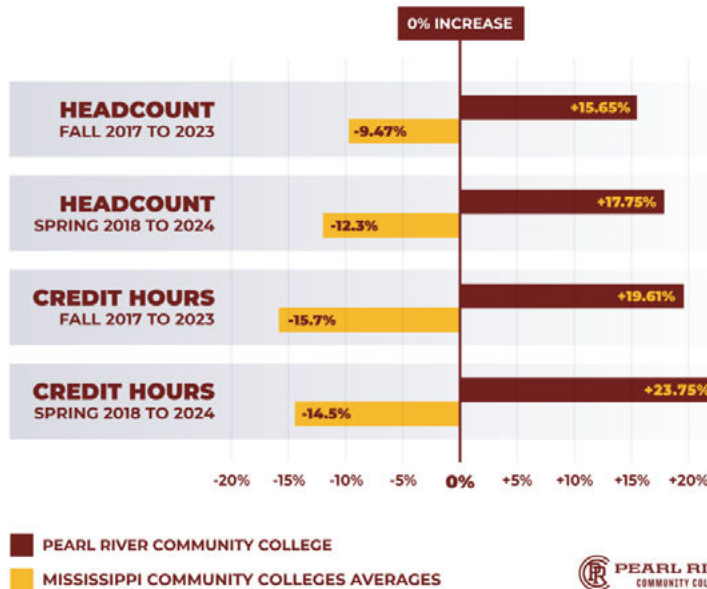
# PEARL RIVER CELEBRATES HISTORIC SPRING ENROLLMENT AND A DECADE OF OUTPACING THE STATE AVERAGE IN GROWTH

New all-time highs for enrollment and credit hours have Pearl River Community College celebrating its continued progress toward making higher education affordable, accessible, and efficient.

The 10th Day Enrollment Report published by the Mississippi Community College Board arrived with news of the record-setting enrollment of 5,061 students for the spring semester. This marks the first time in the institution's history that spring enrollment topped 5,000 students. There has been a 17.75% growth in enrollment from 2018 to 2024 while the state average saw a drop of 12.3%. Pearl River is the only community college in the state to experience a headcount gain in that period.

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## THE RIVER CONTINUES TO RISE







## **PRCC WELCOMES 400+ WOMEN FOR EMPOWERING 17th ANNUAL HEALTH SYMPOSIUM WITH GUEST DEMI-LEIGH TEBOW**

The 17th annual Women's Health Symposium was held on the Poplarville Campus of Pearl River Community College on Saturday, January 27. Ms. Demi-Leigh Tebow, former Miss Universe, was the keynote speaker. She drew from her personal experiences, including a carjacking at gunpoint, to encourage resilience and empowerment in women. Tebow provided practical personal safety advice and challenged others to make time for interruptions for the benefit of others. "You can choose to not let circumstances define you," said Tebow. "Be resilient by bouncing back, seeing people, taking sides, and trusting the ripple effects."

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# PRCC BROWNSTONE REVERBERATES WITH POSITIVE ENERGY DURING DAVID PHELPS CONCERT

Pearl River Community College had the honor of hosting the GRAMMY award-winning artist David Phelps at the Brownstone Center for the Arts as part of his “After the Downbeat” Tour. The atmosphere was exhilarating as hundreds of concertgoers embraced the performance, immersing themselves in the uplifting energy and impactful messages shared throughout the evening.

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## PRCC'S THE VOICES ADVANCES TO ICCA SEMIFINALS AFTER OUTSTANDING QUARTERFINAL PERFORMANCE

Following a triumphant performance at the International Championship of Collegiate A Cappella (ICCA) Quarterfinals, Pearl River Community College's acapella sensation, The Voices, is now poised to take the stage in the highly anticipated semifinals. In addition to the group's victory in the quarterfinals, Devin Jones received the Overall Choreography Award.

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## LONG-TIME PRCC SUPPORTER EDDIE ENGLISH REMEMBERED WITH A SCHOLARSHIP FOR MARION COUNTY STUDENTS

Ardent supporter of Pearl River Community College, Eddie English, is memorialized through a new scholarship for PRCC students from Marion County. The Eddie English Memorial Scholarship will be given to one Career and Technical Education student and one academic student annually.

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## MOM & DAUGHTER ENJOY BOND, ATTEND PRCC'S FORREST COUNTY CAMPUS TOGETHER

Olivia Vidrine, a freshman student at Pearl River Community College, admits that few things are more precious than the bond she has with her mom, Randa Vidrine.

They are so close that they both attend PRCC's Forrest County Campus at the same time, majoring in the same subject, with the same future goal – to attend Pharmacy School.

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## No. 3 PEARL RIVER RESPONDS TO SECURE SERIES VICTORY AGAINST MURRAY STATE

The Wildcats picked up 10 runs on 10 hits and shut out the Aggies from the fourth inning on to secure a 10-3 win and a series victory.

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## CROWNING ACHIEVEMENT: PRCC'S EMMA WATTS TAKES MISS DIXIE NATIONAL TITLE

Pearl River Community College student and member of the award-winning Rodeo Team, Emma Watts, was recently crowned as Miss Dixie National. By promoting agriculture and the livestock industry in Mississippi and the region, Miss Dixie National becomes an ambassador for these crucial sectors.

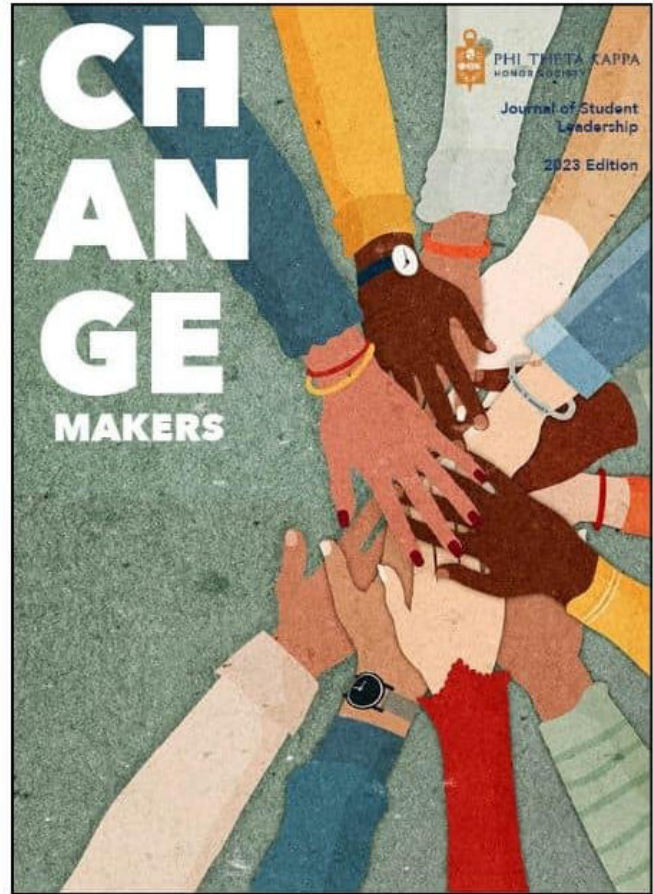
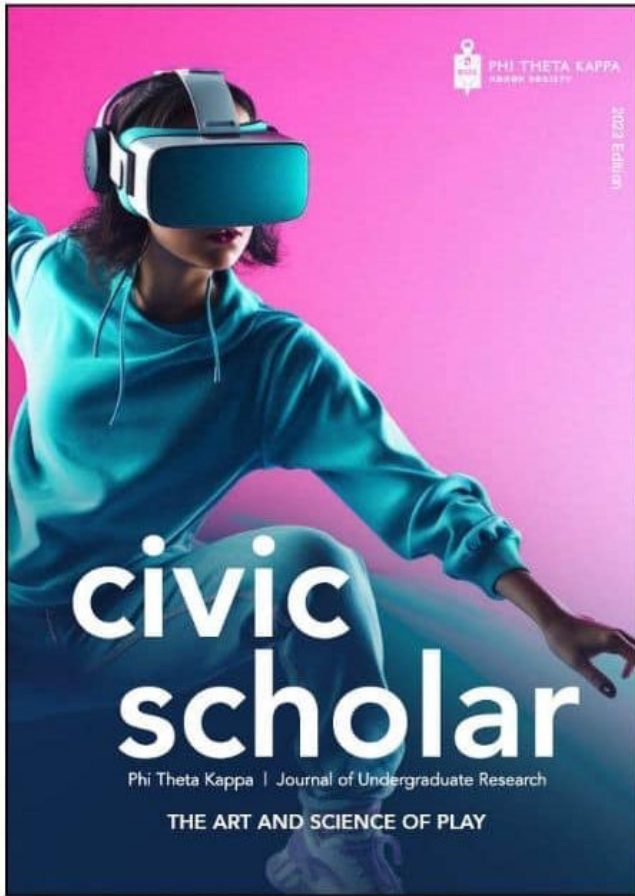


## PRCC'S REBECCA BROWN SELECTED AS DISTINGUISHED LEADING BUSINESS WOMAN

Rebecca Brown, Pearl River Community College's Dean of Workforce, Economic Development and Adult Education, has been selected as one of 35 Distinguished Leading Business Women in Mississippi for 2023.

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## PRCC'S IOTA MU CHAPTER GRACES TWO PHI THETA KAPPA JOURNALS WITH IMPACTFUL PROJECTS

Pearl River Community College's Iota Mu Chapter achieved a remarkable milestone, securing a dual publication in two of Phi Theta Kappa's esteemed journals. This recognition spotlights the chapter's dedication to excellence and solidifies its standing as a beacon of scholarly achievement. The articles showcase their College and Honors in Action projects from the 2022 – 2023 school year.

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## PEARL RIVER CELEBRATES A RECORD-MAKING NUMBER OF STUDENTS ON FALL 2023 DEAN'S & PRESIDENT'S LIST

Pearl River Community College has released the Dean's and President's lists for the Fall 2023 semester. 1,025 students are being honored for their academic excellence, with 343 on the President's List and 682 students on the Dean's List.

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