



**15+**

years in education

**1,572**

hours spent in the lab  
with students

**12,092**

miles traveled  
with students

“Our students had so many opportunities from having this extra real world project management experience on their résumés. They never thought they’d be able to do something like this, especially at a community college.”

**JULIE HOOVER**

Instructor and Coordinator, Engineering

**You make great things possible.  
Thank you for your support.**



March 20, 2018



Dear Friend,

From the moment our students arrive at Durham Tech, our instructors play a key role in shaping their futures. Julie Hoover is one of those instructors.

Julie pushes students to achieve new heights and dedicates hours to building impactful initiatives for Durham Tech, positively influencing the lives of our students for more than 15 years. Julie’s passion lies in her work that often goes beyond the classroom.

Like many of our faculty, Julie wears many hats. In addition to teaching geology and physical science, Julie serves as advisor to the Environmental Science Club, which has been the birthplace for a number of exciting student-led projects such as the High Altitude Student Payload (HASP), NASA Swarmathon, and the High Altitude Balloon. These projects have greatly enriched the student experience and have forever changed their outlook on the possibilities of tomorrow.

Last year, Julie and her team launched a High Altitude Balloon Platform to the edge of space from Fort Sumner, New Mexico. The year prior, one of Julie’s students was chosen as an Aerospace Scholar for a project at Johnson Space Center in Houston. Endeavors like these provide our students with opportunities few other community colleges can – and that’s due to your support.

Julie’s work provides rare hands-on opportunities for relevant and ambitious career prospects. She provides our community with a dynamic and knowledgeable workforce, and develops key relationships between Durham Tech and other institutional pillars of this community.

Our faculty and staff are the cornerstone of our academic excellence and they need your support to improve the technology, tools, and training that make innovative projects possible. Donating to Durham Tech helps us find exciting and innovative ways to implement learning at Durham Tech - yielding bright futures and a better tomorrow for Durham and Orange counties.

Please join me in securing the success of Durham Tech students, faculty, and staff by contributing today using the enclosed form or by visiting **www.durhamtech.edu/donate**.

Sincerely,

William G. Ingram  
President



Here’s what it  
takes to launch  
a High Altitude  
Student Payload  
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into the  
atmosphere.



1 dedicated advisor  
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