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**CAPITAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
WILL CELEBRATE
60TH COMMENCEMENT MAY 31st**

Hartford, CT – Capital Community College’s 60th commencement, the fifth since the college’s move downtown, will be held on Thursday, May 31, 2007. For the third year the ceremony will take place at the Connecticut Convention Center. Close to 400 students will receive their Associate in Science and Associate in Arts degrees.

The keynote speaker will be Patrick Nickoletti, Ph.D. Dr. Nickoletti is an Assistant Professor of Psychology at Saint Joseph College in West Hartford. He received a B.A. (Psychology) and B.S. (Biology) from Purdue University as well as a M.A. (Psychology) and Ph.D. (Comparative Development) from the University of Chicago. His areas of specialty include: juvenile resilience, at-risk youth and families, impact of foster care, impact of social status, and life-span psychological development. Besides chasing the music scene and refurbishing antiques, Dr. Nickoletti is an aspiring ballroom dancer, athlete and boater.

From 4:30-5:30, a pre-commencement reception will be held for Dr. Nickoletti and special guests in Meeting Room 23 (Press is welcome). Commencement will take place at 6 p.m. and a reception to honor the graduates will immediately follow.

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The only public undergraduate college in the city of Hartford, Capital Community College provides access to higher education to the diverse residents of the region. The college develops students’ academic and professional skills to prepare them for transfer education, careers and other ongoing challenges and opportunities.