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### **Online registration for spring semester more popular than ever**

The general public began registering for KPC's spring semester at 12:01 a.m., Monday, Nov. 17.

"I don't recall that we ever had classes fill the first week of registration like I am seeing this semester," KPC registrar Shelly Blatchford said. "It's weird, but students must have finally realized they have to register early to get the classes they need."

Bill Howell, director of Student Services, said his latest report indicated that 13 classes have filled and closed and of the closed classes, several have two sections closed.

"Some of the full classes are web based and many are required for the Process Technology program. I want to let the public know that we added a class that we generally only offer in the fall. This semester the class filled right away and many folks were disappointed. We added *Introduction to Process Technology* to the spring schedule and it will be offered 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays," Howell said.

Web registration continues up until the first day of classes on Jan. 12. Although KPC has seen an upward trend to mostly all online registration, there will be two days of walk-in registration, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., on Jan. 8 and 9.

### **KPC welcomes new employees**

KPC Director Gary Turner announced that several personnel searches have resulted in hiring new staff and faculty.

Liz Downing has been hired as the project director for KPC's recent Title III grant award. Downing has a master's degree in counseling and student services in higher education administration with an emphasis in community college administration. She is familiar with student success tools and measurements, which will be important to manage KPC's Title III grant.

Jeffrey Laube is the newest process technology assistant professor at KRC and will begin in January. Laube brings more than 17 years experience in process operations to KRC. He spent many years training new process operators in process safety and process measurement during his career. Laube is presently the director of the Agrium Transition Center. Laube's education includes associate's degrees in computer engineering technology and communications engineering and a bachelor's of science degree from the University of Wisconsin.

Thomas Dalrymple has been hired as the KRC assistant professor of accounting and will begin in January. Dalrymple began teaching accounting courses at KRC as an adjunct in fall 2008. He is a CPA and received his bachelor's of science degree from Loyola University and juris doctorate from Arizona State University.

**KRC art students' work accepted in national competition**

Celia Anderson, KRC associate professor of art, announced that students Jan Wallace, Kevin Patterson and Brian Keen have had pieces accepted into the national self-portrait competition, *No Big Heads*. The exhibition is located at the UAA Anchorage campus and is being hosted by the UAA Student Union. Anderson offers special congratulations to KRC student Brian Keen who won a coveted Juror's Choice award. The exhibition runs through Nov. 20.