

Assemblywoman DiAnne Gove to Visit Stockton as Legislator-in-Residence at Hughes Center

April 7-8 Meetings with Students, Faculty Include Civics, Polling, Coastal Issues

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Galloway Township, NJ - Assemblywoman DiAnne Gove, R-9, will visit Stockton University on **Tuesday, April 7** and **Wednesday, April 8** as the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy Legislator-in-Residence.

"The Legislator-in-Residence program is a great opportunity to share information between the State Capitol and our campus," said Daniel J. Douglas, director of the Hughes Center.

Gove's district includes Galloway Township, and covers parts of Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean counties. She sits on the Assembly's Higher Education and Military and Veterans Affairs committees.

While at Stockton, she will meet with student veterans and members of the Student Senate, take part in a Civic Engagement class and tour the university's Coastal Research Center in Port Republic.

Gove will also meet with faculty and staff involved in the Hughes Center's iCivics project, which received a \$10,000 grant from the Verizon Foundation to train social studies teachers to use web-based tools to increase the civic knowledge of students in grades K-12. The program is a partnership between the Hughes Center and Stockton's Southern Regional Institute & Educational Technology Training Center (SRI&ETTC), which includes a consortium encompassing over 200 schools, 7,500 teachers, and more than 100,000 preK-12 pupils.

In addition, Gove will meet with students at the Stockton Polling Institute, and participate in classes on public policy and methods for teaching mathematics. She also will meet with President Herman Saatkamp and other administrators and faculty.

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Gove, a former mayor of Long Beach Township, has served in the Assembly since 2009. She holds two degrees in social service: a B.A from Cabrini College and a master's from Monmouth University.

The Hughes Center legislator-in-residence program began in the fall of 2011, with Assemblyman Louis Greenwald, D-6, followed in the spring of 2012 by Sen. Christopher Connors, a Stockton alumnus and the head of Gove's legislative team.

Others have included Assembly Speaker Emeritus Sheila Y. Oliver, a Democrat from Essex County, and Assemblyman David W. Wolfe, an Ocean County Republican.

State Senate President Stephen Sweeney, a Democrat representing the 3rd Legislative District, and Assemblyman Brian Rumpf, a 9th District Republican, served in 2013-14.

William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy

The Center is named for Ambassador William J. Hughes, whose distinguished career includes service in the U.S. House of Representatives, Ambassador to Panama and as a Distinguished Visiting Professor at Stockton .For more information, visit Stockton.edu/hughescenter



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