

Name: Alan M. Cocchetto

Department: Mechanical Engineering Technologies (MET) / Electrical Engineering Technologies (EET)

Dates Employed: 5/86 (Assistant Professor) - Present (Associate Professor - On medical leave since 8/94)

Memories:

I have very fond memories of being integrated into the MET Department. I arrived at the end of the Huntington era with Dr. David Huntington as College President. Gary Fraser was Dean of Engineering Technologies and David Conde was Department Chair. The Electromechanical (E/M) curriculum was under the umbrella of the MET Department for many years and was coordinated by Professor James Jones. As the only two electrical engineers in the MET Department, we ran the E/M program and assisted fellow MET faculty with various process control support projects. For many years, graduating E/M students enjoyed the highest salary offers on campus.

Accomplishments:

While at SUNY @ Alfred, I received several awards including Teacher of the Year Award in 1989, the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in Teaching in 1991, and the NISOD Excellence in Teaching Award given by the University of Texas at Austin in 1992. In 1993, I was the recipient of a National Science Foundation Matching Engineering Grant, for \$230,000, for the "Design of a Laboratory for Instrumentation, Data Acquisition, and Control Systems Analysis."

Currently, I am on medical leave from the college with Myalgic Encephalomyelitis also known as Chronic Fatigue Syndrome. I am Medical Director for the National CFIDS Foundation, Inc. of Needham, Mass. where I help to coordinate their research grant program for medical research into the cause of this disease.