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'Anthony is missed by all': Man killed in boating accident was RCC faculty

Anthony Knight, 35, of Medford was a welding and manufacturing instructor

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The Medford man who died in a boating accident on the Oregon Coast last week was a Rogue Community College welding and manufacturing instructor who will be remembered for his dedication to his students, his craft and his family.

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Anthony Knight, 35, had worked at RCC since late 2916, and had worked in his most recent position as a full-time faculty member teaching welding and manufacturing since April of last year.

According to a prepared statement from Stephen Phelps, the community college's dean of applied technology, visual arts and design, Knight enthusiastically loved his job.

"Anthony was well known throughout the Rogue Valley community, both with the college and with the students in his charge," Phelps' statement reads in part. "His involvement with the community afforded him the opportunity to devote time to his family and his craft, leading him to share a sentiment that resonated with students and coworkers alike: 'I love my job!'"

"Anthony is missed by all," Phelps added.

Knight died Thursday in a Douglas County boating accident in Winchester Bay, roughly 5 miles west of Reedsport and 23 miles north of Coos Bay, according to an earlier news report.

Knight had been ocean fishing aboard an 18-foot KingFisher boat with a friend and neighbor that day. The boat was returning to the dock due to weather conditions when a large wave caused the boat to capsize and sent the three men into the water without lifejackets.

First responders, including the U.S. Coast Guard, attempted lifesaving efforts on Knight, but were unsuccessful.