



Educational Master Plan

Clovis Community College is developing its Educational Master Plan (EMP). Listening sessions were conducted by consultants from the Collaborative Brain Trust in October with both college and community representatives. Approximately 80 faculty, staff, and students participated at the college planning retreat on October 21. In addition, a campus-wide survey was conducted with nearly 200 students, faculty, and staff responding to the survey. Currently, the draft EMP is being vetted through the college-approval process. The draft EMP has been posted on the college website, sent to key community leaders, and is on track to be presented to the Board of Trustees in March.

Title V grant shows success amongst students in its first year

The focus of this grant is to improve access and success for Hispanic and all at-risk students. First year grant accomplishments include:

1. Increasing the full-time Hispanic transfer-ready students from 27 to 154.
2. Hiring a full-time Title V counselor, identifying a tutorial center coordinator, hiring a full-time librarian, and hiring an institutional research assistant.

With these hires, the college has been able to offer extended online counseling service hours, plus have the library open every Saturday for students.

The college has successfully implemented all of its goals for the first year of this grant. CCC was awarded the grant from the US Department of Education – Federal Title V (Strengthening Hispanic Serving Institutions). The college receives \$525,000.00 per year for five years, for total of \$2,625,000.00.

Reading and English instructor Ann Brandon to receive national recognition

Congratulations are in order for our very own Ann Brandon. She has been selected as the “On Course Ambassador of the Year for 2016.” She will be honored at the On Course National Conference in Anaheim on April 21.



Student Equity Data focus of Opening Day Session

A successful Opening Day was held on January 5. Dr. Frank Wood and Dr. Luke Harris served as keynote speakers and focused on student equity data. Together they presented a seminar entitled “Underserved Students in Community College: Trends, Challenges, and Opportunities.”



CCC attends annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., breakfast on January 14

The Clovis Police Department organized this annual breakfast, which was held at the beautiful Clovis Veterans Memorial building. It was a wonderful celebration of the many accomplishments of the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

CCC partners with Clovis Adult School for Educational Transition Program

On January 17, Outreach team members, along with Clovis Adult School Counselor Crystal Rodriguez and Pinedale Elementary Principal Debra Bolls, partnered to present an Education Transition Program. It is a program encouraging parents of the Pinedale community to obtain their high school diploma or GED, and then transition to a community college. Nearly 30 parents attended the session.

Veterans Orientation luncheon held on January 18

Veterans received a complimentary lunch and learned about chapter benefits, career pathway options, and counseling services available on campus. Lt. Col. Lorenzo Rios, a decorated, retired veteran of both the U.S. Army and Marine Corps, and Chief Executive Officer for the Clovis Veterans Memorial District, also attended. Our hardworking counselors and staff have more than tripled the number of students in most categorical programs compared to last year.



Dr. Lori Bennett sworn in as a board member for the Clovis Chamber of Commerce

The annual “Salute to Business” dinner was held on January 19 at the Clovis Veterans Memorial building. Elected officials, community and business leaders were in attendance for the annual event. As a board member, Dr. Bennett will join fellow board members and advocate for business-friendly public policy that improves the quality of life in Clovis. Congratulations to Trustee Debbie Ikeda for being named the “Woman of the Year” by the Clovis Chamber of Commerce.



Outreach Team participates at the 43rd Annual Chicano Youth Conference

The conference was held at Fresno State on January 23. Nearly 800 students from junior high and high schools across the Central Valley attended this annual event. For many of the students, this was their first time to visit a college campus. Students were treated to cultural performances and various booths with information about college and educational opportunities.

FAFSA and Dream Act application workshop helps current and future students on January 31

Over 25 students and families received one-on-one help at the workshop. Some attendees were current students and some were high school students that will start this fall.



Social Justice Series: “Lifting Up our Communities” includes three renowned speakers

Amer F. Ahmed, Ed.D., will present “Islam: Beyond the Myths, Breaking Down Barriers” on February 22. Dr. Ahmed channels his diverse experiences into work geared towards effective change serving to create mutual benefits for all.

Renee Tajima-Peña will speak about her film No Más Bebés / No More Babies on March 9. Her film documents the class action lawsuit, Madrigal v. Quilligan, filed by Mexican-American women who were sterilized at a Los Angeles County hospital during the 1960s and 1970s.

Bill Shannon will present “The Condition Arriving” on April 19. Mr. Shannon, who has been disabled since childhood, learned how to wield his crutches as tools of expression.



Clovis Community College
Pre-Health

There are various Pre-Health field trips for students in February including:

1. Saint Agnes Medical Center (Cath Lab)
2. Clovis Community Medical Center (Surgical Services)
3. Fresno County Coroner’s Office (Morgue Tour/Autopsy Observation)

Upcoming events:

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| February 16 | Art Hop Reception |
| February 22 | Dr. Amer Ahmed seminar |
| February 22 | Dr. Erendira Marquez-Jones, Valley Children’s Hospital |
| February 25 | “Get Fit” community exercise day |
| February 28 | FAFSA/Dream Act workshop |