



Accreditation Update

The college recently welcomed the Accreditation Site Team. Faculty, staff, and students attended the Exit Report meeting and the Clovis "Crush" was proud to receive a standing ovation from the site team members.

City of Fresno Transportation Department (FAX) provides college with van shuttle that will offer service from River Park to CCC

Over the last several months, students, faculty, and administrators have participated at community meetings hosted by the Fresno Council of Governments and the City of Fresno Transportation (FAX) to advocate for bus routes to the main campus. As part of the college's efforts, the City of Fresno Transportation Department will pilot a shuttle van from River Park to the main campus beginning this August, just in time for the fall semester. A BIG thank you to Trustee Debbie Ikeda for her role in making this possible as she also attended the community meetings and provided crucial input.

Presentations & Awards

Congratulations to English Professor Jeff Burdick on recent article publication

Professor Burdick's article is published in the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) Rostrum regarding Guided Pathways titled "But We Already Do That." The article highlights various initiatives used over the last several years which has transformed into the current Guided Pathway's goals and objectives. It also discusses the opportunities to make community colleges more focused on eliminating hidden barriers to success. His next article will soon be published in the ASCCC Rostrum, titled "The California Community Colleges -- and Inequity?"

In addition, Professor Burdick recently represented the ASCCC Guided Pathways Task Force and the Chancellor's Field Guide Work Group. He presented breakout sessions and participated in the IEPI's "Creating a Lasting Guided Pathways Movement on Your Campus" in San Diego, Fresno, and Oakland. His presentations focused on a college's first steps as they create a pathways plan.

College Relations Specialist David Navarro earns award from the Fresno County Superintendent of Schools

David Navarro will be recognized at a luncheon on May 2, for his 15 year partnership with the Fresno County Juvenile Justice Center. David regularly visits the County Juvenile Justice Center to help students transition from Juvenile Hall to State Center Community College District. This is a very prestigious recognition as department managers, judges, attorneys, community members, and elected officials will attend the awards luncheon. David is very passionate about helping the incarcerated students turn their life around and sharing educational resources available at Fresno City College, Clovis Community College, and Reedley College.

History professor Joseph Pulido selected as the 2018 recipient of the Islamic Cultural Center's Spirit of Abraham Award

Mr. Pulido is being recognized for his work with the Muslim youth, Syrian refugees, CCC Muslim Student Association, and CCC Interfaith Club. He currently serves as the Co-advisor for the college's Interfaith Cultural Club and works diligently with the community to bring awareness to issues faced by refugees. Mr. Pulido will be presented with the award on Friday, May 18, at the Islamic Cultural Center. Past recipients of this prestigious award include Dr. Joseph Castro and Fresno Police Chief Jerry Dyer.

Community Connections



President Lori Bennett provides college update at a recent Clovis City Council meeting

Mayor Bob Whalen and Clovis Councilmembers were excited to hear an update about all of the wonderful projects at the college. The Mayor and Councilmembers reinforced their commitment and support for the college. In addition, Dr. Bennett welcomed Fresno County Farm Bureau CEO Ryan Jacobson to campus to share information about the college's ag education programs. Also, Gordon Webster from The Business Journal personally delivered a framed copy of the mechatronics article that recently appeared on the front page of the newspaper.



Child Development Department partners with various organizations to offer leadership and child development training

Monica Marquez, Lab School Director, collaborated with the California Early Childhood Mentor Program and will present three seminars for the Fresno County Early Care and Education Directors on leadership. The seminars will focus on integrating principles of mentoring and coaching practices into leadership styles as a tool to inspire professional growth among staff. Nearly 40 attendees are scheduled to participate in the upcoming workshops. In addition, the Child Development Department has partnered with the Child Development Training Consortium to train 30 professional growth advisors for Fresno County to support the California Commission on Teaching Child Development Permit requirements.



CCC participates at Fresno Unified School District's Aspiring Teacher Expo

Counselors Stefanie Adams, Duvi Matsumura, and student ambassador Siena Flores represented the Clovis "Crush" by sharing information about the college's Teacher Pathway program. Hundreds of students attended the Expo at McLane High School on March 20.

Criminology class welcomes City of Clovis Police Chief Matthew Basgall and Fresno County Supervisor Nathan Magsig

Students were excited to hear from special guest speakers in Professor Richard Gallegos' criminology class. Clovis police chief Matthew Basgall and Supervisor Nathan Magsig shared information about experiences in their respective roles, career options in the criminology field, and answered various questions from students.

CCC team participates at the "Leading from the Middle" conference

Dean James Ortez, Institutional Research Coordinator Michelle Johnson, Communication Instructor Tiffany Sarkisian, and English Instructor Jeff Burdick attended the "Leading from the Middle" conference, along with a central valley cohort of colleges, including Reedley College, Fresno City College and the Madera Center. The program is designed to support Guided Pathways. The team spent a considerable amount of time working on next year's planning for the college's Guided Pathways program. The team focused on Logic Models and good communication and group dynamic skills.

CCC students are "Crushing" it at various activities

CCC students attend the 11th Annual A2MEND Conference on March 1 and 2 in Los Angeles

The title of this year's conference was "Birth of a Nation: Exploring Revolutionary Practices to Improve Outcomes for African American Male Students." Several African American students attended, along with counselor Athena Gibbs and student success coach Sasha Fisher. The conference was a great opportunity for the students to network with professionals, establish mentor/mentee relationships, listen to notable speakers, attend workshops, and attend a college fair to learn more about Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU), CSUs, and UCs.

Students up bright and early for a great cause on March 6

Students hit the streets near the campus on the early morning hours of March 6 to sell newspapers for the annual Kids Day fundraiser for Valley Children's Hospital. They sold nearly \$1500 worth of newspapers.

"Best Buddies" club debuts at CCC

The Best Buddies club strives to enhance the lives of people with intellectual disabilities by providing opportunities for friendships, employment and leadership development. Students and club advisor Cindy Walker recently met at Woodward Park and enjoyed a relaxing nature walk.

Renowned speakers coming to CCC as part of the Social Justice series

Helen Zia will speak on Thursday, April 5 at 12:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. She is an award-winning journalist and scholar.

Tim Wise will speak on Thursday, April 12 at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. He is one of the country's leading anti-racist writers and educators.

Yosimar Reyes will speak in Wednesday, May 2 at 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. He is a nationally acclaimed queer poet and speaker.

All lectures held in AC1-150.

Upcoming Events:

4/11 Herndon Campus Spring Fling - 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

4/11 Art Exhibit-Lindsey Preciado-Weaver - 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

4/17 Send Silence Packing - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
(mental health awareness/suicide prevention)

4/18 Fresno Pacific Univ. Enrollment Express - 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.