GUIDED PATHWAYS UPDATE

California Community Colleges Guided Pathways is a multi-year state program designed to provide all California Community Colleges with the opportunity to better structure student connection, entry, progress, and completion of certificates, degrees and other student goals, for the purpose of significantly improving student outcomes.

Through the College Council, a CCC Guided Pathways ad hoc committee was created and is led by Dr. James Ortez, Liz Romero, and Kirtley King. They provide regular updates to all constituency groups. The ad hoc committee, comprised of faculty, staff, administrators and students, developed CCC’s Guided Pathways Plan.

The CCC “CRUSH” Guided Pathways plan seeks to:

• Clarify the Path
• Redesign the Path
• Understand the Path
• Stay on the Path
• Have High Expectations

Starting last September, a smaller group of faculty and staff representing Clovis Community College participated at the “Leading from the Middle” conferences. A total of three 2½ day workshops were held at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. The workshops helped the ad hoc committee create brainstorming activities for campus planning retreats and other Guided Pathways meetings. In addition, the committee is now working to identify and align campus programs that will contribute to the success of the Clovis Community College “CRUSH” Guided Pathways plan. Currently, the Counseling Department is working to implement Guided Pathways concepts by developing a case management plan which designates a counselor to each discipline, who will regularly attend faculty and ASG meetings, and streamline the Registration-To-Go (RTG) process. In addition, technology tools like the Starfish Early Alert, are being configured and piloted with a select group of Clovis Community College students and instructors. The Starfish Early Alert system has many benefits including instructor alerts, counselor follow-up, and kudos for students. These tools help enhance the implementation of Guided Pathways across the college in support of student success.

#CLOVISCRUSHGIVINGDAY IS NOVEMBER 27 TO RAISE FUNDS FOR STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The 2nd annual one day online fundraising campaign will be held on Tuesday, November 27 as part of #GivingTuesday. All funds will be used solely for scholarships. This year’s fundraising goal is $25,000. Learn more at cloviscollege.edu/givingtuesday

CCC NAMED 2018 CHAMPION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

CCC was recently named a 2018 Champion for Higher Education for its exemplary work in awarding Associate Degrees for Transfer (ADT) by the Campaign for College Opportunity organization. Out of 115 California community colleges, CCC is one of the top institutions making college dreams a reality with the ADT and is honored to earn this prestigious recognition. A big thank you to faculty and staff for their hard work in developing and implementing the ADT programs. Statewide, CCC ranked first place with 72% of ADTs for total associate degrees awarded, and second place in ADTs awarded relative to campus enrollment.

DISTRICT AND COLLEGES EARN NATIONAL AWARD FOR WEBSITE DESIGNS

SCCCD was recognized at the annual Cascade User Conference in Atlanta for having created the “Best New Website.” Hannon Hill’s CEO, Kat Liendgens, presented the award and applauded the efforts of Nina Roby, Clovis Community College; Drew Baker, Reedley College; Debbie Nichols, Fresno City College; and Paul Rentfrow, SCCCD Web Portal Administrator, for well-designed sites with usability and accessibility in mind.

ENGINEERING STUDENTS EARN FIRST PLACE AT DESIGN CHALLENGE CONFERENCE

CCC engineering students earned first place for the second consecutive year at the annual Central California Engineering Design Challenge conference on October 20 at Fresno State. The students in Instructor Dejan Pavic’s Engineering 10 course had to design, build, and operate devices that transported a payload up an incline. The students were very excited to participate in this collegiate event.
“CRUSH” ATHLETICS PROGRAM MAKING HISTORY
The inaugural women’s cross country team earned first place at the Central Valley Conference (CVC) Championships on October 26 at Woodward Park. The men’s team earned second place. For the first time in program history, the women’s soccer team defeated Fresno City College 2 to 1 on October 26. In addition, the women’s soccer team ranked 13th by the United Soccer Coaches national poll. Ms. Halle Sembritzki from the women’s soccer team was nominated for the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA) Scholar Athlete award. Halle embodies all the qualities the award recognizes by having earned a 4.0 cumulative GPA, while remaining committed to on-going school and community service participation. Selections for the state award are expected to be announced in early spring. Visit gocloviscrush.com for all athletic schedules.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION NEGOTIATIONS TOURNAMENT A SUCCESS
Communication student Elizabeth Pedersen earned first place at the eighth annual intramural negotiations speech tournament on October 26. It was the biggest turnout yet with 59 total students from various communication classes taking part in the activity in a battle to determine the best negotiator on campus. Thank you to communication instructors Michaella Guadiana, Erin Heasley, Amanda Mason, and Stephanie Briones's exchange instructor from Holland, Anne Sunnen, for helping facilitate the tournament.

A VARIETY OF MUSIC PERFORMED BY THE CCC CONCERT CHOIR
The choir presented its first performance of the semester on October 15 and 17 under the direction of music instructor Cactus Harris. The program showcased a variety of music from gospel to pop with great acoustics in the art gallery of building AC1. Students from the Music 8: Audio Engineering course, taught by Max Hembd, collaborated on this project as they set up and recorded the wonderful concert.

DOWNTOWN FRESNO GALLERY HOSTS ART FROM CCC ART INSTRUCTOR KIRTYLE KING
Mr. Kirtley’s art show opened November 1 at Corridor 2122 in Downtown Fresno. His show is a photographic installation titled “Holes.”

CCC STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT HEALTHCARE OPPORTUNITIES AT THE PRE-NURSING FORUM
On October 2 the Career Resource Center hosted five Central Valley nursing programs that shared information on admissions and prerequisites. Nursing programs represented included Fresno City College, College of the Sequoias, West Hills Lemoore, National University, and Fresno State.

CCC STUDENTS TOUR 4-YEAR UNIVERSITIES
Counselor Athena Gibbs and students visited several Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) October 17-21. These students plan to transfer to an HBCU and enjoyed the college tours along with historical and cultural excursions. They visited Spelman College, Morehouse College, Clark Atlanta University and Fort Valley State University. In addition, First Year Experience (FYE) students visited San Francisco State University on October 19 along with counselor Carla Stoner-Brito.

LOCAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHT THE CCC FOOD PANTRY
Since its opening in August, nearly 300 students have visited the food pantry to grab snacks between classes or pick up a bag of groceries. This project was made possible with the support and help of the Central California Food Bank. View recent media coverage on the CCC website.

CCC STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN WALK FOR SUICIDE AWARENESS
The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention held the annual “Out of the Darkness” community walk on October 20 at Oso De Oro Lake Park in Fresno. Janelle Antonio Ferrer, CCC Active Minds Club Secretary, participated by staffing a community resource table. In addition, students from instructor Cindy Walker’s psychology class participated in the walk. Upon returning to class, the students shared stories about how meaningful it was to attend to help bring an awareness to such an important issue. Attendees included Jacob Davey, Brittnii Oswalt, Kallie Edgecomb, Thomas Owen, Alyssa Lomeli, and Anika Jackson.

ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT STUDENTS ADVOCATE AT SSCCC CONFERENCE
ASG members attended the Student Senate for California Community College’s (SSCCC) fall general assembly in Ontario, California October 26-28. This is a gathering of student governments for all of California’s 115 community colleges. Items covered included voting on resolutions that set the agenda for the SSCCC for the upcoming year.

UPCOMING CCC EVENTS