



CCC EARNs STATEWIDE RECOGNITION FROM THE CAMPAIGN FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY



CCC is named a Champion of Higher Education for Associate Degrees for Transfer awarded! (Based on campus enrollment, reflecting the number of students earning Associate Degrees for Transfer relative to 50 full time enrolled students (FTES) in the 2021-2023 academic year). This is the sixth consecutive year the college has been recognized in this category. A big "Crush" congratulations to our students, faculty, staff, and administrators for their hard work and dedication in earning these fantastic awards.

THANK YOU COMCAST FOR THE GENEROUS SCHOLARSHIP GIFT

President Armstrong and students were delighted to accept a scholarship gift of \$20,000 directly to CCC from Comcast on October 18. The \$100,000 gift will benefit all SCCC colleges, and the scholarship will support students in science, technology, and mathematics.



CCC SUPPORTS DACA STUDENTS WITH VARIOUS ACTIVITIES DURING UNDOCUMENTED STUDENT ACTION WEEK

CCC employees participated in webinars offered by the California Chancellor's Office each day from October 16 through October 20. Local CCC activities included:

- Zoom session with CCC graduate Carolina Munce. She is the first president of the CCC Dream Club and currently attending the UCB Study Abroad in London.
- ¡Juntos Podemos! The event included food trucks, Financial Aid meet and greet, TRIO sugar skull activity, and club representatives. There was a discussion with Ethnic Studies 32 Instructor Felipe Agredano on the History of Mexican American People.
- Student speaker Olaf Martinez-Miranda shared his story and experience as a Dream student.



STUDENTS HAVE THE EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME VISITING VARIOUS HBCU'S

On October 10, President Armstrong was excited to personally wish our students a wonderful trip as they departed the airport to visit the East Coast HBCU's

(Historically Black Colleges & Universities) including Howard University, Bowie State, Morgan State, Coppin State, and Delaware State. Thank you to Student Success Coordinator Sasha Fisher for organizing and participating on this amazing trip.



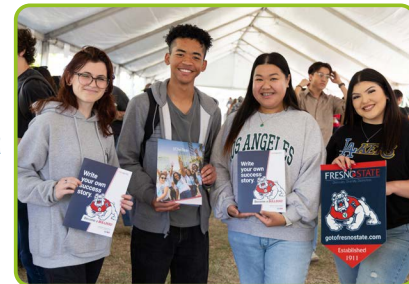
ABC30 HIGHLIGHTS BIOLOGY INSTRUCTOR DR. ROSA ALCAZAR

Thank you [ABC30](#) for sharing Dr. Alcazar's story about her amazing accomplishments as a first-generation college graduate in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.



TRANSFER DAY OFFERS STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH 4-YEAR UNIVERSITY REPRESENTATIVES

The [Transfer Day Festival](#) on October 3 was a huge success as students met with representatives from various 4-year universities. Thank you to the over 50 participating universities! Thank you to the District Title V Directors for organizing this amazing webinar, including our very own Title V Project Director Dr. Stephanie Briones.



CCC CELEBRATES DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH IN OCTOBER

Thank you to the [DSP&S Department](#) for organizing events for Disability Awareness Month in honor of National Employment Disability Awareness month. DSP&S highlighted Melvin Velasquez for his outstanding accomplishments. He is a former SCCC student and Fresno State graduate who recently earned his MBA and is the CEO of his startup company PCA Now. [Watch Melvin's story.](#)



OUTREACH TEAM OUT AND ABOUT SHARING INFORMATION ABOUT CCC

The Outreach Team recently participated in various events including Feria de Education at Fresno State on October 14; Career Technical Education (CTE) Night at the Grizzlies Stadium on October 18; and the SCCC High School Counselors Conference on October 6. Vice President Marco de la Garza represented the College. Thank you to the many faculty members who attended the CTE event to share information about their respective programs.



CCC RECEIVES GRANT FROM THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE

The college was awarded over \$1.5 million over a six-year period for the Rising Scholars Network/Juvenile Justice Campus grant. CCC will continue its work to serve and provide higher education access to youth impacted by the juvenile justice system.

LITHOP EVENT FEATURES READINGS FROM CURRENT STUDENTS AND CCC ALUMNA

LitHop, Fresno's annual literary festival, featured two readings from current students and one reading from CCC alumna. Thank you to these amazing students for sharing their gift of poetry: Katie Quigley, Brice Cain, Ariana Enriquez, Sophia "Rain" Kerbow, Alexandria Bibler, Skyler Wilson, Halimah Smith, Brianna Alvarez, Peter Garza, and Sean Andersen. Thank you to English Instructor Von Torres as he is part of the LitHop staff who organized this wonderful event. President Armstrong and Vice President Chahal were delighted to attend this event on October 14 to support students and faculty.

CCC PARTICIPATES AT THE REEL PRIDE YOUTH FILM SERIES ON SEPTEMBER 29

Thank you to Art Instructor Kirtley King and Executive Assistant Leslie King who brought CCC students to the REEL Pride Youth Film Series at Fresno City College. Students networked, enjoyed pizza, and visited the resource fair booths.

CCC RAISES AWARENESS FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Presentations were held on October 10, 11, and 24 to bring awareness to domestic violence awareness month. Speakers from the Fresno County Probation Victim/Witness Advocates; Fresno Police Department Domestic Violence Unit; and Marjaree Mason Center share valuable information for students, staff and the community.

CRUSH ATHLETICS UPDATE

Women's Cross Country

- 2023 Central Valley Conference Champions
- Ranked 4th in the State and 1st in Northern California

Men's Cross Country

- 2023 Central Valley Conference Champions
- Ranked 7th in the State and 1st in Northern California

Women's soccer

- 13-2-1 overall record
- 10-1 Central Valley Conference record, currently in 1st place
- Ranked 9th Nationally and 4th in the State

Men's soccer

- First season under new Head Coach Yaw Danso
- 4-6-5 overall record, currently on a five-match unbeaten streak
- 1-1-3 Central Valley Conference record, currently in 4th place
- Former Coach Chad McCarty received recognition at Alumni Day match on 10/25/2023

General Athletics Update

- Redesigned [Athletics website](#) and launched online team shop
- New "Student-Athlete of the Week" program to celebrate the academic and athletic successes of our student-athletes
- Partnership with Central Valley Breast Care to raise awareness throughout October
- Continuing fundraising efforts have resulted in approximately \$250,000 in private funds to support Athletics over the past calendar year
- Purchased Tiny Mobile Robots field painter; soccer field is now lined using a tablet-run robot



"COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS" WITH PRESIDENT DR. KIM E. ARMSTRONG

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| 9/29 | California Teaching Fellows Banquet |
| 10/2 | TRIO Scholars Recognition |
| 10/2 | Appointed to the Fresno/Clovis Media Authority by the Clovis City Council |
| 10/4 | Guided Pathways Institute Workshop |
| 10/6 | Celebration for CCC's Science Lab Coordinators |
| 10/7 | The Fresno Center's Pao Yang's 50th Birthday celebration |
| 10/18 | Marjaree Mason's 40th Annual Celebration of Women Event |
| 10/18 | CCC Speech Gala |
| 10/10 | CAPP Partnership Meeting with Clovis East High School Partners |
| 10/12 | FUSD State of Education Gala |
| 10/19 | Speaker at the Fresno Metro Black Chamber of Commerce ProsperHER Conference |
| 10/20 | CVHEC Annual Board of Directors Meeting/Annual Summit |
| 10/21 | Soroptimists International Clovis Denim & Diamonds Scholarship Fundraiser |
| 10/25 | Central Unified School District Teaching Fellows "Lights On" event |
| 10/26 | Central Valley CEO Policy Summit and Legislative Convening |
| 10/26 | CCC Male Student Success Initiative Kick-off |

Attended all at home women's and men's soccer games

View CCC events on the [website calendar](#)