

Chancellor's Report and Update

Board of Trustees Meeting
June 24, 2020

Chancellor's Updates

Addressing Equity

Our Shared Responsibility

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California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office

A Call to Action for California's Community Colleges

- State Chancellor's Office outlined how the system will take action to address structural racism and ensure communities and students can access equal educational opportunity.
- Recommended follow-up activities include:
 - Systemwide review of police and first responder training and curriculum. (ASCCC, CTE Deans and Faculty)
 - Campus leaders host open dialogue and address campus climate. (CEOs, District Leaders, Campus Police, CSSOs and their Student leaders)
 - Campuses audit classroom climate and create an action plan to create inclusive classrooms and anti-racism curriculum. (Faculty, CIOs, CSSOs, ASCCC)
 - District Boards review and update Equity plans with urgency. (Chancellor's Office, All Campus Leaders, and District Trustees)
 - Shorten the time for the full implementation of the DEI Integration Plan (DEI Implementation Workgroup, Consultation Council and Chancellor's Office)
 - Engage in the Vision Resource Center "Community Colleges for Change." (Everyone)

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Our College's Call to Action

There are initial steps that we will take to begin the important work of ensuring equity on our campuses:

- Engage student groups in online forums with college administrators, faculty, and staff so we can learn from them how the college can best support and provide a safe, inclusive and equitable experience.
- Immediately expand our equity and inclusion training opportunities to staff and faculty.
- Reevaluate our hiring practices and materials so that we are not arbitrarily and preferentially excluding people.
- Continue to support existing equity programs, and develop new resources, and services, even though we face budget challenges.
- Review our curriculum processes, delivery modes, and prerequisites to ensure they reflect the perspectives multiple races and cultures.

As we continue to engage in dialogue, listen for understanding, and hear what is being said, we will generate new ideas and action steps for moving forward.

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Powerful Student Panel @ (IE)²

- The **Institutional Effectiveness and Inclusive Excellence (IE)² Committee** held its annual Summer Retreat on **Fri, June 12th** from 9 to noon.
- **The retreat centered on a student panel** as an opportunity for participants to listen, learn, and reflect on the actions we can take to bring about change and address institutional racism and student barriers.
- **110 engaged participants** joined this impactful meeting, which was facilitated by a planning group of more than 40 faculty, classified, admins, and students. The (IE)² group—in particular **Dr. Daylene Meuschke**—worked hard to organize an impactful meeting.
- **A follow-up student discussion forum is anticipated for July** as an additional opportunity to listen closely to our students and have authentic and meaningful dialogue on equity, student success, civil unrest, and systemic efforts to address racism in keeping with the CCCCO *Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Taskforce* and COC's Call to Action letter.
- **Special thanks** to those involved in the planning, facilitating, and speaking at the retreat.



Dreamers Together Webinar

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How can we best meet the needs of our COC Dreamers?

Join a panel of distinguished guest speakers to discuss resources available to support the success of our COC Dreamer Students.

1 p.m., Wednesday, July 1, 2020 via Zoom

Key Topics

A wide variety of narratives and campus Dreamer resources will be represented on the panel discussion:

- Financial Aid
- Counseling
- EOPS/CARE
- Student Success Stories
- Enrollment Services
- Online Resources



Informational Bulletin coming soon!

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Employee Town Hall on Anti-Racism

- Held on **June 18th** 12-1:30pm via Zoom.
- We had over **260 participants** on the meeting from all employee groups.
- The focus was creating a safe space for our African American/Black employees to share their experiences with employment at COC and elsewhere.
- It was an important opportunity to hear from our employees about their experiences, their concerns and ways to improve going forward. It was also a call to action for each of us to reflect on what we can do individually and the actions each one of us needs to take to improve our institution.
- Planned by a group of leaders from our senates, unions, and administration.
- We are currently planning a follow-up facilitated session on What it means to be Anti-Racist and How to be a Better Ally.

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Employee Town Hall on Anti-Racism

- Special Thanks to organizers and speakers!
 - Daylene Meuschke
 - Jeffrey Forrest
 - Rebecca Eikey
 - David Andrus
 - Justin Hunt, Justin
 - Michael Monsour
 - Nicole Faudree
 - Kerry Carlson
 - Trevor Brackett
 - Robert Wonser
 - Catherine Grooms
 - Anthony Morris
 - Diane Fiero

Engagement Matters - And We've Been Celebrating!



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College of the Canyon's Special Celebrations

- AOC's Drive-Through Graduation
- Early Childhood Education Drive-Through Celebration
- Nursing Virtual Celebration and Drive-Through Pinning Ceremony
- Veteran's Virtual Celebration
- Honors/PTK Virtual Celebration
- MESA Transfer Celebration
- ISP Virtual Celebration

Thank you to all the program coordinators, faculty, staff, and students.

Congratulations!

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AOC Drive-Through and Virtual Graduation

- AOC's Drive-Through Graduation was held 10 a.m. today at Central Park.
- Graduating students were able to exit their car, pick up their diploma cover, and have a photo opportunity before stepping onto the stage.
- The graduates exited through a parade of AOC teachers and staff who were there to cheer on them on.
- The ceremony was livestreamed. The video can be found at this link: <https://bit.ly/academyofthecanyonshs2020>
- The Virtual Graduation ceremony will be streamed live at 1PM Today.
- You can access the video at this link: <https://youtu.be/y3vdEbZp8cw>.



Early Childhood Education Drive-Through Celebration of our Student Graduates

- The ECE Department decorated the parking lot with COC colors and a rubber ducky theme.
- Faculty and Center staff lined the lot with noise makers and pom poms to honor our student graduates.
- Over 20 graduates drove through to be celebrated during this first-ever event.
- Students received well wishes and a goodie bag containing a rubber duck, a poem, a TEACH flash drive, and a bag of M & M candies (representing magical mistakes).
- Special thanks are extended to **Cindy Stephens, Jennifer Paris, Wendy Ruiz, Paul Wickline,** and the rest of our ECE faculty and staff.

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Nursing Drive-Through Pinning Ceremony

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- Faculty celebrated our 60 Nursing student graduates during our 6-hour drive-through pinning ceremony, which allowed for proper social distancing.
- Students were provided with their nursing pins, certificates reflecting completion of the nursing program, a custom celebratory coffee mug from the Nursing faculty, as well as letters from Dr. Van Hook and Henry Mayo Newhall Hospital, thanking them for their work during the COVID-19 testing that occurred on the parking garage at COC in concert with LA County Fire.
- Alpha Delta Nu members also received honor cords and pins as well as letters of thanks from Dr. Van Hook for completion of their tutoring hours.
- Congratulations to **Mary Corbett, Anh Vo, Dr. Sandy Carroll, Adina Carrillo, Dr. Kathy Bakhit**, and the entire Nursing Faculty for their exemplary support of our students.



Veteran's Graduation Ceremony

Graduate Stats

- 627 Student Veterans 18/19 Enrolled
- 547 Student Veterans 18/19 Using Benefits
- 77 Veteran Student Graduates
- 10 Veteran Dependent Graduates
- Average GPA 3.1
- 3 Veteran Graduates earned 4.0 GPA
- 20 Veteran Graduates earned 3.5 GPA or greater
- 49 Veteran Graduates earned 3.0 GPA or greater
- 19 Student Veterans and Dependents Graduating with More Than One Major
- 3 Veteran and Dependent Students Graduating with a Nursing AS Degree
- 18 Veteran and Dependent Students Graduating with a Math or Science Major

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Top 5 Programs

- 16 Business Administration for Transfer
- 9 Administration of Justice for Transfer
- 8 Psychology for Transfer
- 6 Accounting
- 5 Kinesiology for Transfer

Veteran Graduates and their Branches

- 39 Army
- 23 Marines
- 9 Navy
- 5 Air Force
- 1 Coast Guard

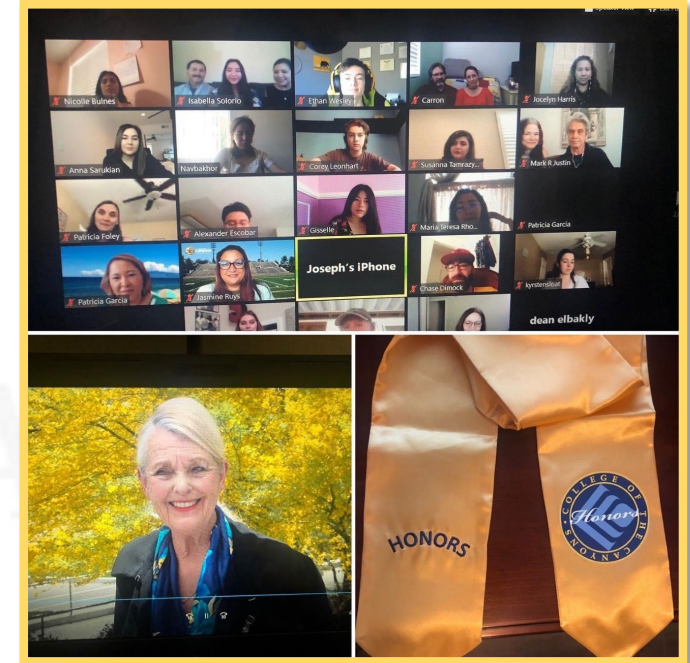
Honors / PTK Virtual Celebration

On May 23, the COC Honors Program and Phi Theta Kappa held their first-ever virtual celebration.

Highlights:

- 54 Honors students are transferring to UCLA, UCSB, UCI, UCSD, Stanford, USC, Oregon State University, CSUN, CSULB, CSULA, Mount Saint Mary's.
- Over 30 new Phi Theta Kappa members were inducted.
- New Officer Board for 2020-2021 was installed.
- The Phi Theta Kappa chapter earned three awards this year:
 - Five Star Chapter
 - 2nd place on the Theme: Visions of Justice
 - 3rd place for most distinguished chapter member for Alyssa Delarosa's contributions to the chapter and COC
- Family members were in attendance at this Zoom celebration!

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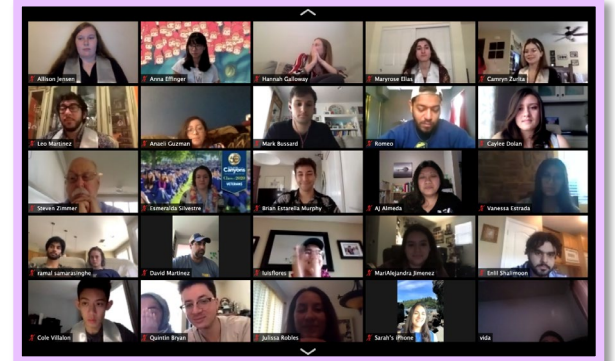


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MESA Transfer Celebration

- 80 MESA students attended with their families in the background cheering them on!
- Administrators, Faculty, Counselors, Classified, Alumni and Industry Board members were in attendance.
- MESA Awards were given out, including a special Southern California Gas Co. Scholarship awarded:
 - So. Cal. Gas Co. Scholarship for \$5,000 awarded to Leonardo Martinez, who is going to USC studying Electrical and Computer Engineering.
 - AAUW STEM Outstanding Student Award went to Alyssa Tompkins-Webb, who is going to CSUN studying Computer Science.
 - Dr. Ram Manvi Academic Achievement Award went to Pablo Gratas, who is going to UC Berkeley studying Computer Science.
 - MESA Outstanding Service Award went to Jennifer Barrera, who is going to CSUN studying Biology and Pre-Med.
 - MESA Director Award went to Basil Aranda, who is going to Cal Poly Pomona studying Aerospace Engineering.
- Congratulations to **Amy Foote, Joni McMahon, Dr. Kathy Bakhit**, and our dedicated faculty and staff supporting our successful MESA Program.

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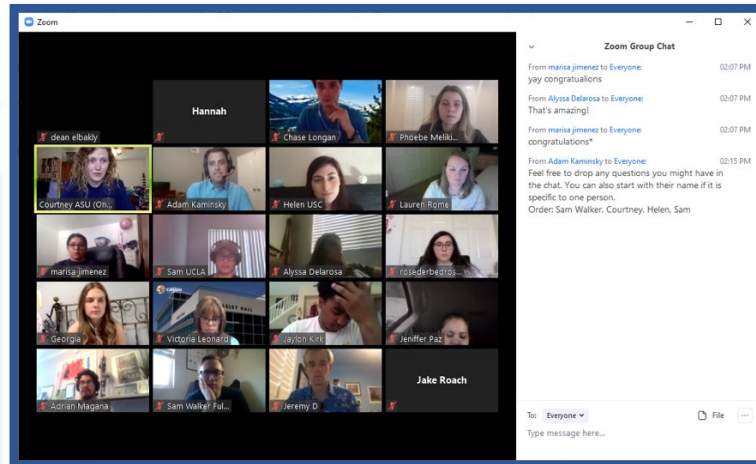


Hart District Coordination with COC

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- College of the Canyons has been working with the William S. Hart Union High School District to help graduating seniors begin their path in higher education.
- A survey is being distributed to graduating seniors, determining their plans for the upcoming fall 2020 semester.
- The goal of the survey is to determine whether graduating seniors from the Class of 2020 will defer their acceptance into a transfer 4-year college or university, and if so, whether they plan to attend COC during the fall 2020 semester.
- The survey also asks students to identify which disciplines they may be interested in enrolling.
- Special thanks to **Dr. Ryan Theule**, **Dr. Daylene Meuschke**, and **Alicia Levalley** for their support in creating this survey so quickly to deploy to the Hart District seniors.
- In addition, quite a few sections of additional classes in History, Spanish, and Biology have been added this summer 2020 to help students continue along the path.
- Lastly, we have confirmed that our College NOW and Dual Enrollment Classes, typically taught at the Hart District high school sites, will be taught in distance education mode for the first time this fall (synchronously and asynchronously). Additional information will be specifically communicated to instructors teaching these classes prior to the start of the fall 2020 semester

College of the Canyons Virtual Activities



LEAP 2020: Leading in a Crisis

Session #5 – June 19

Community College Leadership: What's It Really Like? Structure, Function and Art and Leading in a Crisis

- **The Role of the Community College CEO**
 - *Presenter: Dr. Dianne Van Hook, Chancellor*
- **Guest panel of community college CEOs - *What's It Like Being A Community College Leader?* Featured Guests:**
 - Dr. Erika Endrijonas, Superintendent/President, Pasadena City College
 - Dr. Kevin Walthers, President, Allan Hancock College
 - Dr. Kindred Murillo, Superintendent/President, Southwestern College
 - Mr. Ed Knudson, Superintendent/President, Antelope Valley College
 - Dr. Douglas Houston, Chancellor, Yuba Community College District
 - Dr. Keith Curry, President/CEO, Compton College
 - Dr. Catherine Jeffrey, Superintendent/President, Santa Monica College



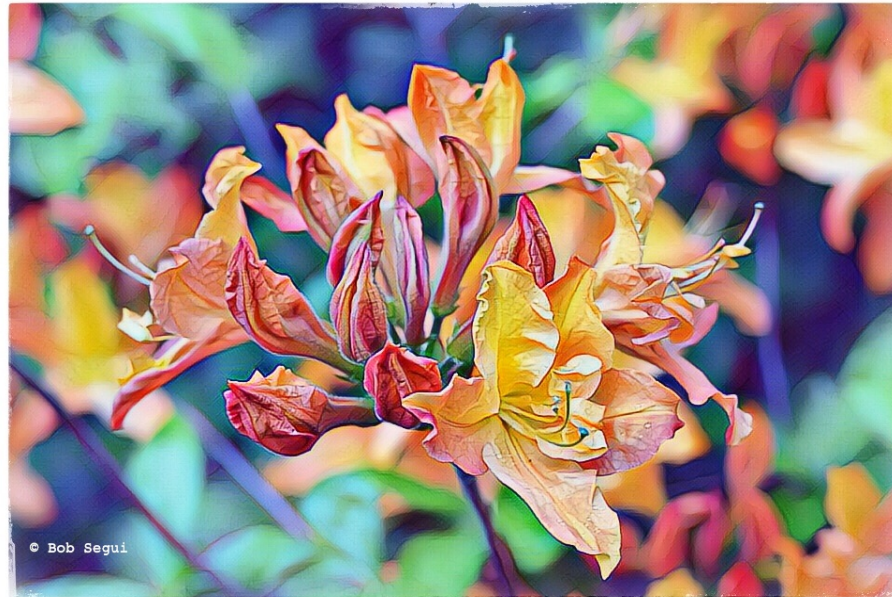


Online Teaching Conference 2020 – June 19th

- **The Impact of COVID-19 on IT Operations**
 - *Presenter: Dr. James Temple, Vice President, Technology*
- Was joined by a panel to discuss the impact COVID-19 had and continues to have on the operations of District and College It departments.
 - Fred Rocha – Executive Director of IT at Coast CCD
 - Scott Conrad – Interim Dean of Academic Information Systems at Mira Costa
 - Dan Watkins – Associate Vice Chancellor of IT at Ventura CCD
- **91 people** virtually attended!



Important Dates



Incoming 2020/2021 Canyons Promise Students

- The deadline for sign-up was June 15.
- Informational video was created and uploaded to website, social media platforms, etc.
- Canyons Promise Team will be sending emails to all currently “signed-up” students welcoming them, updating them on our progress, and what to expect in the coming weeks and months as it relates to Canyons Promise.
- Our Canyons Promise website remains as up to date as possible. www.canyons.edu/promise

STATS

- Over 1200 have enrolled in boot camp; we are working with the others to get enrolled in the final two cohorts
- 1865 students have applied.

Next Budget Webinar

Budget Webinar

A special webinar on the state budget will be scheduled on July 23rd. Watch your email for details

Today's webinar was recorded and will be posted at www.canyons.edu/news

Next Week's Webinar

Join us
Noon – July 2
for our next webinar

<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/152912843>



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Executive Cabinet Webinar

Next Webinar: Noon Thursday, April 30, 2020

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