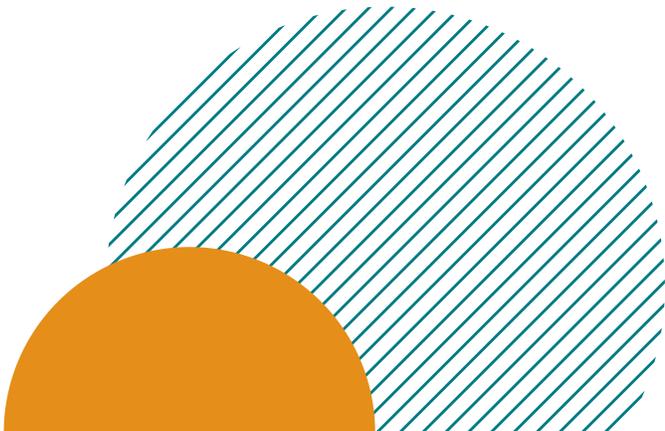




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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

WELCOME EVENT



I was honored and humbled to receive such a beautiful welcome event on behalf of the District and Chancellor Davis on September 14. My family and I truly enjoyed the event and it was a wonderful opportunity for me to share my love of Mission College with my family.

DONUTS WITH THE PRESIDENT



On September 22, I hosted a "Donuts with the President" tabling event to connect with our students. Over 150 students visited with me to share their experiences at Mission while enjoying some sweet treats.

LEADERSHIP RETREAT



On September 28, 29, and 30, I hosted a Leadership Retreat for the Mission College leadership team including all managers, supervisors, and the leadership teams from the Classified Senate, Academic Senate, and Associated Student Government. This retreat included team building activities, reflection, and planning as a leadership team for the future. Our learning objectives included:

1. To build community, empathy, healing, trust and interdependence as one leadership team
2. To challenge and expand our individual and collective leadership
3. To foster an intentional and authentic equity-mindedness to our leadership ethos
4. To transform our institution to best meet the needs of our diverse students and community



OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS



On October 1, the Mission College Team marched in the Santa Clara Parade of Champions. The College received recognition for our attendance and the ASG, Baseball Team, and Fire Protection Technology Program were highlighted.

PRINCIPALS' BREAKFAST



On October 6, I hosted a Principals' Breakfast to connect with our K-12 partners and to discuss how Mission College can build partnership opportunities. Santa Clara Unified School District and other partners attended and meaningful dialogue was facilitated around positioning Mission College as the premier partner college within the region. Additional one-on-one meetings are now being coordinated to plan for spring enrollment.

CUSTODIAL APPRECIATION DAY



October 2 was Custodial Appreciation Day and we celebrated at Mission College on October 7. The Custodial Team at Mission College works hard to support the campus looking clean and well maintained. We enjoyed showing our appreciation for this hard-working group!

CANDLELIGHT VIGIL SUPPORTING IRANIAN WOMEN



On October 11, in collaboration with West Valley College, Mission College supported a candlelight vigil honoring the courage of the women in Iran and bringing attention to ongoing human rights crisis. The event was well attended and a moving tribute to ongoing battle for women's rights internationally.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

NEW EMPLOYEE ONBOARDING



On October 11, my office onboarded three new Mission College team members. During the onboarding, I shared more about Mission College, our values, and our vision for the future. This opportunity also included team building and encouraging new employees to lean-in and use their voice to make a difference at the College.

EARTHQUAKES PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT



Mission College is developing partnership opportunities with the Earthquakes Soccer Team. The Executive Team took a tour of PayPal Park and discussed numerous partnership pathways, that aligned with both institutions' values, to support both Mission College students and the Earthquakes team.

RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY



On October 15, Board President Kepner and I attended the Macdonald High School Ribbon Cutting Ceremony. The beautiful new high school serves Santa Clara and the Mission College Executive Team will be meeting with the Macdonald leadership team to discuss dual enrollment opportunities.

33RD HISPANIC FOUNDATION BALL



On October 15, Mission College team members attended the Hispanic Foundation Ball. As a Hispanic Serving Institution, the College represented our students and community and were recognized at the event for our good work and presence as an educational partner.

OFFICE OF INSTRUCTION

JAPANESE NURSING DELEGATION



On September 16, the Mission College leadership team welcomed a delegation from the Professional Nursing Training College located in Osaka, Japan. Mission College is planning to receive a delegation of nursing students from Japan in spring 2023 with the intention of establishing a formal exchange program.

DANISH EXCHANGE PROGRAM CELEBRATION



October 5th marked the 10-year anniversary of the Danish Student Exchange Program at Mission College. The leadership team welcomed the delegation from Denmark and celebrated with an amazing multi-course meal hosted by our Hospitality Management Program.

HIGH SCHOOL SVCTE DAY



On October 7, 176 high school students studying healthcare visited Mission College for a day of engagement—including visits and information about our CNA program, student support communities (EOPS/TRIO/Career Services/UMOJA/Puente) and counseling services. Students also received lunch and a tour of our beautiful campus! Appreciation to all involved across instruction and student services for a successful event.

VTA GRADUATION CEREMONY

Mission College, in collaboration with Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and the Amalgamated Transit union Local 265 (ATU 265), is planning to host the upcoming graduation ceremony of 75-90 apprentices who have successfully completed their education and on-the-job training. They will be awarded certificates in pursuit of the full-time Bus Operator status at VTA. The ceremony will take place on Thursday, November 17, during National Apprenticeship Week at Mission College. The event will be hosted from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. VTA and ATU 265 will be inviting VTA Board members, elected officials, and will be joined by the CEO of VTA and the Director of Local 265. Mission College enrolled 28 new students in late September, and we continue to see an increase in enrollment in our five transportation certificate programs in our partnership with VTA and Local 265.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

EOPS & CARE PROGRAMS UPDATE



EOPS has received a record number of applications in Fall 2022, 530 applications in total. The program welcomed a 154 new students this fall and is continuing to accept applications. The CARE Program, which supports single parents enrolled at Mission College, tripled in size from Spring 22 to Fall 22. The program is hosting Financial Wellness Workshops in partnership with Community Roots Financials, AANAPISI, and TRIO throughout September, October, and November. Students, faculty, and staff have enjoyed learning about financial literacy through an equity and social justice lens. EOPS, CARE, CalWORKs, and TRIO are taking groups of students on transfer-focused visits to UC Davis and Sacramento State, followed by a trip to UC Berkeley and California State University East Bay.

TRIO PROGRAM UPDATE

The State of California is now allowing TRIO programs to serve undocumented students who meet all other eligibility requirements. This is an exciting opportunity to enhance learning support services for Mission College undocumented students!

HOLISTIC WELLNESS FAIR



On October 12, Mission College hosted our Holistic Wellness Fair. Over 250 students attended throughout the fair along with many faculty, staff, and administrators! Nearly 100 students completed the passport by visiting at least 10 tables and entered the raffle. We awarded 4 students with Barnes and Noble gift cards. Our swag items of jump ropes, massagers, exercise bands, and "Wellness Warriors" sweatshirts were incredibly popular. We ran out of everything, including food! We had several students share positive feedback about the fair, letting us know they decided to check it out because they heard good things from other students on campus. They were delighted that we were offering so much stuff for free. A couple of students also asked how often we host this fair because they found it so valuable!

CA DREAM ACT BOOT CAMP

Mission College is hosting one of two CSAC/CA Dream Act Book Camp Conferences on October 28. The California Student Aid Commission (Commission) in partnership with Immigrants Rising will be offering two workshops, one in Southern California and one in Northern California. These are free Boot Camps that provide an in-depth look into the California Dream Act Application through an interactive workshop. Anyone who supports undocumented students at high schools, colleges, universities, adult schools, and noncredit programs is invited to register online for the Workshops and Boot Camp.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM UPDATE



The Mission College International Student Center (ISC) has seen a huge increase in the number of international student applications this year, 225 applications in the 2022 calendar year compared to 108 applications in the 2021 calendar year as of 10/13/22. The ISC has welcomed 72 new international students to Mission College this semester. Mission College celebrated the 10-year anniversary of our partnership with the Holstebro Technical Institute in Denmark. Over the last 10 years, we have hosted nine groups of Danish students on a 8-week STEM study abroad program, sent a group of Mission College students to on a 7-day study abroad program to Denmark, and facilitated faculty exchange between the institutions.

VALOR PROGRAM VETERANS CELEBRATION

In honor of Veterans Day, the Mission College Valor Center is planning events on Wednesday and Thursday, November 9 and 10. Events will include opening ceremonies, lunch, resource tables, a Marine Corp birthday cake ceremony, and veteran-specific workshops between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. both days.

MISSION COLLEGE PRESENTS AT STATEWIDE EQUITY FORUM



Mission College was one of four colleges selected to present at the Education Trust West's Education Equity Forum on September 20th in Los Angeles, CA. Ken Songco, Director of Student Equity and Success, sat on a panel with Dr. Eric Felix, Assistant Professor at San Diego State University along with three other Equity Deans/Directors Miss from Norco College, Fresno City College, and Pasadena City College to provide insights on how community college educational practitioners can collectively identify and address organizational conditions, contexts, and challenges that limit the ability to improve racial equity in higher education. At the forum, Director Songco shared the various approaches Mission College has taken with its equity and anti-racism work such as: a) the Mission College Equity Framework; b) Community Conversations with Students which centered student voices on how the college could best respond to the needs of students during the pandemic; c) initiating Anti-Racism dialogs to better understand systemic racism and white dominant culture in our institutions; d) professional learning opportunities such as our Equity Pedagogy Community of Praxis; e) a more inclusive approach of the writing of our equity plan through Equity Metric Design Teams; f) innovative approaches to bring students "at the table" to help transform college policies such as our Student Leadership & Engagement Institute.

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

HEERF DIRECT AID PAYMENT TO STUDENTS



On September 30, Mission College distributed another HEERF direct aid payment to 1,949 students totaling \$1,500,250. Mission College continues to prioritize direct aid to students in support of their COVID-19 recovery and removing barriers to completion.

NEW RESOURCES TO SUPPORT FOSTER YOUTH

Mission College is entering into a formal Partnership with Pivotal, an organization that has been serving Silicon Valley since 1989 and that provides education and career support to current and former foster youth. Through this "Pivotal Post-Secondary Program", Mission College and Pivotal are partnering on a comprehensive education and career program including one-on-one coaching, internships, scholarship, tutoring, professional development and personalized attention to assist scholars who are currently and formerly from foster care to successfully reach their long-term education, career and life goals while seeking a college degree. A designated space has been identified to house the Pivotal representatives when on campus and to provide a formal space for this critical partnership to evolve.

UNDOCUMENTED STUDENT ACTION WEEK

Friday October, 21st

Scan here to register

<https://forms.office.com/r/qnzFBshB0g>

Undocu Ally Training
9am-1pm | TAV-130

Mission College is supporting our undocumented students during the statewide Undocumented Student Action Week from October 17-20. The College has planned a number of activities and events for the week including an Undocu Ally Training on Friday, October 21st from 9:00am-1:00pm in TAV-130. The training, taught by Mission College's Diego Espinoza, will share how to support our undocumented students, how to promote best practices, and the ongoing laws and policies affecting our undocumented students.

MISSION COLLEGE AWARDED RISING SCHOLARS GRANT

Mission College has been awarded the Rising Scholars Implementation grant totaling \$382,500! This three-year grant will begin January 1, 2023 until July 31, 2025. The grant will focus on expanding instructional activities for currently and formerly justice-impacted individuals both in the jail system and at Mission College. The grant will also focus on expanding support services for this population as well as support anti-recidivism efforts.

OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY BUILDING UPDATE



The Mission College Business and Technology Building is continuing to make progress with an estimated opening date of early spring 2023. Once opened, the building will be used as swing space for the library as the library renovation project begins, as well as house business and technology classes and department faculty and staff.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

MISSION COLLEGE TRANSFER DAY!



Mission College hosted Transfer Day on October 4 and offered a number of transfer-themed workshops to students throughout the week.

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH



Mission College's La Colectiva hosted a number of events celebrating Hispanic Heritage month including:

- Richard Soto and the Chicano Research Center on the indigenous art of storytelling on September 21;
- Dr. Martha Gonzalez, scholar, singer and author on October 4; and
- Maria Elena Ramirez and her "American Herstory" presentation.

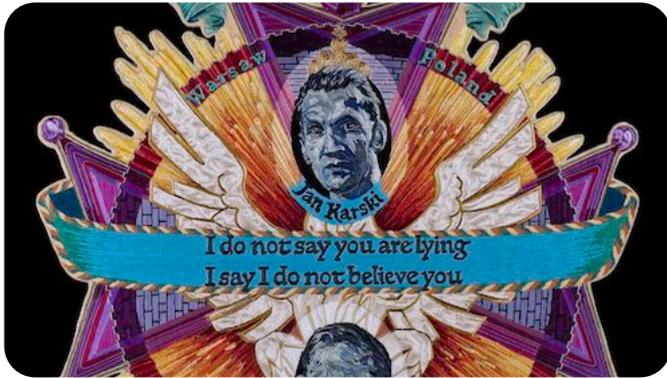
FILIPINO AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH



Mission College welcomed rapper and spoken word artist Ruby Ibarra to help us kick off Filipino American History Month.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

ROBIN BERNSTEIN EXHIBITION



Mission College is proud to host artist Robin Bernstein and her new exhibition "Beauty and Terror" in the Gillmor Center Vargas Art Gallery. Each piece is meticulously composed of thousands of tiny cut pieces of string that have been pressed into a bed of wax. "Beauty and Terror" features images and text from contemporary politics and historical events that happened during World War II. Many of these works refer to lesser-known Holocaust crimes as well as redemptive stories and heroic acts of resistance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

UNDOCU PAINT NIGHT

Wednesday, October 19, 2022
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Gillmor Center 108

CRAZY HAT DAY

Thursday, October 20, 2022
1:00 p.m.
In front of the Gillmor Center

UNDOCU ALLY TRAINING

Friday, October 21, 2022
9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
TAV - 130

HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST

Thursday, October 27, 2022
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Central Plaza

HALLOWEEN DOOR DECORATING COMPETITION

Thursday, October 27, 2022
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Judging on Campus

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS MOVIE NIGHT

Thursday, October 27, 2022
5:00 p.m.
Central Plaza

MISSION COLLEGE BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Thursday, November 2, 2022
7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
Gillmor Center 103

VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

Wednesday & Thursday, November 9 & 10, 2022
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Campus-wide

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HOME GAME

Thursday, November 10, 2022
6:00 p.m.
Gym

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HOME GAME

Tuesday, November 15, 2022
5:00 p.m.
Gym