

# The Campus Connection December 2021

# Office of the President

Submitted by Dr. Char Perlas, Interim Superintendent/President

## Happy Holidays from the Office of the President!

This past semester, although challenging and extremely busy, was very productive! Some of our accomplishments include:

- Handled issues related to capital projects
- Developed, updated, reviewed and approved the Facilities Master Plan, The Technology Master Plan, Strategic Enrollment Management Plan and Integrated Plan





- Created a draft and currently finalizing the Local Decision Making Handbook
- Completed the Institutional Self Evaluation Report
- Proposed a new COVID Requirement, developed applicable Board Policies and Administrative Procedures, updated COVID protocols, implemented a new COVID technology platform, and hired 6 COVID Mitigation Team Members

This sampling of accomplishments is in addition to our daily workloads, responsibilities and handling emergency/time sensitive issues. With that said, I am hoping that everyone enjoys a very well deserved Winter Break!

**January 28, 2022 is Convocation Day!** The Flex Committee has drafted the spring 2022 Convocation Day Schedule and, like last fall's Convocation Day, participants can attend via Zoom or in-person at the Weed campus room DLC 3 and at the Yreka Campus room 119. A draft of the agenda can be accessed <a href="here">here</a> and our keynote's bio is below. We look forward to a great start to the spring semester!

**Donald Proby** is a peacebuilder, and a diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging consultant. Donald holds consultancy positions with Community Boards of San Francisco, Coro of Northern California, the American Medical Association and Courageous Leadership, LLC. He has served as faculty at St. Mary's College of California, Drew University, as well as San Francisco State University. He recently served as Director for the Office of Mediation, Coaching, Ombuds, and Support Services for Brigham Health, where he instituted this new department, grounding it in leading edge practices, ensuring its sustainability and ongoing success. His work as an educator and practitioner has been focused on leadership development, conflict transformation, equity and belonging.



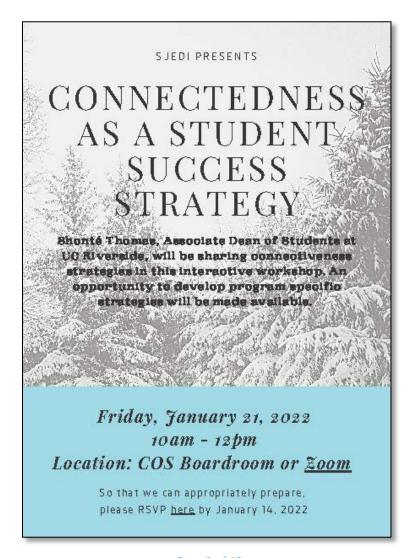
Donald has worked as a conflict transformation practitioner, mediator, leadership development educator, and facilitator of adult learning and transformative pedagogies since the 1980's. His work is

firmly situated within the scope of restorative practices. He facilitates collaborative endeavors that are approached with mindfulness, embodied pedagogies and appreciative action to support equity and belonging at all levels of engagement.

Donald's work has crossed sectors that include higher education, technology, government, law enforcement, public health, social and mental health services, and healthcare. His research is especially concerned with the invention of appreciative nomenclature for inviting and engaging the transformative opportunities connected with healthier attitudes about conflict, as a dialogic and collaborative proposition. He is currently engaged in dissertation work for the completion of a doctoral degree in Educational Leadership at St. Mary's College of California.

Donald seeks to bring a joyful presence to his endeavors and loves feeling connected to the world around him by sharing laughter and stories of shared humanity. To relax, he enjoys long walks in both rural and urban settings, gardening, kayaking and swimming—especially trips to the ocean. For more information about Donald, please visit www.linkedin.com/in/donaldproby

## Social Justice Equity Diversity Inclusion (SJEDI) Presents



**Athletics:** Congratulations to our 16 student athletes that received conference individual awards during the fall season. Thank you for all of your dedication and hard work!

FOOTBALL								
CONFERENCE	AWARD	F-NAME	L-NAME	POSITION	YR	HIGH SCHOOL	HOMETOWN	STATE
NORCAL	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Sterling	Bruce	OL	FR	Rainier	Rainier	OR
NORCAL	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Hunter	Davis	WR	FR	Wilson	Portland	OR
NORCAL	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Ryan	Ten Hulscher	DL	FR	Wellant College Madestein	The Hague	NETH
NORCAL	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Jonathon	Bailey	DB	SO	Canyon Springs	North Las Vegas	NV
NORCAL	Honorable Mention	Nigel	Belisle	DL	FR	Tualatin	Tualatin	OR
NORCAL	Honorable Mention	Maliki	Campbell	DB	SO	Union	Camas	WA
VOLLEYBALL								
CONFERENCE	AWARD	F-NAME	L-NAME	POSITION	YR	HIGH SCHOOL	HOMETOWN	STATE
GOLDEN VALLEY	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Kayana	Woodard	Setter	FR	Crater	Central Point	OR
GOLDEN VALLEY	Honorable Mention	Linda	Avila	Libero	FR	El Capitan	Merced	CA
GOLDEN VALLEY	Honorable Mention	Vivianna	McKinney	ОН	FR	Cloverdale	Cloverdale	CA
GOLDEN VALLEY	Honorable Mention	Alaurah	Tallman	МВ	FR	Illinois Valley	Cave Junction	OR
MEN'S SOCCER								
CONFERENCE	AWARD	F-NAME	L-NAME	POSITION	YR	HIGH SCHOOL	HOMETOWN	STATE
GOLDEN VALLEY	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Luca	McIlvaney	Forward	FR	North Hampton College	Corby	UK
GOLDEN VALLEY	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team	Marcus	Grant	Midfield	FR	Chichester College	Littlehampton	UK
WOMEN'S SOCCE	R							
CONFERENCE	AWARD	F-NAME	L-NAME	POSITION	YR	HIGH SCHOOL	HOMETOWN	STATE
GOLDEN VALLEY	1 <sup>st</sup> Team	Miranda	Linker	Defender	FR	Modoc	Cedarville	CA
GOLDEN VALLEY	2 <sup>nd</sup> Team	Shaina	Higuera	Midfield	so	Mazama	Klamath Falls	OR
MEN'S CROSS COI	JNTRY							
CONFERENCE	AWARD	F-NAME	L-NAME	POSITION	YR	HIGH SCHOOL	HOMETOWN	STATE
GOLDEN VALLEY	All-Conference	Ту	Brown		FR	El Molino	Forestville	CA
WOMEN'S CROSS	COUNTRY							
CONFERENCE	AWARD	F-NAME	L-NAME	POSITION	YR	HIGH SCHOOL	HOMETOWN	STATE
GOLDEN VALLEY	All-Conference	Olivia	Hinton		FR	Golden Eagle	Yreka	CA

## Women's Basketball

Won the Napa Valley Storm Surge Tournament (December 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>)

December 10<sup>th</sup> at Shasta Crossover

December 11<sup>th</sup> at Shasta Crossover

December 16<sup>th</sup> at Hartnell

December 17<sup>th</sup> at Monterey Peninsula

December 18<sup>th</sup> at Mission

December 27<sup>th</sup> at San Jose City College Tournament

December 28th at San Jose City College Tournament

December 29th at San Jose City College Tournament

## Men's Basketball

Had big win over Sacrament City College on December 3<sup>rd</sup> at the James Clark Tournament

December 10<sup>th</sup> at Canada

December 11<sup>th</sup> at Skyline

December 16<sup>th</sup> Coach Carr Classic at San Jose City College

December 17<sup>th</sup> Coach Carr Classic at San Jose City College

December 18<sup>th</sup> Coach Carr Classic at San Jose City College

Tuesday, December 28th **HOME** vs Lane Community College

We Want You at Our Games! Masks are required at all <u>indoor</u> contests. Check the <u>Athletics webpage</u> for current schedule, scores, and photos from the events.

## **Public Relations & College Foundation:**

**Holiday Craft Fair:** The 24th annual Country Holiday Craft Fair was held December 4 and was a huge success! The one-day event saw a steady stream of foot-traffic all day long.

Special thanks to our Maintenance Department, Maggie Crowder, Ramie Salters, Emily Anderson-Moser, Randy and Carie Shaffer for help setting up, breaking down, carrying items in and out, and volunteering at the door and in the concession stand. Also special thanks to everyone who came out and supported the event.





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**North State Giving Tuesday Results:** November 30th was "Giving Tuesday" and the North State Giving Tuesday online giving event hosted by the Shasta Regional Community Foundation. The COS Foundation was one of more than 170 non-profit organizations to participate in the event, and our mission was to raise funds to support the Siskiyou Promise Scholarship Program fund.

DRUM ROLL PLEASE... Online donations for the day totaled approximately \$3,000 from 20 donors!!!! I am proud of our community for their support and the love they are showing for our local kids. Every dollar we received on Giving Tuesday is helping to transform the life of a COS student!!

**Together We Make A Difference:** Giving Tuesday has come and gone, but the work doesn't stop there. It's that time of year again when we "kick off" the campus Payroll Contribution Campaign. The amount of monthly contribution is not as important as the fact that you participate. Donations range from as low as \$5 to as much as \$50 or more, and all donations are tax-deductible. I hope you'll consider participating. To participate in our Employee Payroll Deduction Program click on the link: http://www.siskiyous.edu/foundation/forms/PayrollDeductionForm.pdf

**Stay Connected**: Now that the weather has changed, it's important to make sure you are signed up for the college's communication system, "COS Connect" powered by Everbridge. This is a free system used to notify students and staff of emergency situations, campus closures, or general information. To sign up click on the COS Connect button located at the bottom of the COS homepage and follow the directions to get sign up or call the Public Relations Office for assistance.

**Come Join Our Team:** The Foundation is looking for new volunteers to join the Eagle's Nest team. Volunteers work three to four hour shifts per week, or more. Volunteers work as cashiers, screen items as they come in, price merchandise, repair items, research antiques, etc. There is never a dull moment at the Eagles Nest. If you know of anyone who may be interested in volunteering have them call (530) 938-4663 or stop by the Eagle's Nest.

**December/January Activities & Events:** Event dates, times, and locations based on information available at the time of publication and are subject to change.

- Winter Session / Spring Semester Open Registration Begins
- December 13-16: Finals Week
- December 16: Fall Semester Ends
- December 17: COS Holiday Party, 4:30pm ASC Loft
- December 23-January 2, 2022: Campus Closed / Winter Break
- January 3: Winter Session Begins
- January 15: Women's and Men's Basketball vs. Redwoods, 1PM & 3PM Gym
- January 17: Campus Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
- January 22: Women's and Men's Basketball vs. Lassen, 5PM & 7PM Gym
- January 27: Winter Session Ends

# **Administrative Services**

Submitted by Darlene Melby, Vice President of Administrative Services & Human Resources

Administrative Services would like to wish each of you a very happy holiday season!

**Facilities:** Safety is a priority at the College of the Siskiyous and the Safety Committee is dedicated to constantly monitoring and improving procedures and communications on our campuses. Our Emergency 5911 line is monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by Facilities and Lodge personnel, during regular operational days of the academic calendar. It is important to know when to use 5911 verses 911 and SchoolDude.

When to call... 5911 - In the event of a <u>Maintenance or Custodial non-medical emergency</u> on the Weed or Yreka campus please call 5911. It can also be used for the Safe Walk Program if you would like an escort on campus, Monday through Thursday 3 to 10:30 p.m. and Friday, 3 to 6:30 p.m.

- Safety door locks, broken windows, gas leaks, strange noises in the attic or walls, etc.
- **Electrical** lighting and power outages
- Plumbing bathroom, leaks/flooding
- **Grounds** trip/fall hazards, icy walkways, fallen trees or limbs

**When to call... 911 Emergency -** In the event of an <u>immediate medical emergency requiring assistance</u> from the police, fire department or an ambulance please bypass 5911 and call 911.

- Fire
- Injury
- Crime
- Automobile accident
- **Behavior issues** disruptive, yelling, fighting, threatening, strange, weapons, etc.
- Animal issues unattended, dangerous, wounded, etc.
- Other related issues

If you call 911 be prepared to state the location, nature of the emergency, and if known, other details such as physical descriptions, injures and symptoms.

**SchoolDude** - All other normal or routine requests should go through the SchoolDude website: <a href="https://www.siskiyous.edu/maintenance/schooldude.htm">https://www.siskiyous.edu/maintenance/schooldude.htm</a>

**Food Services:** Staff in Food services are getting ready for an important upgrade. The replacement of the kitchen floor will take place over the winter break and into January. This project will take approximately (5) weeks and students staying on campus during winter intersession will have access to local restaurants and grocery stores to help meet their nutritional needs.

**Lodges:** Lodge staff are accepting applications related to on campus housing for the spring 2022 term through the winter intersession allowing students more time to apply before the start of the semester. End of fall semester activities for lodge students include pancake breakfast, dodgeball, casino night, and holiday films trivia.

**Technology Services**: The department is currently developing its Operational Plan for FY22-23. The plan will be reviewed by the Technology Advisory Committee in February and it is expected that it will be published in February/March after going through the governance process.

Technology Services initiated a process to formally define the process for provisioning new users (both employees and students) as well as de-provisioning users when they are no longer with the College. We will be coordinating with other departments throughout the process. The College has launched a project to identify and implement a single solution for all electronic signatures used by the College. A project team has been formed to define the requirements, evaluate and select a solution, and then implement that solution throughout the College.

# **Student Services**

## Submitted by Patrick Walton, Vice President of Student Services

The end of the fall semester is approaching quickly. Time flies faster and faster each year.

We would like to wish Patricia Bird "goodbye". Patricia will be relocating and while she wasn't with us very long, she was fantastic while she was. She will be missed.

Student Services have four new official members joining out team. Kim Peacemaker will be joining the Counseling & Advising Team as a full-time interim Counselor; Maggie Crowder has accepted the position as Student Equity Technician; Parker Keim will be returning to the Financial Aid Office as a Student Services Specialist; and, Michael Kellogg has accepted the position of Student Services Specialist in the Admissions and Records Office. We are excited for each of them to join the SS team. Welcome!

We have some exciting opportunities in the near future. Some of these include 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Day; piloting a summer bridge program; and, meetings to discuss eliminating potential barrier to enrollment. We are actively seeking ways to increase access and success for our COS students and I am grateful for the efforts of so many who take seriously that charge.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone at COS a very happy holiday season this year. Thank you for making it such a fantastic start to my time at College of the Siskiyous. You truly are a job to work with each day.

**Admissions and Records:** Admissions and Records are excited to announce that students will be able to order their COS transcripts through the National Student Clearinghouse starting Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Alum who attended COS prior to 1990 will need to still complete a paper request until their microfiche transcripts can be entered into banner.

In other news Michael Kellogg is our new Student Services Specialist in Admissions and Records, and transcript evaluations are coming in at a steady pace. We are hoping to start the implementation of the new Admissions home page to make the steps clearer for enrollment in January for the upcoming 22/23 year.

**Basecamp HQ:** As the holidays approach Basecamp has seen an increase in the number of students seeking transportation assistance. With gas being so expensive, these vouchers have been very helpful, especially in helping students travel home for the holidays. Most of our Eagle Ambassadors were able to go home for Thanksgiving and see family and friends, which they were all very excited about.

The Eagle Ambassadors have been working diligently on rearranging Basecamp to provide more services to students. This includes expanding our pantry and snack area. We are working to keep the fridge, freezer, pantry, and snacks stocked. We all know that as the semester comes to a close, meal points run out and we don't want any student to go without. We are preparing for the end of the semester and are working on getting laptops returned or renewed for the winter intersession.

**EOPS:** EOPS is excited to announce that the Program was able to give our students \$100 Grocery Outlet gift cards again this semester! The students were extremely thankful to receive them prior to the holidays.

The EOPS Counselors have been booked meeting with students for their 2<sup>nd</sup> Counselor contact where they help the students to register for the spring term, as well as address any other academic needs/questions that the students have. In addition to the counselor contacts, the students are also completing their End of semester Progress check-in online and are eligible for another \$25 gas voucher once that is completed.

EOPS applications for the Spring 22 semester are available! Encourage students to visit the EOPS website (<a href="https://www.siskiyous.edu/eopscare/">https://www.siskiyous.edu/eopscare/</a>) to apply.

**Financial Aid:** The state of California released the first ever list of potential recipients of California Community College Entitlement Award! The award can go to Cal Grant eligible community college students and potentially follow those who transfer to a CSU or UC. Through the diligent efforts of our specialist, Haley Pope, nearly all candidates had their eligibility confirmed and added to their award package in time for a fall disbursement. Eligible students will have their loans reduced, payments credited towards their balance, or receive direct funds by December 10<sup>th</sup>. We hope this support makes a difference for students and families in time for the winter break.

We are bidding farewell to our valued team member, Patricia Bird. Her skills, dedication and friendly demeanor was appreciated by staff and students alike. We wish her the best of fortune in her future endeavors!

We are excited to welcome our new Financial Aid Specialist, Parker Keim, to the Office. Parker brings prior Financial Aid experience at College of the Siskiyous and is already putting that knowledge to work to benefit students!

**Student Access Services (SAS):** This month Student Access Services would like to recognize Anastasia Skinner for her rapid progress and excellent grades in her classwork. Anastasia actually performs better when she is challenged with the maximum number of classes. She is also self-aware and knows when to slow down in order to take care of herself. Anastasia is dedicated to learning to help children with special needs. She already has plenty of experience in her personal life with one child through legal guardianship and three other special needs children. This is her passion and it drives her to do the best that she can in the academic world. Way to go Anastasia!

# **Academic Affairs**

## Submitted by Mark Klever, Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs

Here we are in the final stretch of 2021. Students will be glad this week and semester will be behind them. I imagine the rest of us as staff, faculty and administrators feel the same. Another semester that we have survived. Thank goodness!

If I could give everyone that is a part of College of the Siskiyous a gift, it would be a package made of rest, peace, and hope. While our Thanksgiving break was a brief taste of some rest, we needed that to get through the remainder of the semester. That was great timing but it has already evaporated. Now, I truly wish that students can take this holiday break to engage in activities that rejuvenate and restore, giving them a sense of freedom from anxiety and disturbance. A feeling of completion where some of their worries are put on hold or eliminated. For the remainder of us, it is so important to start over after some refreshing self-care. Working in conditions of exhaustion, stress and lack of stability is not a healthy place to be operating. Please take time during a potentially stressful season to pay attention to getting good wholesome rest.

#### Peace.

#### Webster describes as

- "1: freedom or a period of freedom from public disturbance or war.
- 2: a quiet or calm state of mind.
- 3: agreement and harmony among people.
- 4: a pact or agreement to end hostilities between those that have been in a state of enmity."

Life without peace is miserable. For nearly two years, peace has been lacking due to the public disturbance of COVID-19 among the many other trials we face. At this College, peace also has been lacking for many years. It is time to work towards something greater than yourself. I feel a sense of peace starting, slowly, through working in a positive direction together. Please be a part of spreading the needed peace this season.

Lastly, we need hope. We need a feeling and desire that something good is going to happen. Without hope we do not have much left. A sense of hope is brewing that stems from peace and developing trust through building belief with integrity. Genuine hope has been lacking at College of the Siskiyous and is not magical or a mystery. It takes time, investment, knowledge, honesty, situational awareness, planning and confidence that something good can come in the future. Although this semester has had it challenges, a few major accomplishments have occurred through cooperation and collaboration for the same intended outcome or goal. Because real conversations are happening, trust is growing, and now I can see a glimmer of hope. We all must realize that doing nothing will result in nothing done. In five years, we will no longer exist as a college if we do nothing. In 2021, we have endured much. Through some of those afflictions, many of us are realizing we cannot survive without each other, most importantly we cannot survive without our students. We all need hope right now.

As I reflect on the past year, I intentionally pull out the good and gain rest, peace and hope from that which was positive. The remainder I would like to forget but I must remember and consider those so I do my best to not repeat the negative. On many occasions, we have a choice. Of course, much of our

current tests are out of our control except for our attitude, experience and knowledge. Begin by changing your attitude, utilize your experience and knowledge to do what is right. Say goodbye to 2021 and get some much-needed rest. May you offer up some peace to others because peace can give you more rest. And then there is hope. Wow! Do we need hope every day? Alone, we may be limited in our hope but together through encouragement we can change our future's direction. But it must start immediately in 2022. We must not delay and keep this as our highest priority.

Please receive my gift and share it with others.

Sincerely with many best wishes, Mark

#### **Noncredit**

Submitted by Suzie Clark, Director

Earn an industry certificate by June 2022! COS Continuing Education is offering a series of five IT classes in spring 22 that will result in a Google IT Support Professional Certificate Program. All classes are offered online and cover Technical Support Fundamentals, Networking, Operating Systems, System Administration and IT Infrastructure, and Security. Each class is approximately 10 to 15 hours per week so it's possible to earn this certification while working full-time. We are very excited to be able to offer this industry certification to our region.

Hospitality Program Launching in Winter 22 - There have been requests for a Hospitality/Culinary program at COS and we are finally able to offer it. Starting January 4, HOSP 0502-Food Safety and Sanitation (CRN 1057) will be our first offering. The class will be held on the Weed Campus in ESTC 107 on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The class will run January 4-27, 2022.

## **Upward Bound / TRIO**

Submitted by Stephanie Wroten, Director

## Office Operations:

- UB Annual Performance Report successfully submitted and earning 13.5/15 prior experience points.
- SSS Annual Performance Report currently collecting data and will tentatively be submitted late January/ early February
- UB 2021 Grant Competition Emily Anderson-Moser and Stephanie Wroten are collecting data in preparation for the upcoming competition expected to begin late January 22.

#### Services:

- UB and SSS students attended COS Theater Production Edward II.
- UB successfully hosted all Saturday sessions for the fall term
- SSS recruitment is ongoing –use the following links if you are working with a student that may
  qualify for our program.
  - o Click here for a counseling appointment with Dr. Sunny Greene.
  - o Click here for TRiO assistance or resources with Christina Wiglesworth.
  - Click here to apply to TRiO@Siskiyous.
  - o Text (530) 938-5516 for inquiries about our program

- UB and SSS Canvas courses are on schedule to be launched for the spring term
- FAFSA completion workshops to be scheduled during winter session and early spring
- TRiO's lending library is open for Winter Session and Spring Semester. Students can request, textbooks, calculators and recorder pens by using the link provided - <u>TRiO Lending Library</u>

#### Collaborations:

- Equity Spring break college tour to Washington DC/New York City selection criteria and committee will be determined by the end of December. Advertising to begin in January.
- SCOE Foster Youth TRIO was able to have its initial meeting with Brittany Collier, Director of Foster/Homeless Youth Coordination from the Siskiyou County Office of Education (SCOE). We plan on working with 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students during our spring recruitment periods for both programs.

## **Career and Technical Education Department**

Submitted by Christina Van Alfen, Interim CTE Dean



Congratulations to the 18 Cadets of Law Enforcement Academy Class 007! They will be graduating Saturday, December 18 at 1 pm in the COS Gym. Please join us in congratulating them!

During the week of November 29<sup>th</sup>, 13 local firefighters attend the Rope Rescue Awareness Operations (RRAO) class, offered through the College. This course provides instruction on low-angle and high-angle rescue, familiarizing participants with operation of simple, complex and compound rope rescue systems in the low-and high-angle environment.







In other exciting news, the Fire Tower is almost complete (estimated to be early January).

On December 3, Christina Van Alfen, COS Interim CTE Dean, Marie Caldwell, Director SiskiyouWorks and Bright Nichols-Stock, K-12 Strong Workforce Pathway Coordinator with Siskiyou County Office of Education presented Industry and Education- Building a Successful and Sustainable Workforce to the National ACTE (Association for Career & Technical Education) CareerTech Vision 2021 conference. The presentation described the integrated linked learning continuum, grades pre-K through community college, being developed countywide. This continuum includes the integration of career awareness, career exploration, career preparation, career training and internships into career and technical education, utilizing braided funding and industry partnerships to accomplish implementation of this model.

## **Nursing Department**

Submitted by Hallie Coppi, Director of Nursing

The Nursing Program is proud to present twelve graduates from the Licensed Vocational Nursing Program at a Pinning Ceremony to be held on Thursday, December 16 at 5 p.m. in the Weed Campus Kenneth W. Ford Theater. Masks will be required. These students began with us in the spring of 2020 and have endured many hurdles in their program including delays and added challenges at the clinical sites due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, as well as several staffing changes during their time here.

We are very proud of what these students have overcome and are looking forward to honoring them at their Pinning Ceremony. We welcome anyone who would like to join us in celebrating this special group of nurses!

## **Academic Senate**

On behalf of the entire Academic Senate, this month's Campus Connection update brings greetings of health, happiness, safety, and a holiday season filled with friends and family.

The Academic Senate and its subcommittees continue to complete projects and tasks in Distance Learning, Curriculum, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Course and Program development, Accessibility, and are providing feedback for our Local Decision-Making documents in an effort to codify out governance processes at COS.

And while we certainly are excited to be accomplishing all of these goals, we are most looking forward to a transition back to face to face for many of our classes in the spring. We will be doing our part to ensure that our students are able to have the best face to face experience while keeping everyone safe as we continue to address the ever-changing pandemic landscape. We will still be offering a robust schedule of online courses to ensure our students have both face to face and online options to best serve our entire COS community.

Additionally, in a continued effort to minimize cost for students to attend courses, when registering for upcoming semesters, our course catalog now has a 'Zero Textbook Cost' designation for all classes that utilize textbooks that do not have a cost for students. We invite students, both traditional and non-traditional, to explore our entire catalog for winter and spring courses. We'd love to see any and all of you in any of our courses!

Once again, have a wonderful Holiday Season and a Happy New Year!

No other reports submitted.