

The Campus Connection October 2022

Office of the President

Submitted by Dr. Char Perlas, Superintendent/President



Undocumented Student Action Week - October 17 – 21, 2022: Sponsored by the California Community Colleges, Undocumented Student Action Week will feature a series of virtual webinars and on-campus activities to raise awareness about the challenges undocumented students continue to

face and will feature solutions that support their educational dreams. Webinar sessions will be held during the week from 9 to 10 a.m. each day, except Thursday, October 20. Click here to register.

October National Months! During the month of October there are a number of celebrations and

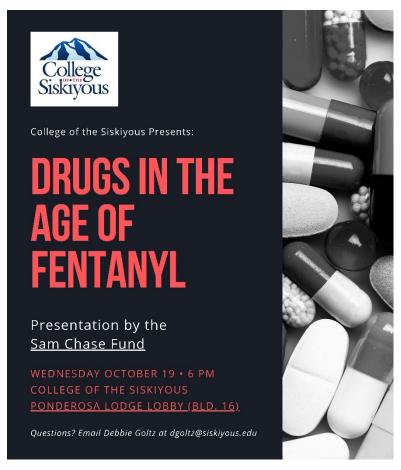
acknowledgements, including (but not limited to):

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- <u>Down Syndrome Awareness Month</u>
- Emotional Wellness Month
- Filipino American History Month
- German-American Heritage Month
- <u>Italian-American Heritage Month</u>
- LGBT History Month

Click on the titles to learn more about these National months including obtaining stats, resources and ways to celebrate and/or donate.

COVID Protocol & Requirement Changes:

On September 19, 2022, the daily COVID check-in process was discontinued and on September 23, 2022, the COVID Requirement, which requires employees and students to submit proof of vaccination or weekly COVID test results, was discontinued. The College will continue monitoring COVID and may re-



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instate the requirement if needed. On-campus COVID testing will continue as scheduled. The COVID Testing Schedule can be accessed here. We encourage those that feel sick to stay home. If symptoms develop while on campus, please take advantage of our on-campus COVID testing or go home. If you test positive with a COVID home test, please inform our COVID Team at COVIDTeam@Siskiyous.edu. Additional questions can be emailed to COVIDTeam@Siskiyous.edu.

Octoberfest and Lincoln Heights Music Festival Fundraiser for Wildfire Survivors! Please join us at the Mt Shasta Brewery on Saturday, October 22, 2022 starting at 12 pm and then at the College of the Siskiyous Theater for the Lincoln Heights Music Festival at 4 pm. Tickets for the Music Festival can be purchased here.

Public Relations & College Foundation:

Finish Line Scholarships & Emergency Aid Grants for Students: The goal of the COS Foundation and Finish Line Scholars Program is to support students to ensure they stay on track with their education and complete a degree, certificate, or transfer to a four-year college or university. The Finish Line Scholars Program is intended to help eliminate



regional educational gaps through distribution of emergency financial aid to students facing unexpected hardships and scholarships to students who are well on their way toward a finish line goal of transferring to a college or university or completing a certificate or degree. Finish Line Scholars Program Scholarships and Emergency Aid Grants for students are available. More information or apply for a Finish Line Scholarship or Grant visit: https://www.siskiyous.edu/foundation/scholarships.htm#finishlinescholars

Holiday Craft Fair: The 25th Annual COS Holiday Craft Fair will be Friday, December 2 and Saturday, December 3 at the COS Weed Campus in the Gym. This Craft Fair celebrates the finest of handcrafted products produced by local and regional artisans and crafters. Vendor registrations are being accepted now and spaces are filling quickly. For more information, or to request a registration packet, call (530) 938-5373 or visit - https://www.siskiyous.edu/foundation/events.htm#craftfair.

Stay Connected: Now that the weather has started to change, it is 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-type situations, campus closures, or general information. To sign up click on the COS Connect button located on the COS homepage and follow the directions to get sign up.

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 Nest. If you know of anyone who is interested in volunteering, have him or her call 938-4663 or stop by the Eagle's Nest to talk with Angel Keen, Shop Supervisor.

North State Giving Tuesday: Now, more than ever, the COS Foundation needs your support. On Tuesday, November 29, our community will come together for #NorthStateGivingTuesday and we need YOU to join us.

From 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. you can give where you live. Support the College of the Siskiyous Foundation and our Siskiyous students by making a tax-deductible donation at www.northstategives.org.

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

October:

- October 14: Soccer vs. Butte, 2pm (Men) & 4pm (Women) –
 Soccer Field
- October 15: Football vs. Sierra, 1pm Stadium
- October 20: COS Preview Day, 9am to 12pm Campus
- October 22: Octoberfest Fundraiser at Mount Shasta Brewery, 12pm – 360 College Avenue, Weed
- October 22: Community Benefit Music Festival, 4 to 8pm –
 COS Theater (<u>Tickets & Information</u> Rated PG-13 Not
 recommended for young audiences under 12 years of age.)
- October 25: Soccer vs. Shasta, 2pm (Women) Soccer Field
- October 28: Soccer vs. Redwoods, 11am (Men) & 1pm (Women) – Soccer Field
- October 29: <u>Comedy Benefit Night</u>, 8pm COS Theater (Adult Content - Not recommended for young audiences under 18 years of age.)
- October 31: Halloween



November:

- October 31 November 5: 2022 Homecoming Week (Various Activities Planned)
- November 4: Soccer vs. Redwoods, 11am (Men) Soccer Field
- November 4: Volleyball vs. Feather River, 6pm Gym
- November 5: Football vs. Butte College (Homecoming), 1pm Stadium
- November 5: Women's Basketball vs. Los Positas, 4pm Gym
- November 7: Priority Registration 1 Winter & Spring 2023 Classes
- November 10: Priority Registration 2 Winter & Spring 2023 Classes
- November 11: Veteran's Day Holiday (Campus Closed)
- November 11: Volleyball vs. Lassen, 6pm Gym
- November 11, 12, 18, 19: COS Performing Arts Presents "Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead", 7pm COS Theater (Suggested Donation \$10)
- November 12: Volleyball vs. Redwoods, 12pm Gym
- November 13: COS Performing Arts Presents "Rosencrantz & Guildenstern Are Dead", 3pm COS Theater (Suggested Donation \$10)
- November 14: Open Registration Begins for Winter & Spring 2023 Classes
- November 19: Football vs. Contra Costa, 12pm Stadium
- November 21-23: Fall Break (No Classes)
- November 21: K-12 Registration for Winter & Spring 2023 Classes
- November 22: Men's Basketball vs. Simpson JV, TBA Gym
- November 24-25: Thanksgiving Holiday (Campus Closed)
- November 29: North State Giving Tuesday, 6am to 8pm Online Giving Event

Athletics: Check the <u>Athletics webpage</u> for game schedules, scores, and photos from the events.

Administrative Services

Facilities and Maintenance:

Completed Projects:

- HVAC in SSS/TRIO is complete.
- Lodge material painting project is complete.
- Sidewalk replacement project is complete near the LRC and Campus Center in Weed.

Upcoming Projects:

- The Student Center boiler replacement will be finished by the end of the week.
- Replacement of the asphalt entrances next to Building 3 work will begin on Wednesday, October 12

Projects in Design:

• Theater Arts / McCloud Hall Project will be submitting preliminary plans to the Chancellor's Office on October 28 for review and approval to move forward with construction funding.

In-House Projects:

• Office of Civil Rights ADA corrections are being addressed campus-wide by the Maintenance department and will continue to be the priority until finished and re-inspected.

Student Services

Submitted by Patrick Walton, Vice President of Student Services

The start of the fall semester has brought on many new opportunities and challenges that have been taxing to say the least. We are managing, but I do know that things have been challenging and exhausting. I want to acknowledge the hard-working individuals that make up our Student Services Team and make sure it is known by me and the entire campus community how much we appreciate your dedicated service to students.

We are excited to welcome back 'officially'... Lodging and TRiO to the Student Services family. Both departments are integral to student success and we are excited to collaborate again more fully together. TRiO received fantastic news this month that it has been awarded (again) another Upward Bound grant. This means the College will continue to have Upward Bound at Siskiyous and to serve our K-12 students for another seven years at the minimum. Huge thanks to Stephanie Wroten and Emily Anderson-Moser for their hard work, patience, and relentless determination to make sure we were awarded.

Student Services will be spending a lot of time this year on discussing, but more importantly implementing, a number of new initiatives. Some of these include mandatory orientation, mandatory counseling/advising, overhauling several procedures and policies regarding student discipline, probation/dismissal, out of state-tuition, and other areas. We have new technology services we will be launching such as ConexEd. We will be looking at ways to improve student life within our lodges and across campus. There is much to do and at times, it feels daunting. I am grateful for a team who is willing to try, willing to experiment, and willing to be bold! I am excited to see what this year has in store.

Lastly, I would like to express my gratitude to Mark Klever and Christina Van Alfen for their service in their respective positions over this last year and a few months. It was a genuine pleasure working with each of them. I look forward to continuing to work with each of them in their new roles. I know we are very fortunate to still have them at Siskiyous. As our two new Vice Presidents are added to the team, I am excited to be able to collaborate and work together to continue our service to students and community.

Basecamp: The Mill Fire prevented Basecamp from hosting events during the month of September, as staff were busy working with students to make sure they had resources

needed after the fire. However, throughout this very traumatic and extremely busy time, Basecamp was kept fully stocked... even with the amount of the students that came through. Work to promote Cal Fresh was also ongoing... with ten appointments held during the month.

Staff continue to brainstorm more ways to reach out to students and promote Basecamp and services available taking into consideration the many different trends and popular things that students are doing on social media.



- FAFSA for 2023-2024 is now available as of October 1. Income and taxes for the 2021 base year will be used for the calculations.
- Approximately \$200,000 in HEERF funded Off-Campus Housing Grants were disbursed to 80 recipients.
- The office is searching for student help candidates
- The annual FISAP report has been submitted

Outreach and Retention

- Summer Bridge 2022 was a lot of fun. Thank you to all the departments who helped make this activity a success. We look forward to SB23! (See photos)
- On September 13, the College participated in the North Coast College and Career Expo held at College of the Redwoods. The event was well attended and staff were able to make contact with approximately 200 students who attended the Expo.
- September 12-17, Siskiyous participated in the West Coast College Fairs online event, followed by college fairs at Roseburg High School (October 3) and Southern Oregon University (October 4)
- October is also a busy month for tours. On October 13, sixty 6th graders from Jefferson Elementary School (Jackson County) were on campus to tour and visit some of our programs.
- Preview Day 2022 is October 20. All Siskiyou County High School seniors are invited to attend and registration for this event has already gone out to our local schools.

Dual Enrollment: An introduction and information letter to send out to our local high schools is in the draft stages. We also created a flyer on "How College is Different than High School".









Academic Senate

Submitted by Dr. Andrea Craddock, Senate President

Hi Everyone,

Currently, the California Community Colleges (CCCs), California State Universities (CSUs), and the Universities of California (UCs) are working on a singular lower-division general education (GE) pattern for transfer to UCs and CSUs called "CalGETC." It will be completed December 31, 2023 and will be implemented by 2025 – 2026. These proposed changes will have an impact in terms of our curriculum and the courses we offer. The advantage of this new GE pattern is that it would be clear which courses would be transferable to the CSU and UC system. Thus, there would be less risk of students taking courses that aren't transferable. The disadvantage of the new GE pattern is that less courses would be transferable and, thus, may ultimately impact the variety of courses we offer. In addition, the CSU GE category Area E, Lifelong Learning and Self Development, will be eliminated in the new CalGETC pattern. This often includes courses in kinesiology, psychology, sociology, personal finance, and child development. They are also proposing that the requirements for Social Sciences and Arts/Humanities go from three courses to two courses and performing/studio arts courses may not be transferable in the new GE pattern. Although we will continue to offer associate's degrees so students may take courses in their field that go beyond the GE pattern, this singular transfer pathway will play a role in the courses we develop and offer.

Given these impending changes, the faculty have been asked to ensure their current courses align with transfer and articulation requirements. Additionally, faculty, especially those who teach in majors that are affected by CalGETC, are encouraged to make sure that they have a clear pathway to obtaining an AA and/or ADT so students can take courses in these majors beyond the singular GE pathways to obtain an associate's degree.

What does a single transfer pattern mean for our students and our colleges? What impact will the proposed California General Education Transfer Curriculum (CalGETC) pattern have for our courses and programs? What does this mean for our local General Education Patterns for Associate and Baccalaureate Degrees? How might this impact students? What can we do to mitigate some of the impacts? These are questions we don't know the answer to right now and may not know for a while. In the meantime, it is important the faculty and administration become familiar with these proposed changes and do what we can to soften the impact.

Thanks for listening, Andrea Craddock Academic Senate President