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ASC Supporting More Students

The Academic Support Center is supporting even more students with flexible options for in-person, on-line/zoom, and submit-an-essay appointments. The ASC had **over 1,000 new student registrations** since August 2022, and compared to Fall 2021, the ASC has almost doubled the number of tutoring sessions in the Writing Center:

1324 Completed Writing Center tutoring appointments in Fall 2022 through week 9:

- 477 in-person appointments
- 438 submit-an-essay appointments
- 409 online/zoom appointments

45% of Students with Writing Center appointments have visited 2 or more times this semester

The Tutoring Center is also seeing growth in Fall 2022: **892 Completed Tutoring Center appointments** through week 9.

The ASC is here to help all FC students achieve academic success! Schedule an appointment online at asc.fullcoll.edu.



VRC Hornets Beat VRC Chargers

Fullerton College's Veterans Resource Center Softball team dominated the Cypress College Veterans Resource Center team in the annual softball game **with a 16-12 victory** over the Chargers. Welcome home to the trophy!

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2023-2024 FAFSA and CADAA Applications are now open!

The 2023-2024 FAFSA (<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>) and CADAA (<https://dream.csac.ca.gov/landing>) applications are now open. Students are encouraged to apply for financial aid by the priority filing deadline of March 2, 2023. Students are welcome to contact the Financial Aid Office at (714) 888-7588 or stop by our computer lab (building 100, room 117) during open business hours for questions about financial aid and assistance with completing the applications.

Student Loan Payment Pause

Student loan payment pause is scheduled to end on December 31, 2022 per the Department of Education. The payment pause includes a suspension of loan payments, a 0% interest rate, and stopped collections on defaulted loans. Students are encouraged to visit [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) to read information and prepare for student loan payments to resume. Students may begin their research by reading the "6 ways to Prepare for Student Loan repayment to Begin Again" (<https://studentaid.gov/articles/6-ways-prepare-repayment-begin-again/>) information provided on the [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) website.

Student Loan Debt Relief

Students may apply for one-time Federal Student Loan Debt Relief at [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) through December 31, 2023. The Federal Student Loan Debt Relief program provides eligible borrowers with full or partial discharge of loans between \$10,000-\$20,000. Students apply online and the Department of Education determines eligibility. If eligible, students will be notified of when their relief is processed. For more information about this program, students are encouraged to visit [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov).



ISC on Ice (or at least polished wooden floors)

The ISC hosted a international students, International Club members and various staff and faculty members at the Holiday Skate Center. Many of our international students had never roller skated before, while others relived their youth from the various birthday parties attended at the roller rink. We laughed, we cried, but in the end, we rolled our way into the home stretch of the semester in style.

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Halloween at the ISC

The ISC staff costume theme this year was Sesame Street, with Alex and Sammy being Bert and Ernie (yes, that was a costume Alex was wearing, and not a colorful referee shirt as most people assumed!) The ISC had games and prizes for students to participate and win on the 31st, as well as homemade cupcakes that flew off the shelf, courtesy of our own chef Sammy!



International Club holds their first club event since 2019!

The International Club held their first event since before the pandemic on November 7. The club hosted a picnic and volleyball meetup at Hillcrest Park. International and non-international students got together for a late Halloween costume contest, as well as sharing different cultural food and a friendly volleyball match as they celebrated the start of Daylight Savings Time.

Apply for the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship

The Transfer Center is offering application assistance and support to students interested in applying for the prestigious JKCF Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. Jack Kent Cooke Scholars have access to generous financial support for two to three years, college planning support, ongoing advising, and the opportunity to connect with the thriving community of fellow scholars. For more information visit the Transfer Center website.

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Dia de los Muertos Success

Thank you to all of our campus and community members who participated in celebrating Dia de los Muertos in the campus quad! Despite the chilling temperature, and the threat of rain, we had roughly 1,500 in attendance!

Special thanks to Dr. Connie Moreno Yamashiro, Director of Student Development & Engagement, and the entire Cadena Cultural Center team! We also want to acknowledge Social Science Faculty Dr. Leonor Cadena, Sergio Banda, and our teammates in Ethnic Studies. Last, but not least, thank you to legendary Faculty Emeriti, Adela Lopez and Jerry Padilla.



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Veterans Appreciation Week

Fullerton College recognized and honored student-veterans, during Veterans Appreciation Week, November 4 – 10. The week featured activities hosted by the Veterans Resource Center designed to foster support for and celebrate the more than 1,000 student-veterans, active-duty service members, reservists, and veteran-dependents attending Fullerton College.



4th Annual Veterans Golf Classic Raises Over \$30,000

On Monday, November 7, Fullerton College Veterans Resource Center hosted the 4th Annual Veterans Golf Classic at Eagle Glen Country Club in Corona. Despite the looming forecast of a rough storm, over 100 golfers enjoyed the beautiful course free of any significant rain. The event raised over \$30,000 dollars for the Fullerton College VRC and student-veterans. Congratulations to our student-veteran scholarship recipients Julianne Le and Lorena Anaya-Munroe, who were recognized during the tournament dinner. Also, thank you to our tournament sponsors and tournament planning committee for an amazing event!



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Anaheim Collaborative Coordination Team Meeting

Fullerton College hosted over 30 members of the Anaheim Collaborative on our campus to build community with current partners, to break bread, and to see our wonderful campus. Participants were welcomed by the amazing Fullerton College Choir under the director of Nicola Dedmon and were provided a delicious lunch from Sodexo. This was the first time this Partnership has taken the meetings on the road to meet at each institution of higher education.

Topics discussed:

- The possibility of Google Certificates counting for college credit. AUHSD is the first high school district in the nation to embed Google certificates within existing high school courses. Discussion on the possibility of credit for prior learning.
- Parent Collaborative Summit (part II) is scheduled for January 20th, 2022 at CSUF. The 1st annual Parent Summit was held at Fullerton College on September 23rd, 2022 with about 200 participants. Two more will take place; one at CSUF and the last one at UCI.
- Community Schools Presentation on the development of wrap-around services available at several schools across AUHSD. A committee of teachers and parents was created to further provide structure for these new community supports. AUSDH is the model in CA for community schools, which are a hub for families in the community to gather and receive resources beyond education.



Support for APIDA Grows Quickly

Dr. Albert Abutin and Dr. Naomi Abesamis have been developing a resource directory and support team of Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIDA) managers, faculty, and staff at Fullerton College to provide direct support for APIDA students. What started out as a list of 8 people has quickly doubled overnight. Even a group of APIDA student leaders are excited to provide the student momentum for this and to help our efforts!

This is exciting for the campus and we are looking to you to see if you would like to be included on this resource directory.

Please fill out the link below and pass along to your colleagues at FC if they identify as APIDA and would like to be included in our efforts:

<https://forms.office.com/r/sjUkcJ0VtC>

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Umoja Coordinator Approved!!!

At the November 9 PAC meeting, Interim President Dr. Perez informed the campus community that Chancellor's Staff approved the much anticipated Umoja Coordinator position. If you recall, the Umoja Coordinator position was strongly supported by the SEAC Committee, Faculty Senate, and PAC during the 2021-2022 school year. Be on the lookout if you are interested in serving on the hiring committee for this position.

Safety First Initiative

On November 3, 2022, Fullerton College participated in the City of Fullerton Town & Gown meeting facilitated by Fullerton Police Chief Bob Dunn. The Safety First Initiative is a city-wide effort to prioritize school safety in Fullerton, California.

All educational institutions from preschool to doctoral studies are participating in this important effort. The collaborative group discussed preliminary priorities of emergency safety, mental health support, technology, and inter-agency communication. Fullerton College is requesting geo-coding of our campus facilities, emergency response storage units for first responders on our campus, and practical emergency operations protocols.

Steve Selby, Lisa McPheron, and VPSS Contreras represented Fullerton College at this meeting. The next meeting will take place early in January 2023.

Strategic Enrollment Management

Fullerton College continues its focus on six Target Student Enrollment (TSE) groups including, Re-entry, CTE, Men of Color, International, students from a low socio-economic (SES) background, and Dual Enrollment. These targeted student populations appeared in the initial draft of the Enrollment & Reengagement plan that is routing through Shared Governance during the Fall 2022 semester. The group is also working on an Enrollment Management plan, and is in the process of collecting data, and other information regarding the targeted student enrollment groups.

Special thanks to Dr. Jennifer LaBounty, Dr. Dani Wilson, Dr. Kim Orlijan, Carlos Ayon, Jennifer Merchant, Dr. Deniz Fierro, Dr. Matt Taylor, Michael Mangan, Thydan Huynh, Elsa Perez, Victor Manchik, Dr. Gilbert Contreras, and Daniel Berumen for serving on this workgroup. The team has also invited experts from across the campus to help inform this work. The team will be attending a midpoint convening with other colleges across the state on January 20, 2023.

Men of Color Summit

VPSS Contreras will lead conversations about how to strengthen support services for Fullerton College Men of Color. This work aligns with Faculty Senate, SEAC, Guided Pathways, and Strategic Enrollment Management. More information will be coming soon for an initial meeting!

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Happy National First-Generation Day!

We are excited to inaugurate Fullerton College's First-Generation celebrations November 9–11. Counseling and Student Development Division and support services hosted a variety of activities throughout the week, starting with the First-Gen Resource fair within the campus dining hall, webinars, and a First-Gen Transfer panel. We will continue to highlight first-gen stories throughout the academic year with social media First-Gen Fridays and coordinate activities to further support and elevate the student experience at Fullerton College. Please save the date for one of our largest events, Major Declaration Day, scheduled for March 14, 2023!

Student Services Program Review

Building off the success of the Student Services Program Review Training on October 14th, over a dozen programs have already met or are scheduled to meet with the Office of Institutional Effectiveness to identify data needs, and develop meaningful ways to turn data into action. Non-Instructional Program Reviews are due to immediate manager supervisors on December 1st.

26th Annual Adopt an Angel Event

The CARE, CalWORKs, and FYSI staff are excited to announce that our 26th Annual Adopt-An-Angel Holiday Event will continue the tradition. The angels that are up for adoption for the holiday season are the children of our Fullerton College CARE, CalWORKs, and FYSI student-parents. Our student-parents need your support to provide their children with a positive and cheerful holiday experience. Please help us bring a smile to our little angels by adopting them! The "Adopt An Angel" Holiday will take place Saturday, December 10, 2022, at Fullerton College.

For more details or to donate, please visit:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e094da8a72aa4fd0-25th>

Give Feedback for College Planning!

In November the Institutional Integrity Committee and the Office of Institutional Effectiveness will be visiting a number of committees/meetings (including Student Services) to get input on the updated College-Wide Strategic Goals and Objectives. These goals will guide our planning for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 academic years. To include your voice in the process, RSVP for our November 28th in person forum or our November 29th Zoom forum here:
<https://bit.ly/FCGoalsForum22>

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Fullerton College Student Services Proudly Welcomes Incoming President Dr. Cynthia Olivo!

VPSS Contreras will be requesting information from all student services areas as we prepare a welcome packet for our incoming president. Stay tuned for more information!

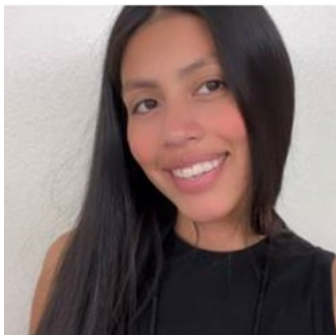
Latin@/x Summit

Please join us on Friday, December 9 at the District Office as we discuss various aspects of our Latin@/x community at NOCCCD, including: an analysis of our data regarding students, faculty, staff, gaps, barriers, and plans of action. If you are interested in joining, please RSVP at the following link:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nocccd-latinx-summit-tickets-463978029777>

HEADLINERS

Student Spotlight: Phi Theta Kappa



Highlighting one of our student Peer Mentors, **Yvette Jurardo**.

This is Yvette's second year attending Fullerton College and participates in EOPS, Puente, and the Promise programs.

She shares that she has felt very supported through these programs, especially Puente which gives her a sense of community and mentors to rely on for questions or help. Yvette will be continuing at Fullerton College for a 3rd year and is planning to transfer as a Sociology major in Fall 2024. She shared that working for Fullerton College as a student hourly for the Promise Program provides her a sense of belonging. She enjoys planning events, working with other programs on campus, and guiding students through what she has had to navigate in previous semesters.



Thank you, **Hyunjun (James) Ann!**

Hyunjun works as a student assistant at the ISC and is our go to Korean language specialist! He routinely uses his language skills to help

our Korean international applicants, current students are still working to improve their confidence in their English skills, and assists other departments when they need help from someone who speaks Korean. Through Hyunjun, all the students that hang out at the ISC (and staff!) are working on improving our Korean language skills so we can sing along to our Kpop tunes more accurately (and not just the English parts of the song!). Also, ask us how to say turtle, water, goodbye, hello, sorry and thank you. You'll be amazed by our fluency!

DEIA

Enhancing/Ensuring Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA).



Asian Pacific Islander Desi American Advisory & Support Team

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Challenges of the UC and CSU Application Process

Navigating the UC and CSU application process can be challenging for any student, however undocumented students and students with mixed status families have some unique challenges with this process. The Transfer Center partnered with the Grads to Be Program to create an UndocuTransfer Application Guide and FAQ document as well as a workshop titled “Transferring to UC as an Undocumented Student”. For more information, visit our website: <https://transfer.fullcoll.edu/application-services/>

CALENDAR

Upcoming Events

Stay Tuned for These Events!

NOV 28/29 Institutional Integrity Committee
and the Office of Institutional
Effectiveness Forums

DEC 1 Non-Instructional Program Reviews Due

DEC 9 Latin@/x Summit

DEC 10 Adopt an Angel

JAN 11 Males Achieving Success (MAS)
Conference @ Chapman University

...and many others to soon join this list!



*Once a Hornet,
Always a Hornet!*

