



HARTNELL COLLEGE

Monthly Report to the Governing Board  
Dr. Romero Jalomo, Vice President  
Division of Student Affairs  
Month of November

Vice President of Student Affairs

Romero Jalomo, Ph.D.

- Attended the Bright Futures Steering Partners meeting on November 13, 2020 to discuss the status of active projects in all 7 goal areas.
- Participated in multiple meetings regarding the establishment of Study Hall and limited services to students by appointment during the month.
- Met with College Readiness Director Laurencia Walker and representatives from MCOE to discuss dual enrollment offerings for alternative education students on November 17, 2020.
- Attended the 2020 College Transitions Institute hosted by Hartnell College that included high school and community college faculty from the English, ESL, Math and Counseling disciplines. Administrators from Hartnell College, local high school districts and MCOE also attended.

Enrollment Services

Maria Ceja, Dean

- Veteran Services Center collaborated with on campus and off campus partners to encourage students to participate in multiple workshops leading up to Veterans Day. Workshops included Let's Talk: Veterans' Student Success Panel, Virtual Veterans' Resource Fair, and Building Better Mental Health.
- The Admissions & Records team continues to assist and support students with Spring 2021 registration. As of November 17, 2020, our FTES for Spring 2021 was at 1,670 and headcount was at 3,702.

Student Success

Carla Johnson, Dean

- With the help of the IT department the set-up of SARS Anywhere upgrade (scheduling system) was successfully completed.
- Worked with colleagues in the Office of Equity Programs and Counseling to transfer the Umoja program from Counseling to Office of Equity Programs.
- The Early Support Program (ESP) worked to develop new content for online workshops Level 1 and Level 2, to be uploaded before the end of December 2020.
- Along with the planning and steering committees, oversaw the development

and hosting of College Transitions and Curriculum Institute taking place on Friday, November 20, 2020.

- Met with and provided feedback to both HEP Director preparing for new HEP grant application, and Upward Bound Director preparing to submit the Talent Search grant proposal.
- Participation with team reviewing Credit for Prior Learning Administrative Procedure and proposed form.

#### Categorical Programs

Paul Casey, Director

- On November 2, 2020, EOPS distributed food to all eligible CARE and CalWORKs students at the college Round About for curbside pick-up.
- Friday, November 20, 2020, CARE and CalWORKs staff offered a Thanksgiving care dinner's distribution. The Salinas Valley Food Bank donated all turkeys and traditional fixing.

#### College Readiness

Laurencia Walker, Director

- College Readiness Director participated in the President's Task Force for Race and Equity on November 6, 2020.
- College Readiness was invited by the Career Ladders Project to co-present on dual enrollment at the California Association of Black School Educators on November 12, 2020.
- College Readiness was awarded a grant by the College Futures Foundation to aid in Dual Enrollment for Equitable Completion. As a grantee, we will engage in a community of practice with four other community colleges across the state to improve access and success within dual enrollment.
- College Readiness supported in the planning of and presented during the College Transition and Curriculum Institute held on November 20, 2020.

#### Department of Supportive Programs & Services (DSP&S)

Michelle Peters, Director

- DSPS Director was invited to participate in the Secondary Transition meeting with MCOE and other community agencies.
- DSPS Director presented to incoming DSPS students, who are attending Alisal High School virtually.
- DSPS Director was invited to participate in the San Benito/Monterey County Local Partnership Agreement meeting, in an effort to promote a smooth transition for incoming DSPS students to the district.
- DSPS Director met with stakeholders from MCOE, Department of

- Rehabilitation, and the San Benito/Monterey County Local Partnership Agreement to develop clear messaging for students and families to promote student success and access.
- DSPS Director worked in partnership with the DSPS Director at CSUMB on clear communications for Hartnell students wishing to transfer to CSUMB.

## Equity Programs

Bronwyn Moreno, Director

### **Mi CASA**

- Served as regional representative for the California Community College Undocumented Student Advisory Board at the first statewide meeting on November 6, 2020. The CCC Undocumented Student Advisory Committee's mission is to serve as content experts and advocates to advise the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office and the Foundation for California Community Colleges in providing guidance to help colleges institutionalize support for undocumented students in the CCC system, including the implementation of AB1645 (UndocuLiaisons).
- Met with legislative aides in the office of Senator Ana Caballero to provide guidance on implementation of AP/BP 5030 (fees) to support their efforts to introduce legislation to expand in-state tuition for undocumented students.
- Provided free immigration legal services for students, faculty and staff on November 3, 13, and 17, 2020.
- Consulted with private local immigration attorney Magnolia Zarraga as well as representatives from the UFW foundation to develop language to communicate with students and the community about the restoration of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Program.

### **Salinas Valley Promise**

- Joined Advancement in presenting Salinas Valley Promise (SVP) Program data to stakeholders on the SVP Advisory Group on November 17, 2020 as well as to the Soledad City Council on November 18, 2020. The program currently serves 95% of all first time, full time freshmen who entered Hartnell College in Fall 2020.

### **MILE & WELI**

- Convened the scholarship committee for the Men's Institute for Leadership and Education (MILE) and Women's Education and Leadership Institute (WELI) programs and worked with the Scholarship Coordinator to provide technical support to committee members participating in the electronic review process in preparation for selecting the 2020-21 cohorts.

### **Institutional Equity**

- Collaborated with Counseling and College Readiness to facilitate the

transition of the Umoja Program under the Office of Equity Programs and developed a marketing and outreach plan to increase student engagement and recruitment.

#### Financial Aid

Marina Reyes, Interim Director

- PELL Grant year to date total disbursed for 2020-2021: \$3,799,145.00.
- Cal Grant for FAFSA students year to date total disbursed for 2020-2021: \$584,343.00.
- SSCG for FAFSA students year to date total disbursed for 2020-2021: \$460,488.00.
- Cal Grant for Dreamer students year to date total disbursed for 2020-2021: \$20,291.00.
- SSCG for Dreamer students year to date total disbursed for 2020-2021: \$19,788.00.
- The Financial Aid Department provided virtual presentations and outreach events to Everett Alvares, Salinas High School, North Monterey County High School, Gonzales High School and Center for Community Advocacy.

#### **COVID-19**

- CARES Act emergency funds for students disbursed to date: \$1,339,500.00

#### High School Equivalency Program

Laura Zavala, Director

- On November 12, 2020, HEP Director, Laura Zavala, co-presented on Data Management for CAMP/HEP programs at the National CAMP/HEP Conference. This presentation was made in collaboration with CSUMB CAMP (College Assistance Migrant Program).

#### **COVID-19**

#### Office of Student Life

Augustine Nevarez, Director

#### **COVID-19**

- Pop-Up Pantry food distribution continues to be provided to students twice a month. 180 food bags are distributed to this drive-in service.
- Worked with a group of Student Affairs Directors to design a plan to open in-person Study areas. The plan will begin with opening the Main Gym and will provide space for 50 students and host a morning and afternoon 3-hour sessions.

### SSS/TRiO Program

Manuel Bersamin, Director

- The SSS/TRiO director met with Dr. Noemi Ornelas, Vice President of Student Affairs at Allan Hancock College to discuss and plan services to students and study halls.
- The SSS/TRiO director is assisting in the planning of the study hall opening and with the services to students by appointment.
- SSS/TRiO staff are assisting students to apply for the California State University, University of California and private universities.

### Upward Bound

Cesar Velazquez, Director

- Program staff continue to help seniors submit applications to California State University, University of California and Financial Aid. We are in the last few weeks of the college application timeframe and we anticipate helping 100% of our seniors apply to at least two universities.
- Upward Bound program was approved by the Department of Education to provide student stipends based on program participation. Students will have the opportunity to earn \$40/month as long as they participate in program meetings and show progress towards meeting program objectives.