



HARTNELL COLLEGE

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

Vice President of Student Affairs

Romero Jalomo, Ph.D.

- Participated in COVID-related effects bargaining with HCFA on October 4, 2021.
- Participated in the Bright Futures Steering Partners meeting on October 8, 2021 to assess existing initiatives and identify new areas to address for the next five years.
- Attended the ACCT Leadership Conference in San Diego on October 13-16, 2021.
- Participated in the EERC meeting on October 22, 2021 with District and CSEA representatives to discuss classified staff concerns and other related issues.
- Completed a two-part DEI training for board members of the Community Foundation of Monterey County.

Enrollment Services

Maria Ceja, Dean

- Submitted the 2021-2022 320 Recalculation report for lottery revenue allocation to the Chancellor's Office.
- Dean presented at the Academic Affairs council on the implementation of the Add Authorization in Spring 2021 that will replace the add codes.

COVID-19

- The Financial Aid and Admissions & Records Offices continue to provide services to students phone, email, zoom, and in person. Since the start of the term, we have served 1,530 students in-person and 1,800 students via Zoom conferencing.

Student Success

Carla Johnson, Dean

- Student Equity and Achievement Program (SEAP) expenditure/budget report submitted to the Chancellor's office in conjunction with the Director of Student Academic Support and Business office.
- Counseling, along with the IT department, piloted the launch of the SARS

- Early Alert platform including an English, Psychology and a Counseling course.
- Completed the revision to the Steps to Success, aided in the development of the Welcome Center webpage, supported the launch of campus tours by Student Ambassadors.
 - Wrapped up the King City Center Program Assistant II hiring process and provided recommended candidates for hire.

Categorical Programs

Paul Casey, Director

- On October 28-29, 2021 EOPS/CARE staff attended the EOPS 52nd virtual annual conference. The theme was Reinforcing Our Vision for Success: Pathway to Healing and Hope.

College Readiness

Laurencia Walker, Director

- College Readiness participated in a series of collaborative workshops with the Monterey County Office of Education to share opportunities to collaborate with their alternative education division.
- College Readiness along with Vice Presidents Dr. Jalomo and Dr. Wilkinson, met with the administration of the South Monterey County Joint Unified School District to discuss renewing our College and Career Access Pathway (CCAP) partnership.
- College Readiness Director co-presented with East LA College at the 2021 Strengthening Student Success Conference on strategies to engage families and community in college readiness efforts using Tara Yosso (2005) Community Cultural Wealth model as foundational approach.
- College Readiness participated in the Umoja Program Advisory meeting hosted by the Office of Equity Programs and including a cross section of faculty and staff.
- College Readiness Director was invited by the Director of Equity Programs to join the presentation to the Administrative Services Council requesting space for the Umoja Program in accordance with statewide Umoja Program MOU.

COVID-19

Department of Supportive Programs & Services (DSP&S)

Michelle Peters, Director

- Interim Director interviewed adjunct faculty candidate to backfill vacant DSPS adjunct faculty position.

Equity Programs

Bronwyn Moreno, Director

- Umoja Coordinator Victoria Coleman in conjunction with Lead Advisor Laurencia Walker and Director Bronwyn Moreno convened the Umoja Advisory Group on October 8, 2021, to begin developing goals and objectives for the Umoja community and to cultivate support for African American and other students participating in the Umoja Program at Hartnell. The goals of the Advisory group are three-fold: Ensure success for African American students at Hartnell College; Foster a learning environment responsive to the legacy of the African Heritage and African American Diaspora; and Ensure students voices are deliberately and intentionally recognized
- The Women's Education and Leadership Institute (WELI) Program and the Men's Institute for Leadership and Education (MILE) Program launched their new 2021-2022 cohorts of male and female student leaders with a three day leadership institute held on October 2, 9, and 23, 2021 from 9AM to 3PM. Students participated in a series of workshops to develop critical life and leadership skills to support their personal, professional, and academic success.
- In an effort to strengthen educational pathways for formerly incarcerated students, on October 12, 2021, Director Bronwyn Moreno and Rising Scholars Network faculty advisor Dr. Nereida Oliva delivered a "College 101" presentation to 45 high school students currently incarcerated in Monterey County Juvenile Hall with the goal of fostering trust and introducing them to opportunities in higher education. The in-person workshops were followed by a virtual panel of Hartnell college students which took place on October 13, 2021 who shared their experiences and responded to questions posed by the high school students.
- Mi CASA once again led Hartnell College's participation in Undocumented Student Action Week (USAW) from October 18 through October 22, 2021. USAW is a statewide effort led by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO), the Community College League of California (League), and the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FoundationCCC). Undocu liaison Miriam Vazquez organized a series of opportunities to learn, advocate, and take action in support of undocumented students both virtually and on the Main Campus, as well as the Soledad Education Center.
- On Thursday, October 21, 2021 Mi CASA hosted a Free Immigration Legal Services Clinic in collaboration with DOJ accredited representatives from the UFW Foundation at the Soledad Education Center in conjunction with our Community College Legal Services Project. A total of 18 families received direct assistance at the clinic. Those who have ongoing cases will

- continue to receive services both virtually and in person.
- Director Bronwyn Moreno co-presented a workshop at the Statewide 20th Anniversary Conference for AB 540 entitled "Increasing Access to AB 540 for Undocumented Students" on October 18, 2021.
 - The Excellence in Equity Fellowship program conducted two days of training for the second year cohort of fellows on October 16, 2021 and October 30, 2021, focused on strengthening knowledge of social justice issues, as well as strategies for student success.

Financial Aid

Jessica Tovar, Director

- The Financial Aid Department has disbursed 2021-2022 Pell grant funds year to date: \$2,966,364.72 to 1,272 students.
- The Financial Aid Department has disbursed 2021-2022 Student Success Completion Grant year to date: \$242,383 to 234 students.
- The Financial Aid Department has disbursed 2021-2022 Cal Grant B funds year to date: \$282,648 to 301 students.
- The Financial Aid Office has received year to date: 8,052 unduplicated FAFSA applications.
- The Financial Aid Office has received year to date: 398 unduplicated CA Dream Act applications.
- The Financial Aid Office will be conducting a Virtual Cash for College Event at Everett Alvarez High School on Thursday, October 28, 2021 to help Seniors and parents complete the FAFSA and CADAA application for the 2022-2023 academic year.
- The Financial Aid Office will support a Community Cash for College Event at North Salinas High School on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 to help Seniors and parents complete the FAFSA and CADAA application for the 2022-2023 academic year.
- The Financial Aid Office will support Cash for College workshops at North Monterey County High School this week October 24, 2021 to help Seniors and parents complete the FAFSA and CADAA for the 2022-2023 academic year.

COVID-19

- The Financial Aid Department has disbursed 2021-2022 CARES Act III (Student Portion) funds year to date: \$3,926,000 to 3,203 students.

High School Equivalency Program

Laura Zavala, Director

- Co-facilitated Outreach Committee kick off meeting for 2021-2022.
- Developed the Welcome Center webpage as part of the College Redesign process.

- Conducted a HEP orientation for new students enrolled in the program, 2021-22.
- Participated in the California HEP Open Education Resource planning meeting for the creation of a High School Equivalency open resource book.

Office of Student Life

Augustine Nevarez, Director

- Hispanic Heritage Month was celebrated throughout September and October and highlighted the Cultures, art, music and food of Mexico, and countries of Central and South America, and the Caribbean.
- Halloween was celebrated with an engaging event in the student center with costume contests, sweets and treats, music and games.
- ASHC was successful in filling all of their officer positions, and continues to meet every Thursday of the month.

COVID-19

- Pop-Up pantry continues to serve over 100 students twice a month. In addition, snack bags are distributed to departments across the campuses. Dry food was also distributed to the Alisal Campus, and Soledad and King City Education Centers.
- CalFresh application workshops have been established every two weeks to assist students in applying for this valuable program.

SSS/TRiO Program

Manuel Bersamin, Director

- The two SSS/TRIO program budgets, (SSS REGULAR and SSS ESL) were recently approved by the US Department of Education's TRIO Offices. Both SSS program budgets total \$261,888. The total amount of the two program budgets is \$523,776 before the 8% indirect costs are subtracted.
- The SSS/TRIO Programs had a staff retreat and it was established that the programs had to make a greater effort in communicating with our 300 plus students, especially those students who have chosen to continue their education at home using remote distance learning. The modalities that we are using to communicate with students are phone calls, text messages, mailings and the zoom meetings. To assist with that communication, SSS/TRIO has hired four student peer mentors to assist in the communication with students.

COVID-19

- The two SSS/TRIO Programs are providing remote zoom sessions and face to face appointments services to students. These services include educational plans and updates, FAFSA completion and FAFSA update

assistance, career planning, major selection, parent meetings, CSU, UC and private university application workshops, scholarship workshops and new student orientations and next step transfer orientations.

Upward Bound

Cesar Velazquez, Director

- The two Upward Bound/TRIO program budgets were recently approved by the US Department of Education's TRIO Offices. Both Upward Bound program budgets combined total \$595,202.
- Hartnell College received the official notice announcing our Talent Search/TRIO grant. The grant will serve an additional 500 students from Rancho San Juan, Everett Alvarez and North Salinas High School. The program was funded for five years at \$277,375 per year.