Berkeley City College’s Class of 2014 will graduate from UC Berkeley’s Zellerbach Hall Auditorium at 7 p.m., Thur., May 22. This year, a record 360 graduates are set to earn over 600 associate degrees or certificates. Jessica D. Steel, president of UrbanSitter and a founding management team member of Pandora Radio, is keynote speaker. Faculty and staff all are invited to attend, congratulate our graduates and wish them well.

Students can explore career options in bioscience, pharmaceuticals, chemical engineering and analysis, computer related research and development, as well as how to transfer as a science major to four-year colleges and universities at a Science Information House, 12:30-1:30 p.m., and from 4-5:30 p.m., Thur., May 15 at BCC. The college’s Science and Computer Information Systems departments are the event’s sponsors. BCC offers 55 courses in a variety of science disciplines. For details, contact Dr. Barbara Desrochers at bdesrochers@peralta.edu or Dr. Paramsothy Thananjeyan at ptthananjeyan@peralta.edu.

Dr. Thomas Kies (Anthropology) will participate in a National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) summer institute in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The seminar will focus on Jewish Buenos Aires and his research will examine klezmer musical forms and public performance.

All are invited to a series of college forums to discuss ways to implement BCC’s Peralta Accountability for Student Success (PASS) Funding. BCC will receive $580,000 for the 2014-15 fiscal year to develop programs and services defined by Measure B. During the weeks of May 12 and May 19, discussions will take place during Roundtable (12:15-1:30 p.m., Mon., May 12) and Leadership Council (10:30 a.m.-Noon, Wed., May 14) meetings. Recommendations from these meetings will be shared at the Mon., May 19 Roundtable Meeting (12:15-1:30 p.m.). Other opportunities for communication about this process, will take place at these times and dates:

- 8-9:15 a.m., Tue., May 13, Rm. 451 A
- 5-6 p.m., Mon., May 19, Rm. 451 A
- 8-9:15 a.m., Wed., May 14, Rm. 451 A
- 12:15-1:30 p.m., Tue., May 20, Rm. 451 A

Dr. Laura Ruberto (Humanities) will speak this June at the University of Palermo, the University of Rome (La Sapienza), and in the communities of Nola and Serino as part of their annual Festa del Giglio. She will be presenting her research on California folk art environments: “The Italian-Californian Vernacular Art of Emanuele “Litto” Dumonte, Romano Gabriel, and Baldassare Forestiere,” as part of a book tour for Sabato Rodia’s book, Towers in Watts: Art, Migrations, Development.

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Ms. Tomas has served seven years with the Peralta district. Most recently, she was interim curriculum and student outcome assessment specialist at Merritt College and served on a variety of shared governance and standing committees. Ms. Tomas is a graduate of California State University, East Bay. Stop by her office on the third floor, Rm. 342, in the Teaching/Learning Center or e-mail her at atomas@peralta.edu.

Gradein 2014 graduates Valentino Calderon and Mirko Ranieri win BCC President’s honors

Valentino Calderon, outgoing president of the Associated Students of Berkeley City College (ASBCC), has won BCC’s President’s Medallion. Mr. Calderon plans to transfer to UC Berkeley’s College of Engineering. Fascinated by the potential of integrating brain-computer interfaces to help people overcome cognitive disabilities, his major will be Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

Mirko Ranieri, who won Berkeley City College President’s Award, graduates from BCC with a business administration degree. While at BCC, Mr. Ranieri turned his many economic challenges into a series of academic and career-building opportunities. The 22-year-old international student was among a small number of community college transfer students from around the U.S. who was accepted to Harvard University in the fall. He also was accepted to UC Berkeley’s Haas School of Business.
Spring 2014 BCC Student Art
Exhibition Open thru Fri., Aug. 22

Selected art works by Berkeley City College students are featured in a free and open to the public Spring 2014 Student Art Exhibition in BCC’s Jerry Adams Gallery, now through Fri., Aug. 22. The gallery, in Rm. 112 on the 1st floor at BCC, is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Mon. through Fri. Student exhibitors include Judith Allen, Aurea Altamirano, Monique Boyd, William S.F. Brown, Andrea Daly, Yuksel Dinccag, Ryan “Remo” Fioroni, Adriana Galdos, Pearl Jones-Tranter, Sam Kaso, Robert A. Kastner, Jacqueline Last, Chuenkamol Bee Marrone, Jordyn Muldrow, Jean Pfann, Jessica Phrogus, Antonio Ramos, Arden Kamille Varnel, and Elon Walton.

Berkeley City College May 12-26 Calendar

- **Mon., May 12**—
  12:15-1:30 p.m., Professional Development Committee, TLC, Rm. 341

- **Tue., May 13**—
  9 a.m.-Noon, Health Center Tabling, 1st Floor  
  Noon-1:30 p.m., Student Ambassadors, Rm. 14  
  12:15-1:15 p.m., African-American Cultural Event, BCC Atrium  
  12:20-1:15 p.m., Peer Observation Wrap-Up, TLC Rm. 341

- **Wed., May 14**—
  10:30 a.m.-Noon, Leadership Council, Rms. 451A&B  
  12:15-1:15 p.m., Memorial Day Event, BCC Atrium  
  12:15-1:15 p.m., Technology Committee, Rm. 451A  
  5-5:50 p.m., Peer Observation Wrap-Up, Session 2, TLC Rm. 341

- **Thur., May 15**—
  10 a.m.-Noon, Curriculum, TLC Rm. 341  
  Noon-1 p.m., The Foodies Project, Rms. 451B  
  12:10-1:15 p.m., Peer Observation Wrap-Up, TLC Rm. 341  
  12:20-1:15 p.m., Peer Observation Wrap-Up, TLC Rm. 341  
  12:30-1:30 p.m., Science/CIS Informational Open House, 5th Floor  
  4-5:30 p.m., Science/CIS Informational Open House, 5th Floor

- **Fri., May 16**—
  Holiday: Malcolm X’s Birthday Observance

- **Mon., May 19**—
  Noon-1:30 p.m., Roundtable, Rms. 451A&B  
  12:15-1:15 p.m., Finals Survival Week Event, BCC Atrium  
  5-6 p.m., President’s Forum: How to Spend $580,000 to Develop 2014-15 Measure B-Funded Programs and Services at BCC, Rm. 451A

- **Tue., May 20**—
  9 a.m.-Noon, Health Center Tabling, 1st Floor  
  Noon-1:30 p.m., Student Ambassadors, Rm. 14  
  12:15-1:30 p.m., President’s Forum: How to Spend $580,000 to Develop 2014-15 Measure B-Funded Programs and Services at BCC, Rm. 451A  
  12:15-1:15 p.m., Finals Survival Week Event, BCC Atrium  
  2-3:30 p.m., Student Services Council, Rm. 451A

- **Wed., May 21**—
  12:15-1:15 p.m., Finals Survival Week Event, BCC Atrium  
  2-4 p.m., Graduation Committee, Rm. 451A  
  3-6 p.m., Emery Unified School District Event, BCC Atrium & Auditorium

- **Thu., May 22**—
  Noon-2 p.m., Counseling, Rm. 451A  
  12:15-1:15 p.m., Finals Survival Week Event, BCC Atrium  
  12:30-2 p.m., Education Committee, Rm. TBA  
  7-9 p.m., BCC Class of 2014 Graduation Ceremony, Zellerbach Hall Auditorium, UC Berkeley

- **Fri., May 23**—
  12:15-1:15 p.m., Finals Survival Week Event, BCC Atrium  
  12:15-1:10 p.m., CTE Special Projects Meeting, Rms. 451A&B  
  12:30-1:20 p.m., Facilities Committee, Rm. 451A  
  2-4 p.m., Department Chairs, Rms. 451A&B

- **Mon., May 26—**Holiday: Memorial Day

Transfer Center announces university rep visits

BCC’s Transfer and Career Information Center announces university rep visits:

- **Mon., May 12**
  10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
  UC Berkeley Rep  
  Transfer Center, 2nd Fl.

- **Tue., May 13**
  10 a.m.-1 p.m.  
  CSU, East Bay  
  1st Fl. Lobby

- **Thu., May 15**
  10 a.m.-1 p.m.  
  JFK University  
  1st Floor Lobby

Fall class to produce BCC Voice, monthly student newsletter

A fall 2014 class will produce the BCC Voice, the college’s monthly student newsletter. English instructor and adviser Hollie Hardy will teach ENGL 14: Nonfiction Writing from 6:30 to 9:20 p.m., on Tuesdays on the UC Berkeley campus for aspiring journalists and writers. Interested students can contact Hollie at holliehardie@gmail.com for details.

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