



President's Bulletin

To: BCC Faculty, Staff, and Administration
From: Rowena Tomaneng, President

Date: August 8, 2016

Welcome New Faculty, Staff, and Administrators!

I want to welcome everyone to Berkeley City College's fall 2016 semester. This academic year presents us with the opportunity to work with each other and continue to expand Berkeley City College as a thriving, student-centered learning community.

BCC's new permanent faculty, whose names were forwarded to Chancellor Laguerre for final approval, include: Chris Bernard (Economics), Melina Bersamin (Psychology), and Claudia Abadia (Math).

New administrators in the Office of Instruction are: Lisa Cook, Dean of Liberal Arts, and Dr. Francisco Gamez, Dean of Business, Science, Technology, and Multimedia Arts. In Student Services, Dr. Windy Franklin was appointed Interim Dean of Counseling. In the President's Office, Dr. Phoumy Sayavong is serving as our half-time Interim Dean of Research. In Student Services, Dr. May Chen moved to the District Office and Dr. Josefina Baltodano continues in the role of Interim Vice President of Student Services.



New BCC classified staff are: Joe Bay, Multimedia Specialist, Stephan Bera, Research Systems Technology Analyst, and Midhun Joseph, Program Manager Transitions Liaison for Adult Education.

• Vacant Positions Posted

The college is posting job announcements to fill a few of our full-time vacant positions. These include the Public Information Officer, Disabled Student Services Program Specialist, and Vice President of Student Services.

• Flex Days Scheduled for Week of August 17

District-wide Flex Day activities, scheduled for Wed., August 17 were sent to all Peralta faculty, staff and administrators. Berkeley City College activities will take place Thur., Aug. 18 and Fri., Aug. 19. BCC Flex Day activities are included in this Bulletin.

• Summer Office and Program Relocations Successfully Completed

Many thanks and congratulations to all of the BCC faculty, staff, and programs who undertook the relocation to the 1st Floor of 2000 Center Street, immediately next door to the college. In addition to BCC's Wellness Center, the International Students' Office, the Undocumented Community Resource Center, and Umoja Village have moved there. Three classrooms also are located in this new facility. BCC's Veteran's Resource Center has relocated to Rm. 347, on the 3rd Floor BCC's campus (immediately behind the EOPS/CARE area).

• Planning Reconvenes for New Site at 2118 Milvia St.

BCC has resumed planning for the renovation and design of 2118 Milvia Street which ultimately will provide expanded office and classroom space for academic and student services. In Spring 2015, the facility's Building User Group (BUG), under the guidance of Tram Vo-Kumamoto, Vice President of Instruction, developed criteria that was shared with the Capital Projects Team, which is now led by Director Laura McCarty. A renovation timeline for the facility will be developed this Fall.

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- **Accreditation Update on BCC's Warning Status**

On Monday, June 29, 2015, BCC received official notification from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). The letter announced the result of the ACCJC External Evaluation Team visit to Berkeley City College March 9-12, 2015. Berkeley City College was placed on Warning because of District deficiencies. Even so, the college continues to remain fully accredited.

BCC recognized that the ACCJC identified important concerns and took immediate action to resolve them. The college continues to work with our campus and District constituents to address each recommendation. Both BCC and the Peralta Community College District have made significant progress to meet the deadline for submission of the Follow-Up Report due October 15.

For detailed Questions and Answers about BCC's accreditation status, visit www.berkeleycitycollege.edu to download the Accreditation Q&A on our home page. There also will be afternoon sessions on Accreditation during our Wednesday, August 17 District-wide Flex day. All are encouraged to attend.

- **Strategic Plan Implementation Summer Taskforce**

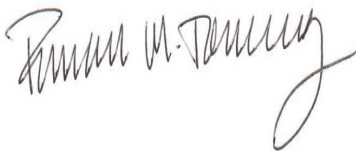
Many thanks to the BCC Team who participated in the District Strategic Plan Implementation Summer Taskforce and for their tireless work throughout the summer break. This district taskforce was charged with reviewing the many initiatives, mandates, and funding streams that are impacting our colleges, faculty, staff, administrators, and students. They identified an over arching strategic goal: "To ensure all students achieve their college and career goals in three stages: "Moving In, Moving Through, and Moving On." Details about the taskforce recommendations will be shared with our governance committees during the Fall semester, starting with our first Roundtable Meeting on Monday, August 29.

- **New Learning Community**

Funded by the statewide Student Equity Initiative, The Umoja Scholar's Academy successfully launched this Summer. Umoja provides access to African American students and others who would appreciate and benefit learning from the viewpoint of the African Diaspora. The program aims to decrease the racial achievement gap in academia experienced by African American students. The new Umoja village will create a welcoming environment that encourages self-efficacy and increases transfer rates to four-year institutions.

I look forward to a vibrant and exciting academic year and continuing our work to transform students' lives.

Sincerely,



Rowena M. Tomaneng
President

Berkeley City College Flex Day Schedule



Thursday August 18th, 2016

8:30-9:00	Breakfast President and Deans - Casual Meet and Greet BINGO Activity Room 421-424			
9:00-9:30	President's Welcome and Introduction by Faculty Senate President			
9:30-10:45	Room 421-424 "The First Five Weeks": how to engage students for retention, direct them to frontline services, and support them to succeed Cleavon Smith (Faculty Senate President), Janine Greer (mental health counselor), Daniel Najjar (math community of practice), Chris Lebo-Planas (FELI/ACE), John Saenz (LRC Coordinator)			
10:45-10:55	Bio Break: get coffee, use the facilities, don't leave!			
10:55-12:00	Group Discussion Tables Room 421-424			
Rotation 1: 11:00-11:20 Rotation 2: 11:25-11:45 De-brief: 11:50-12:00	1	What to do with students in crisis: Janine Greer (incl. KOGNITO training)	4	Low-stakes interactive exercises for increasing equity in the classroom: Natalie Newman
	2	Strategies for retaining students in your online class: Evy Pine, Linda McAllister	5	Scaffolding a writing assignment for student success: Cora Leighton
	3	Rethink: Justice--bringing the college-wide theme into the classroom: Shawn McDougal		
12:00-1:15	12:00-12:15 : Lunch Transition 12:15-12:30 : Vision Setting around college-wide theme of 'Rethink: Justice' (Shawn McDougal) 12:30-1:15 : Introduction of new faculty, staff, and administrators (Tram Vo-Kumamoto, VPI) 1:15-1:30: Transition to Workshops			

Workshops		
1:30-2:30	226	Active Shooter training, Sergeant Gerald Verbeck
	323	DART: Using FlipGrid Video in your classroom (Jenny Gough)
	216	Turnitin.com Tutorial (Jenny Lowood)
	312	DART: KOGNITO online training simulations for faculty and staff is a software provided to BCC that addresses Veterans, LGBTQ, and psychological distress training through simulations and computer interactions. Start the trainings in the workshop and finish up during the Fall semester. (Jennifer Lenahan)
	316	PFT: What you need to know about your contract (Scott Hoshida & Matt Freeman)
2:30-3:30	Learning Community and Program Meetings	

Friday August 19,2016

8:30-9:00	Working Breakfast -Educational Technology Movable Feast & UMOJA Students Career Posters Room 421-424																						
9:00-9:40	Division Meetings: How do we effectively work together (communicate and collaborate) Liberal Arts -- Lisa Cook Room 421 (Arts & Cultural Studies, ENGL/ESOL/EDU, Modern Languages, ASL,SMI, Social Sciences, HUSV, Mathematics) Bus/STM -- Francisco Gamez Room 422 (BUS, Computer Science, Science, MMART) Student Support Services -- Brenda Johnson Room 214 (Admissions and Records, Cal-Works, Financial Aid, Health Services, EOPS/CARES, Student Activities) Learning Resources/ Technology--- Tram Vo-Kumamoto Room 451																						
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12:00-1:30	Departmental Meeting Reports Room 421-424 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interdepartmental skill sharing Departmental efforts to address college theme Result - Highlights from each department meeting presented Lunch to be served during discussion																						
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	313	Math Bootcamp (Shawn McDougal)																					
	311	New Faculty Orientation (Sam Gillette and Maricela Becerra)																					
	316	American Sign Language for Survival (Jenny Gough)																					
	341	DART: Adapting Open Educational Resources (OER) in your classroom (Heather Dodge and Jenny Yap)																					
	312	Curricunet Meta (Jenny Lowood and Ally Tomas)																					
3:00-5:00	Social Gathering to Welcome New Faculty – NO HOST Location: FIVE 2086 Allston Way																						