



A Message from President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update 10-21-22

Dear Cañada Colleagues,

October is Transfer Month and our team hosted a wonderful Transfer Day on Tuesday! Transfer Day provided the opportunity for our students to learn about four-year colleges and universities, ask questions, and to explore their educational options.



COLTS-U Transfer Station Open House

Continuing the celebration of Transfer Month, meet the team and check out the new COLTS-U Transfer Station!

Tuesday, Oct. 25 at 9:30 – 11 a.m.
Building 9, Room 106

Join for food and fun - learn about the transfer resources, services and programs. The event flyer is attached.

College Ridge Ribbon Cutting

Yesterday, I joined SMCCCD colleagues and local dignitaries in the ribbon cutting event celebrating the opening of SMCCCD's third employee housing complex – College Ridge at Skyline College! The new 30-unit housing complex will provide below-market, affordable housing opportunities for District employees.



DREAM Center Open House

Yesterday the campus community had a chance to visit the DREAM Center (located in Building 9, Room 118) to see the space and learn about the resources in our newly located DREAM Center. Students enjoyed interactive activities to explore campus resources available to undocumented students at our College!



Fifth Annual President's Luncheon: Oct. 25, 2022

Our [Fifth Annual President's Luncheon](#) is next Tuesday! Join us on Tuesday, October 25, 2022 in-person on Cañada's beautiful campus or via Zoom. Register [here](#) to attend. The President's Luncheon will bring the community together to raise funds which will support students with [on-demand transportation](#). As you know, many residents in our community contend with a number of financial hurdles in order to live here but we believe that getting to college should not be one of them. For more information on the Presidents' Luncheon, please visit canadacollege.edu/luncheon. For questions, please contact [Megan Rodriguez Antone](#).



New Report on the Basic Needs of Community College Students

The [Center for Community College Student Engagement](#) (CCCSE) recently released a report: *Mission Critical: The Role of Community Colleges in Meeting Students' Basic Needs*, which explores housing and food insecurity among community college students and highlights the struggle many students experience. Congratulations to our SparkPoint team who were included in the report as an example of programs addressing multiple basic needs (page 26). You can read the full report [here](#).



Next Steps for our College Mural Project

Thank you for your feedback on the mural design. We heard you! The Mural Taskforce has used the feedback to alter the mural process. We are returning to the original intent of the mural as seen in this [student video](#). We held our first new design workshop yesterday and will hold a second workshop on October 26 from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Interested in joining a committed group of students who will design the mural? [Sign up here](#). Separate learning events are also being planned to address how we honor and represent our local Ramaytush Ohlone community. Have questions? Email canvpss@smccd.edu.



How to Get Help with Canvas, DE, Nuventive Improve, Assessment and Program Review

Allison Hughes will be out on leave for the remainder of the academic year, so we've outlined below how to get help with your instructional technology questions in her absence.

Canvas Support

Erica Reynolds began her role as an Instructional Technologist at College of San Mateo in 2016. She holds a Master's degree in Education with a concentration in Instructional Technologies from San Francisco State University. She has extensive experience working with faculty to explore effective and innovative ways to incorporate technology into the curriculum to support our students.

Marisol Quevedo is an adjunct faculty member and has worked as an Instructional Technologist at College San Mateo over the past 2.5 years. Prior to her work at CSM, she served as a Retention Specialist and Program Supervisor at Cañada College. Marisol is passionate about approaching her work through an equity and social justice lens, using technology to transform student learning and enhance faculty engagement in the course design and delivery process.

They are excited to support you in a virtual capacity in this temporary role while Allison is on leave.

They are happy to provide you with support in the following areas:

- Help with implementing web technologies such as Canvas, Panopto, Pronto, and Zoom
- Canvas related needs (cross-listing, sandboxes and non-instructional shells, display name changes, adding roles, importing content etc.)
- Information on the following upcoming trainings: Quality Online Teaching and Learning (QOTL), Level 1 and 2, and Skills in Multimodal Pedagogy and Learning (SIMPL)

If you need support in any of these areas please feel free to reach out to both Erica (reynoldse@smccd.edu) and Marisol (quevedom@smccd.edu). Please note that we will continue to work in our existing capacities as Instructional Technologists at CSM, while supporting the Cañada community as well. Please expect a 24-48 hour response time as we meet the needs of both communities.

- Existing Tech Support for Faculty, Staff and Students
 - [24/7 Chat with Instructure for Canvas questions](#)
 - [General Tech Support - Weekdays](#)

SLO and PLO Assessment

If you have questions, or need help with any of the following areas, contact Jessica Kaven, kavenj@smccd.edu:

- How to enter SLO and PLO Assessment data into Nuventive Improve
- Changes to your 3-year assessment plan
- Tips and strategies for how best to assess your courses.

Program Review

If you have questions, or need help with any of the following areas, contact Karen Engel, engelk@smccd.edu:

- How to enter program review and SAO information into Nuventive Improve
- Program review process changes or questions
- Questions about the program review data dashboards

Star Party - October 28

Join the Cañada College Astronomy Club for a Star Party on October 28 from 6-9 p.m. in Lot 10, Building 24 Observatory. Enjoy telescope observations, free food and games. Friends and family are welcome!



Enjoy your weekend!

Sincerely,
Kim