

A Message from President Kim Lopez

Weekly Update: 2-3-23

Dear Cañada Colleagues,

The 2023 year has brought us weeks of stormy weather in addition to heartbreaking local and national tragedies. I hope you are taking care of yourselves throughout these trying times. You will see in this week's update that we came together quickly to support our local community in times of great need. I would like to also acknowledge the efforts of our faculty, staff and administrators who have helped to increase our spring enrollments by 9 percent compared to this time last year. This is a tremendous achievement and I want to thank you for all the hard work you are doing to help our students.

Care Packages for Half Moon Bay

Thank you to the students and employees who contributed to last week's care package collection for our Half Moon Bay community. The College has been in touch with community partner, Ayudando Latinos a Soñar (ALAS), to aid in their support for the families of those who were directly impacted by last week's violence. Thanks to your support, we exceeded our goal of 55 care packages themed for comfort and care. Cañadians personally delivered the care packages last weekend where community members were incredibly grateful for Cañada's love and support. The Cañada team is working with ALAS to identify other ways to support and we will share updates when programming has been developed.



Black History Month

Cañada College is celebrating Black History Month and Cañada's Umoja Community with a series of robust and impactful programs and events. Please view the attached calendar for a complete listing. You can also RSVP for events here. For those who would like to celebrate Black History Month through Zoom backgrounds, designs can be found <a href="https://example.com/her



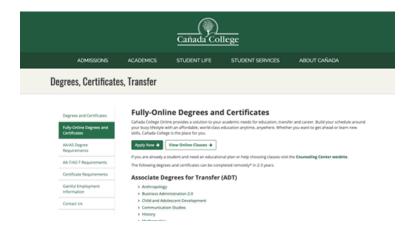
College Mural – Invitation for Feedback

The full draft design of Cañada College's first mural is ready for your review. We invite and welcome your feedback on the draft design. Please follow the embedded hyperlink for more details about our mural, including a background on the design, context on how the design came together and a specific invitation for your feedback. This community input form is open until Thursday, February 9, at 11:59 p.m.



Fully Online Degrees and Certificates Page is Now Live!

Did you know that Cañada College offers fully-online degrees and certificates? From the comfort of home and on their schedule, students can take classes fully online to earn a degree or certificate. Degrees can be completed in two to three years and a certificate can be completed in as little as one or two semesters. Visit canadacollege.edu/online-degrees for the complete list of fully-online degrees and certificates. Thank you to our Instruction Office, Deans and Marketing Department for their work to build the instructional programming and website!



Learning Center Tech Team Support

Our Learning Center Tech Team is ready to help students or staff members who are experiencing technology issues. The team can be dispatched to classrooms to assist with technology needs such as Neat Boards and projectors as well as provide assistance for students needing help with Canvas or email. For assistance, please contact www.tinyurl.com/lctechteam or the Learning Center Front Counter at (650) 306-3348.

Scholarship Reviewers Needed for the 2023-24 Cañada Scholarship Program
The Financial Aid Office is seeking Cañada faculty, staff and administrators who would like to serve as scholarship reviewers for the 2023-24 Cañada Scholarship Program. Each reviewer will be assigned anywhere between 20-40 scholarship applications to review between March 6-20 in AcademicWorks, the online scholarship application platform used by the three SMCCCD colleges. The time commitment should not exceed 6-8 hours and is one of the most rewarding ways to get to know our students. Reviewers will be provided with comprehensive instructions and a scoring rubric. Please reply to Dr. David Vera by February 28 if you'd like to be part of this year's review team.

The scholarship application deadline for students is March 2, 2023. Thank you in advance for encouraging students to apply and for all those reference letters many of you have been asked to write.

QOTL 2 Training - Spring 2023

The District DEAC invites all faculty members teaching online/hybrid courses to sign up for Quality Online Teaching and Learning (QOTL) 2 training! As an intermediate/advanced training, QOTL 2 builds upon QOTL 1. It is aimed at refreshing the existing online teaching expertise, bringing teaching to the next level, and fulfilling recertification recommendation. Two five-week cohorts are offered in the Spring 2023. We expect the available spots to fill up quickly, so early sign-up is recommended. Compensation for time investment is provided. Sign up here to participate in one of our next cohorts. For questions, please contact Nada Nekrep.



Events Happening on Campus this Weekend:

Friday, February 3
Men's Baseball vs Santa Barbara
1-4 p.m.
Colts Field

Saturday, February 4

Men's Baseball vs Santa Barbara
12-3 p.m.
Colts Field

Fashion Trunk Show by Ann Smith
1-2 p.m.
Building 3, Room 255, Fashion Department

I hope you enjoy your weekend!

Sincerely, Kim