

Cañada College Professional Learning Newsletter

February 2017

January 2017 Flex Days

Over 130 Cañada employees attended Flex Days on January 12 – 13, 2017. Thank you to all who attended! Information about the

sessions offered, and resources from the sessions can be found on the Cañada [Follow-up Flex Day Resources webpage](#).

Thank you to all who contributed to our January 2017

Flex Days

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| Facilities | Allison Hughes |
| IT | Jessica Kaven |
| EMP Team | Misha Maggi |
| Mayra Arellano | Michelle Marquez |
| Dani Behonick | Dr. Jamillah Moore |
| Ronda Chaney | Vickie Nunes |
| Marcy Chries Concha Thia | Caroline Ouyang |
| Rachel Corrales | Kristen Parks |
| Denise Erickson | Vera Quijano |
| Alison Field | Rebekah Taveau |
| Jenna French | Diana Tedone |
| Zaid Ghori | Diva Ward |
| Trich Guevarra | Lezlee Ware |
| Doug Hirzel | Roslind Young |
| Michael Hoffman | |

Campus-wide Professional Learning Committee

March 8, 2017 Flex Day



Our March 8, 2017 Flex Day will be a full day that includes breakout sessions and an all-day workshop through On Course. The all-day workshop is being offered through the efforts of Amelito Enriquez, Ray Lapuz, and Michael Hoffman in their work with the HSI-STEM GANAS and MSEIP INSPIRES Grants.

In addition, Patty Hall has arranged for a speaker to present on the support between instruction and student support services for foster youth scholars, and Monica Malamud has invited an AFT representative to discuss retirement options. Eugene Whitlock will also present the District's Hiring Committee Training: Understanding Diversity and Bias. Additional breakout sessions will be available as well. Please look for more information to come.

Professional Learning Opportunities

Visit the [Professional Learning Opportunities webpage](#). This page includes a variety of Bay Area, on-campus, District, and online learning opportunities. The webpage also includes a variety of online certificates. Employees eligible may apply for College Professional Development Funds through the appropriate application process. You will find the professional development application process for [faculty](#), managers, and [staff](#) on the Cañada Professional Development page. Please email [Erin Moore](#) with other opportunities not included on this page.

New Employee Orientation

On January 9, 2017, members of our college community welcomed our newest employees to campus. Many thanks to those who helped welcome our new employees: Cabinet members, Facilities team, Debbie Joy, and Jeanne Stalker.

Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 New Employees

Michelle Beatty – Adjunct Mathematics Faculty
Ariana Carughi – Adjunct Biology Faculty
Atousa Chaharsough-Shirazi – Adjunct Physics Faculty
Kate Gibson – Retention Specialist – A2B & TRIO
Steve Grimes – Sociology Faculty
Henry Guevara – PT Shipping and Receiving Clerk
Allison Hughes – Instructional Technologist
Nenaji Jackson – Interim Director of Post-secondary
Success and Completion
Kelly Klinke – Adjunct Librarian
Alex Kramer – Workforce Development Director
Kathleen Lorist – Fashion Design Faculty
Leticia Madgrigal – Career Resource Aid

Juleh McLintock – Adjunct Chemistry Faculty
Gohar Momjian – Director of Operations
Taliha Pasaoglu – Adjunct Biology Faculty
Ashley Peltz – Athletic Trainer
Mayra Rios – Staff Assistance, Student Services
Sarita Santos – Early Childhood/Child Dev. Faculty
Sumathi Shankar – Mathematics Faculty
Jessica Silver Sharp – Adjunct Librarian
Deborah Veras – Web Programmer Analyst
Liza Wardell – Adjunct Librarian
Mollie Woodworth – Adjunct Biology Faculty
Jordan Yee – Adjunct Librarian

Professional Learning Network & Lynda.com

In the Spring 2016, the Chancellor's Office launched the [Professional Learning Network \(PLN\)](#) a "One-stop site to effective practices, training and other resources." This statewide network is available for **all** California Community College employees. It offers resources, a calendar of statewide professional learning opportunities, and a place for employees to create and track their own professional learning.

The PLN also provides access to Lynda.com for all California Community College Employees. In order to access Lynda.com, please follow these steps:

- Register with the [Professional Learning Network](#)
- Click the **Learn** icon at the top of the page
- **Transfer History** if you have had a previous Lynda.com account
- Fill in the requested information
- Access Lynda.com with any computer

Recommended Lynda.com courses and videos

Courses

How to Teach Technical Skills through Video (43 min. 51 sec.)
Managing your Time (11 min. 11 sec.)
Building Trust (1 hour)

Videos

Networking within your organization (2 min. 43 sec.)
Use a smartphone to prepare for an emergency (6 min. 16 sec.)
Changing your inner dialogue (3 min. 26 sec.)
Blogs, wikis, and collaborative work (3 min. 31 sec.)
Creating notes (Outlook 2013) (2 min. 1 sec.)

IEPI

In October and November of 2016, an Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Initiative (IEPI) team of representatives from community colleges throughout California visited our college to discuss Integrated Planning and Professional Development. Participants in the Professional Development discussions included representatives from the Faculty Professional Development Committee, Classified Professional

Development Work Group, Communities of Practice, Professional Learning Committee, and Cabinet. These discussions informed the IEPI team's recommendations regarding professional development in a [Menu of Options](#). The Professional Learning Committee is reviewing the Menu of Options as it works toward developing the College's Professional Learning Plan.

Professional Learning Framework to a Professional Learning Plan

In November of 2016, PBC approved our [Cañada College Professional Learning Framework](#). This Framework is the foundation for Professional Learning at Cañada College, and the [Professional Learning Committee](#) will use this framework to guide the development of the College's Professional Learning Plan. In the Spring of 2017,

the Professional Learning Committee will create and distribute a campus-wide needs assessment, collect input from campus, analyze data, and draft a Professional Learning Plan that reflects the data collected from the College and aligns with the Educational Master Pla

Gratitude and Appreciation Project (GAP)

The ASCC and Professional Development coordinated for ASCC's Treat Yo'Self Day on December 8, 2016 during which students kicked-off Cañada's Gratitude and Appreciation Project. Over 100 students wrote thank you notes in person and online to faculty, staff, classmates, and friends at Cañada. Some students even wrote thank you notes to our College! Look for additional opportunities to express gratitude and appreciation to our colleagues and students throughout the upcoming semester. Please find gratitude notes students wrote to our College on the next page.

Cañada College
with gratitude & appreciation
Dear my beloved Cañada,
THANK YOU!! I have met
so much of my friends! The
people, opportunities, vision,
etc.... is so amazing!!

Cañada College
with gratitude & appreciation
Thank you Cañada
for providing an
affordable and
top notch education
for me!

Cañada College
with gratitude & appreciation
Dear Cañada College
for being so helpful
to my growth
as a person

Cañada College
with gratitude & appreciation
Dear Cañada College,
Thank you for the
opportunity to work with
the most inspiring students,
staff, administrators, and
staff!!

