



HARTNELL COLLEGE

Monthly Report to the Governing Board
Dr. Romero Jalomo, Vice President
Division of Student Affairs
Month of July

Vice President of Student Affairs

Romero Jalomo, Ph.D.

- Attended the Bright Futures of Monterey County Steering Partners meeting on July 9, 2021.
- Met with the Monterey Salinas Transit leadership team to review 2020-21 student ridership data and participation in the Free Fare Zone program. We will present an update on the Hartnell-MST partnership in a future board development meeting.
- Participated in the Summer Financial Aid Community meeting hosted by the United Way of Monterey County on July 22, 2021. Focus of the meeting centered on developing a plan to increase financial aid literacy among the general public in our service area.
- Participated in the Bright Futures Steering Partners Focus Group meeting on July 23, 2021 to discuss the status of the partnership and to identify existing and new areas to address for the next five years.

Enrollment Services

Maria Ceja, Dean

- Enrollment Services began offering in-person services to students on a walk-in basis starting on July 1, 2021.

COVID-19

- Enrollment Services continues to support students via virtual front desk, phone, and email.

Student Success

Carla Johnson, Dean

- Received two staff resignations and submitted requests to hire for both positions.
- Successfully completed the hiring process to place a FT counselor in TRIO.
- Workgroup (including IT, Early Alert and Academic Support) continues to meet to plan the implementation of the new Early Alert system through SARS.
- Cancelled and combined low-enrolled COU courses for Fall 2021.
- Finalized the SP21 Counseling course offerings.

COVID-19

- Arranged for 180 hours of in person counseling this FA21 semester, developing a rotation schedule at each campus site.
- Planned counseling space to meet safety guidelines (placing of 6ft distant stickers, check-in area, etc.)
- Worked with IT to develop two appointment types of eSARS appointment scheduling system (in person and online).
- Working with IT and staff to redesign the counseling web pages so they reflect the appointment options available to students in the FA21 semester.

Categorical Programs

Paul Casey, Director

- CalWorks student, Luis Vasquez reported that he received two Hartnell College scholarships.
- On July 1, 2021, CalWORKs program staff, Sarah Canter and Director attended Monterey County Department of Social Service Open House to promote and highlight Hartnell College CalWORKs program.

College Readiness

Laurencia Walker, Director

- College Readiness Director was invited to present to the Soledad Unified School District (SUSD) Board on July 14, 2021 to discuss our College Readiness efforts including dual enrollment. The presentation and follow up discussion was well received and the SUSD Board expressed their continued support of our partnership.
- College Readiness in collaboration with Hartnell ITR and A&R have launched the electronic College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) Enrollment form for the Fall 2021 enrollment cycle (as referenced in VP Phillips previous Board report). This process improvement is informed by practice across the state as well as local input. We are looking forward to receiving feedback from students, families, and high school partners on their user experience.

Equity Programs

Bronwyn Moreno, Director

- Director Bronwyn Moreno and Undocu-Liaison Miriam Vazquez were invited by Immigrants Rising to present to community college colleagues from throughout the state at the July "Coffee Talk" about developing and implementing policies to expand non-resident tuition exemption for undocumented students. The information shared in the presentation will be contained in a statewide toolkit to be published by the Chancellor's Office this fall.

- After ongoing efforts to ensure that first time, full time students meet statewide eligibility criteria, approximately 700 students have been formally admitted to the Salinas Valley Promise program (SVP) for fall 2021 including awarding of appropriate fee waiver or tuition grant.
- The Rising Scholars Network (on campus support program for students who are formerly incarcerated) Student Advisory Committee met throughout July to develop their recommendations to program staff and the district. The committee was developed by OEP faculty advisor Dr. Nereida Oliva as a tactic to formally engage students in program development and continuous improvement. The committee reviewed data and conducted research on best practices in order to inform their recommendations.
- The WELI scholarship committee completed their application review process and made recommendations for the 2021-22 final cohort of scholars.

Financial Aid

Jessica Tovar, Director

- Financial aid launched the Campus Logic platform for Fall 2021 which will allow students to submit forms electronically and will help improve student financial aid document submissions.
- Summer financial aid was distributed to students enrolled in for the term.
- Financial Aid began offering in-person services to students on a walk-in basis, beginning July 1, 2021.

High School Equivalency Program

Laura Zavala, Director

- California HEP Directors from West Hills College, Bakersfield, Sacramento and Hartnell met to discuss the compilation of an Open Educational Resource HiSET book. Each program will provide subject matter expertise via their educational instructors. Hartnell HEP will assist with the compilation and creation of language arts materials as well as participate in the piloting of the OER book during the Spring 2022 semester.

Office of Student Life

Augustine Nevarez, Director

- Preparations for the Fall 21 semester are solidifying including the Week of Welcome, Electronic ID's, Book Vouchers, and future activities.

COVID-19

- Pop- Up Pantry food distributions took place August 6, 2021 and August 20, 2021.

SSS/TRiO Program

Manuel Bersamin, Director

- Our new SSS Counselor was hired this summer. Ms. Atanacia Malagon comes to us from Alisal High School where she was a career counselor. Ms. Malagon is also a former Hartnell adjunct counselor and longtime resident of Greenfield.

Upward Bound

Cesar Velazquez, Director

- Completed our Upward Bound six-week summer program having 120 students enrolled in at least one 3 unit Hartnell course.
- Our program disbursed \$37,800 in meal gift cards to program participants enrolled this summer. Students are able to purchase healthy meals at our local Safeway.