

Chancellor's Report and Update

Board of Trustees Meeting

May 12, 2021



Recognition



COC Scholarship Awards



For the first time in COC history, all available scholarships were awarded!

311 Scholarships were awarded to **135** individual students.

Former Cougar Headed to the Seahawks

Former College of the Canyons defensive back **Bryan Mills** is the latest former Cougar to join the NFL ranks after signing a free agent contract with the **Seattle Seahawks**.

- Mills, who played the **2018 season at COC** before transferring to North Carolina Central University (NCCU), had drawn heavy attention as a potential pro prospect leading up to the 2021 NFL Draft.
- Mills impressed scouts with his 2019 season at NCCU, where he recorded five interceptions and eight pass breakups.
- While at COC, Mills helped the Cougars to a **10-0** regular season record and the **2018 Southern California Football Association (SCFA) National Division, Northern League** championship.
- Mills is **one of five** former Cougars to transfer to an HBCU over the last eight years.



COC Team selected to participate in AAC&U Event

An eight-member team of students led by Patty Robinson, director of COC's Center for Civic Engagement has been accepted to participate in the *Association of American Colleges and Universities (AAC&U) 2021 Institute on Integrative Learning and Signature Work*.

- In this **four-day** virtual learning experience, teams will work with ILSW faculty to develop a campus **action plan** specific to their individual institutions
- Teams will explore and create ways to build their capacity to *integrate knowledge and skills across disciplines and curricular and co-curricular experiences, transfer learning to new, complex experiences within and beyond campus, and embed learning into signature work*.
- Congratulations to Patty and her team!



AAC&U Virtual Institute on
INTEGRATIVE LEARNING
AND SIGNATURE WORK
July 20–23, 2021



4 Students Receive the 2021 Linda Cushing Memorial Scholarship



A Union of Professionals

**Part-Time Faculty United at College of the Canyons
Local 6262**



Four COC students have been selected to receive the **2021 Linda Cushing Memorial Scholarship**.

- Each Spring semester, Part Time Faculty United (AFT Local 6262) offers a scholarship to COC students nominated by their adjunct instructors.
- This year, we are able to award **\$500** to four deserving students.

The awards will go to:

- **Britney Coreas** nominated by Linda Beauregard-Vasquez (English)
- **Chloe Grunberg** nominated by Michael B Habib, PhD (Biology)
- **Mary MacAdam** nominated by Patty LaBat (PE/Kinesiology)
- **LeLeynna Rodriguez** nominated by Mike Edwards (English)
- **Thank you** to the adjunct faculty members who recognized their students' merits and nominated them for this award!

Workforce Training Update



Employee Training Institute (ETI)



- **ETI** has subcontracted with three training companies to reach additional clients who need **ETP funding** to meet their *training needs*. This has expanded ETI's reach and allowed us to provide service to new companies who are in post-pandemic recovery.
- **ETI** is launching **three** opportunities for **PMP® Project Management Professional Certification** training during **May, June** and **July** of 2021, providing much this valued certification for individuals in *healthcare, manufacturing, education,* and other industries.
- **ETI** recently enrolled its first participant from the **I-Train** system for dislocated workers into the **APICS CPIM (Certified in Production and Inventory Management)** Certification training program, and is working with additional job seekers to expand this retraining opportunity.



Health Workforce Initiative

Health Workforce Initiative is offering a statewide **Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) Prep Course on May 28th** via online webinar.

This workshop through the trainers at **NurseTim**, will review the major topic areas included in the CNE[®] exam with an emphasis on preparing educators for the exam.



Health Workforce Initiative

CNE



Exam Prep

NurseTim[®]
INCORPORATED



Information and Communication Technologies & Digital Media



Paula Hodge with Information and Communication Technologies & Digital Media has partnered with employers and educators in developing a **40 hour** training course for ***Cybersecurity & Digital Forensics for Public Safety***.

This course will be available as credit or non-credit across the region.

Grants Update



Grants Development



Current awards total \$11.3M as the office continues to research and pursue timely external funding to support college and program priorities under the leadership of **Amber Cole** (Director).

Notable Recent Grants Awards Include:

- **California Defense Ecosystem and National Consortium Effort (CADENCE)**. Awarded **\$8,500** for student internship/externship support in Advanced Manufacturing (Justin Wallace)
- **CADENCE Grant**. Awarded **\$8,500** for student internship/externship support for NASA-HASP program (Teresa Ciardi)
- **CADENCE Grant**. Awarded **\$8,500** student internship/externship consortium initiative (Justin Wallace, Gary Quire)
- **Song Brown Nursing Grant**. Awarded **\$40,000**, including an additional **\$40,000** for the following year (Kathy Bakhit)
- **Academy of the Canyons**. Awarded **\$151,200** in continuing support for the middle college high school program.
- **Rupe Foundation**: Awarded **\$15,000** to support CNA program

Highlights of Recent Grants Submitted:

- **S-STEM National Science Foundation**. Applied for **\$1,493,379** to bolster scholarships, support services, and mentoring for high need STEM students (Patricia Foley)
- **Federal Appropriations**. Applied for **\$999,006** for Advanced Technology Center support (Harriet Happel)



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COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS

Recent Events

Making the Case for Sustainability

A College of the Canyons **student team** competed in the **International Business Ethics and Sustainability Case Competition** hosted virtually **April 8TH and 9TH** by Loyola Marymount University.

- The competition enables students to apply *ethical reasoning* to practical issues.
- Teams chose their own ethics issue related to one of the globally adopted United Nations sustainable development goals.
- COC's team – ***the only one from a two-year college*** – was named *runner-up* in the 10-minute case competition category for its presentation on ***“The Power of Tourism to Address the Challenges of Poverty.”***
- Congratulations to advisor **Kevin Anthony** and his students!



Industry Insight Series



Last month, the School of Visual and Performing Arts held two Industry Insight Series events.

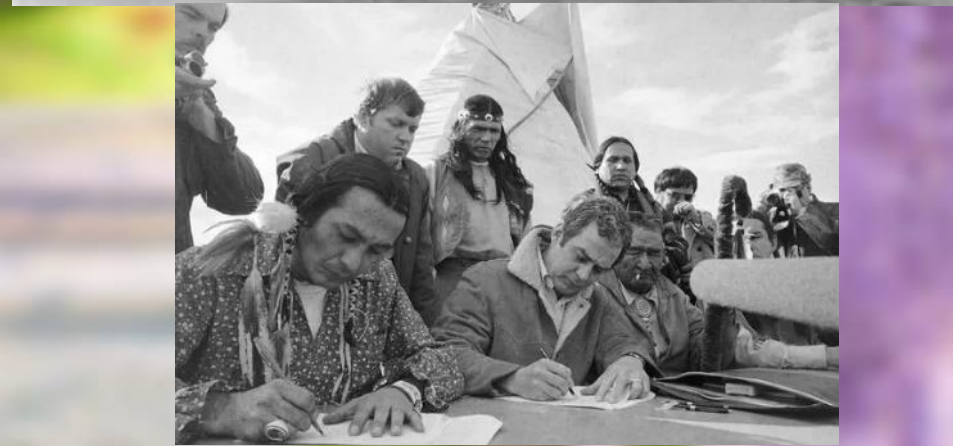
- **On April 12th – *An Evening with José Rivera*** , followed by a **Master Class for Media Entertainment Arts and Theatre Departments on Tuesday, April 13th**.
 - ✓ Academy Award Nominated **Screenwriter** and celebrated **Playwright**
 - ✓ Work includes: *The Motorcycle Diaries*, *On the Road*, *Letters to Juliet*, and *Eerie, Indiana*
- **On April 27th – *An Evening with Lynn Ahrens & Stephen Flaherty***
 - ✓ Award-winning **songwriting** team for Broadway & Film
 - ✓ Their work includes *Anastasia*, *Ragtime*, and *Once on this Island*.



History Department Lecture Series

On **April 16th** professor Adam Morgenstern gave an informative lecture entitled, "***A Century of Persistence: The Origins of the American Indian Movement, 1890-1971.***"

- **30 students** attended, as well as **faculty** and **staff** from a variety of departments across campus.
- The discussion began with an overview of **American Indian policy** between **1865** and **1890**, leading up to the **Wounded Knee Massacre** and went on to fill in the blanks between Wounded Knee and the formation of the ***American Indian Movement.***
- Discussion questions ranged from the origins of the movement to how the movement continues to affect the relationship between indigenous tribes and the United States government today.



Canyon Country Campus Hosts Virtual Star Party

Last month the Canyon Country campus hosted a virtual **Spring Star Party** on **April 23rd**, as part of the **Science Talks** lecture series - "**Perseverance on Mars – The First Two Months.**"

- Over **150** attended this virtual event, including students, faculty, staff and community members.
- **NASA's Dr. Jennifer Trosp**er provided an update on the Mars Perseverance Rover and Ingenuity Helicopter – great videos.
- The local group **Astronomy Club**, COC faculty, and an update by our **student Aerospace and Sciences Team** rounded out the evening.
- The **Science Talks series** continues to engage both our campus and local communities, building excitement around the opening of the **Science Center**.

A series brought to you by College of the Canyons Canyon Country Campus

Science TALKS



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California Institute of Technology
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MARS 2020 Perseverance

Jennifer Harris Trosp
Deputy Project Manager

April 23, 2021

MARS 2020

A small inset video shows Jennifer Harris Trosp speaking.

HASP & RockSatX

- AST has flown **four** high altitude balloon missions aboard **NASA HASP**; two to collect interplanetary dust particles, and two to neutralize harmful acids within the upper Stratosphere.



University Center Virtual Open House

The Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center hosted its second virtual **Open House** on **April 28th** to provide prospective students with information about the bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs offered through the Center by partner institutions, including **University of La Verne, Brandman University** and **National University**.

Representatives from each university were available on the Zoom meeting to provide valuable information to attendees.

OPEN HOUSE

Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center invites you to join us for a **Virtual Open House Event!**

**Wednesday, April 28, 2021
12 - 1pm**

Zoom Meeting ID: **919 6295 7739**

- Meet with representatives from National University, Brandman University, and University of La Verne.
- Gift card prizes and more!

For more information:
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Get Your Bachelor's or Master's Degree in the SCV



ASG & Alumni Network Event – Striving for Excellence: Learning Their Stories

On April 30th COC alumni **William Harwood, Koren Young, Chris Bojorquez and Francesca DeLiso** joined a student-sponsored panel discussion and shared their successes as well as the challenges they faced while navigating the path to achieve their career goals.



The
**Associated
Student Gov**



&
**Alumni
Network**

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**Striving For Excellence:
Learning Their Stories #2**

COC Alumni Network Webinar Series
April 30th at 12p-1pm

Canyon Country Campus Hosts Garden Walk

Last Friday, **May 7th**, over **30** attendees participated in a virtual stroll through the **Canyon Country campus**, where they were treated to a discussion of local plant life, insects and birds.

- Host **Jeannie Chari** provided exciting pictures and facts about the *birds*, the *bees*, the *flowers* and the *trees* of the Canyon Country campus.
- With the assistance of two of her **Hands on Earth** students, Jeannie demonstrated how to plant a native and properly mulch and irrigate the ground.
- Thank you to the Committee: **Jamie Page, Maria Sanchez, Nick Schutz, Shawn Irwin, Ryan Theule** and **Anthony Michaelides**.
- All of the exciting **Science Talks** episodes for the **2020/21** event series are now posted and available to view and share (www.canyons.edu/canyoncountry)



The Addams Family Quarantined Concert

The Theatre Department presented *The Addams Family Quarantined* Concert this past weekend, May 7-9th.

- Patrons of the Arts members were invited to a special *virtual backstage tour & pre-show happy hour event*.
- All rehearsals and performances were captured remotely and the production was edited together by our extraordinary technical staff!



It's Mental Health Awareness Month

The Student Health & Wellness Center has organized a variety of events for Mental Health Awareness Month in May.

- **Suicide Prevention Intervention and Response Training (SPIRT) Friday, May 7th**
- **Ask the Psychiatrist Tuesday, May 11th**

Coming Up:

- **Art with Impact at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 13th**
- **Human Trafficking Training for the Medical Profession at 9:30 a.m. Monday, May 24th**



Finding the Truth

The Institute of Ethics, Law and Public Policy hosted a panel discussion today, entitled “*Finding the Truth*,” which featured faculty members **David Andrus**, **Lisa Hooper**, **Chris Blakey** and **Erica Steub**.

➤ To view recorded session, email Kevin Anthony @ kevin.anthony@canyons.edu.



THE INSTITUTE OF **ETHICS, LAW & PUBLIC POLICY** AT COLLEGE OF THE CANYONS **SPRING 2021**

MAY 12 • 2 – 3:30 PM

FINDING TRUTH

Panel Discussion

Kevin Anthony

Director of Ethics, Law and Public Policy

Lisa Hooper

Curriculum Committee Faculty Co-Chair

David Andrus

Academic President, Political Science Department Chair

Chris Blakey

Philosophy Department Chair

Erica Sheubert

Biology Faculty

For more information, contact:
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Join Zoom Meeting





UPCOMING EVENTS

Celebrate our Retirees!

Please join us on **May 13th** from **12-1:30pm**, as we celebrate our May and June retirees: **Gina Bogna, Tammy Castor, Vincent Devlahovich, Anna Felch, Patti Haley, Sandra Hernandez, Martin Krueger, Chuck Lyon, Monica Marshall, Sherilyn Plevack, Cathy Ritz, Debbie Sall and Michelle Thun.**

JOIN US!

College^{of the}
Canyons

Retirement Celebration
for Our May and June Retirees!

You are cordially invited
to attend a celebration event
honoring our retiring employees.

Gina Bogna
Tammy Castor
Vincent Devlahovich
Anna Felch
Patti Haley
Sandra Hernandez
Martin Krueger

Chuck Lyon
Monica Marshall
Sherilyn Plevack
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Michelle Thun



THURSDAY, MAY 13, 2021
12 - 1:30pm

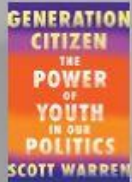
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://canyonsonline.zoom.us/j/96031259064>
Meeting ID: 960 3125 9064

Developing Tomorrow's Civic Leaders



CENTER FOR CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES' CIVIC ENGAGEMENT SUMMIT



SCOTT WARREN
JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY
KEYNOTE SPEAKER

SEBASTIAN CAZARES
SCCC DISTRICT, BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE AN AGENT OF CHANGE: CIVIC EMPOWERMENT REDEFINED

JOEY FORSYTE

FOUNDER, A BAND OF VOTERS

PATH TO DEMOCRATIC PARTICIPATION: ENVISIONING STUDENT ENGAGEMENT THROUGH AB 963

LISA BROWN

EDUCATIONAL CONSULTANT

HACKATHON EXPERIENCE: HOW CAN WE CREATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS?

DEBORAH ASCHHEIM

LOS ANGELES ARTIST

ART FOR THE COMMON GOOD: DEMOCRACY AND THE PUBLIC HUMANITIES

STUDENT PANEL

SEE THE NEED, BE THE CHANGE: STUDENTS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

05.14.21

10 AM - 1 PM

VIRTUAL EVENT

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: PATTY.ROBINSON@CANYONS.EDU

REGISTER:

[HTTPS://WWW.EVENTBRITE.COM/E/CALIFORNIA-COMMUNITY-COLLEGES-CIVIC-ENGAGEMENT-STUDENT-SUMMIT-TICKETS-](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/california-community-colleges-civic-engagement-student-summit-tickets-150211086403)

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18.00 x 24.00 in

The Center for Civic Engagement will host the *California Community Colleges Civic Engagement Summit* this Friday, May 14th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

➤ *"See the Need, Be the Change: Creating Tomorrow's Leaders"* will feature **Scott Warren**, author of *"Generation Citizen."*

➤ Register through Eventbrite:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/california-community-colleges-civic-engagement-student-summit-tickets-150211086403>

Commence Celebrating!



As we near the end of the spring semester, the season of celebrations has begun!

- Grad signs are available for pick up on Campus Circle Drive.

We will have an **in-person graduation** for students this year!

- The **Grad Walk** is a *walk-through experience* that is estimated to last **20-30 minutes** from start to finish. Traditional ceremony speeches will be pre-recorded and made available to view online.
- "**Grad Walk**" festivities are planned for **June 2-5**, giving the **Class of 2021** the chance to *return to campus* for an in-person graduation experience
- **Departments** have planned a number of *end-of-year celebrations*, both *virtual* and *in-person*, to celebrate our graduates.

End of Year Student Celebrations Schedule

Event	Date
Poets and Writers	May 13, 5:00pm
Pathway to Law School Celebration	May 17, 5:00pm to 7:00pm
Transfer Student Recognition	May 21, 11:00am to 12:30pm
Paralegal Celebration	May 22, 9:00am
International Student Program Celebration	May 26, 5:00pm to 7:00pm
Personal and Professional Learning Drive Thru Recognition	May 26, 10:00am to Noon, 6:00pm -8:00pm
Hotel and Restaurant Management Reception	May 28, 4:00pm
Cul-de-sac Release Party	May 28, 5:00pm to 7:00pm
MESA Transfer Celebration	May 28, time TBD

End of Year Student Celebrations Schedule

Event	Date
Modern Languages – Sigma Delta Mu Induction Ceremony	May 28, 3:00pm
Veterans Virtual Celebration	May 31
Culinary Arts and Wine Studies	June 3, 1:00pm
MLT Virtual Ceremony	June 3, 6:00pm to 7:30pm
ECE Drive Thru Graduation	June 4, 9:00am to 10:30am
Nursing Virtual Graduation	June 4, 5:00pm
Nursing Drive Thru	June 5, 9:00am to 10:00am
MLT Drive Thru and Pinning	June 6, 10:30am to 12:00pm

Classified Appreciation Week Events

We look forward to celebrating our classified and confidential staff, who have worked so hard to help us all successfully navigate the *incredible journey* of the last year! **Two special events** are planned for Classified Appreciation Week.

- **Virtual Award Ceremony and Gift Giveaway** – Tuesday, **May 18th** Via Zoom: 12:15 – 1:45pm
- **FREE lunch from In-N-Out Burger** – Thursday, **May 20th** in front of the **University Center** 11:30am – 1:30pm



Career Counseling Workshops



CAREER WORKSHOP

Are you feeling unsure of your college major or career path?

If so, please join us for a one-hour workshop to help you start
Connecting College to Careers!

Identify your...

- College Major
- Career Options
- Clubs and Internships
- COC Courses

Last month, **counselors** at COC offered the first in a series of individual career counseling appointments, along with career focused workshops to help guide our students towards making informed decisions about their future. The following topics are offered this month:

➤ **Careers in Allied Health Care – May 19th**

- ✓ Description: "***Careers in Allied Health Care***" was created to help open the minds of students to the many fabulous careers in the healthcare field (besides doctors and nurses). We want to help educate them on OTHER career options they could use their science prerequisite courses to break into.

➤ **Connecting College to Careers – May 25th**

- ✓ Description: "***Connecting College to Careers***" can help any student feeling unsure of their college major or career pathway. We will introduce them to the Career Exploration process, and we will also supply them with access codes to take free career assessments.

The School of Visual & Performing Arts Upcoming Events

Here are some upcoming events from the School of Visual & Performing Arts.



COVER CHARGE

**A WONDERFUL WORLD
ALBUM RELEASE**

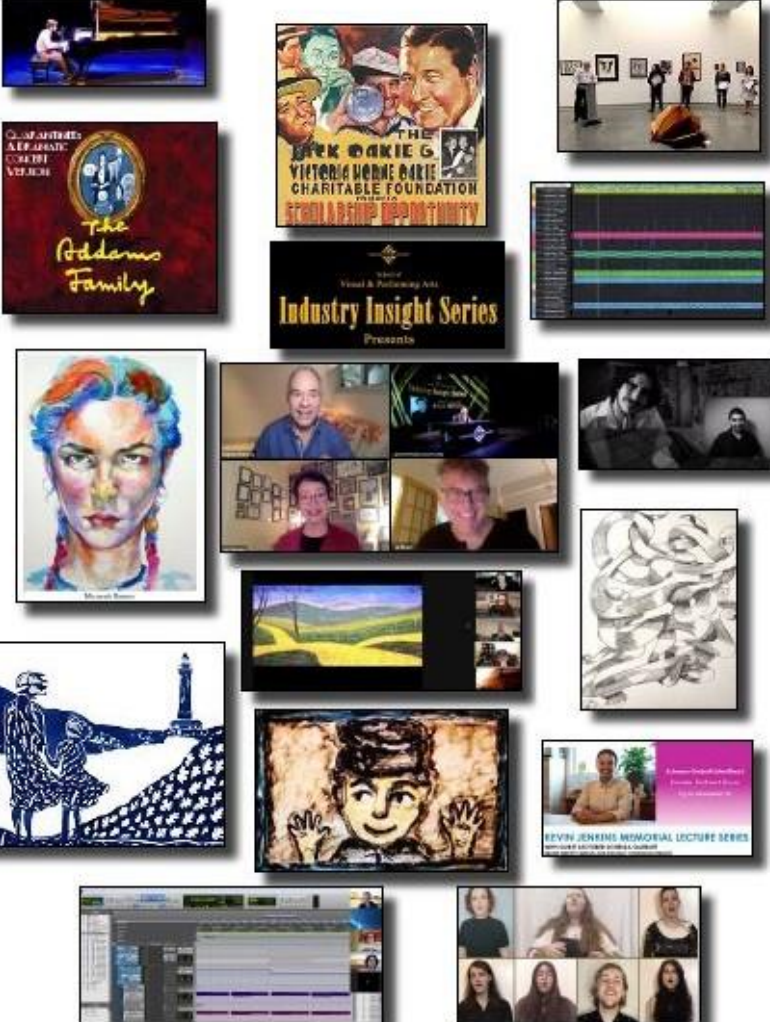
PATRON'S VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

5 p.m. May 28

**ELECTRONICA
MUSIQUE &
MULTI-MEDIA
CONCERT**

7 p.m. June 3

THE SCHOOL OF VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS
SHOWCASE
5 p.m. June 4



The collage features a variety of artistic works: a person playing a piano, a portrait of a woman with blue hair, a grid of faces, a landscape with a yellow field, a portrait of a child, a grid of faces, a person at a computer, and a portrait of a woman.

Signing up for Summer

Registration is underway for 2021 summer classes, which will be available in four sessions.

- **June 7 to July 10**
- **June 14 to August 7**
- **June 21 to July 24**
- **July 12 to August 14**
- More than **800 sections** of high-demand “core” classes in a wide range of subjects and disciplines will be offered, as well as various noncredit offerings.



What's Happening On Our Valencia Campus



Athlete Training Continues on Campus

The **CCCAA** just announced they are preparing for a **full-scale return** for the **2021-22 school year**, providing **25** state championships across **24** intercollegiate sports for **110** colleges throughout the state.

- As a result, College of the Canyons is preparing for a full scale return of it's **17** Intercollegiate Teams competing in the **Fall** and **Spring** of **2021-2022**.
- Student athletes will continue to do sport specific training and conditioning with their coaches this summer in preparation for fall competitions..



Next Coronavirus Webinar

Join us

Noon – May 27
for our next webinar

<https://canyonsonline.zoom.us/j/98342320053>



This webinar will be recorded
and will be posted at
www.canyons.edu/news



**Happy
Memorial Day!**