



CLASSIFIED SENATE



MERCED COMMUNITY COLLEGE CLASSIFIED SENATE

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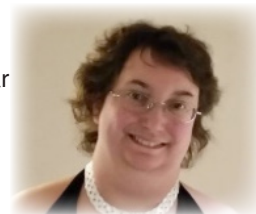
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President's Message:

Greetings!

Welcome to 2018! I hope you've all had a fantastic year so far, and it only gets better! I'm sure you all had a relaxing break to recharge and gear up for the Spring term. It will soon be upon us!



I hope to see you all at Classified Senate meetings this term. All Classified Professionals are invited to attend; it only requires supervisor permission; separate release time does not need to be requested. Meetings are third Thursdays from 2-3 pm in the Administrative Conference Room in the Administration Building on the Merced Campus unless otherwise specified; Zoom is available on request for employees at the Los Banos campus.

Don't forget funds are available for professional development! These can be used to help fund certifications, conferences, webinars, workshops, classes, and other opportunities. Activities do not need to be college-sponsored. For example, if your job requires pesticide certification, but your department does not fund it, you can request these funds. If your job requires a knowledge of student equity, and you want to attend a conference not otherwise paid for, you can request funds. If you want to learn specific software for your job, for example, the latest Microsoft Office suite, on your own time, you can request funds. Please don't hesitate to request these funds! Our goal is to fund as many opportunities for as many people as possible!

Best wishes for a great term!

-Andrea Hall-Cuccia, Classified Senate President

Classified Senate Information:

Officers:

Andrea Hall-Cuccia, *President*
Gabriela Garcia, *Vice President*
Delia Esquivel, *Secretary*
Maria Soto, *Treasurer*

Meetings:

Third Thursday of every month from August-May 2-3 pm in the Administrative Conference Room unless otherwise specified. Video Conferencing for Los Banos available upon request.

PROGRAM

SPOTLIGHT:

Guardian Scholars

MERCED College Guardian Scholars Program is committed to the success of current or former foster youth. We provide support to help our students complete a certificate program, obtain an A.A. degree, transfer to a four-year institution and job skills assistance. The program will connect students with resources based on individual goals and needs. The Guardian Scholars Program encourages academic retention, success and student involvement and participation in a program where they are able to meet other similar students. *Contact information deen.r@mccd.edu or 209-384-6365.*

Guardian Scholars may receive the following assistance:

- Admission and Enrollment Assistance
- Financial Aid
- Academic Advising
- Career Guidance
- Assistance with navigation of Campus Resources
- Referrals to On and Off Campus Services
- Tutoring
- Social Support
- Priority Registration
- EOPS Priority, if eligible
- Bus Passes
- Print Cards
- Textbooks
- Meal Cards
- School Supplies

Welcome
New Classified Employee:

Chris Saetern, Instructional Support Technician, BSSOT
Kaveeta Rios, Student Support Coordinator

Fun Fact!!

JUST like a chicken, your life started off with an egg. Not a chunky thing in a shell, but an egg nonetheless. However, there is a significant difference

between a human egg and a chicken egg that has a surprising effect on your age. Human eggs are tiny. They are, after all, just a single cell and are typically around 0.2mm across – about the size of a printed full stop. Your egg was formed in your mother – but the surprising thing is that it was formed when she was an embryo. The formation of your egg, and the half of your DNA that came from

your mother, could be considered as the very first moment of your existence. And it happened before your mother was born. Say your mother was 30 when she had you, then on your 18th birthday you were arguably over 48 years old.

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PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT #2 :

Center for International Trade Development (CITD)-Global Trade & Logistics (GT&L)

THE CITDs enhance the competitive strength of California business in the international marketplace and support international trade development in their local and regional communities. The network has existing working relationships with local, industry, federal and international partners, and has contractual relationships with the U.S. Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration, the Western United States Agricultural Trade Association, US Agency for International Development, and the U.S. Department of Education, Business and International Education Programs. CITD serves over 2000 California businesses annually and offers the following value-added services:

- Individualized assistance to help existing companies and new ventures strategically evaluate and pursue international business opportunities
- International business conferences, workshops, and seminars designed to provide information and tools to help enterprises and organizations capitalize on global business
- Reference and referral services for specific customs, regulatory, and operational challenges
- International matchmaking services to include introducing California companies to potential trading partners through overseas trade missions, hosting of inbound delegations, and trade lead distribution
- Assist community colleges in internationalizing their curricula and developing specialized programs and courses in international trade to help prepare California's workforce to compete and contribute in the global economy.

To learn more, phone (209) 384-5892.

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT #3 :

Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism / Learn & Earn (RHTLE)

MERCED College hosts the Central and Mother Lode region's Deputy Sector Navigator (DSN) for Retail, Hospitality, and Tourism industries from San Joaquin to Kern as well as Amador to Inyo Counties. The RHTLE DSN acts as a facilitator within all three of these economic sub-sectors, connecting industry employers with incumbent worker training and pipeline development with students within the public education system. The RHTLE DSN acts as a central point of contact for the sector within the region, offering a wide variety of workforce and educational resources in support of the statewide "Doing What Matters – for Jobs and the Economy" campaign (part of the California Community College Chancellor's Office).

For more information about RHTLE DSN, call (209) 386-6734 or visit www.doingwhatmatters.cccco.edu or www.centralvalley-motherloderht.org.