The California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office Academic Affairs Division has approved the Associate in Science Degree for Transfer in Engineering, a four-track engineering A.S. degree based on the Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) from SB 1440.

“We are proud that Hartnell College has one of the first Engineering Transfer Model Curricula for California Community Colleges,” expressed Superintendent/President, Dr. Willard Lewallen. “This program will ensure that Hartnell engineering students have a clear pathway for transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Dr. Melissa Hornstein, engineering faculty member, is commended for making this a reality for Hartnell students.”

The four tracks are as follows:

- Mechanical Engineering, Aerospace Engineering, and Manufacturing Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Computer and Software Engineering

Engineering has traditionally been a difficult path to follow from community college to a university. The four tracks will guide students better and will allow for them to transition to a bachelor’s degree in less time.

“The intersegmental work that has been done at the state level was the first critical step that enabled Dr. Melissa Hornstein to rapidly take guidance and provide our students with a set of specific, targeted degrees that will give our students the direction they need to be successful,” said Dean of Academic Affairs, Shannon Bliss.

In photos, Dr. Melissa Hornsten in her Circuits class.
2. HUNDREDS GET HELP IN CASH FOR COLLEGE EVENTS

The Hartnell College financial aid team and the College’s pathways team assisted over 650 students in the last six weeks in completing the 2016-2017 Federal financial aid application and State of California Dream Act applications by the March 2nd Cal Grant deadline. Our main target audience was high school seniors throughout our District. We coordinated our efforts with all of the high schools in South County, Salinas, and North County. Hands-on sessions were held using the high school computer labs in the evening from 6-8pm. The last event was held on the Main Campus Saturday, February 27th from 9am-2:30pm in B-110. We had 155 students and parents attend the event. Mary Dominguez, Dean of Student Affairs, indicated that every year we keep having larger numbers of students coming through our Cash for College events.

3. HARTNELL HOSTS PARENT CONFERENCE

In collaboration with the Monterey County Office of Education (MCOE), on Saturday, February 20, 2016, Hartnell was proud to support the 2016 Parent Conference by providing a venue for the event and by presenting several workshops. The theme of the conference was Education: The Path to Success. Erica Padilla-Chavez, Hartnell Governing Board President, and I had the opportunity to welcome the over 600 participants. The Hartnell Child Development Center provided childcare during the event. Parents were able to choose among 11 workshops and Hartnell employees presented the following:

- **I Don't Have Papers, Can I Go to College?**
  (Bronwyn Moreno - Director of Student Affairs; Ana Gonzalez - Program Assistant, Academy for College Excellence)
4. A FIRST FOR HARTNELL SPEECH TEAM

The Hartnell Speech Team competed in the Northern California Forensics Championships, held at Modesto Junior College February 20 and 21, 2016. Twenty-four two-year and four-year schools competed, including UC Berkeley, San Francisco State University, and the University of the Pacific. Two competitors made it to finals in their respective events.

- Adrian Flores led the team with a 3rd place finish in Program of Oral Interpretation.
- Team president Lourdes Tinajero secured a 6th place finish in Poetry Interpretation.

Several competitors were the “next out,” just missing the final round. These included Esmeralda Ramirez, Prose Interpretation; Andrea Cervantes and Enrique Lopez, Dramatic Duo Interpretation; and Meritzy Ayala, Communication Analysis.

“This was the most competitive tournament of the year,” said Coach Jason Hough. “The fact we placed two students, with four more close behind, means we are in good shape for the community college state championships.”

This is the first time the team has competed in the Northern California Championships. Besides the intense competition, this tournament had extra rounds of preliminary competition compared to a regular tournament.

“Our students performed well with the toughest competition they have seen all season,” said Assistant Coach Lana McDonnell. “Three rounds of prelims really put them through their paces. They are used to competing in two. This grueling competition is great training for what is next.”

The team will travel to Concord, California to compete in the California Community College Forensics Championships March 9-13, 2016.

5. BROWNIES AND DAISIES GET THEIR POTTERY BADGE

Last week, the Fine Arts Department’s Pam Murakami was graced with special visitors. Girls Scouts of California’s Central Coast came to Hartnell with the mission to earn their Pottery Badge. Brownies and Daisies got an opportunity to learn about ceramics and visit the Fine Arts Department at Hartnell College. They learned to make a pinch pot animal out of clay. Pots and other objects have been made of clay for thousands of years. Historians, archeologists, and other social sciences researchers have been finding and studying ancient clay art, using them to gain a better understanding of the people who
made and used them through centuries. The girls had a lot of fun! The troop will be back on campus to glaze the projects, and again to pick them up after firing.

6. INFORMATIONAL COLLEGE BRANDING WORKSHOP

On February 24, 2016 new employees were invited to lunch and learn with our Director of Communications, Marketing, and Public Relations Esmeralda Montenegro. She held an informational workshop that covered college branding, best practices in communication, flyer making protocol, how to order business cards and stationary, plus other helpful information. Employees in attendance were Ana Gonzalez, Andrew Lindsay, Emma Ramirez, Herbert Cortez, Joseph Alarcon, Mary Lucy Trafton, Jennifer Santana, Dina Nieto Uribe, Silvina Zepeda, Iris Medina, and Gina Reynoso.

To access all the current logos, stationary, templates, PowerPoint template, and more, access: R:\Communications & Marketing\2014 College Branding
If your area does not have access to this drive, please contact Esmeralda at emontenegro@hartnell.edu.

7. MEET HARTNELL’S NEW PLANETARIUM COORDINATOR

Andrew Lindsey grew up in Auburn, Washington and joined the Navy after graduating high school. In the Navy, Andrew was trained as a nuclear mechanical operator and as an operational boiler water chemist. He served on board the submarine USS Jimmy Carter, on which he completed 3 missions, the longest being 137 days of submerged operation. After his service in the Navy, Andrew attended Skagit Valley College where he was the president of both the photography club and the honors society. He then transferred to Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington where he performed undergraduate research in surface chemistry and completed a BS in Chemistry. While at Western, Andrew worked at the Spanel Planetarium where he wrote his own show on the Voyager spacecraft, developed a front end interface for the navigating
stars, and recruited, trained, and organized volunteers. Additionally, in Bellingham he was an active member of the poetry community, reading at various events and serving on the board of poetrynight, the oldest regular poetry reading in town. He moved to Monterey to take up the position of Planetarium Coordinator at Hartnell.

### 8. CALWORKS STUDENT HIGHLIGHT—LUIS M. JIMENEZ

Spring semester is always an exciting time for our graduating students as they are finishing their final semester at Hartnell College and are anxiously awaiting university admissions decisions. Students often check their home mail in hopes of receiving a big envelope, as acceptance letters always arrive in big packets. This is no exception for Luis Jimenez as he prepares to graduate this May 2016 with an Associate of Science in Engineering, an Associate of Science in Physics and an Associate of Science in Mathematics. Luis applied to San José State University, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and the University of California Davis and has already been accepted to all three institutions. Although Luis has not made a final decision as to where he will transfer to, we know that wherever Luis transfers to, he will impact those around them with his caring attitude, positive disposition and eagerness to learn. In addition to being a full-time student, Luis works as a math tutor in the Math Lab. Luis is the father of two beautiful children and finds his inspiration and motivation in his family. Luis is so focused on his goal that we are confident he will achieve his bachelor’s degree. Congratulations Luis, everyone in the CalWORKs office is extremely proud of your accomplishments and we know that wherever you go, you will go with all of your heart!

### 9. ART AND JOSIE ALVARADO—PROUD PARENTS OF 2 EAGLE SCOUTS

On February 20, 2016 I had the honor of attending the Eagle Scout Court of Honor at Palma Church. Anthony Alvarado, son of Art Alvarado (Grounds Supervisor), was awarded the Eagle Scout which is the highest achievement in Boy Scouting. Only 2% of all Boy Scouts achieve this distinction. It was a proud day for the Alvarados because their oldest son, Matthew Alvarado, also achieved Eagle Scout in 2011. Congratulations to all!
10. THE CHAMBER HONORS SOME OF THE BEST!

The 95th Annual Awards Luncheon by the Salinas Valley Chamber of Commerce was on February 25, 2016 at Sherwood Hall. The theme of the event was ‘Crushin’ it!’ and it filled the room with hundreds of guests. Past President of the Hartnell College Foundation, Alfred Diaz-Infante was honored with the Citizen of the Year Award for his selfless community service. He is President and CEO of CHISPA and has served on boards at the National Steinbeck Center and YOSAL and is well engaged with various community organizations.

Alfred appears in photo with wife Elvira Diaz-Infante, Hartnell Board of Trustees member Manuel Osorio, and Director of Communications, Marketing and Public Relations, Esmeralda Montenegro Owen. Other honorees included: Teri Belli – Businesswoman of the Year; TriCord Tradeshows Services – Small Business of the Year; La Plaza Bakery – Large Business of the Year; Abby Taylor-Silva – Agricultural Leadership; and Richard Smith – Spirit of the Community. Congratulations to all of them!

11. THE BIRDS WILL HAVE A ‘THANK YOU’ PERFORMANCE

Theater Arts students are back from Hawaii and would like nothing but thank the community for all the love and support to send them to the KCACFT in Honolulu. To show their appreciation, the students will have a ‘Thank you Performance’ on Sunday, March 6, 2016 at 3:30 p.m. in the Studio Theatre K-116.

They will perform the invited scene from The Birds, short audition monologues, and other scenes. In addition, faculty members like Dr. Marnie Frazier will share her experience with this group this year.

12. SUPPORT OUR COMMUNITY NUTRITION FUND

Each semester as part of student learning objective on hunger and food safety the FCS 23 and FCS 22 classes partner with Dorothy’s Kitchen, the Food Bank for Monterey County, the Grille @ Hartnell and others to grant a ‘food wish’ for 200 homeless individuals. The last three special meals have been Chinese on Veterans’ Day, Corned Beef and Cabbage on St. Patrick’s Day, and Fried Chicken!

Donating is easy! Got to: https://give.hartnell.edu/sslpage.aspx?pid=298 Write: Nutrition Fund on check or memo. You may also deliver your donation in person to Hartnell College Foundation in E-101. Write to Dr. Elsa Brisson for more information at ebrisson@hartnell.edu.
14. HARTNELL MEN’S SOCCER FEATURED IN SPECIAL TV SERIES

Univision 67’s Fidel M. Soto produced a two-part series titled ‘Making History Through Soccer.’ This series talks about all the accolades earned by Hartnell Men’s Soccer team since 2010, how the coaches emphasize the importance of discipline in the sport and in academics. This story is in Spanish. Go Panthers! I mean: ¡Arriva Panteras!

Part 1

Part 2

15. HARTNELL BASEBALL IMPROVES TO 7-4

The Hartnell College Baseball team improves to an overall record of 7-4 and also received a NOR CAL ranking of #16 by the CCCBCA this week. This is the first time the Hartnell Baseball team has been ranked during Coach Babin’s era as the head baseball coach. On February 16, 2016 the team played against San Mateo. The Panther offense was silenced by San Mateo’s pitching suffering their first shutout of the season. The final score was 9-0 in favor of visiting San Mateo College. Panther
starting pitcher Jake Hilliker was charged with the loss going 5 innings while allowing just 2 earned runs. The Panthers defense had a rare day committing 4 errors on the day.

The next day the team headed to Reedley College. The Panthers were led to victory by a strong pitching performance from freshman Jaxon Trimm who went 6 innings allowing just 4 hits and 0 runs on the day. Trimm earned his first win on the season. Sophomore Brandon Granger relieved Trimm to record the 3 inning save, his first of the season. The two pitchers combined for the first defensive shutout of the season. The offense was led by Adam Tanoue and Koby Fleck as they each had two hits on the day.

All home games are live-streamed via Periscope.com. Simply download the periscope app and follow @coach_babin to view the game.

16. HARTNELL SOFTBALL VS MPC (MOMENTS)

17. MEN’S BASKETBALL – TWO MADE ALL CONFERENCE

Two of our players made All Conference, Riley Knowles and Hyram Miskin. Anthony Jasso and Hyram Miskin were both invited to play in the Sophomore Showcase as the top sophomores in the state. Congratulations to all of our players, but especially these three who are making us all proud!
Hartnell College sophomore Malena Grover is on a mission to break every Lady Panther distance mark before she graduates this spring. On Saturday at the Coast Conference Preview she inched closer to two long standing marks and established state leading marks by large margins. Grover's times in the 1,500 meters of 4:45.67 and 10:14.49 in the 3,000 meters were both lifetime personal bests. Her 1,500 mark moves her to the fourth best performer in school history and within striking distance of Jody Cobb's school record of 4:39.5 run in 1981. Grover is already the second best performer in school history in the 3,000 meter but is looking to become only the second woman ever to go under 10 minutes for the 7.5 lap race. Former Olympian Maria Trujillo still holds the Hartnell College record of 9:52.7 set in 1979. Grover has a lead of 10 seconds in the 1,500 and 39 seconds in 3,000 meters over the next best community college mark in the state. A returning All-American and school record holder the 5000 meter run, Grover could set school record marks in the 1500, 3000, 5000, and 10,000 meters this season.

In addition to Grover's outstanding marks, several Lady Panthers produced season bests of regional qualifying marks in the nine team competition. Sophomore Tori Teraji had a state automatic qualifying throw in the discus (127'4.75") and a regional qualifying 104'8.75" in the javelin. Fellow throwers Chelsea Andrade and Elizabeth Alcala also had regional qualifying marks in two throwing events. Andrade lead the pair in the discus throw 114'1.25" to 112'6.50". Alcala returned the favor in the hammer throw 123'6" to 122'3"Sophomore Yessika Mayo improved on her regional qualifying mark in the 1,500 meters placing second to teammate Grover with her time of 5:09.06. Mayo also had a season best in the 3,000 meter run at 11:10.36. Sophomore Nancy Rodriguez, the top returning 3,000 meter steeplechaser in Northern California, placed second in the 3000 meter run in a lifetime best 11:00.11 making her the fifteenth best performer in school history. As a team, the women placed third among nine schools trailing only team winner American River College at 154.5 points and conference foe DeAnza College at 151 points. The Lady Panthers tallied 113 points in the competition.

Sophomore Dustin Samms shined in the men's competition producing the third best hammer throw in Northern California with a toss of 172'6". The mark is just short of his school record set last year. Samms is a returning state championship qualifier in the hammer throw. Freshman Edgar Bonilla got a little redemption from the fall's cross country regional championship as he turned the table on cross country champion Abdul Hamid of American River College in the 1,500 meters. Bonilla was the event winner in a season best 4:05.94. He also placed third in the 3,000 meters in a season best 8:56.36. Also running well in the 3,000 meters were Jorge Sanchez (9:05.26), Oscar Mora, Jr. (9:06.26), and Eduardo Orozco (9:06.86). The men's 4x100 relay team of Norman Napolitano, Thomas Salao, Jordan Rodriguez, and Sky Keller ran a season best 43.22. Keller, a Monterey High School product, ran
the third best 100 meters in the conference with his 11.20 debut at the distance. Freshman Thomas Salao joined teammates Nathan Bishop and Norma Napolitano with a regional qualifier clearance in the pole vault with his 12'10" mark here. As a team, the Panthers placed third with 73.50 points trailing DeAnza College with 91.50 points and Big 8 Conference team American River College with 283.50. To see the full Coast Conference Preview Results visit: https://www.directathletics.com/results/track/42684.html

19. UPCOMING EVENTS

An Afternoon of Blues and Jazz
Monday, February 29, 2016
12:00-1:30 p.m. Steinbeck Hall
Celebrate Black History Month with entertainment and refreshments, featuring Bobby Peoples in piano and Charming Scott vocals

Honor Thy Children
Thursday, March 3, 2016, 9:30-10:45 a.m.
Building K, Room 125

Hartnell College Blood Drive
Friday, March 4, 2016 11:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Steinbeck Hall – Building C Walk-ins welcome –
For appointment, call 1-800-Red-Cross
Sponsored by the Hartnell Registered Nursing Class of 2014

Next weekend!
Game Jams!
Saturday, March 5, 2016 and Sunday, March 6, 2016
Sign-Up: http://digitalgamejam.eventbrite.com

Speech Team Showcase
March 16, 2016 at 7:00-9:15 p.m.
Steinbeck Hall - Adult Themes, No Children Please

Career Fair
Wednesday, April 20, 2016
Student Center, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Ag Institute Open House
April 23, 2016
Alisal Campus, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
IN THE NEWS

**Pheasant Takes Hartnell Ag Tech Under Her Wing**

**Making History through Soccer Part 1**
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**Parent Conference at Hartnell**

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