

## PRESIDENT'SWEEKLYREPORT

**MISSION:** Focusing on the education and workforce development needs of communities in the Salinas Valley. Hartnell College strengthens communities by providing opportunities for students to reach career and/or academic goals (associate degrees, certificates of achievement, transfer to four-year institutions) in an environment committed to student learning, achievement and success.

#### 2+2=Infinity

I recently had the opportunity to meet with colleagues from California State University Monterey Bay and the Monterey County Office of Education to talk about how we can better serve the families in our regions. Together, we represent a family's path for their children's education from pre-kindergarten through graduate school. And it is clear that we all take that responsibility to heart when making decisions about the programs, services, and opportunities we offer.

Hartnell students have benefited greatly from the collaboration between and among these entities over the years. The collaboration facilitates middle and high school students earning college credit while staying in their age- and grade- appropriate schools through dual and concurrent enrollment. The collaboration also facilitates the movement of students from Hartnell through the transfer process to CSUMB.



We already have formalized relationships with area school districts to allow pre-college students to start their post-high-school years having earned college credits, shortening the time it takes form them to earn an associates degree from Hartnell. And we already have formalized transfer arrangements with CSUMB--commonly called 2+2 programs--most notably in our innovative and highly successful programs tied to two specific areas of study: the CSin3 program, offering a bachelor's degree in computer science in three years, and the Teacher Pathway Program, offering an associate's degree in elementary education at Hartnell, and a bachelor's degree and a teaching credential from CSUMB.

Now, we are laying the groundwork for Hartnell and CSUMB to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding creating a generalized 2+2 program not tied to a particular course of study. One of the models we are looking at would have students co-accepted at both colleges at the outset, then take 60 units at Hartnell, followed by 60 units at CSUMB, with no need for a formal transfer request or decision. A similar program in Florida has shown that, by establishing the pathway earlier, and eliminating the potential barrier of separate transfer decisions, more students stay on their educational and career paths to reach their goals. The positive impact for students of color is especially encouraging.

What a vibrant community of educators we have here in the District!

### **16th Annual STEM Symposium**

In October 2022, Hartnell College hosted the 16th Annual STEM Symposium. Research projects Hartnell STEM students completed as interns at local institutions were showcased, and Tito Polo was awarded the Any Newton award. Congrats Tito!

**About Tito:** Tito Polo is a STEM lab technician who supports engineering and physics programs here at Hartnell. Through his efforts, Tito has made it possible for STEM students to participate in the NASA CA Space Grant Consortium for many years now. Four of his 14 summer interns were undocumented students.

Additionally, micro-internships offered by Hartnell staff have helped prepare STEM students for other internships. Tito received the 9th Annual Andy Newton Partner Award for his dedication and support of Hartnell students.







## Hartnell College named Hartnell College is named a 2022 Equity Champion of Higher Education



The Campaign for College Opportunity has honored Hartnell College as a 2022 Equity Champion of Higher Education for breaking barriers in transfer, advancing racial equity, and improving degree completion for its students.

Hartnell College is now one of the leading institutions in the state for Associate Degree for Transfer implementation for Black, Latinx, or both Black and Latinx students — helping the state make college dreams a reality for thousands of students.







### **CTE Tours**



On October 14, 2022

approximately 100 students visited the Alisal Campus from El Puente & Mt. Toro. Along with the tour, students were provided hands-on opportunities in the following Areas: Agriculture, Manufacturing (Mechatronics), Diesel, Automotive, Sim Lab and the Career Hub/Career Prep & Placement. Students were also provided with information related to NC3's National Signing Day which will be celebrated on April 20, 2023.

Pictured: Eric Painter (Manufacturing / Mechatronics), Jessica Martinez (Transportation), Julio Martinez (AG & Sim Lab), Belen Gonzales (Director, Career HUB) On October 28, 2022, students from Monterey County Office of Education (Migrant Program), Renaissance High School & Carmel High School visited the Alisal Campus for a CTE tour and hands-on presentation in the following areas: Welding (*Eric Painter*), Automotive (*Jessica Martinez*), Diesel (*Thomas Shields*), Simulation Lab and Agriculture (*Julio Martinez*).









On October 21, 2022 students from North Monterey County High School visited the Alisal Campus for tours and CTE Presentations in Administration of Justice (David Doglietto), Welding (Eric Painter) and Lab Practices (Julio Martinez Jimenez) & Student Services (Alejandra Carrillo). Throughout the day, the students were engaged and expressed excitement at the prospect of attending Hartnell in the future.







# Hartnell MESA Student Gabino Guzman Participated in the International Genetically Engineering Machine Jamboree in Paris, France

Hartnell MESA student and UC Santa Cruz intern Gabino Guzman attended a conference in Paris, France on October 22, 2022 with the International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) team from UCSC.

iGEM, is an international nonprofit organization that hosts an annual synthetic biology competition. This year's team aims to execute a project using the resources and privileges available to serve a positive human impact among underresourced communities globally.

Gabino formed part of a team that presented an alternative treatment for Type 2 diabetes. Their project addresses the high costs and limited availability of

diabetes medication with a yeast-based treatment, which would allow underserved populations around the world to grow and access the medicine locally.

Each year, a new team of UCSC undergraduates participating in iGEM chooses a synthetic biology project that aims to solve a pressing global health issue and joins hundreds of other teams from universities around the world in a global competition. The UCSC team is advised by David Bernick, associate teaching professor of biomolecular engineering (BME), and receiving additional support and mentorship from UCSC Ph.D. student and TA Eric Malekos and Hartnell College intern Gabino Guzman.





# Hartnell College is Named a Top 100 College for Hispanics

In the Top 100 issue, Hispanic Outlook recognized Hartnell College as a higher education institution that enrolled the highest number of Hispanic/Latino students.

Hartnell was recognized and honored for:

- Serving students from the community that make up a large proportion of our total student body.
- Continuing to serve the largest numbers of Hispanics/Latinos, despite the setbacks and challenges faced over the past years
- Redefining our modes of educational delivery
- Innovative ways we support our students, especially the most vulnerable ones (firstgeneration, minority, and economically struggling).



### Athletics Hall of Fame Ceremony Honored Former Athletes and Sports Teams

The 9th annual Hartnell College Athletics Hall of Fame was held on October 22, 2022. This year's ceremony attended by over 250 guests was evidence of the pride our former students and coaches take in their connection to Panther Athletics.

In the opening remarks, Dan Teresa, Dean of Athletics, Physical Education, and Health, highlighted the academic achievement of our current student-athletes, 115 student-athletes are on the honor roll and ninety-five percent of the student-athletes transfer to four-year institutions, nearly half with scholarships. Dean Teresa also emphasized the

outstanding 2021-22 season.
Superintendent/President
Michael Gutierrez thanked the
Inductees Class of 2022 for
their legacy built during their
years at Hartnell College, and
for being an inspiration for the
young players to continue their
excellence in the classroom and
in the field.



### The 2022 Athletics Hall of Fame inductees are:

#### **Student-Athletes**

Israel Cisneros, Soccer Luis Granado, Cross Country Janna Hawthorne, Tennis / Basketball Tom Peterson, Track / Football

Mike Weingrad, Football

#### **Coaches**

Frank Geller, Baseball / Football

#### **Volunteers**

Don Barsotti, Volunteer \* Joe Nemeth, Volunteer

#### **Teams**

1953 Football Team 2004 Men's Soccer Team 1970 Men's Track and Field Team

<sup>\*</sup>awarded posthumous

# The Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care Accredited the Respiratory Care Program.



The Respiratory Care Program at Hartnell College received accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care (CoARC). The program has been accredited since 2017. The CoARC is a national agency that accredits first professional respiratory care degree programs at the Associate, Baccalaureate, and Masters Degree level in the United States and internationally. Congrats!

# Hartnell Faculty Accepted Into The Open For Antiracism Cohort

Join us in congratulating the following Hartnell faculty members for being one of 5 teams statewide who were accepted into the Open For Antiracism (OFAR) cohort for the 2022-2023 academic year:

Kelley McClary (leader): English

Department

**Susannah Carney-Waddy:** 

**English Department** 

**Ver Marie Myr Panggat:** STEM

Department

Ross Panggat: STEM

Department

Travis Williams: Business

Department

Patricia Sullivan: Art

Department

Launched in 2020, the Open for Antiracism (OFAR) program engages and supports California Community College faculty in transforming their classrooms to be antiracist by leveraging OER and open pedagogy (the art, science, or profession of teaching).

The team's projects will focus on dismantling systems of oppression in order to begin the process of healing in their classrooms. They would also like to model for their students that antiracist work begins with the self. For example, Kelley plans to craft writing assignments that ask students to reflect on systemic racial injustice and oppression. Susannah and Ver Marie would like to help students find agency in their own learning by developing a project in which students examine perspectives and voices that are missing from their courses' curriculum. Similarly, Patricia from the Art



Department plans to transform the course by including representations from Native, LatinX, Asian, and Black artists. All of the applicants understand utilizing OER to be a necessary component in achieving equity in the classroom.

Hartnell is called upon to support this effort by allowing participants to attend webinars and workshops, creating space for participants to showcase their work on campus, and agreeing to provide data on the courses taught by these instructors.

Congratulations Professor

McClary and team, and THANK YOU for your commitment to supporting our students through Open Educational Resources and Antiracism pedagogy!

# SSS/TRIO Program Student Jayden Nadine Lopez was Awarded a Scholarship by the

Salinas Women's Club

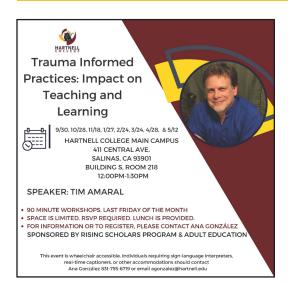
Jayden Nadine Lopez, SSS/TRIO Program student, received the 2022-2023 Salinas Woman's Club Scholarship of \$2,000. Jayden started attending Hartnell College in 2020. Hartnell College selected Jayden for her dedication, effort, and skill. Her accomplishments include being named on the Dean's list and the President's Honor Roll, volunteers as an SSS/TRIO Student Outreach Director and peer mentor for Hartnell College's 2021 incoming freshmen. Jayden was accepted to all of the universities she applied to, including several UC and CSU campuses. Jayden chose CSU Stanislaus where her current major is in Criminal Justice. In her scholarship application, Jayden explains why

she chose a major in Criminal Justice. She eloquently describes a broken criminal justice system that discriminates against certain minority groups. When she becomes a professional in the criminal justice field,

Jayden will uphold her duty to provide justice and protection for all groups regardless of background and gender. Salinas Woman's Club is the longest active service woman's club in the state of California organized on August 25, 1906, after the San Francisco Earthquake. Members in the Salinas Woman's Club have been active as advocates and volunteers in civic affairs



and certain city improvement propositions. Currently the members are retired and semiretired career women in business, education, and health fields. This organization supports several nonprofit organizations as well as awards scholarships to Hartnell College students transferring to a CSU/UC.



Approximately 20 invidivuals attended the Trauma Informed workshop, which provided discussions on the causes of classroom challenges and emphasizing the root causes being the need for love and connection.

During the workshops, attendees had the opportunity to review Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) practices and the correlation between key adverse experiences such as abuse, violence, low high school completion, and increased incarceration rates. The next event is scheduled on November 18, 2022 in Building S, Room 218.

# STEM Students Attend 8th Annual Diversity Conference at San Jose State University

A group of 20 Hartnell STEM students attended the Eighth Annual Conference for Engineering Diversity on Saturday, October 1, 2022 at San Jose State University.

The conference encouraged students to be change-makers and to explore the importance of encouraging a diverse workplace – for society and for business.

Hartnell student attendees were from all across the spectrum, majoring in Computer Science, Mathematics, Industrial Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Aerospace Engineering, and Civil Engineering. They were joined by their Engineering Instructor, Dr. Melissa Hornstein, Chemistry Instructor, Michael McCarthy, and Mathematics Instructor, Dr. Mohammed Yahdi.

For many, it was their first visit to a university campus. They attended a wide variety of talks including a keynote by Quency Phillips, executive director of Joint Venture's Lighthouse initiative (formerly Building Back Better), established in 2021 as a backbone effort to support regional recovery and reduce



stark inequities magnified by the pandemic.

Students also attended a
Google session on Imposter
Syndrome where they learned
that it disproportionately affects
women and minorities.
Students also got the
opportunity to interact and
network with major tech
employers from the Bay Area,
such as Agilent, Google,
Lockheed Martin, VMWare, and
Synopsys. These companies were
actively soliciting resumes from
our students for internships.

#### **Quotes from students**

CED 2022 was everything I expected and more! It gave me the confidence to continue my path and pursue my Engineering Degree. It wasn't just about how to write a good resume to score good job or internship. It was also about the racial and gender inequality

in Engineering. It allowed me to recognize that pursuing an engineering degree will not just serve me as an individual but also help contribute to female representation in Engineering.

Veronica Garcia Ruiz Industrial engineering major.

Keynote speaker Quency L. Phillips, "Q" for short, who is executive director at Building Back Better, gave a moving speech on his struggles in college, almost being kicked out on academic probation, and overcoming them with determination to achieve 2 engineering degrees. During his speech I enjoyed his advice about internships and how to approach them. He said, "Tell your story, who you are, don't start with I'm an engineer major, they already know that.

Mariano Amparo
Mechanical engineering major

# **Soledad Education Center Hosts Ethnic Studies 54th Annual Conference**

It was time to set the record straight in regards to ethnic studies in the Salinas Valley.

That was the primary goal for organizers of the Salinas Valley Ethnic Studies 54th annual Conference. The two-day event was held September 16-17 at the Hartnell College Soledad Education Center.

More than 50 attendees spent two days learning about the conference theme, "Localizing Critical Histories and Narratives in Ethnic Studies Curricula." The conference was held at a pivotal moment. Ethnic studies will be a graduation requirement for high school students beginning in the 2025-26 school year.

The conference committee aimed to provide a hyper-local perspective, with presentations focused on the roots of racism and resistance in Monterey County, a timeline on the implementation of Ethnic Studies as a graduation requirement at Salinas Union High School District, and a community panel featuring local elders giving oral histories on Asian, Native American and Black experiences in Monterey County. Interspersed throughout the panels and presentations were



group work sessions around lesson planning facilitated by Ethnic Studies instructors and presentations on access to archives and resources at Stanford University.

From the opening session, the planning committee made it clear that Ethnic Studies efforts and initiatives should be guided by grassroots involvement. It also helps that it is guided locally as a means to keep that history alive.

"We wanted to provide resources for history that is local to Salinas Valley," said Carla Viviana Gonzalez, a planning committee member who teaches Ethnic Studies at Alisal High School.

Gonzalez said exploring the critical moments in local history reinforces the committee's mission to cultivate a community of practice that is shared by

local educators and community partners. "Ethnic studies... It's a form of protest," she said. "It's a liberating curriculum."

The committee chose Hartnell College's new education center in Soledad as a means of furthering that commitment to local history. Hermalinda Rocha Tabera, faculty lead of the Ethnic Studies and Social Justice Studies Department at Hartnell College, said the committee took the requests of South Monterey County participants at last year's conference very seriously.

"We really want some representation in South County," Rocha Tabera said. "We really listened. It's important that people tell us what our educators and families need to further this work along."

### Student Support Services/TRIO Program Host NEW STEPS Parent Meetings

On Tuesday, October 25, 2022, the Student Support Services/TRIO program hosted 100 parents of our 2022 cohort of new first generation, low income and disabled students. This meeting was held at the main campus in Steinbeck Hall. The objective of the "NEW STEPS Parent Meetings" is for the SSS/TRIO staff to begin a multi-year relationship with the parents. SSS/TRIO staff start to teach them a parent curriculum designed to improve their children's opportunities to graduate and transfer within a two to three year time period. This main campus meeting was for the parents who live from Watsonville to Gonzales. The parents filled the Steinbeck Hall. The SSS/TRIO staff was very excited because this was the first in person parent meeting since 2019. The SSS staff has been having parent meetings since 2011. The 2020 and 2021 meetings were on Zoom and not well attended.

Both English and Spanish sessions were provided to the parents. Director Manuel Bersamin welcomed the parents and gave the English workshop. SSS/TRIO Counselors Norma Nichols and Atanacia Malagon gave the Spanish presentation.

On Thursday, October 27, 2022, another parent meeting was held for parents of the 2022 cohort who live from Soledad to Bradley. 40% of the new 2022 cohort live in southern Monterey County. This meeting was held at the Hartnell College King City Center. The 60 parents were also taught the parent curriculum. For many parents attending the King City Center, it was their first opportunity to see the King City Center's expanded campus. At both meetings,





the parents learned about the intensive counseling that SSS counselors provide which includes, educational plans, career counseling, financial aid and scholarship assistance, progress reports and tutorial interventions, and other supports that the 17 year old SSS/TRIO Programs provide.

All 160 parents expressed their gratitude to the SSS/TRIO counselors for their commitment to their children. The parents were invited to work as allies with the SSS/TRIO staff on how to assist the new cohort to reach their graduation and transfer goals.

The next SSS/TRIO parents meetings will be held in December 2022. These meetings are called the Next Steps meetings and they for our graduating and transferring SSS students and parents from Watsonville to Gonzales and Soledad to San Ardo.



# Undocumented Student Action Week

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Collaborative Ecosystems that Support Undocumented Students

October 17-21, 2022

Mi CASA: UndocuScholar Resource Center celebrated **Undocumented Student Action** Week with a series of events. **Undocumented Student Action** Week was implemented in October 2018 and it is supported statewide by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, the Community College League of California, the Foundation for California Community Colleges, Immigrants Rising, and the Student Senate for California Community Colleges.

In an effort to support and uplift Hartnell UndocuScholars, families and the undocumented community, this year's theme was "Juntos Podemos."

The week-long celebration consisted of the following events:

Monday, October 17 A Holistic Approach to Health and Wellness

Tuesday, October 18 UndocuTransfer Panel Hosted in collaboration with Cabrillo, Gavilan and Monterey Peninsula Colleges Wednesday, October 19 Mandala Flower Art Healing Workshop Thursday, October 20 Loteria with the DREAM Club

Friday, October 21
Income Generation Beyond
DACA presented by Sharet Garcia
(Founder, UndocuProfessionals)
Hosted in collaboration with
Monterey Peninsula Colleges

Mi CASA extends gratitude to those that attended, President Gutierrez, for the strong support and to all collaborating organizations.





This event was moderated by reps from all 4 colleges and highlighted the stories of UndocuScholars who transferred to a 4 year institution from each of the colleges represented.





The Mexican Consulate, in partnership with the Hartnell College Foundation, awarded \$1000 scholarship to three students of Mexican heritage who had excelled academically and personally. The Mexican Consulate offered two awards, and the Hartnell Foundation offered a third. The Cónsul General de México (in San Jose) Alejandra Bologna Zubikarai paid a visit to our college to welcome the students and award the prizes. A special thank you to the Consulate and the Foundation. Congratulations to all of the recipients!



Congratulations to Hartnell Men's Cross-Country Team for winning the Coast Conference men's title! The championship was the 17th in the past 20 years for the Panthers, who tuned up for the Northern California finals with a 23-54 win over runner-up De Anza.

**GO PANTHERS!** 

### POP-UP PANTRY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

#### **Main Campus**

#### **Fall 2022 Distribution Dates:**

November 18 December 9

#### **Location and Time**

Hartnell College Parking Garage 411 Central Avenue, Salinas, Ca 92901 12:00 pm (while supplies last)

#### **South County**

#### **Fall 2022 Distribution Dates:**

November 29 December 6

#### **Location and Time**

Hartnell King City Education Center 117 North 2nd Street, King City, Ca 93930 11:00 am (while supplies last)

Hartnell Soledad Education Center 1505 Metz Road, Soledad, Ca 93960 11:00 am (while supplies last)

\*Pop-up pantry is open to enrolled Hartnell College students. Students must bring a Hartnell ID.

Each student is eligible for one bag.

For additional information, please contact The Office of Student Life 831.759.6045

#### **New Employees**

Warm Welcome . . .

We are thrilled to introduce the newest members of our Hartnell College team. Please wish them a warm welcome!

- Richard Morales, director of communications and marketing (October 24)
- Emily Brown, athletic trainer (October 26)
- Kai Wong, director of information security and technology resources (November 2)
- Angelica Clemente, custodian (November 2)
- Miriam Contrearas, human resources technician (November 2)

#### Warm Welcome To a New Role

- Jessica Green started in her new role of curriculum scheduling lead on October 5.
- Robert Sanchez started in his new role of admissions and records lead on October 10.
- Alma Arriaga started in her new role of benefits and leaves analyst on November

#### In the News

Local Scene: Feeding the Frontline; Youth Rising raises \$50K

2 local Community College's will host an Undocumented Student Action Week

Clipboard: Hartnell College enshrines eight into Athletic Hall of Fame

<u>College Cross Country: Hartnell Wins Coast</u> Conference Men's Title

#### **Sporting Events**

#### **Football vs. San Jose City College**

November 19 1 p.m. Rabobank Stadium

#### Men's Soccer vs. MPC

November 8 12:30 p.m. Hartnell Soccer Field

#### Women's Soccer vs. Chabot

November 8 3 p.m. Hartnell Soccer Field

#### Volleyball vs. Cabrillo

November 9 6:30 p.m. Hartnell Gymnasium

#### Men's Soccer vs. De Anza

November 11 12:30 p.m. Hartnell Soccer Field

#### Women's Soccer vs. Ohlone

November 11 3 p.m. Hartnell Soccer Field

#### **Volleyball vs. Los Positos**

November 11 6:30 p.m. Hartnell Gymnasium



# Campus Events and Celebrations

















### **Upcoming Events**

#### **Veterans Appreciation Week**

#### **Monday, November 7**

Coffee with Pan Dulce 9am to 12pm Student Center, Building C, #138

#### **Tuesday, November 8**

Paint with a Veteran and Luncheon 10am to 2pm Student Center Building C, #138

#### Wednesday, November 9

Bagels and Coffee 9am to 12pm Student Center Building C, # 138

#### Thursday, November 10

Veterans Day Ceremony 4pm to 7pm Harnell College Quad Area Ceremony 4pm to 4:30pm Resource Fair 4:30pm to 7pm Entertainment 6pm to 7pm

#### Friday, November 11

Veterans Day Parade Downtown Salinas 2pm

### Blood Drive sponsored by the 2022 Vocational Nurses

Wednesday, November 9 Steinbeck Hall Building C 8am to 1pm

### Trauma Informed Practices: Impact on Teaching and Learning

November 18 12:00pm to 1:30pm Building S, Room 218

#### **Tuck Everlasting at the Western Stage**

November 19 - December 3, 2022 Evenings at 7:30pm on Nov. 19, 25, 26; Dec. 1, 2 Matinees at 2:00pm on Nov. 20, 27; Dec. 3

#### **CTE Open House**

Friday, December 9
High School session: 9am to 2pm
Community session: 5pm to 7pm

#### **Campus Closed**

Veterans Day Friday, November 11

Thanksgiving Holiday
November 23-24

# Scholarship Opportunity

This is an exclusive opportunity for 5 South County Hartnell College Students to receive a \$400 award, donated by Chevron Corp.

#### For more information:

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