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Important Dates

Deadline for filing for Spring, 2011 Oct. 8 **Graduation and Certificates**

Nov. 11 CAMPUS CLOSED - Veteran's Day Holiday

EOPS/CARE/CalWORKS Workshops Fall 2010 Manzanita Bldg. Room 14

>Career Exploration Inventory

Thursday, October 14th 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Presenter: Dave Chesnut, CalWORKs Program Coord.

>Tips and Strategies for Reading Textbooks Tuesday, Oct. 26th 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Presenter: Susan Medeiros, EOPS Director All Columbia Students Welcome! Bring a friend!

EOPS / CARE INFORMATION

Attention Current EOPS Students:

Be sure to attend your scheduled counseling appointments. Don't forget your EOPS Student Information Folder.

EOPS / CARE Website:

Check out more details about EOPS / CARE on the college website. Check out the EOPS News and workshop list.

DSPS, Health, Student Senate & AWE will sponsor the Disability and Health Awareness Fair on Tuesday, October 19, 2010 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Manzanita Rotunda. Join us for activities, demonstrations, booths, prizes and food. Share the day with community members, student and staff populations in a fun and informational day.

Mark your calendars!

ASCC Presents

A YCCD Board of Trustees Candidates Forum.

When: Friday, October 15th at 7:00 pm

Where: Dogwood Forum.

We have extended this invitation to District 1 and 2 candidates. Admission is free.

Columbia College **University Transfer Day**

Thursday, October 21, 2010 from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm on the Lakeside Patio. This event is an opportunity for students to meet representative from various colleges.

MATH assistance is available

Math Lab is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm in Juniper 5.

UPCOMING FINANCIAL AID DATES AND

- Financial Aid / Scholarship Workshop Wednesday, October 13, 2010 between 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm - located in Financial Aid office, Manzanita 18-3
- Osher Scholarship Applications: Due Friday, October 15th at 4:00 pm—Available on Financial Aid website
- Fire Academy Scholarship Applications: Due Friday, October 15th at 4:00 pm—Available on Financial Aid website
- Financial Aid / Scholarship Workshop Thursday, October 28, 2010 between 1:30 pm and 2:30 pm - located in Financial Aid office, Manzanita 18-3
- Soroptimist International of Groveland: Seeking applicants for *Women's Opportunity Awards*. Applications deadline Dec. 1, 2010. Applications and additional information available in Financial Aid office.

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Financial Aid Check Disbursement Information You can expect a Financial Aid Check if.....

You received a Financial Aid Award Notification by your

- student email account stating your grant award amount.
- You were enrolled in units by August 23rd (wait list classes are not counted)
- ALL checks will be mailed on the date listed below on the "Financial Aid Disbursement Dates Chart" found on the financial aid forms link.
- Checks will be sent to the address on file with Columbia College. It is your responsibility to make sure that your address is correct with our Admissions & Records Office.
- You must allow 10 business days for check receipt before reporting your check as missing. Contact the Business Office at (209) 588-5114 for assistance.

★NEW★ Financial Aid Office Hours

Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 am - 4:30 pm Friday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Financial Aid Office Phone Number: 209-588-5105

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Having difficulties with money for food?

The Student Center in Manzanita 18-1 has food available to students in need. Please check in with Laureen or Kim in Health Services or Doralyn Foletti at the Student Center. There are resources both at the college and within the community to help students meet their basic needs. Come talk to us!







Are you in need of housing or looking for a lowcost solution? Consider the Mother Lode Home-Share Program. This program places qualified individuals in the home or on the property of senior citizens who may need some assistance.

Call 532-7632.

The Student Center has brochures regarding this program.



Red Hot Jobs for October

#1204 Tutors ... are wanted to work in the downtown Sonora Area. The pay is \$12 an hour. Must be reliable.

600 A Kitchen Assistant...is wanted to work in the Mi Wuk Village area. One to two years experience is required. The shifts are mostly 6:00 am to 1:30 pm on the weekends with some evenings.

#300 A Recycling Technician...is wanted to work on Campus and part time. The pay is \$8 an hour. A valid driver's license is required. Must be reliable and serious worker with a clean background.

If you are interested in any of these jobs, please drop by the JPS Desk in Manzanita 14, Or give us a call at: 588-5312









2010 Women's Volleyball Schedule

Home games (at Columbia Pavilion)

Central Valley Conference

Fri., Oct. 1	Merced	6:00 pm
Wed., Oct. 6	Porterville	6:00 pm
Fri., Oct. 8	Fresno	6:00 pm
Wed. Oct. 20	cos	6:00 pm



The Library

New Title Contest

The Library is constantly adding new books, movies and music to our collections. We recently associated three \$10 gift cards for the Manzanita Bookstore to three new additions – check one of them out and win a prize! One prize was won over the summer and the next two could be yours! For ideas of what to check out visit Library Highlights, a blog showcasing new materials in our Library. Library Highlights is available on the right side of our homepage and is the top result when you search Google for 'Library Highlights.'

Book Group

On **Friday, October 8th at 4:30 pm** in the Library the ook Group will discuss <u>Dreaming in Cuban</u> by Cristina Garcia. Our Book Group includes students, staff, faculty and community members and everyone is welcome to participate. Free copies of <u>Dreaming in Cuban</u> and all our other Book Group titles for the year are available from the Library:

GOT ID?

Student ID Cards

(Student Center Manzanita 18-1) Mondays - Thursdays - 8/4pm Fridays, 8/2pm

You must have

- Copy of your current class schedule
- Photo ID

Important information about Fire Safety.

The National Fire Protection Assn. has a website which urges focus on fire safety for college students –

NFPA.org

Items covered are:

Smoking

Being prepared for a fire

Escape Tips Electrical

Check it out – for safety.

Student Health Services Information

Health Services are located in Juniper 2

Cooking Candles

Questions? Come talk to us in Health Services Our hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Wed., Friday

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Thursday

11:00 am - 6:00 pm

We have Flu shots in Health Services starting in October 11th. Vaccines are FREE TO STUDENTS. Pertussis/Tetanus shots will be available in the BOB Health Van on Campus.

The **BOB Health Van** can be found in front of the Oak Pavilion every Monday, 1:00-3:30 pm.

Upcoming: Tuolumne County Adult Health Fair on October 19th & 20th, 7:00 am - 3:00 pm at the Fairgrounds in Sonora.

Services include:

PulseBody FatPulse oximetryVisionGlaucomaOral ScreeningAsthmaBlood drawBalance and FallHearingBone DensityColon Screening

Education Lung Function Chiropractic Blood Pressure

Blood panel & Thyroid test available for \$20 (must not have eaten for 12 hrs. prior)

This is a great service available to anyone 18 years or older!!

Summary and Referral

It is important to eat well and regularly in order to have the energy and focus needed to get through school. Please remember to eat before you start classes or bring nutritious snacks to nibble on throughout your day. If you feel tired, irritable, confused or dizzy, this could be due to low blood sugar. Try eating dried fruits, nuts, granola, cheese sticks... throughout your day to keep your energy up. See us for more nutritious, inexpensive snack ideas.

Having difficulties with money for food? The Student Center in Manzanita 18-I has food available to students in need. Please check in with nurse (Juniper 2) or Doralyn Foletti in the Student Center. There are resources both at the college and within the community to help students meet their basic needs. **Come talk to us!**

y reasons Day

1st Annual Walk in the Light Suicide Prevention Awareness Week

To remember those we've lost and increase suicide prevention awareness.

Date: Saturday, November 6, 2010

Time: 10:00 am

Start: Dawn's Light Center, 591 Washington St.

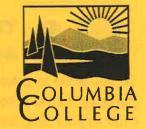
End: Court House Park

Cost: \$5 per walker (Supports Dawn's Light Center) Food, information and resources will be available at the end of walk.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 11th Nov. 18th

Veteran's Day Holiday Observed Last day to withdraw from any course

Nov. 24th

No evening classes

Nov. 25-26th

Thanksgiving Day Holiday Observed

Honoring our Veterans

Campus will be closed Thursday, November 11th for Veterans Day Holiday



eterans Day Awareness

Do you have used textbooks you would like to donate to incoming veterans students? Many of our former service members are experiencing a delay in receiving their GI Bill funding for books and supplies due the unprecedented amount of claims at the Federal VA level. If you'd like to contribute to the education of those who have served, please see Michelle Vidaum in the Financial Aid/Veterans Office, located in Manzanita 18-3.

Veterans Student Club

For the first time ever, Columbia College has a Veterans Student Club. The first meeting will be held on Monday, 11/01/10, at 1:30 pm in the Madrone Building! This club will be your organization, and you can choose both the extent of formality and club objectives. Erik Andal (also a Veteran) will be your official advisor, and Michelle Vidaurri (Veterans Certifying Official) will co-advise. Have questions? Please contact veterans' student, Chad Schindler at cschindler@student.yosemite.edu.

1st Annual Walk in the Light **Suicide Prevention Awareness Week**

To remember those we've lost and increase suicide prevention awareness.

Date: Saturday, 11/06/10

Time: 10:00 am

Start: Dawn's Light Center, 591 Washington St.

End: Court House Park

Cost: \$5 per walker (Supports Dawn's Light Center)

Campus will be CLOSED: Thursday, November 25 and

Friday, November 26



FINANCIAL AID - UPCOMING DATES, DEADLINES AND INFORMATION

- ★ CCCSFAAA Scholarship Application Due Thursday, 11/04/10, at 4:00pm—Available on financial aid website;
- Financial Aid / Scholarship Workshop: Tuesday, 11/09/10, from 11 am - 12 pm located in Financial Aid Office, Manzanita 18-3;
- ★ Financial Aid / Scholarship Workshop: Monday, 11/22/10, from 10:30 - 11:30 am located in Financial Aid Office, Manzanita 18-3;
- ★ Financial Aid / Scholarship Workshop: Wednesday, 12/08/10, from 3 - 4 pm located in Financial Aid Office, Manzanita 18-3.

★New★ Financial Aid Office Hours

M-Th 8:00 am-4:30 pm Friday 9:00 am-4:30 pm



U It's not too late to complete your incomplete financial aid file OR fill out a FAFSA!!! If you don't know your status or need help, please see a financial aid professional for assistance!



Are you still wondering how to pay your enrollment fees for the 2010-2011 academic year? The Board of Governors Fee Waiver may be the answer. It is a quick form that can be submitted and processed quickly.

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The Counseling Office

What do you need to make an Educational Plan?

- English and Math Placement scores;
- Clear educational goal, major, occupational certificate or skills attainment:
- If transferring, know to which institution you'd like to transfer;
- Official transcripts from all institutions attended;
- Review Columbia College Catalog, specifically general education requirements.



The Center for a Non-Violent Community

will be in the Tamarack gallery presenting information on Suicide Prevention/Intervention. Please stop by to gain knowledge and information about this important





The Financial Aid / Scholarship Office

Purpose" to the Scholarship Selection Committee that exhibits your skill, individuality, and creativity? If so, The Financial Aid / Scholarship Office and the Academic Achievement Center invite all students to a workshop facilitated by Professor Jim Toner. Two workshops are offered this year! Tuesday, 11/2, from 1:30-2:30 pm or Wednesday, 11/3, from 1:30-2:30 pm. Both workshops will be located in the Academic Achievement Center (Manzanita 18-2).

EOPS / CARE INFORMATION Prospective EOPS Students

EOPS applications are now available for the Spring 2011 semester. The applications are available at the Special Programs Office, Manzanita 18-3 (by Financial Aid). Read the cover sheet information before submitting the application to the office. Applications may also be downloaded from the EOPS website.

Current EOPS Students

Get your second contact (Mid-semester Progress Evaluation) completed between 10/18/10 and 11/19/10. Have your Student Academic Performance Report (required as a condition to completing this contact) filled out by your instructor and then schedule your appointment. Update your Self-Advocacy Checklist. Online course progress reports are available for instructor use on the Counseling website (www.gocolumbia.edu). If you are planning to transfer to a CSU in Fall 2011, you should be completing your application for admissions now. EOPS provides application fee waivers.

Upcoming Student Success Workshops:

- ► Welcome to the Career Center
 Wednesday, 11/03/10, 11:00 am 12:00 pm
- ► Preparing for the Holidays / Avoiding Anxiety
 Wednesday, 11/17/10, 10:00 am 11:00 am
- ► Preparing for Finals/Avoiding Test Anxiety
 Wednesday, 12/1/10, 11:00 am 12 noon
 All workshops are located in Manzanita 14 and all
 students are welcome to participate.

Early Alert

Students, if you receive an <u>Early Alert</u> notice through your campus e-mail account, <u>be sure to act on it immediately</u>. Contact your instructor and a college counselor. The Early Alert notification/referral system gives you a warning that the instructor has a concern about your performance in class. Early Alert is designed to give you resources to get you on track for a successful course outcome. <u>Act now!</u>

CARE STUDENTS

Have you attended your required 2 workshops this semester? Please see Arlene if you have a scheduling conflict and cannot attend. Besides the fact that these workshops are very informative and helpful, each one that you attend (maximum 4 workshops) is worth 1 meal voucher.

Important Information about Fire Safety

The National Fire Protection Assn. has a website which urges focus on fire safety for college students – NFPA.org. Items covered are: Being prepared for a fire; Escape Tips; Smoking; Cooking; Candles; and Electrical.

Campus Security

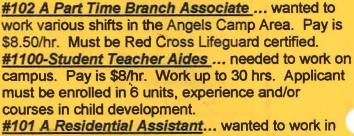
We are concerned about your safety and security. Security services available on campus are:

Escort Service: An escort is available to all students, faculty & staff. A request may be made by calling 588-5167 (office) or 566-5476 (cell).

Campus Evening Shuttle: Shuttle service is available evenings from 5:30-9:30 pm, Monday – Thursday, transporting from parking lots to major campus areas, making a continuous loop of the campus. The shuttle driver is equipped with a two way radio for communication with campus security. Shuttle can be requested by calling 588-5167 (office) or 566-5476 (cell).

Lost and Found: Located at the Security Office next to the Firehouse, 588-5167.

Red Hot Jobs for November



#101 A Residential Assistant... wanted to work in the San Andreas Area. Pay is \$8.50/hr. Schedule varies and full-time, weekends are required. Interested in labor jobs? Check out website www.kiewit.com for more information.

If you are interested in any of these jobs, please drop by the JPS Desk in Manzanita 14, or give us a call at: 588-5312

The Library

Book Group: Everyone is welcome to participate.

Barrio Boy by Ernesto Galarza - Discussion on Nov.12th

Sweetest Dream by Doris Lessing - Discussion on Dec.10th

Food for Fines

Pay off your library fines and contribute to a good cause! Now through November 19, the Library is partnering with the Associated Students of Columbia College for our annual food drive. During the Food for Fines event, we will accept <u>cans</u> of food to pay off fines (not lost or damaged items). Each can (any size!) is worth \$1. Bring cans to the Library to receive your credit. Collected items will be distributed to loca charities.



The Columbia College Jazz Series continues with concerts with the Big Band featuring singer Barbara Morrison on Friday and Saturday, November 12 & 13, @ 7 pm in the College Dogwood Theater. Tickets: \$15 reserved seating is available in the Manzanita Bookstore. For further information call 588-5211.



Are you interested in campus child care? Please call 588-5278 ext. 1 for information. We provide free or reduced-fee child care for infants, toddlers and preschool aged children for families that qualify. We will be expanding our Infant and Toddler program in the spring.



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IMPORTANT DATES

Online registration by appointment only - continuing students.

Dec. 13th - 18th Finals Week

Dec. 15th – 22nd Open registration - all students

Dec. 18th Fall Semester Ends

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Compus will be closed December 23, 2010, through January 2, 2011, for winter break Campus will reopen on Monday, January 3, 2011.



FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Scholarship Myth #75:

"I am not returning to Columbia College next fall, so I won't qualify for scholarships here.'

Reality: There are some scholarships set up specifically for transferring students, don't assume you won't be awarded. Just apply!!

Scholarship Myth #58:

"I won't qualify for scholarships, because I filled out the FAFSA and didn't qualify for grants.

Reality: The criteria for determining Federal Grant eligibility is not the same as those used to select scholarship recipients. There are many types of scholarships set up for every type of student!! Don't wait. Apply now!!

UPCOMING FINANCIAL AID DATES & DEADLINES

- Financial Aid / Scholarship Workshop: Wednesday, December 8, 2010, from 3 - 4 pm located in Financial Aid Office, Manzanita 18-3
- Soroptimist Int'l Women's Opportunity Award **Scholarship Application:**

Due Wednesday, December 15, 2010—Available on financial aid website.

Columbia College Scholarship Applications: Due Friday, December 17, 2010, at 4:00pm— Available on financial aid website.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WORKING BETWEEN CLASSES TO EARN EXTRA MONEY?

Are you receiving a PELL grant? If so, contact the Financial Aid Office (Manzanita 18-3) for a possible job offer.

Do you like "free money"?

Would you like **recognition** for your hard work? The CC Scholarship deadline is FAST approaching... The Scholarship Office understands that your course work is keeping you busy, but this is an opportunity you can't pass up!! There are over 170 scholarships available by filling out a quick and easy application. We will be happy to assist you. Check it out at:

http://www.gocolumbia.edu/financial/scholarships.aspx



Want help with a Scholarship Essay?

Make an appointment with an AAC Tutor! AAC Tutors have recommendations from Columbia College faculty to help with the writing process.

Let us help you get closer to submitting an award-winning essay. We also offer free tutoring in more than 50 classes.



Academic Achievement Center Manzanita 18-2 588-5088



New EOPS Students:

End-of-Term Contact is from November 22 to December 18. If you have registered for classes, the EOT contact will be combined with Spring Intake, if you are eligible. Bring a copy of your course registration sheet to this appointment as proof of enrollment. At this time, students who are eligible will receive their book vouchers and parking permit or bus pass. Remember that you must have completed your educational plan (first contact) and your mid-semester progress evaluation (second contact) to be eligible for the End-of-Term Contact (third contact). Turn your scholarship applications in to the Financial Aid office to maximize your financial resources. Don't wait until the last minute, as you must get letters of recommendations.

Prospective EOPS Students:

Do you qualify for EOPS? Are you a California resident? Are you receiving a BOGFW (Board of Governor Fee Waiver)? Are you a first-generation college student? Do you plan to be a full-time student (12 units or more) in the Spring? Have you taken your Math and English Assessment Tests? If you attended another college, have you submitted your transcripts? If you answered yes to the preceding questions, you MAY qualify for EOPS. EOPS provides its students with financial help - textbook- and transportation-cost assistance, in addition to grants. EOPS also provides students with academic help - priority registration and ongoing counseling. Stop by the EOPS office in Manzanita 18-3 to pick up an application. The application period will end soon, so act now!

Upcoming Student Success Workshops:

Preparing for Finals/Avoiding Test Anxiety Wednesday, 12/1/10, 11:00 am - 12 noon All workshops are located in Manzanita 14 and all students are welcome to participate.

The Library

Book Group: Everyone is welcome to participate. Sweetest Dream by Doris Lessing - Discussion on Dec.10th

Break at the Library

The library will be closed for the holidays from December 18, 2010, through January 9, 2011. We will resume our normal hours on the first day of classes, January 10, 2010. All materials currently checked out are due no later than Wednesday, December 15, during finals week. All unreturned items immediately begin accruing fines. Students returning in the spring are encouraged to renew their items, so they can be kept over the break. Have a wonderful break, and we'll see you in the library!

Would you like to help a Veteran?

Do you have used textbooks you would like to donate to incoming veterans students? Many of our former service members are experiencing a delay in receiving their GI Bill funding for books and supplies due the unprecedented amount of claims at the Federal VA level. If you'd like to contribute to the education of those who have served, please see Michelle Vidaurri in the Financial Aid/Veterans Office, located in Manzanita 18-3.



Red Hot Jobs

#102 Various Positions...are needed to work P/T hours or by project in the downtown Sonora area. The pay depends on the experience and job. Interest in business and some computer skills a must.

#1 102-A Nanny ...is wanted to work in the Sonora area. The pay depends on experience. The work schedule is Monday - Thursday, 10am to 6pm. Must be reliable. dependable, responsible and much more.

#500 An In-Home Assistant...is wanted to work in the Columbia Area. The pay is \$8.00 an hour. The schedule is 10 hours per week.

#900 Independent Consultants...are needed to work whenever and however they wish. The pay is by commission. The work location is Calaveras and Tuolumne

If you are interested in any of these jobs, please drop by the JPS Desk in Manzanita 14. or give us a call at: 588-5312

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MANZANITA BOOKSTORE

DO YOU NEED CASH?

Bring your used textbooks into the MANZANITA BOOKSTORE during our textbook buyback and receive cash for books...starting December 6th thru 17th!! Don't miss out!

Also, winter clothing sale at Manzanita Bookstore All clothing (except sale items) 25% off thru Dec. 17th. Check it out, lots of new items!



Spring 2011 Matriculation Information

The activities listed below are mandatory for all students.

Assessment testing

Date: December 11, 2010, & January 5, 2011

Time: 9:00 am - 1200 noon (students arriving for testing

after 12:00 noon will not be admitted)

Location: Buckeye 4

No appointments needed. Photo ID & Student ID # required

Orientation/Advisement sessions

Date: December 11, 2010, & January 5, 2011 Time: 10:30am - 12:00 noon, 12:00 noon - 1:30pm &

1:30 - 3:00 pm Location: Cedar 1



Men's Basketball Schedule

Wednesday, December 1: Columbia vs. San Joaquin Delta

Wednesday, December 15: Columbia vs. Gavilan

The Holiday Classic:

Monday, December 28: Columbia vs. Canada Tuesday, December 29: Wm Jessup vs. Canada Wednesday, December 30: Columbia vs. Wm Jessup

The Columbia College Jazz Series presents:



"It's a Big Band Christmas"

Come enjoy the music on Sunday, December 12, at 3pm in the College Dogwood Theater with special guest Bob Secor on piano. Tickets for reserved seating can be purchased for \$15 at the Manzanita (college) Bookstore or at the door. For further information call 588-5211.



Are you interested in campus child care? Please call 588-5278 ext. 1 for information. We « provide free or reduced-fee child care for infants, & toddlers and preschool aged children for families that qualify. We will be expanding our Infant and Toddler Program in the spring.



Health Services

Reminder: We have mental health counselors available through the 15th of December. This is a perfect opportunity to talk with someone about school stress, test anxiety, holiday stressors...it's your choice! Take 1 hour or just half an hour, but take advantage of the opportunity to talk with someone one-on-one. All appointments are private and confidential.

Free Flu Vaccines are still available at Health Services in Juniper 2. Come get your vaccine while they are still available!



SECURITY OFFICE

Attention: If you have lost anything (coffee cups, sun glasses, keys, books, scan disk, jackets, backpacks, jewelry, etc.) over the last semester, we may have it. Please check the "Lost and Found" located at the Security Office or give us a call at 588-5167.

Campus conditions may be obtained from the following:

- Columbia College website: www.gocolumbia.edu
- Calling the campus main phone number (209) 588-5100 and press "1" for current campus conditions.
- Local radio and websites: www.mymotherlode.com or www.uniondemocrat.com KKBN 93.5 FM KVML 1450 AM **KZSQ 92.7 FM**

STAYING SAFE ON WINTER ROADS:

Take it slow! Wear your seat belt! Pay attention to the weather. Go easy on your brakes. If you slide, turn your wheels in the direction that the rear of your car is sliding. Icy-road accidents happen in multiples.

IF YOU HAVE A CAR ACCIDENT:

If your vehicle is still drivable, keep moving!

- If your car is disabled, stay in your vehicle, if traffic is approaching.
- If possible, get away from the road as quickly as you can.
- # If it is not possible to get off the road, stay in your car.
- Don't get out of your car and stand on the road.
- Don't stop for accidents or stranded vehicles along an icy roadway.

The staff and faculty of Columbia College would like to thank all our students for making us your educational choice and wish you a wonderful holiday season.



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IMPORTANT DATES

Jan. 3rd - 9th Online registration or on campus during office hours (no appt.) Jan. 10th First day of class Jan. 14th Last day to enter a full semester class without instructor approval Jan. 21st Last day to drop a course on campus and be eligible for a refund Jan. 23rd Last day to drop a course on the web and be eligible for a refund



The TRiO Student Support Services Program is designed to assist low-income, first-generation students and students with a disability to enhance retention and graduation rates. Eligible students will receive:

- Academic/Counseling services
- Tutoring/Peer mentoring assistance
- Career planning and transfer assistance
- Grant aid

Come to Manzanita 15 and apply for enrollment in the TRiO Program or call 588-5109.

> This program can help you graduate. DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY!









CalWORKS Program

Childcare Assistance Available!!! Students that are receiving cash aid through the county department of social services and have been EXEMPTED from welfare to work activities may be eligible for childcare assistance through the campus CALWORKS PROGRAM. Recent changes to the welfare to work regulations have exempted many individuals from receiving funding for training services. Childcare is a critical need and a vital service for any student with young children working to be successful in school. IF YOU HAVE BEEN EXEMPTED FROM SERVICES AND NEED CHILDCARE THROUGH THE SPRING SEMESTER, CALL THE CAMPUS CALWORKS OFFICE (588-5148) OR DROP BY THE OFFICE IN MANZANITA 17E.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A JOB?



Come see us at Job Placement Services! We have dozens of jobs from casual, short term, and weekend positions to full-time positions in the community.

Services are free! Come see us in Manzanita 14; hours are posted.



"Let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever flowing stream." Yours for the cause of Peace and Brotherhood, Martin Luther King, Jr. Letter from a Birmingham Jail, 16 April 1963

Campus will be closed January 17, 2011, for Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday.

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION



Financial Aid Myth #64: "I need to be a full-time student to receive financial aid."

Reality: You do not need to be a full-time student. You may receive 50% of your award by taking 6 units. You may receive 75% of your award by taking 9 units.

It's not too late to apply for funding the current academic year. Submit the FAFSA now!!

- Visit our office, if you have questions.
- Apply for the Board of Governor's fee waiver, and get reimbursed for the fees you have already paid if you qualify!!!
- Visit a Financial Aid Lab Session and go through the FAFSA step by step.
- Submitted a FAFSA but never followed up??? You can still turn in your missing paperwork!!!

UPCOMING FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS:

- ★ Thursday, January 6, 2011 from 2:30-3:30 pm
- ★ Tuesday, January 18, 2011 from 10:00-11:00 am
- ★ Wednesday, February 2, 2011 from 3:00-4:00 pm All workshops will be held in the Financial Aid Office located in Manzanita 18-3

Enrollment Fees: \$26.00 per unit

Cost of books: \$400+

Financial Aid advice: PRICELESS!!

Come visit our office Manzanita 18-3



The Business Office

Business Office hours are extended to 6:00 p.m., Monday – Thursday from January 3rd through January 21st, 2011. Starting January 24, 2011 office hours will be Monday -Thursday 8:00 am - 5:30 pm & Friday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm.





New Year's Resolution to do better in school?

Let the Academic Achievement Center help you! In addition to free tutoring in most subjects, AAC tutors can help you learn how to manage your time, plan a study schedule, stop procrastinating, & more! The AAC is always FREE and open to ALL students. Manzanita 18-2 588-5088 AAC

Located next to Financial Aid

EOPS / CARE Corner

EOPS students: Welcome (or welcome back) to the Spring Semester! If you have concerns about your class schedule, we have provided drop-in times to help you. Be sure to remember your first contact for the semester: Educational Plan. Forgotten your appointment time over Winter Break? Check with EOPS staff to get a reminder.

If you are an EOPS student who is a single parent of a child under the age of 14 and are receiving county cash aid for yourself or your child, check with the EOPS/CARE office to see if you are eligible for CARE services. Assistance with child care, meal vouchers and incentive grants are examples of services through CARE.

Current CARE students: Check in with Arlene Sprague to continue services through CARE.

Upcoming Student Success Workshops:

Time management is a very important strategy for success. You students have identified this consistently in our counseling sessions. Our first workshop is on this topic.

- Organization and Time Management Wednesday, January 19, 2:00 - 3:00 pm Presenter: Susan Medeiros
- Introducing the Academic Achievement Center Tuesday, January 25, 1:00 - 2:00 pm Presenter: AAC Staff/Tutors
- Student Success Strategies Tuesday, February 1 & 2, 10:00 - 11:00 am & 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Presenter: Special Programs Staff All workshops are located in Manzanita 14; all students are welcome to participate.

We're Moving!

Student Center is moving to the Ponderosa Bldg, right across the street from the Child Care Center. Look for us there in January.

Student ID Cards will now be done in the Counseling Office, located in Manzanita 15, Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm and Friday 8:00 am - 2:00 pm. Photo ID and current class schedule required.



WOW!! AVAILABLE ON CAMPUS!! IN LATE JANUARY WE WILL HAVE A FULL FOOD PANTRY! FRESH

FOODS, PRODUCE, DAIRY, AND MEATS WILL BE AVAILABLE! THIS IS FOR ALL STUDENTS. NO ONE WILL BE TURNED AWAY! PLEASE COME TO THE NEW STUDENT CENTER (Ponderosa Bldg). This is an amazing service being offered to all of our students and families in Tuolumne County!

It is important to eat well regularly in order to have the energy and focus needed to get through school. Please remember to eat before you start classes or bring nutritlous snacks to nibble on throughout your day. If you feel tired, irritable, confused or dizzy, this could be due to low blood sugar. Try eating dried fruits, nuts, granola, cheese sticks throughout your day to keep your energy up. For more nutritious, inexpensive snack ideas, come to health services in Juniper 2.

Club News

An organizational meeting for a Columbia College Republican Students' Club will be held Wednesday, January 19, 2011, at 3:00 pm in the conference room in the new Ponderosa Student Center. All interested students are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact either John Leamy at 588-5164 or leamyj@yosemite.edu or Lindsay Northrop at 206-2626 or Inorthrop@student.yosemite.edu.

Spring 2011 Matriculation Information

The activities listed below are mandatory for all students.

Assessment testing
Date & Time: Wednesday, January 5, 2011, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon (students arriving for testing after 12:00 noon will not be admitted)

Location: Buckeye 4

No appointments needed. Photo ID & Student ID# required.

Orientation/Advisement sessions

Date & Time: Wednesday, January 5, 2011, 10:30 am - 12:00 noon, 12:00 noon - 1:30 pm & 1:30 - 3:00 pm

Location: Cedar 1

Men's Basketball Schedule

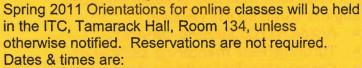
Wednesday, January 12: Saturday, January 15: Wednesday, January 26: Saturday, January 29:

Columbia vs. Fresno Columbia vs. Merced Columbia vs. Reedley Wm Jessup vs. West Hills

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Distance Learning Office



Friday, January 7th, 2:00 – 3:00 pm & 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Monday, January 10th, 8:00 – 9:00 am Tuesday, January 11th, 4:00 - 5:00 pm Wednesday, January 12th, 10:00 - 11:00 am Thursday, January 13th, 3:00 - 4:00 pm Friday, January 14th, 9:00 – 10:00 am, 10:00 – 11:00 am & 11:00 am – 12:00 noon Tuesday, January 18th, 9:00 - 10:00 am

Wednesday, January 19th, 9:00 - 10:00 am, 10:00 - 11:00 am & 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Virtual Student Orientations

Online Virtual Orientations with CCC Confer, a free virtual conferencing tool. Check Out the Instructions to Log In. (The light blue link opens a PDF file in a new window

Date	Start time	End time	Duration
1/3/2011	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	60 mins
1/3/2011	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	60 mins
1/4/2011	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	60 mins
1/4/2011	6:00 PM	7:00 PM	60 mins
1/5/2011	9:00 AM	10:00 AM	60 mins

Also available is a hybrid class, "How to Succeed As An Online Student" (CMPSC101). Check out the class schedule (page 43) for dates and times the class is offered.



SECURITY OFFICE



Help us help you. Please don't leave your vehicles unlocked, windows down, your purse or any valuables on the seat. If you see suspicious activity in the parking lots, give us a call at 566-5476. You can remain anonymous. If you have lost something, check the Lost & Found located at the Campus Security Office, or call 588-5167.

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Your food bill could be one of your largest expenses. If you are financially struggling, consider using this resource to take some of the burden away and have more money available for other essentials.

5 Reasons to use the AAC:

- 1) Have a second set of eyes review a paper;
- 2) Get clarification on something you didn't understand in class;
- 3) Learn how to effectively study so that you can spend more time doing the things you love;
- 4) Receive supplemental Instruction (SI) in Bio 10, 17, 60, 65, Math 100B & 104, History 16 & 17, Psych 1, and all BUSAD classes;
- 5) ALL tutoring is FREE! The AAC is open to ALL students. Located next to the Financial Aid office in Manzanita 18-2

588-5088



Do you GPS?

February GPS Tools for Students

Tool #2: Is Anybody There?

Participating and engaging in your college experience will make a difference in your grades and how well you understand the material. Here are two opportunities to use Tool #2:

- Attend the Student Success Strategies workshop on February 1, at 10:00 am or 1:00 pm, in Manzanita 14 (Career Ctr).
- Student VIDEO CONTESTIII Share your vision of a student bringing his/her "A" game to the college by submitting a video of an engaged and participative learner on the GPS Facebook page. The video with the most 'likes' will win a gift certificate to the Columbia College Bakery. Upload your short video on the GPS Facebook page by Friday February 11, 4:00 pm.

Tool 3: Dude, Relax!

Finding ways to manage stress will be essential throughout your college experience and life. Look for special events such as tea time, neck massages, meditation, communication for stress reduction, and zero balancing February 16, 17, 21 & 22 in Manzanita and around campus.



Campus will be closed February 18 - 21, 2011, in observance of President's Day Holiday

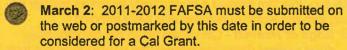
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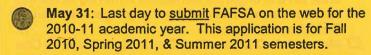


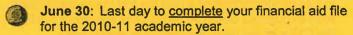
"When do I need to re-new my financial aid for next

The Priority Financial Aid deadline to submit or postmark your FAFSA for the 2011-2012 academic year is March 2, 2011. If you are required to do so, be sure to file your taxes early in order to submit accurate data!!

Dates & Deadlines:







The Financial Aid Office will continue to offer FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS, which gives one-on-one assistance in completing Financial Aid applications.

Upcoming Scheduled Workshops

- Weds., February 2, at 3:00 pm
- Tues., February 15, at 2:30 pm
- Tues., March 1, drop in from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm
- Weds., March 2, drop in from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm

Student Success Workshop:

A Financial Literacy Workshop Wednesday, March 9, 2011, 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Presenter: Marnie Shively, Student Financial Services Director

The Financial Aid Department would like to congratulate the Osher Scholarship Awardees:

Elizabeth Cutting Joel Lafayette **Matthew Owens**

Fred Westmoreland Julianna Noel-Hoefle Regina Villegas

Thank you to all students who completed an application!



The Counseling Office

- ⊕ Ed plan workshops: Friday, February 4th, 1:00 2:00pm Presenter: Courtney Castle, Counselor
- Don't forget to check your student email, since academic status (probation & dismissal) letters will be sent via email soon.
- A good way to get all the information you need to be ready to register for summer/fall term is the short-term Guidance 107 class.

SECURITY OFFICE

Ever locked your keys in your car or left your headlights on and now your car battery is dead? No problem. Campus Security has a "Motorist Assistance Program" that can help. Best of all, the program is FREE to all who are in need of assistance. Security officers are available 24/7 to help motorists unlock and/or jump start their car. You may request assistance by calling the Campus Security Office at (209) 588-5167 or cell # (209) 566-5476.

CalWORKS Program

Childcare Assistance Available!!!

Students that are receiving cash aid through the County's Department of Social Services and have been EXEMPTED from welfare to work activities may be eligible for childcare assistance through the campus CALWORKS PROGRAM. Recent changes to the welfare-to-work regulations have exempted many individuals from receiving funding for training services. Childcare is a critical need and a vital service for any student with young children striving to be successful in school.

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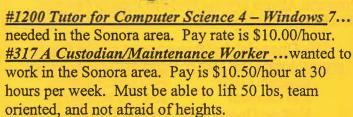
TAKE A TRIP ON THE LIBRARY

Wanderlust got you dreaming of travel? Check out the library's foreign films collection for a cinematic trip around the world. Frequent flyer miles not included.

Satin Rouge - Set in Tunisia (well before it ousted longtime dictator), this film follows a traditionally reserved mother's foray into the world of cabaret and belly dancing.

- Edge of Heaven Countless plausible coincidences draw several disparate stories into a moving whole that spans two continents and three languages: German, Turkish and English.
- Motorcycle Diaries Gael García Bernal stars as Che in this movie version of a real life trip the revolutionary took throughout South America prior earning a spot on the CIA's hit list (and tee-shirts the world over).
- Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter...Spring Little dialogue interferes with this spiritual coming of age story set mostly on a tiny island monastery on a lake in Korea (an island not unlike the one in our very own San Diego Reservoir).
- Rabbit Proof Fence Based on the true story of three young aboriginal girls who successfully trekked across the Australian Outback after being taken from their families as part of a government program to train domestic servants.

Red Hot Jobs!



#100 An Office Aide... wanted to work in the Angels Camp Area. This is an unpaid position designed to gain exposure and an understanding of the physical therapy profession. The schedule is 8-12 hours per week at least two days a week required.

#300 A House Organizer...needed to work in Sonora, 2 hours a day, 2 days a week. Pay is \$8.00/hour.

If you are interested in any of these jobs, please drop by the JPS Desk in Manzanita 14, or give us a call at: 588-5312

Club News

Columbia College Republican Club

An organizational meeting for a Columbia College Republican Club will be held on Wednesday, February 2, from 3:00 – 5:00 pm in the meeting room of the new Student Center. A constitution will be adopted and officers elected. All interested students are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact John Leamy (leamyi@vosemite.edu) or Lindsay Northrop (Inorthrop@student.yosemite.edu)

Are you interested in campus child care?

We provide free or reduced-fee child care for infants, toddlers, and preschool aged children for families that qualify. We will be expanding our Infant and Toddler Program this spring. Please call 588-5278 ext. 1 for information.

Men's Basketball Schedule

The Columbia College Men's Basketball team would like you to join us in our Fight Against Cancer this Wednesday, February 2 at 7 PM. We will be taking on the COS Giants in premier college basketball matchup! All proceeds and donations received at the gate, will go toward the Coaches vs. Cancer Fight and the American Cancer Society. If you could please come support the Claim Jumpers in this Fight Against Cancer, we would really appreciate your support! If you cannot make it to the game, we would gladly accept any donation in the name of the Coaches vs. Cancer-American Cancer Society. Please send donations to Nathan Rien, Head Men's Basketball Coach Columbia College

Saturday, February 12: Columbia vs. Porterville



The TRiO Student Support Services Program

TRIO is holding its Spring-term Orientation / Information Session on Thursday, February. 3, in Manzanita 18-G. Please attend one session, ONLY IF YOU HAVE ALREADY TURNED IN AN APPLICATION FOR TRIO. Please call 588-5145 to confirm your attendance at ONE of the following sessions: 9:00-10:00 AM or 3:30-4:30 PM. During the session, we will review program services and qualifications and make your next individual appointment with the TRIO staff. Please call Anneka Rogers to confirm your attendance at 588-5145. Don't wait to get help with transferring or graduating; make it happen today! TRIO SSS can help!

FOR / CARE Corner

EOPS / CARE Corner

EOPS students: Be sure to remember your first contact for the semester (Educational Plan) must be completed before February 25, 2011.

Upcoming Student Success Workshops:

- ➤ Student Success Strategies
 Tuesday, February 1 & 2, 10:00 11:00 am & 1:00 2:00 pm
 - Presenter: Special Programs Staff

 Most Common Errors In Student Writing

 Wednesday, February 16, 11:00 am 12:00 noon
- Presenter: Rick Rivera, CC English Professor

 Surviving Single parenthood While In School
- Wednesday, February 23, 1:00 2:00 pm
 Presenter: Jennifer Nies, Student
- Textbook Reading Skills
 Tuesday, March 1, 2:00 3:00 pm
 Presenter: Susan Medeiros, EOPS Counselor

All workshops are located in Manzanita 14; all students are welcome to participate.

CARE PROGRAM

It's not too late to enroll in the CARE program. CARE offers many financial and other advantages not offered by the EOPS program. To qualify, you must be in the EOPS program, a single mother of a child under 14 years of age who is currently a CalWORKS participant or receiving cash aid through county Social Services for self or child. If you feel that you qualify, please see Arlene Sprague at the Special Programs desk.

Distance Learning Office

Blackboard Student Tutor in Library
On Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:00 - 7:00 pm in the
Roberta Worth our AAC Blackboard Tutor is available to help
students with Blackboard and online technology skills that may
be required to complete assignments. The phone number is
209.588.2149 for students to be able to call in (at this time there
is no voice mail available).

Student





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IMPORTANT DATES

Mar. 4: Deadline for applying for graduation, Certificates of Achievement, and Skills Attainment Certificates for Fall 2011

Mar. 11 Summer/Fall 2011 Class Schedules available online only

Apr. 4: Last day to withdraw from any course



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FULL FOOD PANTRY! FRESH FOODS & PRODUCE! Open every Wednesday & Thursday, 9:00 - 11:00 am or by appointment (588-5111).

This is for ALL students.

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Please come to the new student center, located in the Ponderosa Building (across from Child Care Center). This is an amazing service being offered to all of our students and families within Tuolumne County!





March GPS Tools for students

Tool #4: I Think Therefore I Am.

Knowing about knowing (metacognition) can take many forms; it includes knowledge about when and how to use particular strategies for learning or problem solving which can help you in school. Keep an eye out for GPS Tool #4 activities around campus!

Tool #5: He Can Be Taught!

Receive a color button at the AAC when you identify your learning style (March 14-25)! Wear your colors - express your learning style! Why should you be interested in your learning style? Knowing how you learn can help you identify how to customize your study time and maximize your learning! Find out more by clicking GPS under Quick Links menu on the Columbia College Web Page.



The Counseling Office

Attend an Ed Plan Workshop

Get prepared for your Educational Plan appointment! General Education requirements and options for everyone considering a Degree or Certificate

Date: Wednesday, March 9 Time: 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Presenter: Courtney Castle, Counselor

- ★ Don't forget to check your student email. If you received an Early Alert notification, call the counseling office right away and schedule an appointment with a counselor. Do not wait! This could affect your summer/fall registration.
- * Counseling appointments get booked up very quickly. Call as soon as possible if you need to see a counselor to plan your class schedule for next semester.
- * Call ahead if you will NOT be able to attend your scheduled appointment. After two (2) missed appointments you will not be allowed to schedule appointments. You will only be able to see a counselor on a drop-in basis.

St. Patrick's Day is March 17th Don't forget to wear your GREEN!

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

"When do I need to re-new my financia aid for next year?"

- The Priority Financial Aid deadline to submit or postmark your FAFSA for 2011-12 academic year is March 2, 2011
- Be sure to file your taxes early, if you are required to do so, in order to submit accurate data!!

Dates & Deadlines

- ❖ March 2, 2011 FAFSA must be submitted on the web or postmarked by this date in order to be considered for a Cal Grant
- May 31, 2011 Last day to submit FAFSA on the web for the 2010-11 academic year. This application is for the Fall 2010, Spring 2011, & Summer 2011 semester.
- June 30, 2011 Last day to complete your financial aid file for the 2010-11 academic year.

To prepare students for the March 2nd Priority Financial Aid deadline, the Financial Aid Office will offer WORKSHOPS on the following dates:

Tuesday, March 1, 2011. Drop in between 10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Wednesday, March 2, 2011. Drop in between 10:00 am - 3:30 pm

Workshops available beyond the "Priority Deadline" include:

- Monday, March 14, 2011 1:30 2:30 pm
- Thursday, March 31, 2011 9:30 10:30 am

Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines

Fire Academy Scholarship Application

Due: Friday, March 4, 2011, by 4:00 pm

Fire Technology Scholarship Application

Due: Friday, March 4, 2011, by 4:00 pm

Music Performance Scholarship Application

Due: Friday, March 11, 2011, by 4:00 pm

Music Performance Award Auditions

Due: Wednesday, March 16, 2011, from 1:00-3:00 pm in the Dogwood Forum

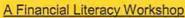
Good Luck to All Applicants!!!!!!

Student Success Workshops

Textbook Reading Skills

Tuesday, March 1,

2 - 3 pmPresenter: Susan Medeiros, EOPS Counselor



Wednesday, March 9, 1 - 2 pm

Presenter: Marnie Shively, Student Financial Director

How To Be Successful At Work

Thursday, March 17, 1 – 2 pm
Presenter: Dave Chesnut, CalWORKs Program Coordinator

The Basics of Developing an Educational Plan

Tuesday, March 29,

2-3 pm

Presenter: Jill Olson, Counselor

Transfer Student Information Update

11 am - 12 noon Wednesday, April 6, Presenter: Jeff Fitzwater, Transfer Coordinator

All workshops will be held in the Career Center Room 14 in the Manzanita Building

All Students Welcome...Bring a Friend!!



CalWORKS Program

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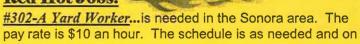
Great New Titles in the Library!

<u>Unquenchable: America's Water Crisis and What to Do About It</u> by Robert Glennon. Want to learn more about this urgent threat to our country's health and well-being? From mismanagement to dwindling groundwater, pollution, and privatization, Robert Glennon covers it all. Check it out.

Deeper Than Gold: A Guide to Indian Life in the Sierra
Foothills by Brian Bibby. The Sierra Nevada is rich in Native
American history. Learn more about the Maidu, Konkow,
Nisenan, Miwuk, and Chukchansi tribes. This book includes
narrative, photographs and stories and legends you will find
both informative and enjoyable.

Art Without Borders by Ben-Ami Scharfstein. This book is a comprehensive study of art and artists. The author examines the lives of individual artists, their accomplishments, reflections on art, and attitudes toward their work and traditions.

Red Hot Jobs!



#901-P/T Clerk...is wanted in the Jamestown area to work the graveyard/swing shift. Must be 21 years old. The pay rate is \$8.00 an hour.

#501-An IHSS Provider...is wanted in the Sonora area for \$8.00 an hour. The work schedule is nights from 12:30 am to 8:30 am.

If you are interested in any of these jobs, please drop by the JPS Desk in Manzanita 14, or give us a call at: 588-5312



Now accepting applications for the new YCCD STUDENT TRUSTEE

Selection of the YCCD Student Trustee annually alternates between Columbia College and Modesto Junior College.

Student Trustee shall have the following responsibilities:

- 1. Attend meetings of the Board of Trustees
- 2. Consult with Associated Student leadership at both colleges

Applications may be picked up at the Columbia College Student Center, Ponderosa Bldg. Application deadline is Monday, April 2, 2011, 4:00pm. For information and criteria for service, contact the Columbia College Student Senate, 588-5270, or Doralyn Foletti, 588-5111



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EOPS / CARE Corner

Interested in EOPS? A reminder to perspective EOPS students: applications for Fall 11 admission will be available on April 1 in the EOPS Office or online through the EOPS website. Continuing EOPS students need not reapply. Your counselor will inform you when to check in to receive your services in August.

Mid-Semester Progress Evaluation - Contact #2 for Current EOPS Students

The first contact with EOPS (educational plan) should be completed. The second contact with EOPS begins February 28 through April 1. This is the Mid-semester Progress Evaluation. Before you make your appointment, make sure you have had your Student Academic Performance Report signed by your instructors. Take the time to add a few comments relating to each class in the space provided to you.

If you have an online class, e-mail your instructor that you need a progress report sent electronically to your counselor (identify the name of the counselor). Instructions for finding and using the form have been sent to the instructors.

ROOM CHANGE



Dr. Brian Jensen is now located in the Special Programs Area, Manzanita 18.



CARE STUDENTS

Just a reminder to pick up any meal vouchers that you are owed at the Special Programs desk. Don't forget that you are required to attend at least two (2) workshops this semester but we encourage you to attend as many as you can.

Distance Learning Office

Blackboard Student Orientations for late-starting, fullyonline, hybrid or face-to-face classes using Blackboard as an enhancement are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, March 2 10 – 11 am
Thursday, March 3 4 – 5 pm
Friday, March 4 9 – 10 am
Monday, March 7 8 – 9 am
Tuesday, March 8 12 noon – 1 pm

All students and faculty are welcome to attend.
No need to RSVP.

The AAC Blackboard Library Tutor, Roberta Worth is available in the library on Tuesdays & Thursdays, 3 -7 pm, 588-2149 (no voice mail available).

The MJC Blackboard Help Desk is available at:

HelpDesk Phone: (209) 575-6412

HelpDesk Email: onlinehelpdesk@yosemite.edu

Students are also welcome to drop by our office or call the ITC, 588-5011 for one-on-one instruction or if assistance is needed with logging into Blackboard.

LEADERSHIP >>>>> MATTERS

Save the Date

March in March: Preserve Access for Success Did you know that you are a student within the largest higher-education system in the world?

We invite you to partner with the Columbia College ASCC as we fight to protect the accessibility, affordability, and quality of the California Community Colleges. Let us keep student fees low and **KEEP THE DOORS OPEN** to our community colleges!

Join us on a march to the State Capitol in Sacramento to express support for the California Community Colleges!

When: March 14th, 2011 | 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM Transportation and lunch will be provided.

Please contact Doralyn Foletti, Student Center, Ponderosa Building, for more information and to obtain the necessary paper work.

Sponsored by: California State Student Association (CSSA)



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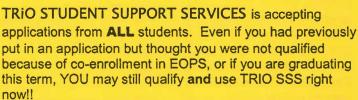
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All first generation, OR Low-Income, OR a student with a disability qualify you for TRIO services such as:

- Priority registration
- Grant aid ranging from \$550 and up
- Peer Mentor Learning Community of resources
- Field trip to UC Merced/CSU Stanislaus in April 2011
- · Free Flash drive and planner just for enrolling
- Individualized assistance with Scholarships, Financial Aid and all Academic needs.

TRIO SSS is an Academic counseling and tutoring program designed to assist you in graduating and transferring to a University in a timelier manner, as a more successful college student. Come join us and see what all the commotion is all about!!! Application can be picked up in the Manzanita Bldg., Room 17-B or Manzanita 15.



The Counseling Office

Attend an Ed Plan Workshop

Get prepared for your Educational Plan appointment! General Education requirements and options for everyone considering a Degree or Certificate

Date: Wednesday, April 13 Time: 1:00 - 2:00 pm

Presenter: Alicia Kolstad, Counselor

What's an Early Alert?

This is a service to you help you be successful as a college student. An Early Alert notice is sent to you through your campus e-mail from your instructor. It is to let you know of your instructor's concern about your progress in class. There may be a concern about your attendance, class participation, submission of assignments, or test scores. The instructor may also add a message giving you specific details. The message will tell you to contact the instructor to discuss your progress. It will also tell you to meet with a college counselor. Why the counselor? The counselor can help you problem-solve strategies for improvement in your class and in the future and can help you get the resources you need to make a change. Early Alert is designed to give you early notice so that you can made positive changes as soon as possible.

Probation Students

Don't forget to schedule your counseling appointments for progress reports and summer signatures. If you wait too long you may not be able to see a counselor before the upcoming registration dates.

Student Email

It's time to check your student email account for summer registration appointments and Financial Aid information.



FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Summer Financial Aid and Federal Revisions to Pell Grant funding: Thinking of Taking Summer Courses or maintaining Financial Aid? Check your student email for important messages regarding these questions, or refer to the financial aid website and follow the link: Federal Updates to Summer Financial Aid and Standards of Academic Progress.

Fund your Future... Please visit the Financial Aid booth at the End-of-the-Year Picnic/BBQ/Open house hosted by the ASCC on Wednesday, April 13th, between 12:00 - 2:00 pm. Financial Aid staff will be on hand to answer your questions. Be sure to spin the Financial Aid wheel, win a prize and have fun learning how financial aid opportunities can help fund YOUR future.

The Financial Aid office will continue to offer workshops to assist you in filing the FAFSA on the web. April's workshop schedule is as follows:

Monday, April 11

11:00 am -12:00 pm c

Tuesday, April 26 2:30pm - 3:30 pm

CONGratulations to all scholarship recipients

Scholarship recipients will be notified by mail. The recipients will be posted weekly on the Financial Aid web page! All students & staff are invited to attend on Friday, April 22, at 4 pm in Dogwood. It is a great opportunity to celebrate recipients and thank donors!

- ★The Scholarship Office would like to remind each recipient to send a letter of appreciation to the generous donors of your awards.∗
- **★**The Scholarship Office invites all Scholarship Recipients to participate in a group photo. Please meet others Wednesday, April 20 at 1:00 pm in front of the Manzanita Bookstore. Hope to see you there!★



- · · ﴾ · · · CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Graduation Ceremony

Friday, April 29th, 6:30-8:00 pm In the Columbia College Oak Pavilion

Graduation Participation Form to Counseling office (Manzanita 15) by Friday, April 1st, 5:00 pm.

Personal Information Card to Counseling office (Manzanita 15) by Friday, April 22th, you may make final changes Thursday, April 28th at the graduation rehearsal.

Graduation rehearsal: Thursday, April 28th, 1 -2:30 pm at Carkeet Park. It is important to be on

If you are interested in being considered as a commencement speaker, please follow the instructions on the Graduation Participation Form. For more information contact: Doralyn Foletti folettid@yosemite.edu or 588 5111

ASCC - OPEN HOUSE & FREE BBQ

When: Weds. April 13th, 12 noon - 2 pm Where: Student Center, Ponderosa Building

Providing: Hot dogs and fun!

See what's new in your new Student Center

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Associated Students of Columbia College (ASCC)

Congratulations to Jessica Capito for taking top honors at the 2011 California Community College Speech and Debate Championships!

Student Success Workshops

Transfer Student Information Update

Wednesday, April 6, 11 am - 12 noon

Presenter: Jeff Fitzwater, Transfer Coordinator

Interviewing Skills

Tuesday, April 12 1pm - 2 pm

Presenter: Anneka Rogers, TRiO Program Technician

Preparing for Finals/Avoiding Test Anxiety

Thursday, April 21 1pm – 2 pm

Presenter: Jennifer Nies, Student

All workshops will be held in the Career Center
Room 14 in the Manzanita Building
All Students Welcome...Bring a Friend!!



Do You GPS?

April GPS Tools for students

Tool #6: Shhhh.... What was that?

This tool will be active from March 28- April 8 and focuses on how listening and observing increases academic success. Explore your sensitivity to the ideas of others, your environment and nature—as each relates to how you learn. Haikus written by students, faculty, and staff could end up on the GPS website and Facebook page! Haiku rules: 3 lines long: 5 syllables / 7 syllables / 5 syllables. Submit your haiku to Shelley Muniz at munizs@yosemite.edu by April 8th.

Manzanita Bookstore

CASH FOR BOOKS..... Bring your used text books to the Manzanita bookstore during buyback **April 18 - 29**. No receipt required for buyback.

WINTER CLOTHING BLOWOUT..... Get the Columbia College clothing you have had your eye on now!!!! REDUCED TO SELL.... While supplies last at the Manzanita Bookstore...

ARE YOU GRADUATING? The Manzanita Bookstore has announcements and rental gowns for you. Announcements go on sale **April 4**.

Coril showers

CalWORKS Program

Childcare Assistance Available!!!

Students that are receiving cash aid through the County's Department of Social Services and have been EXEMPTED from welfare-to-work activities may be eligible for childcare assistance through the campus CALWORKS PROGRAM. Recent changes to the welfare-to-work regulations have exempted many individuals from receiving funding for training services. Childcare is a critical need and a vital service for any student with young children who strive to be successful in school.

Career Transfer Center/Job Placement

SUMMER JOBS!!

Summer jobs are starting to come in! Openings with local and regional summer camps include San Jose Camp and Evergreen Lodge, both near Yosemite. Positions include food service, guest services, maintenance, life guard, retail and more! Staff lodging is available! A great way to spend your summer! Interested? Stop by Job Placement Services in Manzanita 14 and ask for details!



Are you interested in campus child care?

We provide free or reduced-fee child care for infants, toddlers, and preschool-aged children for families that qualify. We will be expanding our Infant and Toddler Program this spring. Please call 588-5278 ext. 1 for information.

EOPS / CARES CORNER

Prospective EOPS Students: Interested in Applying for EOPS? The applications are available at the Special Programs Office near Financial Aid (Manzanita 18) beginning April 1 for Fall 2011 Semester. What's EOPS? It is a program that provides additional financial and academic support services to qualified students. It is designed to support students to get to their educational and career goals.

Do you qualify? Check out our website or stop by our EOPS office for further information. EOPS students receive services and, in return, they have responsibilities to the program, including maintaining an updated educational plan, meeting with an EOPS counselor three times a semester, and remaining in good academic standing.

Space is limited so apply early!!!!!

Examples of Services: textbook assistance, parking permits or bus passes, priority registration, workshops, and ongoing counseling to help you develop your educational plan and attain your goals. Counselors help you develop strategies for student success and direct you to the resources that you need.

Current EOPS Students:

Schedule your third and final EOPS contact with an EOPS counselor which is your End-of-Term meeting. In this meeting you will review the semester and assess the strengths and challenges of the semester. You will discuss the strategies that you used and what you have learned from the current semester experiences. You will prepare for the upcoming Summer and Fall semester through reviewing the Schedule of Classes and comparing the offerings with what is on your educational plan. You will learn the steps you need to take to prepare for the next semester regarding EOPS services. Remember current EOPS students: you do not have to complete another application for EOPS as you are already in the program.

Summer Priority Registration & Services.

Your summer priority registration date is **April 25**. If you are planning to take a course this summer, register on this date. Please discuss your course selection with an EOPS counselor.

Please be aware that there will be no EOPS summer services regarding book assistance and parking permit / bus passes. DO NOT ATTEMPT TO TAKE A CLASS WITHOUT THE REQUIRED TEXTBOOK!

Counseling services with be available via EOPS, but on a limited basis.

INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY CENTER

Remember the Instruction Technology Center (ITC) can help with your end of semester projects:

- PowerPoints
- Video/Audio Projects
- Scanning Documents
- MS Office Help
- Online Learning Assistance



The ITC is located in Tamarack Hall, Room 134, (the library building). The number in the ITC is 588-5011; no voice message system is available. If you need to leave a message call the Distance Education Coordinator, Melissa Colon, at 588-5092.

Open hours in the ITC are:

 Monday
 9:00 - 11:30 am
 & 1:00 - 4:00 pm

 Tuesday
 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
 & 2:30 - 4:00 pm

 Wednesday
 9:00 - 11:30 am
 & 1:00 - 4:00 pm

 Thursday
 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
 & 2:30 - 4:00 pm

 Friday
 by Appointment only