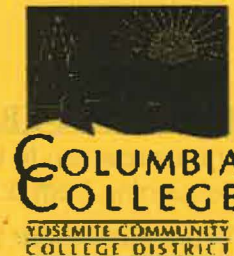


COLUMBIA COLLEGE'S STUDENT MONTHLY BULLETIN

SEPTEMBER 2013

<http://columbia.yosemite.edu>



IMPORTANT DATES

Sept. 2	Holiday Labor Day
Sept 10.	Welcome Back BBQ at the Student Center (Ponderosa Building) 12-3pm
Sept 8.	Last day for a refund and to drop a class without a W
Sept. 24	Last day to elect for a pass/no pass grade

ADMISSIONS & RECORDS OFFICE

Attention students please check your schedule for important drop dates and refund dates.

THE COUNSELING OFFICE

Do you need to make some quick changes to your fall schedule? Do you need to set up an EDUCATION PLAN so you'll know what classes you need to register in before the semester starts! Come to the counseling office Manzanita room 15 or call 588.5109 to book your appointment now. Don't wait!!

EOPS

Current EOPS students: Educational Plan counseling sessions have already begun and must be completed no later than October 11th! Call 588-5130 or stop by Manzanita 18-3 to make your appointment. We have two new staff members eager to work with you! Matt Fox is the new Coordinator/Counselor and Michelle Walker is the new Program Technician. Please stop by and say hello ☺

Future EOPS students: Consider applying for EOPS. You will receive individual attention, assistance with textbooks, and personalized support toward your goals! Applications for the spring semester are available starting October 1st. Visit our website, www.gocolumbia.edu/eops, for eligibility and program information.

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE



Have you checked your assigned student e-mail yet? Financial Aid Award Notifications are sent to this email address only! **Financial Aid emails WILL NOT be forwarded to a personal email address!**

Have you received & activated your "My YCCD Card"? For more information regarding your "My YCCD Card" please visit the Higher One link on the Financial Aid Webpage.

HEALTH SERVICES



Health Services is open and office hours are:
M, T, W, F: 9-4:00PM and until 6:00PM on Thursdays.

The BOB Health Van will be on campus Tuesday afternoons from 1-3:00P starting September 10.

Mental health counseling appointments are available beginning September 27. Please call 588-5204 to schedule an appointment.

All services are covered by your health fee!



Do you need help...

- ...understanding course material?
 - ... improving study skills?
 - ... finding a place to study?
- Then come and visit the AAC!

If you answered "yes" to any of the above, then come and visit the

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTER (AAC)

The AAC offers all of the above and **free** tutoring to all Columbia College students. Call or stop by Manzanita 18-2 today! **588-5088**

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THE LIBRARY

Check it out! Your library has a great selection of books, movies, music, and textbooks. Textbooks? That's right. We don't have every single one, but we have a healthy selection. The textbooks are to be used in the library and have a two-hour time limit. Movies? Yes indeed! Sometimes you just need a break from studying. Music? From reggae to rock or country to classical. Books? But, of course! And the library has databases that you can use here on campus or at home. We are open 12 hours a day, 7:45 a.m.-7:45 p.m. The view of the pond is especially nice from the library's easy chairs. Come and check it out!

CAMPUS SECURITY



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- If you have a dead battery or lock your keys in your car, we can help (if needing an "unlock", be prepared to show that you are the owner of the vehicle). Call Security at 566-5476.
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STUDENT LEADERSHIP

The Associated Students of Columbia College (ASCC) are the officially recognized student group that represents all students of Columbia College. The Student Government is a vital part of all Columbia College activities and programs. Elected representatives and student committees work to ensure the voice of the students are represented within the decision-making bodies of the college. Members of the ASCC are proud to participate in student government at Columbia College and are equally delighted to share our enthusiasm with you. Student government positions are available. Please contact us to get involved. Don't forget to leave your name and

contact information when calling, if you are interested in a position. Meetings are held on Tuesdays from 2-3pm in the Student Center/Ponderosa Building. Please call us at 209.588.5270 or 209.588.5111 or visit our website at asccpresident@student.yosemite.edu.



DISTANCE LEARNING

The *ITC* (Instructional Technology Center) is located in Tamarack Hall (the library building) in room 134 where faculty, staff, and students can work on multimedia projects and receive assistance with online instruction.

ITC Hours:

Mondays	9:00 – 11:30AM & 1:00 – 4:00PM
Tuesdays	9:00 – 11:30AM & 1:00 – 4:00PM
Wednesdays	9:00 – 11:30AM & 1:00 – 4:00PM
Thursdays	9:00 – 11:30AM & 1:00 – 4:00PM
Fridays	By appointment only

Please call 588-5011 and make an appointment to ensure someone is available to work with you.

The *ITC* has a variety of software programs, such as:

- ☐ MS Office Suite
- ☐ Master Adobe Creative Suite CS 5.5
- ☐ Internet Explorer, Google Chrome & Firefox Browsers
- ☐ QuickTime
- ☐ Real Player

The *ITC* hosts the following technology apparatus:

- ☐ State of the art iMac lab
- ☐ Multimedia-ready PC computers
- ☐ Scanners
- ☐ Copiers
- ☐ DVD & CD duplicators
- ☐ Green Screen
- ☐ SmartBoard Technology
- ☐ Other multimedia equipment

TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

What's New in TRIO?

Applications for the fall semester are closed, but you can still pick up an application for the spring semester.

Field Trips: The first TRiO field trip of the semester will take place at UC Davis at a later date. Stay Tuned.

Peer Mentoring: Check in with your peer mentors in the Welcome Center. We would like to introduce several new mentors to the program. Jessica, Mattie, Matt, Dominic, and Kim will be here to assist you in the office.

Academic Counseling: Please make sure that you are scheduling your first appointment with your counselor, as well as your mid-semester appointment too.

Reminders:

Semester Orientations in Manzanita 14:

Monday	9/09 @ 8am
Tuesday	9/10 @ 9am
Wednesday	9/11 @ 10am
Thursday	9/12 @ 11am
Friday	9/13 @ 12 pm

We also have a Blackboard and a Facebook, as well as the TRiO website, which has tons of info to help you be successful in college. Check them out for quick answers to tough questions.

Important Dates

- Oct. 4 Deadline for filing for graduation, Certificates of Achievement and Skills Attainment Certificates for Spring 2014



Student Success Workshops

Oct. 1	11:30 – 12:30 pm	Relieving Stress
Oct. 2	11 am – 12 noon	Dream Act Eligibility/Benefits
Oct. 9	9 am – 10 am	Studying w/Children At Home
Oct. 10	3 pm – 4 pm	Note Taking/Study Strategies
Oct. 15	1 pm – 2 pm	Avoiding Procrastination
Oct. 17	10:30 – 11:30 am	7 Habits of Successful People
Oct. 22	10 am – 11 am	Relaxation Strategies
Oct. 24	12:30 – 1:30 pm	Financial Literacy
Oct. 29	11 am – 12 noon	Creating Effective Resumes
Oct. 30	1:30 – 2:30 pm	Success for Foster Youth
Oct 30	1 pm – 2:30 pm	UC Personal Statement Application (Manzanita 18-1)

All workshops will be held in the Career/Transfer Center, Room 14 in the Manzanita Building unless otherwise indicated.

ALL STUDENTS ARE WELCOME!! BRING A FRIEND!



Flooded with assignments, projects, & papers...???

Grab a lifeline BEFORE you're underwater and visit the...

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THE COUNSELING OFFICE

Graduating Spring 2014? Applications for Spring graduation are due October 4! You must meet with a counselor to complete the application and verify you have met your degree/certificate requirements.

Planning to transfer to a university in Fall of 2014?

CSU and UC applications will be ready soon, and need to be completely submitted by Nov 30. Counselors can help you with this process and to make sure you are planning your coursework appropriately for transfer success.

Coming next fall—you will need to have an educational plan on file and be in good academic standing to receive a priority registration date. Get in to see a counselor now so you will be good to go!

Visit our website (www.gocolumbia.edu/counseling)

for tons of information and access to our **e-advising** link, and keep updated with us by liking our **Facebook** page at [ccounseling](https://www.facebook.com/ccounseling). See you on-line!

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Academic Counseling: Please make sure that you are scheduling your mid-semester appointments by calling 588-5109.

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Claim Jumper Day



Columbia College is holding its

second annual Claim Jumper Day on Thursday, October 3, from 10:00am to 1:00pm in Carkeet Park when high school juniors and seniors will visit campus and be invited to obtain information about the academic opportunities available at Columbia College. Students will tour the campus upon arrival then peruse the Career Technical Education, Arts & Sciences, and Special Program booths in Carkeet Park. Last year's Claim Jumper Day was well attended, and we anticipate an even greater number will be present at this year's event! If you are interested in being a tour guide, please call Doralyn Foletti at 588-5111 or Colleen Henry at 588-5132.



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Financial Aid Office



Are you struggling financially this semester?

Federal and State funding can ease the burden. If you qualify, you can receive retroactive pay for the units you earned this semester. It is well worth a try! Apply now at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Financial Aid takes 12 weeks to process, so don't delay.....apply today!

Need Assistance with your Higher One Card or completing your FAFSA Application??

Financial Aid Open Lab Assistance is available in the Financial Aid Office located in Manzanita 18-3 on:


Thursday	10/10/2013	2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Monday	10/14/2013	11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Wednesday	10/23/2013	10:00 am - 11:00 am
Friday	11/01/2013	9:30 am - 10:30 am

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Have you been checking your assigned student email?

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 **Have You Received and Activated your "My YCCD Card"?** For more information regarding your "My YCCD Card", please visit the Higher One link on the Financial Aid Webpage.

Financial Aid Myth #42

Myth: *I will not be enrolled in full-time units so I do not qualify for Financial Aid.*

Answer: Untrue. Students with a high financial need (low EFC number) can qualify for financial aid for as little as three units. Talk to your financial aid technician today and see if you're eligible.

Financial Aid Office Hours

Monday - Thursday	8:00 am - 4:30 pm
Friday	9:00 am - 4:30 pm

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The Columbia Jazz Series

The Columbia Jazz Artist Series is announcing the start of their 35th Season with a special double concert weekend featuring top jazz performers vocalist Elaine Gibbs and saxman Paul Contos with the Columbia 20-piece Big Band and singers.



Saturday night, October 5th, at 7:30pm

Sunday matinee, October 6th, at 2:30pm

Tickets are \$20 for reserved seating and are available at the Manzanita Bookstore and at the Mountain Bookshop at the Junction Shopping Center in East Sonora. Concert tickets are also available by phone Monday - Friday from 8am to 5pm by calling (209) 588-5126. Remaining seats are always available at the door.

Math Lab Hours

New hours are 8:00am to 4:30pm Monday through Friday.
The Math Lab is located in Juniper 5.

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Thurs 9am - 6pm

The BOB Health Van is on campus Tuesday afternoons from 3pm in front of the Oak Ravilion.

Mental Health counseling appointments are available by calling 588-5204.



According to the health survey taken last fall Columbia College students are looking for more ways to manage stress and nutrition. Come explore options at.....

The 4th semi-annual
Columbia Wellness Fair
October 23rd and 24th, 10am - 3pm

Manzanita Building

We will again highlight the 6 dimensions of health (physical, emotional, occupational, spiritual, social, and intellectual) through hands-on activities: Eureka Career exploration program, ceramics with Sifu Berchtold, seated massage, yoga, tai chi, singing, nutritious recipes, free soup, tea, Columbia College health statistics, mind expanding games, student clubs, meditations, herbal demos, Obama-care information....

Come to enjoy!



Tuolumne County Health Fair at the Sonora Fairgrounds will be Tuesday and Wednesday October 15 & 16 from 7am-3pm. Open to the public. Free flu shots, \$25 blood panel (requires a 12hr fast), hearing tests, blood pressure, eye exams, teeth consult, local health related booths.

Want to learn more about Obama-Care?

Want to understand the new health insurance choices? Come to the Columbia College Wellness Fair for a full explanation and information from trained professionals.

Security Office



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The midterms are coming!

Guidance, Preparation, Success asks:
how do you learn?

October's GPS tool is **learning styles**. Discover how you learn best by taking a quick questionnaire on the computers in the AAC, and you'll find learning style-specific study tips to help you wake up from your midterm nightmare.

Also look on campus for events and informational cards pertaining to learning styles.

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Student Leadership

Upcoming Events

October 7th *Ice-cream Social*, 12-3pm in Student Center

October 8th *Club Day*, 10am-2pm in front of the Library

October 9th *Student Forum*, 11am-2:30pm in Dogwood

Student



Monthly Bulletin

November, 2013



Important Dates

Nov. 11	Holiday: Veteran's Day
Nov. 14	Last day to withdraw from any course
Nov. 21	Priority registration for Spring semester
Nov. 25-Dec. 4	Continuing student registration for Spring semester
Nov. 28-29	Holiday: Thanksgiving
Dec. 5-6	New matric registration for Spring semester

Student Success Workshops

Nov. 5	2 pm – 3 pm	Career Exploration
Nov. 7	11 am – 12 noon	Transfer Readiness
Nov. 13	2:30 – 3:30 pm	Financial Literacy
Nov. 14	1 pm – 2 pm	Healthy Holidays
Nov. 19	12 noon – 1 pm	Preparing for Finals
Nov. 21	2 pm – 3 pm	Reflecting on Progress
Nov. 25	12 noon – 1 pm	Understanding your Financial Aid

All workshops held in Career Transfer Center / Manzanita 14

All students are welcome!
Bring a friend!!

SPRING SEMESTER CLASS SCHEDULES

Spring semester class schedules are now available online!!

Get ready for registration by checking out the Columbia College website, and decide what classes you'd like to take!

http://www.gocolumbia.edu/catalog_schedules/spring14/default.php

Hard copies will be available from November 7, 2013



TRiO Student Support Services

What's new in TRiO SSS?

Peer Mentoring: Come and check in with your peer mentors to get assistance with the new scholarship application and any other concerns you are having this semester. We always have someone available to help you in the Welcome Center Monday through Friday from 8:00am—4:30pm.

Scholarships: The deadline for the Osher Scholarship application is extended to November 7th. The Columbia College scholarship application is due December 2nd. The application link can be found in your student email.

CSU and UC Applications: The last submission date possible for CSU and UC applications is November 30th.

Email: Please check your emails weekly for updates on field trip information and vote for the colleges you want to visit next year. If you are still having trouble signing into the student email, stop by the Welcome Center for assistance.

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Monday	11/18/2013	8:30 am – 9:30 am

Have you been checking your assigned student email?

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Financial Aid Myth:

".....I applied for the Board of Governors Fee Waiver and didn't qualify. I won't qualify for Federal grants either."

Reality: The BOGW granted by the state of California does have specific income limitations in determining eligibility; however the Department of Education takes many of your answers given in the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) into consideration. Students are often granted a federal fee waiver by filling out the FAFSA, as well as grants. Apply today to see if you are eligible.

In Spring 2014 the Financial Aid / Veterans Office will be temporarily moved to Sequoia 110 while the Manzanita Building is being re-modeled.

Come by and visit us in our temporary home.



HOT JOBS

- #113 **Design Assistant**
Approximately 4 hours per week. Duties include typing, doing web searches, web assistance.
- #502 **Caregiver**
Looking for someone to do some light housekeeping and cooking for a senior individual. In exchange for a room and bathroom rent free.
- #1100 **Student Teacher's Aid**
To work in Child Care Center

For information on how to apply for these positions, please go online to:

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EOP&S / CARE



Future Students: Consider applying for EOPS! You will receive individual attention, assistance with textbooks, and personalized support toward your goals! Applications for the Spring semester are available and due no later than Thursday, November 14, 2013. Visit our website, http://www.gocolumbia.edu/eops_care/ for eligibility and program information, or stop by Manzanita Building 18-3 to pick up an application TODAY!

Current EOP&S and CARE students: Mid-semester counseling sessions have already begun and must be completed no later than November 15th! Call 588-5130 or stop by Manzanita Building 18-3 to make your appointment. Remember that Thursday, November 14th is the last day to drop a full-semester class. Come talk with us if you are considering making any changes to your schedule.

Student Health Services

Columbia Wellness Fair Follow-up

"Love the Wellness Fair!" says one student.

"Awesome event!" says another.



Whether you were one of the many volunteers or a student who learned "to stay calm to be healthier" or "more about the different options on campus", we appreciate your participation in Columbia College's fourth Wellness Fair. Over 250 students participated this year's event and we look forward to seeing you at many more to come. If you missed it and would like follow-up information, please stop by the Health Services Office in Juniper 2 to talk to us about how to incorporate the "six dimensions of health" into your wellness plan!

Flu Info: Flu vaccinations are now available in Health Services (Juniper 2) for \$5 for students and \$25 for staff (pay in the Business Office). Also available at no cost on the BOB Health Van, Tuesdays 1-3:30pm, in front of Oak Pavilion. Also, come and get other flu information and supplies in Health Services. Get healthy, stay healthy!!

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Ready for Finals.....???

They'll be here before you know it!

Get a head start on them by visiting the....

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Business Services

Public Hours:

Mon.—Thurs. 8:00am—5:30pm

Fri. 9:00am—4:30pm

Holiday Closures—November 11, 28 and 29

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Food for Fines



The library began *Food for Fines* on Monday, October 27. *Food for Fines* is designed to help students eliminate those pesky fines and, at the same time, provide food for the local food banks. For every can of food, \$1 will be forgiven on a student's fine bill. Cans can be delivered to the library circulation desk for fine credit. *Food for Fines* will run through the third week of November.



Guidance, Preparation, Success (GPS)

Introduces the 3 R's:

Release, Reduce, Rethink

November's GPS tool is Balancing Stress, so we will be focusing on the 3 R's and providing a few techniques to help you balance your stress in this wild semester.

Also look on campus for events & informational cards pertaining to October's "Learning Styles" tool.

GPS is a project designed by students, staff, and faculty to enhance the overall wellness and success of all students at Columbia College. To get involved, contact Franchesca Cavagnaro in the AAC: 588-5088



Coats, Clothing & More

The *Coats, Clothing & More* drive ends this week. Distribution of clothing to students in need will be on Tuesday November 12 and Wednesday November 13 from 9am to 5pm outside the Snack Bar in the Manzanita building. If you need something either for yourself or a family member, make sure to stop by. This is our chance as students to help other students in need.



Monthly Bulletin

December, 2013



Important Dates

Nov. 25 - Dec. 4	Continuing student registration for Spring semester
Dec. 5 - 6	New matric registration for Spring semester
Dec. 9 - Jan. 10	Open registration for all students
Dec. 14	Last day of semester
Dec. 24 - Jan. 1	Campus closed for Christmas break
Jan. 2	Campus reopens
Jan. 8	Assessment & Orientation Day
Jan. 13	First day of Spring Semester
Jan. 20	Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr.
Jan. 24	Last day to drop a course on campus for a refund
Jan. 24	Last day to drop a course on campus without a "W"
Jan. 26	Last day to drop a course online for a refund
Jan. 26	Last day to drop a course online without a "W"

Annual Christmas Giving Tree



Christmas is just around the corner and last year your kindness helped to bring smiles to many young faces of children who attend the Columbia College Child Care Center and their siblings. This year the need is much greater. Would you like to donate a gift for a child? If so, please select an ornament from the Christmas Giving Tree in the Rotunda. The ornament will have a child's information on the back, buy a gift, WRAP IT, and then return the wrapped gift with original ornament tag to the Student Senate Office in the Ponderosa building.

*Return wrapped gift by
4:00pm on December 6*

Thank you for helping to make this Christmas a joyous one for many children.

Sponsored by:
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF COLUMBIA COLLEGE

Finals Cram Night



Finals cram night is Thursday, December 5th in the library. Cram night runs from 6-10pm. Instructors and tutors will be on hand for those last minute questions. ASCC will provide food and drink for the evening. Come join us!! Ask your instructors if they will be there!

Financial Aid Office



In Spring 2014 the Financial Aid / Veterans Office will be temporarily moved to Sequoia 110 while the Manzanita building is being re-modeled. Come by and visit us in our temporary home.

The Priority Financial Aid deadline to submit your FAFSA for 2014-2015 academic year is March 2nd, 2014. If you are required to do so be sure to file your taxes early in order to submit accurate data.

The 2014-2015 FAFSA will be available January 1, 2014

Did you struggle financially this semester?

Federal and State funding can ease the burden. It's not too late to apply for funding for the Spring Semester. If you qualify, you can receive retroactive pay for the units you earned this Fall Semester. It's well worth a try!! © Apply now at www.FAFSA.ed.gov

Need Assistance with your Higher One Card??? FAFSA Application??

Financial Aid Open Lab Assistance located in Financial Aid Office (Manzanita 18-3)

Monday	12/02/2013	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Tuesday	12/10/2013	10:00am - 1:00am
Wednesday	12/18/2013	1:30pm - 2:30pm

Have you been checking your assigned student email?

Financial Aid Award Notifications are sent to this email address only!

Financial Aid Office Hours

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

***Please be aware of financial aid scams.
The FAFSA and Financial Aid advice is free!!!!***

Here are some warning signs of Financial Aid scams:

- Demands that you pay an up-front filing or processing fee;
- Requests for credit card numbers or bank account information;
- Claims that a company can offer "exclusive" information;
- Promised to give you cash if you first pay a registration fee;
- Offers for a lower interest rate if you pay a larger fee in advance; and
- Claims that the company will convert a loan into a grant—but only if you first pay a fee.

**Use the official and secure FAFSA on the web. Go to
WWW.FAFSA.ED.GOV**

Business Services

**Public Hours: Mon. - Thu. 8am to 4:30pm,
Fri. 9am to 4:30pm**

Spring registration continues this month. Don't be dropped or blocked over the winter break, be sure to pay any fees as soon as you register. All students have fees, even students with fee waivers. Mailed payments received after closing on December 23 will not be processed before January 2, 2014. In January our office will be relocated to the Sequoia building.



Ready for Finals.....???

Get some help and do your best by visiting the....

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTER (AAC)

The AAC offers:

- * Free tutoring.
- * Test-taking help including creating study plans and reducing test anxiety.
- * Study Space.

Call 588-5088 or stop by the AAC in Manzanita 18-2 today!



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HOT JOBS

- #502 Caregiver**
Looking for someone to do some light housekeeping and cooking for a senior individual. In exchange for a room and bathroom rent free.
- #1105 Part Time Nanny**
I have an 8yr old and a 10yr old. I need someone to pick up kids from the bus stop and take them to swim practice at SSFC. Drive them home, serve them dinner (already made), clean-up dinner, help with homework, and put them to bed.
- #301 Maintenance Worker**
Under supervision, help maintain Early/Head Start/State Preschool classrooms & grounds. This includes: minor classroom repair, plumbing, landscaping, weed eating, painting, sanding, etc.

For information on how to apply for these positions, please go online to:
www.gocolumbia.edu/student_services/job_placement/listings.php



Student Health Services



Did you play with clay at the Wellness Fair?

You can pick up your pieces from the Health Services office in Juniper 2, until the end of the semester.

Wellness Fair Follow-Up Survey

Please look for the Wellness Fair follow-up survey coming soon in your student email. Please take the time to fill these out as they help us track and improve our next Wellness Fair. Thank you ahead of time!



Guidance, Preparation, Success (GPS)
asks:

Do you have a plan to prepare for finals?

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SPRING SEMESTER CLASS SCHEDULES

Spring semester class schedules are now available!!

Get ready for registration by checking out the Columbia College website, and decide what classes you'd like to take!

http://www.gocolumbia.edu/catalog_schedules/spring14/default.php

Hard copies are also available in the Counseling Office

EOP&S / CARE



New Applicants: A big welcome to the 50+ new students accepted at the EOPS program for Spring semester! Remember, the next step in the process is to attend the "intake" process at the beginning of the Spring semester. If you have any questions, give us a call on 588-5130, or stop by the Special Programs desk in Manzanita 18-3.

Current Students: Please call to schedule your "End-of-Term" appointment. This 3rd appointment is your final counselling requirement for the semester. We are also completing the "intake" process during this 3rd appointment so if you are planning to continue with EOPS in the Spring semester, it is doubly important to attend!!! The deadline to complete this appointment is Friday, December 13th. Call 588-5109 to schedule your final appointment.

Good luck with finals and enjoy the holidays!!

EOPS / CARE are moving to the Toyon building on January 2nd & 3rd.



DSPS has a Call to Action on:

Wednesday, January 8th 10 am - 12 noon
1 pm - 3 pm



TRiO Student Support Services

"More than a student...
become a *Scholar* with TRiO Student Support Services"

- Visit your Peer Mentor on Cram Night (12/5/13) in the Library. We will provide a stress-free, non-judgmental, listening environment for you to prepare for your finals or just unwind.
- Semester Orientations for ALL enrolled-trio-students (Spring 2014 term) held each day Jan. 13th-24th 2014. Check your email soon for details on times and room location.
- Not sure if you are getting all the latest TRiO news? Check in with our office (Manz. 17) to ensure we have the correct contact information for you on file.
* Look for our new offices in Sequoia in January 2014
- Congratulations to all trio-students who completed the Columbia College Scholarship application this year! We are so proud of your accomplishments!
- Want to graduate faster, with a higher GPA, and transfer to the University of your choice? Then stay in touch with TRiO SSS; we are here for you!

Happy New Year to all!!!!!!

Student



Monthly Bulletin

February, 2014



Important Dates

Feb. 13	Last day to elect for Pass/No Pass grading
Feb. 14	Holiday: Lincoln Birthday
Feb. 15-16	Non-instruction days
Feb. 17	Holiday: Washington Birthday
Feb. 21	Deadline for filing for Degrees, Certificates of Achievement and Skills Attainment Certificates for Fall 2014.

Student Success Workshops

Feb. 4	12 noon – 1 pm	Understanding Financial Aid
Feb. 5	11 am – 12 noon	Time Management/Organization
Feb. 11	10 am – 11 am	Breaking Down Barriers
Feb. 19	10 am – 11 am and 2 pm – 3 pm	Student Success Seminar
Feb. 20	1 pm – 2 pm	Transfer Readiness
Feb. 25	10:30 – 11:30 am	Financial Literacy
Feb. 27	2 pm – 3 pm	Study Tips & Strategies

All workshops held in Career Transfer Center / Sequoia 109

All students are welcome!



Business Services

February office hours:

2/3/14 – 2/7/14

Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

2/10/14 – 2/28/14

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Holiday Closure: 2/14/14 and 2/17/14.



Come check out the AAC's new location!

Tamarack, 2nd Floor

The AAC offers:

- * Free tutoring in most subjects & study skills
- * Computers with Free Printing
- * A brand new place to study

Call 588-5088 or stop by the Academic Achievement Center on the second floor of Tamarack today.
Open to ALL Columbia students.

Financial Aid Office



**2014-2015 FAFSA IS NOW AVAILABLE
DEADLINE IS MARCH 2ND!!!**

THE PRIORITY FINANCIAL AID DEADLINE TO
SUBMIT OR POSTMARK YOUR FAFSA FOR 2014-15
ACADEMIC YEAR IS MARCH 2ND.

IF YOU ARE REQUIRED TO DO SO, BE SURE TO FILE
YOUR TAXES EARLY IN ORDER TO SUBMIT ACCURATE
DATA!!

Columbia College is offering a Free Financial Aid

Assistance Workshop

for our community members:

When: Saturday March 1st 2014

Time: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Where: Columbia College, Buckeye Room 4

For more information on Financial Aid or this workshop please
call the Columbia College Financial Aid Office at (209) 588-5105
or (209) 588-5272

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aid if you drop below half-time enrollment (6 units) after receiving
your first financial aid disbursement.

Have You Been Checking Your Assigned Student Email

Financial Aid Award Notifications are sent to this email address
only!

Have You Received and Activated your "My YCCD Card"

For more information regarding your "My YCCD Card"
please visit the Higher One link on the Financial Aid Webpage

DON'T FORGET:

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE HAS MOVED TO SEQUOIA 110

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY-THURSDAY 8:00AM-4:30PM

FRIDAY 9:00AM-4:30PM

STUDENTS WITH LAST NAMES BEGINNING WITH A-L WILL BE
ASSISTED BY DANA BAKER

PLEASE CONTACT AT: (209)588-5105 OR BAKERDA@YOSEMITE.EDU

STUDENTS WITH LAST NAMES BEGINNING WITH M-Z WILL BE
ASSISTED BY KELSIE BONAIVA

PLEASE CONTACT AT: (209)588-5272 OR
BONAVIAK@YOSEMITE.EDU



Student IDs

Available at Student Center in the Ponderosa Building. Please
make sure you have photo ID and your class schedule with
you.

Hours: M—F 8am to 12 noon or by appointment on 588-2174



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For appointments call Tracey on 588-5109
or drop in to Sequoia 120!!



HOT JOBS

#1101 Child Caregiver for Private Family

Seeking a reliable and responsible person to take care of two children on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12-5:30/6:30 and one or two Saturdays a month.

#106 Resource Specialist

Mother Lode Job Training, \$15.23—\$19.59 PER HOUR.

For information on how to apply for these positions, please go online to:

www.gocolumbia.edu/student_services/job_placement/listings.php



Student Health Services



Mark your calendars for the Spring
Wellness Fair!!

March 18 & 19, 2014.

- ❏ The BOB Health Van and the Project Hope Van will not be on campus this semester. So sorry!!
- ❏ Health services has a small supply of Flu Vaccine available for FREE! For free flu vaccinations drop in to Health Services in Juniper 2.
- ❏ TB testing material is currently unavailable.....again, so sorry!



FOOD BANK

The Food Bank is located in the Student Center and hours are Monday to Thursday, 9am – 12pm, and Fridays by appointment only.



Open to students and the public.

Phone: 588-5111, 588-2174 or 588-5270

EOP&S / CARE



Current Students: Please call to schedule your "Educational Plan" appointment. This appointment is the 1st of your 3 required Counseling sessions for the semester. The deadline to complete your Educational Plan is February 28th. Call 588-5130 to schedule this appointment.

Applications: We are currently accepting applications for the Fall semester! We anticipate having more applicants than space available – and applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first serve basis. Please stop by our new office in the Toyon Building to request and submit the application. Applications are also available online at:

http://www.gocolumbia.edu/eops_care/



Guidance, Preparation, Success (GPS)

Invites you to

Know and Use Campus Resources!

February's GPS tool pertains to using services on campus. From tutoring to health services, Columbia College offers a variety of resources to students. Get to know and use them early in the semester.

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TRiO Student Support Services

Welcome Back Scholars! Spring semester is the time for graduating, planning and progressing to the next step. We are excited to help you get there faster, with a higher GPA increasing your chances of being awarded scholarships, and being accepted into your top university choice. Let's make it happen today!!!

- Did you attend a **TRiO Semester Orientation** last week? If not, please drop in to see a friendly Peer Mentor in Sequoia 109 (Career/Transfer Center) to get caught up on all the changes happening at the college. Don't let yourself fall through the cracks; we are here to keep you on track.

- Have you **started your FAFSA** yet? Remember meeting the deadline is important to maximize your award monies. Any Peer Mentor can help you if you get stuck on the application; or check out the Financial Aid office's workshop times for hands-on assistance from the experts.

- Keeping your **Priority Registration** is changing.....come see your TRiO Academic Counselor and find out how.

- Need something? Have questions? Stay in touch with your "home base" - the TRiO staff and offices are here to serve you!

588-5066 or 588-2193 in Sequoia 120/109

Student



Monthly Bulletin

March, 2014



Student Success Workshops

Mar. 4	11 am – 12 noon	Relieving Stress
Mar. 6	1:30 – 2:30 pm	Dream Act Eligibility/Benefits
Mar. 12	10 am – 11 am	Note-Taking by Subject
Mar. 13	1 pm – 2 pm	Research Strategies
Mar. 19	1 pm – 2 pm	Job Search Strategies
Mar. 20	2:30 - 3:30 pm	Financial Literacy
Mar. 27	10 am – 11 am	College Success for Foster Youth

All workshops held in Career Transfer Center / Sequoia 109

All students are welcome!
Bring a friend!!

“Classroom to Capital”

On Monday March 3rd, a number of Columbia College students will attend the ‘March in March’ activity at the State Capital to express their support for the theme “Classroom to Capital”; California Community College’s ability to maintain accessibility, affordability and quality within the institutions of the system.

The trip has been made possible by sponsorship from the Associated Students of Columbia College, and is free to all Columbia College students. There is limited seating so sign up at the Student Center, in the Ponderosa building by Thursday, February 27th. The bus will leave from the Oak Pavilion at 7:00am and will return by 5:30pm. A box lunch will be provided.



Let the AAC help you march
toward midterms!

March is Midterm Month

The AAC offers:

- * Free tutoring in most subjects & study skills
- * Computers with Free Printing
- * Weapons for exam victory!

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Students with last names beginning with A-L will be assisted by Dana Baker

Please contact at: (209)588-5105 or bakerda@yosemite.edu

Students with last names beginning with M-Z will be assisted by Kelsie Bonavia

Please contact at: (209)588-5272 or bonaviak@yosemite.edu

Business Services

March office hours:

3/3/14 – 3/14/14 and 3/31/14

Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

3/17/14 – 3/28/14

Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



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HOT JOBS

- # 639 **Tasting Room Staff**
Wine pourer in Main Street tasting room in Murphys.
- # 1406 **Program Director/Air Talent**
Knowledge of Wide Orbit Automation and Power Gold software, leadership skills.
- # 637 **Prep/Side/Cook/Server**
Serving, cooking and preparing food.

For information on how to apply for these positions, please go online to:
www.gocolumbia.edu/student_services/job_placement/listings.php



Library News



Did you know the library is actively pursuing textbook purchases for ALL Columbia College classes?

If you did, and have used them, please stop by the library the first week of March to fill out the **Reserve Textbook Survey**. We'll reward you for your efforts with a sweet treat!!



Student Health Services



Spring Wellness Fair will now be held the week beginning April 14.

Look out for events at various locations and times on campus during this week. Don't miss out on a perfect opportunity to de-stress before your finals!!

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EOP&S / CARE



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Coming this March to a wallet near you...



and **TRiO**
STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Present

Making it all Add Up

March's GPS tool pertains to better managing your money. Money-related matters can seriously impact your experiences in life and in school, so learn to **stop buying into stress!**

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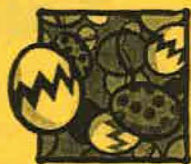
TRiO TRiO Student Support Services

- Make your next Academic Counseling appointment to pick out Summer and Fall classes no later than March 30th.
- Complete **your FAFSA** by March 2nd..... But, if you miss the deadline get it done as soon as possible!
 - ☆ Need help doing your taxes so you can complete your FAFSA? Call ATCAA to find out about assistance available this tax season on 588-1397 <http://atcaa.org/about-atcaa/office-information/>
- If you would like to meet with Anneka, the program Director, please make an appointment by calling 588-5109.

Manzanita Bookstore

Come by and see the artist being featured by **Manzanita Bookstore this month!**

Steve Berchtold will be showing his oil paintings until March 28th. We will be having a reception for him with cookies and coffee during the month, so look out for those announcements!!!



Monthly Bulletin

April, 2014



Important Dates

April 7. Last day to drop any full-semester course

**** Summer 2014 Registration ****

April 7. Priority

April 8. Continuing

April 14. New Matric Students

April 15. Open

Student Success Workshops

Apr. 1 11 am – 12 noon Career Exploration

Apr. 3 2 pm – 3 pm Interview with Confidence

Apr. 8 10 am – 11 am Memory Strategies

Apr. 9 12:30 – 1:30 pm Financial Literacy

Apr. 15 1 pm – 2 pm Prep for Finals/Avoiding Anxiety

Apr. 17 11 am - 12 noon Reflecting on Progress

Apr. 22 11 am – 12 noon Understanding your Financial Aid

All workshops held in Career Transfer Center / Sequoia 109

Weekly Matriculation Events !!!

Don't miss this opportunity!

Get everything done in one place!

- Assessment tests,
- Orientation sessions,
- Abbreviated education plans,
- Register for classes (dates apply)

Schedule your spot by calling 588-5109

First come, first served!

Dates: April 8, April 16

Time: 9am in Sequoia 109

Finals Cram Night!

The ASCC and the Library will be teaming up for the 6th Finals Cram Night to be held Thursday, April 17th in the library. The event runs from 6 – 10 pm. Instructors, tutors and food will be available. Come join the activities for a casual relaxed time to ask any last minute questions of your instructors, study with friends or check in with a tutor for some last minute help!



Financial Aid Office

Did you miss turning in your 2014-2015 FAFSA by March 2nd??

Don't fret! You still have time to complete your 2014-2015 FAFSA and receive funding for the 2014-2015 academic year! Come by the Financial Aid Office in Sequoia 110 to find out how.

Do you need assistance with your Higher One Card, or your FAFSA???

Financial Aid continues to offer workshops to answer all your questions. Workshop times:

Mondays & Wednesdays 9 am - 11 am and 1 pm - 2 pm

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:30 am - 4 pm

Fridays 9 am - 4 pm

Upcoming Financial Events:

April 14th through April 16th, 9 am - 3 pm, the Financial Aid Office will be hosting the Financial Aid Wellness Event. Come learn about financial literacy, budget tips, how to start a savings, etc. While you're here you can check the status of your financial aid as well!!

Upcoming Veterans Benefits Events:

The VA Mobile Medical Outreach Team will be available at the Student Veteran Benefit Center on April 17th 2014, 10 am - 2 pm. The VA Mobile Medical Outreach Team will provide examinations, consultations, and referrals. If you are uncertain about your eligibility for medical or mental health services, the VA Mobile Medical Outreach Team can provide you with assistance for eligibility and enrollment for VA care. If you are not currently in the VA system, make sure to bring an extra copy of your DD214 (discharge papers) to attach to your enrollment form.



Follow the Financial Aid Office on Twitter at @columbiafinaid

Don't forget:

Financial Aid office has moved to Sequoia 110

Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:00am-4:30pm

Friday 9:00am-4:30pm



Finals are on the way, and the AAC want to help you.....

Become a Test-Taking Boss!!

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- * Free help with test prep & other study skills
- * Free tutoring in most subjects
- * Tips to make your next exam afraid of you!

Academic Achievement Center
2nd Floor Tamarack 588-5088
Open and free to ALL Columbia students!



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TRiO TRiO Student Support Services

~TRiO SSS...becoming a scholar: let us help you navigate the complexities of succeeding in higher education~

- Next field trip to Stanford University May, 2014.....details coming soon!
- Winner of the referral to TRiO contest was Kathy Canepa. Thanks so much for helping more students join TRiO SSS.
- **Mark your calendars to make sure you use your Priority Registration exact date/time so you don't miss out on the course you need!** Log-on to connectColumbia to view your assigned date/time; view thru connectColumbia on April 2nd for summer registrations, and April 25th for fall registrations.
- Do you know who your assigned Academic Counselor is for TRiO SSS??? Even if you are enrolled in another program you should see a TRiO Counselor too! They will have summer appointments available through June. Every appointment you make puts you that much closer to your graduation and transfer goals!
- Did you forget to complete your FAFSA by the March 2nd, priority deadline?? If so, it is NOT too late. But the sooner the better to ensure you get the maximum award. You can still fill out the FAFSA to find out what your financial aid award will be for 2014-15 academic year. Come see a TRiO Peer Mentor for assistance!! We are always here to help. ☺

Student Health Services

Spring Wellness Fair

April 14 - April 16



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HOT JOBS

- # 105 **Box Office Assistant**
Sierra Repertory Theatre, 15-20 hours per week, \$8 per hour.
- # 802 **Various Summer Camp Jobs**
Girl Scouts Camp, Menzies near Arnold. \$40-\$90 per day plus room and board.
- # 912 **Sales Associate Positions**
Maurices, full and part-time positions available. Sonora location will open in June.

For information on how to apply for these positions, please go online to:

www.gocolumbia.edu/student_services/job_placement/listings.php

Manzanita Bookstore

Student artist featured for the month of April is:

Rebecca Forbes

Please come by and see her paintings in the bookstore. Look for signs of "meet the artist" coming soon!



Buyback is April 21st thru May 2nd.

Bring your used books for cash! No receipt required.

Mark your calendars, graduation announcements will be available for purchase April 7th and Graduation attire on April 14th thru graduation day, May 2nd.



This April,

Guidance, Preparation, Success asks

What's Next?

The semester is almost over! Have you thought about where you are going after this? April's GPS tool is titled **Next Step**, and has to do with planning your educational future. Whether you're trying to get your GED, you're an ESL student, or you want to transfer to a 4-year, GPS can help you step toward your goals.

GPS is a project designed by students, staff, and faculty to enhance the overall wellness and success of all students at Columbia College. To get involved, contact Franchesca Cavagnaro in the AAC: 588-5088