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Free college promise

Orientations and bridge programs have new students engaged and the Crafton Hills College counseling, career, and transfer centers abuzz with over 300 promise students committed to the program. The first of five orientations kicked off July 9-11 with jam-packed sessions aimed at helping students make informed decisions. Assessment tools helped students identify educational and professional goals associated with their personal strengths. In addition, participants learned the difference between a major and a career and were provided with an overview of the degrees and certificates offered at Crafton, transfer opportunities, and how to be successful as college students.



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Accreditation self-study data

The office of institutional effectiveness, research and planning is developing data visualizations for the Institutional Self-Evaluation Report which will be presented to the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges later this year. OIERP Dean, Dr. Giovanni Sosa explains, "Our aim is to offer the accreditation commission a concise, comprehensive, and engaging document that helps to demonstrate how CHC meets the various standards and helps us share our story of how we serve our students and community."

Here is a sneak peek at some of the observed trends in our demographic data over the past five years.

Figure 1. While we are serving fewer students between the ages of 20-24, we are serving an increased percentage of students 25 or older. Our older student population has increased by approximately 15%.

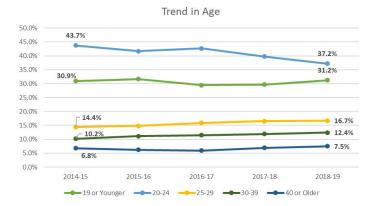
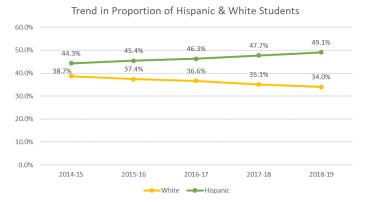


Figure 2. Since 2014-15, we are serving 11% more Hispanic students, a historically underrepresented student group.



Training our future first responders



Crafton Hills College is proud to be a founding partner along with the Redlands Unified School District, University of Redlands, and the city of Redlands police and fire departments to support the annual Redlands Emergency Services Academy (RESA).

During the annual week-long police and fire training exercises, students learn leadership skills, teamwork and the value of making a meaningful contribution to their community.

This year marked the twenty-first academy providing 21 graduates from the RUSD with this life-changing opportunity. Attendees are selected to participate following a competitive application and interview process.

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Archaeology field trip

With the help of the CHC Foundation, seven Crafton Hills College Archaeology students and three faculty members toured the Southwest's major archaeological sites on an 8 night tour through Arizona, Utah, Colorado, and New Mexico. Anthropology professor, Cheryl DiBartolo, Math professor Sherri Wilson, and Counselor Robert McAtee led the trip in June.

The group visited the Grand Canyon, Monument Valley, Four Corners Monument, Mesa Verde National Park, and Chaco Canyon. A highlight of the trip was a private all day tour of Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, where students and faculty met with working archaeologists on site and toured the facilities on campus. They hiked the Grand Canyon to see ancient pictographs and petroglyphs, climbed 30 foot ladders to tour the cliff dwellings of the Ancestral Puebloans at Mesa Verde, and took a moon walk tour of the remarkably well preserved 1000 year old ruins at Chaco Canyon, making lots of memories and great meals by the campfire.





Welcome Melissa Oshman

Our new director of technology, Melissa Oshman joined the CHC Family on July 15th with 17 years of IT experience in the K-12 system. Melissa recently relocated from San Antonio, Texas with her husband Roman who is completing his pediatric medical residency at Loma Linda Children's Hospital, and their two children Nicolas, and Renna.

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From CHC to RN

Dr. Sam Truong facilitated the first in a new student workshop series held at the Henry Stone STEM Success Center called "from CHC to ...". Crafton alumni in various phases of their nursing programs and careers were on hand to give advice to our pre-nursing students at this first workshop "from CHC to RN" (registered nurse).

Current Crafton students considering



nursing as a career choice interacted with and gleaned advice from former students who shared their experiences. Suggestions from our alumni ranged from navigating the courses here and studying tips to personal experiences at transfer institutions and employment opportunities in a variety of settings. Future workshops including "from CHC to PA" (physician's assistant) and "from CHC to RD" (registered dietitian) will introduce students to other career paths this semester.



Memorial plaque installed

An oak tree and rose bushes frame the newly installed memorial plaque located in the quad in the center of campus. The memorial garden serves as a tribute to employees who have made an impact at the college and have passed away.

An inscription reads "Under the branches of this oak tree, we memorialize the contributions, successes, and lives of those upon whose shoulders we now stand. May the roses of their efforts forever bloom in the advancement of our education and quality of life". Currently, this memorial recognizes Jay C. Edwards, Betty Byron, Aaron Race, Gordon A. Clopine, Dr. Daniel Bahner, and Betty Jo Wood.

Search for VPSS

Recruitment is underway for the vice president of student services at Crafton to replace Dr. Rebeccah Warren-Marlatt who retired in June. Applications are being accepted through the end of August at sbccd.org/ careers. Open forums will be held on campus the week of October 14th with an expected start date in Spring 2020.

Mark your calendars

8-09-19 Paramedic Graduation 6 p.m. PAC

- 8-14-19 Roadrunner Rally 3-5 p.m. Crafton Center
- 8-16-19 In Service Day 8 a.m. Crafton Hall

8-23-19 Fire/EMS Job Recruitment Fair 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Parking Lot I