



Weekly Update 9-25-20

Dear Campus Community,

Transition – Interim Dean of Enrollment Services & Support Programs

Cañada College would like to extend a sincere note of gratitude to Dr. Matais Pouncil for stepping into the Interim Dean of Enrollment Services & Support Programs this summer. His final day will be Friday, October 2 as he has accepted a new full-time position as Vice President of Academic Affairs outside of SMCCCD. Congratulations, Dr. Pouncil!

The SMCCCD Board of Trustees approved the appointment of Dr. Wissem Bennani as the Interim Dean of Enrollment Services & Support Programs effective Monday, October 5. Dr. Bennani holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in accounting from Saginaw Valley State University and a Doctorate in Education (EdD) with emphasis in Community College Leadership from San Francisco State University. He has been a strong advocate of community college internationalization, social justice and equity in education.

Dr. Bennani has over a decade of professional experience in enrollment management and student support services. He joined SMCCCD in 2014 as the Manager of the International Student Program at Skyline College. Before his work at the District, he served in different roles related to student engagement and support programs at Saginaw Valley State University. Wissem enjoys spending time with his wife and three children, and loves hiking in the beautiful Bay Area. Welcome, Dr. Bennani!



Program Review and Resource Request Process Update

PBC and IPC finalized this year's deadlines and process for the Annual Update and [resource request and prioritization process](#). For programs requesting resources for the 2021-22 budget only, Annual Updates and resource requests are due before October 23, 2020. Revised submittals, including Division Dean or VP feedback, must be completed by November 6, 2020. For more information, please see the [Program Review website](#).

Funding Availability

While this year's resource request process is currently moving forward, the PBC will hear information from Vice President Mendoza at its October 7, 2020 meeting regarding the high uncertainty of funding availability for FY21-22. **There is a possibility that resources requested during the current cycle will not be funded.**

Draft District ADA Plan Released for Public Feedback

The San Mateo County Community College District has spent the past year evaluating compliance of its facilities and services with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. ADA provides comprehensive civil rights protections to qualified individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, state and local government services, and telecommunications. The District's findings and recommendations have been assembled in a draft report that is ready for review and comment by our District community and the public. The draft ADA plan covers all three campuses and the District Office. Read the report and provide feedback at <https://smccd.edu/ada2020/> The San Mateo County Community College District will hold two public forums for presentation and public comment on the draft [ADA \(Americans with Disabilities\) Plan](#). All are invited to participate.

Public Forum #1 - October 1 from 9-11 a.m.

Zoom Event Log in, Zoom Meeting ID: <https://smccd.zoom.us/j/91930705571>

Public Forum #2 - October 1 from 3-5 p.m.

Zoom Event Log in, Zoom Meeting ID: <https://smccd.zoom.us/j/96065929366>



Americans with Disabilities Act

Library Workshops & Curbside Pick Up

The Library will be hosting a series of drop-in workshops throughout the semester. Students will get the opportunity to meet a librarian and learn about research, citations, or just get acquainted with what resources are available to you! Workshops will be offered in English and Spanish. You can see upcoming sessions in the attached flyer and register for them [here](#). In addition, students, faculty, and staff can begin requesting Library items for curbside pick up, including textbooks, graphic novels,

ESL readers, Spanish language books, and items from our regular circulating collection. For more information, visit: <https://guides.canadacollege.edu/curbside>

Make Sure Your Voice is Heard! Fill Out Your Census.

It's not too late, make sure your voice is heard! Fill Out Your Census. We use Census data to decide how our community is represented in state and national government. It's also how we decide how much funding we get in our community for education, housing, health, and transportation. The Census asks for your name but it does NOT ask immigration status. Learn [why it is so important](#), and [fill out your Census online](#).



Please stay safe, stay healthy, stay strong.

Sincerely,
Jamillah Moore, Ed.D.
President