



College of San Mateo President's Report to SMCCCD Board of Trustees

CSM Formally Launches Year 1 Program

CSM has launched its Year 1 program this summer. Year 1 is CSM's version of a college promise program. The goal of the Year 1 program is to help new students make a successful transition from secondary educational institutions to CSM and to fully engage in college life. The program was designed in collaboration with representatives from local high districts and draws on many existing best practices. Major components of the program include a Summer Bridge/Orientation program, Math Jam, Year 1 Learning Communities, multiple measures based placement, intrusive student support services, peer and faculty mentoring, a parent/family engagement program, a monthly speaker series, and a leadership development and community volunteer services program

CSM Veterans Resource Opportunity Center Featured in GI Jobs Magazine

Veterans Resource Center Coordinator Justine Evers and CSM Student Veterans Association President, Tiannia Romero were featured in a recent article about military friendly schools in the July 2016 issue of *GI Jobs* magazine. According to the article: "Evers, 32, is channeling the frustrations she experienced into a new personal mission. She's determined to be the person she needed when she was in college. Evers is building a first-class veterans program at the College of San Mateo, a community college on the northern rim of California's Silicon Valley." The editors of the magazine were so impressed with Justine and Tiannia that they were featured on the cover of the magazine. In October the college will host the regional Student Veterans Leadership Conference. <http://www.gijobs.com/military-friendly-2-0/>, www.collegeofsanmateo.edu/VetConCA16

CSM Hosts US Women's and Russian Olympic Water Polo Teams

The US Women and Russian Women Olympic Water Polo Teams visited College of San Mateo on Monday, July 25 and on Tuesday, July 26 in preparation for the upcoming Olympic Games. The teams held individual practices as well as a combined scrimmage. All events were open to the public. Coach Randy Wright has strong connections to the US Olympic Team, which helped to land the visit.

Project Change Awarded Partner Organization of the Year Award

The San Mateo County Probations Department has recognized Project Change as the "Partner Organization of the Year". Project Change has enjoyed a successful year and continues to make a number of connections with community based organizations. <http://collegeofsanmateo.edu/projectchange/>

Robert Shoffner Appointed To Board Position

Robert Shoffner, Director of the CSM Small Business Development Center and adjunct faculty member, was named to the board of the Western Region Council on Black American Affairs.

CSM Receives Pilates Teacher Certification

The Pilates Method Alliance (PMA) is the professional association and certifying agency for Pilates teachers. Due to the efforts of professor Sarah Artha Negara CSM was placed on the Pilates Method Alliance's official registry of schools and is the first college in the country to receive this designation.

Once students obtain CSM's Comprehensive Pilates Instructor Certificate and/or Specialized Instructor Certificate, they qualify to sit for the **PMA Certification Exam**. The program also offers a discounted student membership rate providing students a number of benefits including discounts at the annual PMA Conference, PMA test fees, and discounts offered by industry related retailers. <http://collegeofsanmateo.edu/pilates/>

CSM Celebrates Classified Staff

The CSM administration hosted the annual Classified Appreciation Lunch on Monday, July 25. This popular event honors classified staff employees with 10, 20, and 30 years of service. It has been a tradition for CSM's Cabinet to provide a bit of light-hearted entertainment.

Photo of the Month:

Director Justine Evirs and Student Tiannia Romero on the cover of GI Jobs Magazine

