June 2023 SSCCC Connect





President's Update

Happy Juneteenth! Congratulations to all the graduates and transfer students of 2023! It has been a true delight to witness the unique commencement ceremonies that have honored our diverse higher education community and celebrated each individual's journey. May your future endeavors be filled with immense success!

I would also like to express my gratitude for the privilege of serving as the SSCCC President for the 2022-2023 term. Together, we have made significant progress in striving for a more equitable future through our collaborative efforts in legislative advancements and DEIAA (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, Accessibility, and Accountability) victories. By breaking barriers and promoting student success, we have strengthened our statewide advocacy foundation and expanded our horizons in federal advocacy.

With great enthusiasm, we extend a warm welcome to the incoming 2023-2024 SSCCC Executive Board and Board of Directors. We look forward to witnessing your leadership and the positive impact you will make in advancing the interests of students.



Mark Your Calendars!

City College

July 7, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting (Virtual)

July 14 -16, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting (Sacramento)

December 1 - 3, 2023 Advocacy Academy (Riverside)

Online Calendar

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A Farewell Letter to the 2022 - 23 SSCCC Board Members

As the term for our current Board members and Regional Officers comes to an end, I wanted to take a moment to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude for your unwavering commitment and dedication to the SSCCC. It has been an incredible journey working alongside each of you, and I am honored to have served with such a remarkable group of students.

Together, we have achieved significant milestones during your time on the Board. Your guidance, strategic thinking, and unwavering support have been instrumental in shaping the direction and success of our organization. I am proud of the work we have accomplished together. From organizing impactful events to advocating for the needs and concerns of our community college students, we have demonstrated our unwavering commitment to fostering a positive and inclusive environment for everyone involved.

It is bittersweet to bid farewell to each of you. The memories we have created, the friendships we have forged, and the lessons we have learned will forever hold a special place in my heart. Your passion, enthusiasm, and unwavering belief in the power of our organization have inspired me and countless others to strive for excellence.

As you embark on new chapters in your lives, I have no doubt that each of you will continue to achieve great things and make a positive impact wherever you go. I am confident that the incoming Board will benefit tremendously from your guidance and wisdom.

Please know that you will always be a cherished part of our organization's history,



and your contributions will continue to shape our future endeavors. The legacy of excellence and dedication you leave behind will inspire generations to come.

Thank you once again for your exceptional service and for making a difference in the lives of our students. I wish you all the best in your future endeavors, and I hope our paths cross again in the pursuit of making the world a better place.

With heartfelt gratitude and warmest regards, Julie Adams, Executive Director





Region VII Highlight Shout out to LA City College!

In April, the SSCCC spent their Board of Directors Training at Los Angeles City College in Region VII. During this training, board members were able to hear about students from Region VII.

A little bit about Region VII, it has recently become reactive led by Regional Affairs Director Steven Gallegos and Legislative Affairs Director Walter Marroquin. Currently there are 4 colleges active in the region, which consists of the 14 colleges in the Los Angeles area.

The focus of the training was to continue the ongoing conversation about student engagement in the post-COVID era and being the catalyst for change through participatory governance.

As always the SSCCC want to express their gratitude toward Los Angeles City College for welcoming the Board of Directors and being a vital part of the important conversation!

To learn more about Region VII please check out their Instagram Page @SSCCC_RegionVII or their regional website!







Pride Month

June is Pride month, which is a celebration and recognition for the LGBTQQIP2SA+ community. This acronym encompassed the diversity of the community. It also stands for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and/or Questioning, Intersex, Axexual, Two-Spirit people, plus any other gender or sexual identifiers. Not only is this a month of parades and rainbows, it also is an important time to recognize the memory of the Stonewall Riots back in lune of 1969. In addition to other advocacy efforts to eradicate discrimination, violence, and prejudice against the community. Since its first recognition from the federal government, we have come a long way and June is a great time to empower our younger leaders to advocate for inclusion also known as the modern gay liberation.

Throughout this month and every month the SSCCC wants to let our LGBTQQIP2SA+ identifying students know that we support them! As well as community colleges being a safe space for students of any gender or sexual background or identity!



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