

OUTREACH

Grossmont College hosted its first **Fast Friday** on the afternoon of March 8 in Griffin Gate. After submitting their application at least 24 hours in advance, the event serves as a one-stop opportunity for prospective students to complete the onboarding process: orientation, assessment/placement and advising. More than two dozen students attended the first Fast Friday, allowing them to participate in priority registration for fall 2019. The next Fast Friday will be held from noon to 2 p.m., May 10. A similar event, Super Saturday, will be held from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., April 6.

The **Outreach Department** hosted nearly 50 students and their counselors from Steele Canyon High School on Friday, March 1. The morning visit included a breakfast presentation from several Student Services departments and a campus tour.

GROSSMONT COLLEGE

TUESDAY
MARCH 26 2019
5:30PM - 7:30PM

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2019 27 مارس
5:30PM - 7:30PM

JUEVES
MARZO 28 2019
5:30PM - 7:30PM

VISIT US AND LEARN MORE ABOUT WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER!

تفضل بزيارتنا وتعرف على المزيد حول ما نقدمه!

VISÍTANOS Y APRENDE MÁS SOBRE LO QUE TENEMOS PARA OFRECERTE!

INFORMATION NIGHTS
at **GROSSMONT COLLEGE**
Location: Grossmont College - Griffin Gate
FREE Food & Parking!
Event sponsored by: Grossmont Outreach

Funded by a U.S. Department of Labor grant, the **drone program** coordinated in collaboration with the Division of Career Technical Education and Workforce Development was featured on KUSI-TV last month. The station had three live morning segments from campus, interviewing faculty, students, the program coordinator and Dean of CTE and Workforce Development Javier Ayala. The segments helped grow the program's interest list from fewer than 200 individuals to more than 1,000.

The Grossmont College Outreach Department will host three **Information Nights** for prospective students and their families. Taking place from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., the sessions will include a free dinner and parking, along with presentations about various programs and services. An English session is planned for Tuesday, March 26; a session in Arabic is planned for Wednesday, March 27; and a Spanish session is planned for Thursday, March 28. All sessions will be held in Griffin Gate.

ENGAGEMENT

As part of the **One Theme, One Campus** project, renowned scientist David Demer, with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Southwest Fisheries Science Center, spoke about the technology used to study fish habitats and populations on March 13 at Grossmont College. Demer is the leader of NOAA Fisheries' advanced survey technologies program. The event, co-hosted by the Center for Ethics in Science and Technology and moderated by Grossmont College English instructor Brendan Pranievicz, was recorded for UCSD-TV and will be shown on the station at a future date.

Grossmont College hosted its spring 2019 **Student Success Fair** in late February. The event was an opportunity for students to learn about the wealth of resources available to them, from Counseling and Financial Aid and Scholarships to the Grad Coaches program and tutoring. Held in the Main Quad, the event included a free lunch for 100-plus students who visited various program tables, music and giveaways.

During the first full week of March, Grossmont College hosted its first-ever **Week of Accreditation** in the Main Quad. The fun event took place from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Monday, March 4, through Thursday, March 7, and each day featured a different accreditation standard. Event attendees were able to play a fun game, such as Pictionary or Wheel of Fortune, which featured questions or clues related to accreditation standards in order to win a prize. Attendees, which included students, faculty and staff, were also able to enter an opportunity drawing to win a \$50 Visa gift card or \$20 Grossmont College Bookstore gift card.

Starting in March, the **Associated Students of Grossmont College** will host an outreach activity after their Thursday board meetings in the Main Quad. Taking place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., students will be able to meet ASGC board members and play fun games.



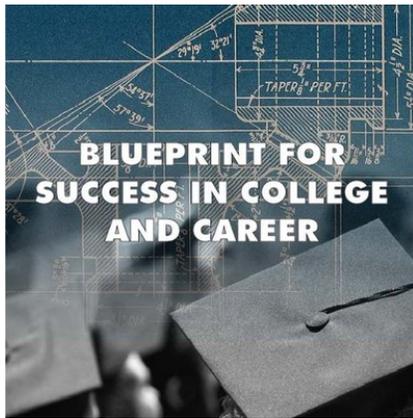
As part of **Women's Heritage Month**, the Grossmont College Sistahood student club hosted a Women of Color in Leadership panel on Wednesday, March 6. The panel included Tanis King Starck, assistant dean in the San Diego State University College of Education; Marsha Gable, Vice President of Student Services at Grossmont College; Arianne Miller, assistant professor in the SDSU Department of Counseling and School Psychology; and Symone McDaniels, assistant professor in the School of Learning Resources at Mesa College.

RETENTION

On Wednesday, March 20, Grossmont College will host the **Region X CARE Conference**. CARE, which stands for Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education, is a state-funded program to support single-parents who are recipients of Temporary Aid for Needy Families, or TANF. The daylong conference includes breakout sessions, a resource fair with community partners and keynote speaker Starla Lewis, professor emeritus at Mesa College.

Grossmont College will host a **Cal-Fresh Enrollment Fair and Free Farmers Market** on March 21. Cal-Fresh, also known as Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (or SNAP), provides funds to individuals to supplement their grocery needs. At the fair and free farmers market, students will have the opportunity to apply for Cal-Fresh benefits, obtain free produce with a Grossmont College identification card and learn about the college's food pantry, Gizmo's Kitchen, and other food-related community resources.

Starting in March, the **Via Rápida program**, which is funded through a Department of Education Title V grant for Hispanic Serving Institutions, is hosting student-led workshops on a variety of topics, including support services for students, Grossmont "hacks" that identify shortcuts for common services or needs and much more. The workshops are led by peer mentors, student workers who assist first-year students in navigating Grossmont College's service and program offerings. The workshops are held at various times in Career Services, located in Griffin Center/Bldg. 60.



Dave Dillon, Grossmont College counselor and a co-founder of its work in Open Education Resources, has been recognized for his Creative Commons-licensed textbook, “Blueprint for Success in College and Career,” with a 2019 Textbook Excellence Award from the Textbook & Academic Authors Association. Dillon’s textbook is one of 10 recipients of the award nationwide. The Textbook Excellence Award recognizes excellence in current textbooks and learning materials. Dillon will receive his award at the Textbook & Academic Authors Association’s 32nd annual conference held in June 2019 in Philadelphia.

INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY



Grossmont College hosted a **Prospective Faculty Workshop** on March 8 to help potential applicants for full-time faculty positions better understand the hiring process. The standing room-only event featured a presentation from District Human Resources Director Alyssa Brown about the hiring process and procedures, a presentation from Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs Michael Reese about current and future openings, and concluding remarks from President Nabil Abu-Ghazaleh. Afterwards, potential applicants had an opportunity to speak with college officials about future openings.

Grossmont College hosted its **Annual Planning Forum** on Friday, March 15. The forum, with the theme of “The Vision for Success: Moving It Forward,” featured conference-style plenary sessions for all college employees, including a student panel, Guided Pathways meta-majors discussion, a Caring Campus presentation for classified professionals, and a session on transparent assignment design.