

CONSUMNES RIVER COLLEGE

Celebrate  
Center  
Cultivate

FALL 2024 CONVOCATION

## Fall Convocation - August 2024

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 2024

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

# Convocation

Celebrate, Center, Cultivate: Our Story

## President's Message

CRC Colleagues,

Welcome to the fall 2024 semester! I hope the summer gave you time to recharge and spend time with family and friends and that you're once again, ready to make the most of this new semester.

We continue to find innovative ways to reach our college goals, including increasing the course success rates and adopters of zero cost textbook courses. I am so appreciative of those of you who have contributed to making this more attainable for this college.

Flex week offered a robust and wide array of professional learning opportunities with an emphasis in teaching and learning, student services and support programs, and health and wellness. I hope many of you participated in these workshops and discovered resources to help our students be more successful in the classroom.

CRC's Asian American Native Hawaiian Pacific Islander-centered (AANHPI) Convocation theme is "Celebrate, Center, and Cultivate." This particular program theme continues the ongoing, intentional focus of learning about and understanding the student populations we serve, checking our implicit biases and generalizations, and reflecting on how we can improve collectively to better support the educational success of CRC students.

We have accomplished a great deal at CRC over the last few years, but there is still more we can do to ensure our students feel safe and supported while on our campus. I hope each of you will look for ways to reach out to those students who may need a little boost, while also taking care of each other. I look forward to seeing each one of you for convocation Friday morning.

Have a great semester!

Best Regards,



Edward C. Bush, Ph.D.  
President  
Consumnes River College

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## Program Schedule

8:30 am – 12:00pm | Art Gallery / Recital Hall

8:00–8:30 am	Morning Refreshments at the Art Gallery
8:30–8:35 am	Land Acknowledgment
8:35–9:05 am	Welcome Address by Trustee Wilkerson and Chancellor King
9:05–9:20 am	Senate Presidents' Announcements
	Student Senate President, Miranda Roccucci
	Classified Senate President, Miguel Lemus
	Academic Senate President, Jacob Velasquez
9:20–9:30 am	Intermission
9:30–10:00 am	College President's Address
10:00–10:30 am	Origin Story of the Model Minority Myth
10:30–11:55 pm	"Talk Story" with Faculty, Students, and Classified Professionals
11:55–12:00 pm	Closing Remarks & Acknowledgments
12:00–1:00 pm	Lunch in the Arts, Media, & Entertainment Courtyard

## Career & Academic Community Meetings

CAC Department	Time	Location	Zoom Link
Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources and Health & Human Services	1:00 – 2:00 pm	in-person, WINN 104	
Kinesiology, Health, & Athletics Department Meeting	1:00 – 2:30 pm	in-person, CAC 140	
Athletic Department Meeting	2:30 – 4:00 pm	in-person, CAC 140	
Arts, Media, & Entertainment	1:00 – 3:00 pm	in -person, Room M 300 (Choir room)	
Automotive, Construction, & Design Technology	1:30 – 2:30 pm	in-person, WINN 111A or Zoom	<a href="https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/84924543173">https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/84924543173</a>
Business & Computer Science	1:00 – 2:00 pm	Zoom	<a href="https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/82967314176">https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/82967314176</a>
English & Language Studies	1:00 – 2:00 pm	in-person, Library 109 or Zoom	<a href="https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/86316331163">https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/86316331163</a>
Science, Mathematics & Engineering	1:00 – 2:00 pm	in-person, SCI 308	
Social & Behavioral Sciences	1:00 – 2:00 pm	Zoom	<a href="https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/85184752865#success">https://lrccd.zoom.us/j/85184752865#success</a>



# Announcements

## Student Senate Announcements

### Student Senate Executive Team

Miranda Roccucci, President  
Vice President, Ryan Pearce  
Secretary, Maya Renteria  
Treasurer, Minh-Tri Nguyen  
Director of Legislative Affairs, Dennise Valdez  
Clubs and Events Board Executive Team  
Commissioner, Mohaimen Abualturshi  
Vice-Commissioner, Dunia Ahadi  
Events Coordinator, Ryan Steiner

## Classified Senate Announcements

### Classified Senate Executive Team

Miguel Lemus, President  
Clarissa Correa-Hamilton, Vice President  
Linda Stack, Secretary  
Vacant, Treasurer  
Tiffany Clark, Past President

### Classified Senators

MollyAnna Robinson - *Receiving, Custodial, Maintenance, Duplicating, Police Services, Health Services*  
Houa Vue - *Admissions & Records, Welcome Center, Business Services, Cafeteria, Placement, Financial Aid, Student Support Center, DSPS, and President's Office*  
Lauren Ballesteros - *Outreach, Upward Bound TRIO, Center for Inclusion and Belonging programs, Library Technology & Instruction*  
Robyn Brakel - *Arts Media & Entertainment, Instruction, Health*  
Estela Valencia-Tinoco - *Social & Behavioral Sciences, Business & Computer Sciences, English & Language Studies*  
Ian Low - *Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources, Automotive Construction & Design Technology, Humans Services (CE)*  
Julia Villalobos - *Science, Math & Engineering, Strong Workforce, Child Development Center*  
Alyssa de la Torre - *Equity and Institutional Effectiveness, Elk Grove Center*

### New Hires—Classified Professionals, Spring and Fall 2024

Addie Adams, *Clerk III*  
Hamad Arshad, *Administrative Asst. I*  
Sophie Borison, *Adm/Records Evaluator I*  
Stuart Canton, *Instructional Assistant*  
Mayra Garcia, *Student Support Assistant*

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Amber House, *Administrative Asst. I*  
Moua Khang, *Admissions/Records Tech II*  
Jonathan Leong, *Student Support Assistant*  
Mishelle Marrufo, *Adm/Records Evaluator II*  
Aaron Ramos, *Custodian*  
Raquel Redondo, *Clerk III*  
Michael Ruiz, *Theater Technician*  
Cláudia Sampaio Hoffman, *Administrative Assistant II*  
Shristi Singh, *Clerk III*  
Doua Yang, *Outreach Specialist*

## Academic Senate Announcements

### Academic Senate Executive Team

Jacob Velasquez, *President*  
Lauren Wagner, *Vice President*  
Eric Anderson, *Secretary*  
Scott Crosier, *Past President*

### New Hires - Faculty

Ali Abdullateef, *Architecture Design Technology & Architecture Assistant Professor*  
Iris Alop, *English Assistant Professor*  
Michael Bush, *Automotive Mechanics Technology Assistant Professor*  
Maizy Enck, *Art History Assistant Professor*  
Mark Faaita, *Communication Studies Assistant Professor*  
Mark Gale, *Accounting Assistant Professor*  
Stacy Gavin, *Learning Disabilities Specialist/Disability Support Programs and Services (DSPS) Counselor*  
Jose Gonzalez, *Latino/a Student Success Counselor*  
Richard Haas, *Fire Technology Assistant Professor & Fire Technology Program Coordinator*  
Scott Haskell, *Veterinary Technology Assistant Professor & Program Coordinator*  
Samantha Juner, *Emergency Medical Tech. Assistant Professor*  
Samuel Kirby, *Kinesiology, Health, Athletics Assistant Professor/Women Basketball Coach*  
Jerel McGiffert, *Black Student Success Counselor*  
Ana Mercado, *Communication Studies Assistant Professor*  
Brandon Merritt, *Athletic Coordinator/ KHA Assistant Professor*  
Natasha Miller, *Health Info. Technology, Assistant Professor*  
Jennifer Nishizaki-Ngo, *English Assistant Professor*  
Melissa Nole, *Early Childhood Education & Family Consumer Science Assistant Professor*  
Steven Ruark, *Chemistry Assistant Professor*  
Eric Pennino, *Biology Assistant Professor*  
Robert Anthony Perez, *Chemistry Assistant Professor*  
Tyler Pierce, *Mathematics/Statistics Assistant Professor*

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## College President's Announcements

### New Hires—Managers

Dr. Shaina Philpot, *Director of Native American Student Support & Success Program (NAASP)*

Oscar Mendoza Plascencia, Director (VII) of Basic Needs and Student Support

Jessica Pressley, *Director of Student Services, EOPS/CARE*

Melissa Sanchez, *Interim Director of TRIO Upward Bound*

Emmanuel Sigauke, Dean of English & Language Studies

## Acknowledgments

### CRC Convocation Steering Committee

Tanika Byrd

Emilee Chu

Trang Dang

Brianna Ellis

Hiroko Iyong

Brandy Jones-Thomas

Tavona Lindo

Jessica Mow

Raul Pasamonte

MollyAnna Robinson

Cláudia Sampaio de Sousa Hoffman

Gladis Sanchez Pantoja

Sabrina Sencil

Paolo Soriano

### Appreciation for our Community Members and Guest Speakers

#### **Community of Story-Tellers:**

*Students:* Emilee Chu, David Ho

*Faculty:* Kim Fouad, David Weinshilbourn

*Classified Professionals:* Jonathan Leung (CRC Alumni), Tavona Lindo

*Moderators:* Raul Pasamonte and Sabrina Sencil



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## Special thanks to...

Sunita Devi, *Administrative Assistant III, Student Services, Institutional Equity, Research & Planning*  
Amber House, *Administrative Assistant, Student Services and Enrollment*  
Phuong Le, *Mathematics Professor*  
Jennifer McLane, *Digital Communications and Web Specialist*  
Melissa Sanchez, *Interim Director, TRIO Upward Bound*  
Derrick Santiago, *Graphic Designer*  
Jane Snider, *Graphic Designer*  
Alejandro Torres, *Dream Center Specialist*  
Administration & Student Support Office  
APIDA Hawks  
Arts, Media and Entertainment Office  
Center for Inclusion and Belonging  
Center for Professional Development  
Custodial Services  
Facilities  
Digital Communications Specialist - Video  
Eaton Interpreting Services  
Information Technology and Media Services Departments  
Office of the President  
Student Life & Leadership Center



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