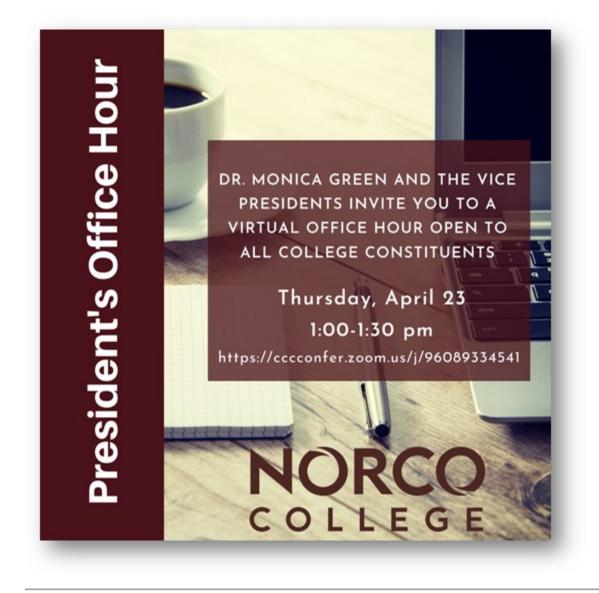
Good day, Norco College,

As we near the end of another week of our spring semester I am reflecting on the great strides we have made in a short amount of time. The credit goes to all of you, and the can-do spirit of our Norco College community of distinguished scholars, talented classified professionals, and dedicated management team. There will be challenges ahead to be sure, but today I am looking back one short month ago and marveling at our accomplishments. There are not enough words to express the sense of pride and gratitude I feel for our collaboration and collective response through this challenging time, you continue to amaze me.

A friendly reminder, the President's Office Hour is today from 1:00-1:30pm, I look forward to connecting with you.



Below is an update from our Vice Presidents:

# ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Keep up the great work making the last of our sections accessible and compliant. If you need help connecting with your mentor, please contact DRC Director Greg Ferrer.

- Dr. Popiden put together a great primer on accessibility (see attached).
- Here's the link to submit docs for the A-Team to repair on your behalf: <u>Document</u> <u>Accessibility Form</u>
- The short-term sections that have already ended are no longer included on the list needing accessibility fixes:)
- Here is <u>a video that demonstrates how TidyUp works</u>. If you need assistance, attend one of our <u>TidyUp workshops</u>.
- Once files have been cleaned, run an Ally report. Here <u>is a video that shows how to run</u> <u>an Ally report.</u>
- The <u>Distance Education Instructor Resources shell</u> in Canvas has many resources available to assist in making your course materials accessible, including "How-to" Guides and Utilities.

## **STUDENT SERVICES**

- Here are a list of resources from the State Chancellor's Office:
  - GENERAL INFORMATION: <u>StayEnrolled.com</u> for information and updates related to financial aid, transfer and career education.
  - FOSTER YOUTH: The California Student Aid Commission has put together <u>a list</u> of resources available for foster youth students, including information on Cal Grant B Award, Students with Dependent Children Program, and Chafee ETV. CSAC also has a <u>detailed Q&A section</u> to help students and institutions navigate the financial aid process during this pandemic.
  - STUDENT HEALTH: If for any reason students don't have medical insurance and have COVID-19 symptoms, they can go to the nearest Hospital Presumptive Eligibility provider to get tested and treated. <u>Find more information here</u> or through the COVID-19 call center at <u>877-409-9052</u>.
  - MENTAL HEALTH: The California Youth Crisis line runs 24 hours a day, seven days a week: <u>800-843-5200</u>. The <u>National Suicide Prevention Lifeline</u> provides confidential assistance to anyone in crisis and their loved ones through a live chat and free 24-hour hotline at <u>800-273-8255</u>. You can also text the Crisis Text Line at <u>741741</u>. Our LGBTQ students can also contact the Trevor Project by calling <u>1-866-488-7386</u> or text START to 678678 for 24/7 information. The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender National Hotline is available from 1:00 9:00 p.m. at <u>1-800-273-8255</u>. Or call or text the Victims of Crime Resource Center at <u>1-800-842-8467</u> for help.

## **UPCOMING WEBINARS**

• <u>CA Perkins-JSPAC Equity Dig Deeper Webinar Series (2020)</u>

Participate in our (3) "Dig Deeper" series, as your institution pivots, adapts to virtual services instruction. These webinars are to help growth expansion for practitioners in their engagement of a deeper learning of equity: race conscious, structural oppression, poverty and class challenges of disproportionately impacted populations.

- April 30, 11am 12:15pm PST Envisioning Structural Solutions for Structural Black, Latinx, LGBTQ+ student Oppression(s)
- May 7, 11am-12:15pm PST Poverty, Class, and Educational Equity: Spotting and Removing Barriers for Working Class Families and Families Experiencing Poverty
- Racial Equity in Online Environments (USC CUE) (2020)
  - Thursday, April.30.2020 Webinar II: Equity-Minded Online Teaching: Using Canvas as a Model
  - Thursday, May.7.2020 Webinar III: Being Aware of Learning Constraints Posed by Online Teaching and Moving Towards Anti-Racist Practices
  - o Thursday, May.14.20 Webinar IV: Online Support as an Anti-racist Practice
  - o Thursday, May.14.2020 Webinar V: Equity-Minded Mathematics Instruction
  - Thursday, May.28.2020 Webinar VI: How to Express Caring with a focus on Racial Equity
- Tuesday, 28 April 2020, 10:00AM <u>Addressing Racial Bias and Microaggressions</u> <u>in Online Environments</u>

<u>Description</u>: The transition to online instruction and student services in response to COVID-19 presents a substantial challenge for most postsecondary institutions. Among the most pervasive challenges are issues with racial bias and racial microaggressions that serve to impede the student experience. In an environment typified by time constraints, stress, and the unknown – racial strife is at an all-time high. This webinar will focus on strategies that educators can use to address issues of bias and microaggressions in order to meet the needs of historically underrepresented and underserved students in the online environment. The conversation will be facilitated by Drs. Frank Harris III and J. Luke Wood.

## **ONGOING WEBINARS**

Since Wednesday, March 25, 2020, the Chancellor's Office will host weekly webinars until further notice. Weekly webinars are on Wednesdays from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Each webinar will be recorded and available on the Vision Resource Center following the event. California Community Colleges faculty, staff, and administrators will find resources and information within the Vision Resource Center. Visit <u>https://visionresourcecenter.cccco.edu/</u> for additional responses to webinar questions. After logging in, under the "Connect" menu, visit "All Communities" and look for the "CCC | COVID-19 Resources, Tools, and Discussion." Select the community and then click "Join Community" to access the content. To join the live weekly webinar sessions, please connect here <u>https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/299858221</u>.

## Helpful resource:

California Community College Chancellor's Office correspondence and executive orders are available on the state <u>website</u>.

Best,

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Norco College is temporarily providing all services and instruction online to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. The health and safety of our students and employees is our top priority. Click here for <u>RCCD Updates</u> and for <u>NC online education support</u>.

