



CHECK  
YOUR  
STATS!

# ON A ROLL TO GRADUATE?

CHECK YOUR EDUCATIONAL VITALS &  
LET US HELP GET YOU ROLLING TO MEET  
YOUR ACADEMIC WELLNESS GOALS

**VITAL  
STATS:**

**WHO**

**WHERE**

**WHEN**

- GRADUATION TIMELINE
- EDUCATIONAL PLAN
- CLASS PLAN FOR SUMMER & FALL
- TRANSFER/CAREER GOALS

COUNSELORS &  
SPECIAL PROGRAMS

LIBRARY PATIO (TAMARACK)

WEDNESDAY - MARCH 29  
BETWEEN 10AM - 2PM



*with*  
**churros & rolled tacos!**  
*while supplies last*

# COLUMBIA COLLEGE MONTHLY STUDENT INFORMATION

## MARCH 2023

In these uncertain times, we want to be sure that we provide you with new information as it becomes available. You can find the latest information and FAQ's on how Columbia is responding to the pandemic at [www.gocolumbia.edu](http://www.gocolumbia.edu).

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## HOPES & DREAMS, FEARLESS LISTENING EVENT

Columbia College is celebrating everyone's hopes and dreams in honor of Black History Month. Due to inclement weather, this event was rescheduled to **Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 – 7:00 pm via Zoom**. Guest speaker: Traciana Graves.

Please join us for this one of a kind, powerful event! <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81027954118>

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTER (AAC)

The AAC is open for *free* FACE-TO-FACE and ONLINE peer tutoring this semester! Students who meet with tutors often receive higher grades and are more connected to the college and its resources. **Tutoring is for EVERYONE**, regardless of course, grades, or experience as a student. Peer tutors are students who have taken the same courses at Columbia.

Check out this short video about the AAC: [https://youtu.be/bb2E\\_buKuY0](https://youtu.be/bb2E_buKuY0)

- The AAC is open for IN-PERSON services:
  - Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm
  - Friday 8:30am-12:00pm
- The AAC is open for ONLINE services:
  - Monday-Thursday 3:00pm-8:00pm
  - Friday 8:30am-12:00pm
- The AAC online tutoring schedule varies so check it out here:
  - [AAC Drop-in Tutoring Schedule \(online document\)](#)
  - [AAC Appointment Schedule \(online document\)](#)
  - All online tutoring takes place in the supervised AAC Zoom Room: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/7234061327>
- Students can access 24/7 online tutoring in Canvas under "Online Tutoring" for help outside our center:
  - [STAR-CA \(website\)](#) (California Community College Online Tutoring Consortium)
  - NetTutor (professional tutors) For detailed information on how to sign in see here: <https://youtu.be/Otm1sNpcRQg>.
- Embedded Tutors are also available in many courses to support students inside and outside the class

Students can make *any type* of appointment with an AAC tutor by doing the following:

1. Stop by in-person (Tamarack, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the library)
2. Call 209-588-5088
3. Email [ccaac@yosemite.edu](mailto:ccaac@yosemite.edu) (May be up to 24 hours for a response)

The tutor schedules are being updated daily as we get students' schedules and will continue to be updated as demand and/or needs change.

## ACADEMIC COUNSELING

### DROP IN COUNSELING

Do you have a quick question that needs a quick answer? We are here to help! Now, in addition to scheduled appointments, you can connect with your counselor on the drop-in waitlist for a same-day call back or in-person meeting. Sign up using the virtual kiosk in Starfish or by contacting the counseling department at 209-588-5109.

**Days/Times for Drop-In counseling:** Mon, Tues & Wed: 9:00am-2:30pm Thurs & Fri: 9:00am-11:00am

## EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

Complete your Degree Plan with a counselor. Work alongside your counselor to plan out all your courses, semester by semester. Come talk about transfer or your specific goals; we are here to support you! Make your next appointment via the virtual kiosk in Starfish or by calling 209-588-5109.

The Summer and Fall schedule is set to be released on March 3rd, and priority registration will begin April 3. **You will be registering for BOTH Summer & Fall at the same time (this is NEW!)**

## GRADUATION APPLICATIONS (SPRING DUE MARCH 31)

Graduation applications are open for BOTH spring and summer, and those who submit will be invited to participate in the Spring Commencement Ceremony. Watch for announcements for graduation application events or meet with a counselor to see if you qualify!

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## GRADUATION APPLICATION ASSISTANCE EVENT

Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 10 am – 2pm on the Library Patio (Tamarack). Churros and Tacos while supplies last!

**\*Note: Spring 2023 Graduation applications are due by March 31**

## ADMISSIONS & RECORDS

- **March 1<sup>st</sup>:** Awarded Fall 2022 diplomas will be mailed out to students.
- **March 13<sup>th</sup>:** Class Schedule for Summer 2023 and Fall 2023 will be available to view online.
- **March 20:** Core Step Deadline to complete an educational plan, online orientation, and self-placement for math and English.
- **March 27:** Registration appointments will be available to view on ConnectColumbia
- **April 3:** Priority registration begins

## BASIC NEEDS & HEALTH CENTER

### BASIC NEEDS SUPPORT

Students can receive assistance in supporting their basic needs as related to housing, food, transportation, child care, employment, and more. See the new [Basic Needs web page](#) to access information about campus and community resources. Basic Needs Coordinator is available to assist students in these areas. Call 209-588-5283 or email [cbasicneeds@yosemite.edu](mailto:cbasicneeds@yosemite.edu) for more information.

### MENTAL HEALTH

- In case of an emergency, contact campus security at extension 5167 or by calling 209-566-5476 or call 911. Remember to dial 9-911 is using a campus phone.
- **Change Your Mind!** Group for students presented by Licensed Therapist Marlyn Lieder, LCSW ([liederm@yosemite.edu](mailto:liederm@yosemite.edu)). Tuesdays at 12pm-1pm beginning March 7<sup>th</sup> at The Resources Center (Second floor of Tamarack Library). Tips, tools and support related specifically to the college learning experience.

- Want to learn more about how to help peers, friends, colleagues or family who may be struggling with depression or sadness?

Attend the **Suicide Awareness Training on Campus For FREE**. It is brief, engaging, friendly and empowering. You may save a life.

**QPR** Suicide Awareness and Prevention Training – **Question, Persuade, Refer**

Thursday, March 30, 3:00p – 4:30 pm In the Manzanita Multi Purpose Room, upper floor of Manzanita near the business and counseling offices.

**Signup** to by contacting the presenter: Ken Baldwin [kbaldwin57@comcast.net](mailto:kbaldwin57@comcast.net) No-cost.

**For General Questions:** Call 209-588-5283

CALL **988** FOR THE NATIONAL SUICIDE AND CRISIS HOTLINE AND MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT

## CAMPUS ENGAGEMENT

### STUDENT LEADERSHIP

ASCC is looking for student leaders for the next academic year! To learn more visit the [Student Leadership website](#).

### PONDEROSA PANTRY

The [Ponderosa Pantry \(website\)](#) is open! Our next Pantry Pop-up Event will be on March 22-23, 2-5pm at the Student Center, come get fresh produce, bread, and more!

## CAREER & JOB PLACEMENT SERVICES

### INTERNSHIPS

Career Services will soon be launching paid internships with ATCAA, Tuolumne County IT, and Merced Irrigation District.

### ON CAMPUS POSITIONS

Are you hoping to work on campus? Visit the [Career & Job Placement Services \(website\)?](#) Positions are still available:

- [Disabled Student Programs and Services \(DSPS\) - Tram Driver \(pdf\)](#)  
Contact Joseph Harrington - [harringtonj@yosemite.edu](mailto:harringtonj@yosemite.edu) or 209-588-5130
- Columbia College Childcare Center  
Contact Kelly Thomas - [thomask@yosemite.edu](mailto:thomask@yosemite.edu) or 209-588-5068
- Student Ambassadors  
Contact Courtney Sutton - [suttonc@yosemite.edu](mailto:suttonc@yosemite.edu) or 209-588-5236

## CELLAR BISTRO

*located in lower Manzanita*

The Cellar Bistro is a laboratory learning site for Columbia College's Hospitality Management students. Most of our students first experience with being a server is in their first semester in college here in the Bistro. We do appreciate constructive feedback, but please keep in mind maintaining a safe learning environment for our students.

**Spring Semester Services: Wednesday nights from January 25th to April 19th.** We will offer 3 seatings per night, take out meals will not be available. **The seating times will be 5:30, 6:00, and 6:30, by reservation only.**

A large part of our Contemporary International Cuisine class is exploring different cuisines and flavor profiles. Our dinners will each be themed to a specific region (listed below by week). In order for the

students to have an emersion in these regions we will be offering Prix Fixe menus. This service style will have a 5-6 course meal each week with a set progression of dishes.

Lawrence Bezaitis [bezaitisl@yosemite.edu](mailto:bezaitisl@yosemite.edu) is the reservation compiler. If you would like weekly menus and communication, please let Larry [bezaitisl@yosemite.edu](mailto:bezaitisl@yosemite.edu) know that you would like to opt in on the Cellar Bistro email list.

## FINANCIAL AID

March 2nd was the state grant deadline for the 23-24 academic year(fall, spring, and summer), but the FAFSA and Dream Act applications are still available and should be completed ASAP!!

Visit [iGrad \(link to website\)](#) to complete your student profile and gain access to our financial literacy tool for students. Learn about budgeting, credit scores, credit cards and so much more!

In-person and virtual appointments are also available during business hours to help you make the most of financial aid! Schedule an appointment with us today [via Starfish](#).

## LAKESIDE CAFÉ & LAKESIDE LOUNGE

Fall hours at Lakeside Café are 7:30 am – 5:00 pm Monday – Thursday, 7:30 am – 3:00 pm Fridays. Made to order sandwiches during lunch as well as grab and go items, snacks and drinks.

Students may freely access Lakeside Lounge (next door to the Lakeside Café) from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm Monday through Friday.

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS

### EOPS IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

What is EOPS? Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) provides a variety of supportive services to enhance academic success for students challenged by income, educational, and/or language barriers. Services provided to eligible students include:

- \$300 towards book and required course materials
- School supplies
- Gas Vouchers
- Priority Level 1 registration
- Individualized Academic Counseling
- University Transfer Assistance
- Lending Library
- Meal Vouchers

Why EOPS? Because you matter and you do not have to navigate college alone. We are here to support, encourage, and prepare you for success! Apply online at: [Columbia College EOPS/CARE \(webpage\)](#) or visit us at our office in upper Manzanita!

## DREAM RESOURCE CENTER

Are you a student who identifies as an undocumented student, DACA, or Dream Act Recipient and need support and guidance? Contact us today for more information on how we can help support you!

Email us at: [ccdream@yosemite.edu](mailto:ccdream@yosemite.edu) or visit us at the EOPS office in Manzanita!

Services offered include:

- Assistance in academic counseling
- Legal Immigration Assistance and Referrals
- Community Resources
- Assistance in Financial Aid and Scholarships

\*Hablamos Español. Dreaming TOGETHER, Working TOGETHER, Growing TOGETHER.

## TRANSFER SERVICES (TRIO SSS)

### THINKING ABOUT TRANSFERRING TO A UNIVERSITY? NOT SURE WHAT TO DO NEXT?

- **All** students considering transferring to a university to complete their bachelor's degree are encouraged to join the **Transfer Services program** now! (Hosted by [TRiO \(webpage\)](#) SSS federal-grants).
- *Did you know that tuition at a CSU or UC can be waived for certain financial aid students? What is the "Cost of Attendance" at your university?*
- We help you maximize your scholarships, financial aid awards, and customized money management plans so you are confident when you transfer to your university. **ALL SERVICES ARE FREE to enrolled students!**





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FEARLESS LISTENING™  
LEADERSHIP METHODOLOGY

JOIN US ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2023  
FROM 5:30 PM TO 7:00 PM, VIA ZOOM WITH  
OUR GUEST SPEAKER - TRACIANA GRAVES  
FOR THIS ONE OF A KIND, POWERFUL EVENT!



BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE CULTURAL ENRICHMENT COMMITTEE



# CHANGE YOUR MIND

**It's College! You're Learning! It's HARD!**

**Come learn tools to bring some ease to the process and for support from others going through the SAME thing.**

## GROUP

### **STUDENT GROUP**

(Consecutive attendance not required)

**TIME:** 12pm-1pm

**LOCATION:** The Resource Center  
(2nd floor of Library-Tamarack)

Light lunch **PROVIDED** or  
bring your own!

Facilitated by Student Health and  
Wellness Services Licensed Therapist  
Marlyn Lieder, LCSW (209-588-5201)

## TOPICS

### **3/7: MOTIVATION**

(Accepting the challenge)

### **3/14: EXPECTATIONS**

(Have you checked them lately?)

### **3/21: MOTIVATION**

(Support living your best life)

### **3/28: EXPECTATIONS**

(Yours or theirs?)

### **4/4: COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL THERAPY**

(Let's practice changing your mind)

### **4/11: GROWTH MINDSET**

(It will Change Your Mind!)

