2nd Wednesday Pirate Talks

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September 13, 2017

3:00 PM - 3:40 PM

LGBTQIA+ Panel Discussion

Presenters: VC Spectrum and Coalition of Family Harmony

Ventura College has a large population of students, staff, faculty, and personnel who are a part of the LGBTQIA+ community. In an effort to spread education and awareness, a panel of VC students and faculty, in partnership with The Coalition for Family Harmony, will present, discuss, and connect faculty and staff to issues of the LGBT student at Ventura College.

3:50 PM - 4:30 PM

Identify and Help Your English Language Learning Students

Presenter: Karen Harrison

Ventura College instructors are always inquiring about how to identify and help their English Language Learning students in their classes. Students realize that they are in need of further language assistance far too late in the semester, leaving few options for remediation. Come learn about support services, key people to connect with, and some simple strategies that may be used to engage our language learners and assist them reach their short-term and long-term goals in our classes.

October 11, 2017 3:00 PM - 3:40 PM

Be Proactive

Presenter: Ty Gardner

Do students enter your class ready to succeed? My Spring 2017 sabbatical project has me thinking that my role in student success may begin before students enter my class on the first day. In fact, it may begin prior to registration. Can I prepare my students for success? Can I prepare student for success even if they are not registered for my section? I will share my sabbatical work and thoughts on a new path towards success.

3:50 PM - 4:30 PM

Engaging Students with Real World, Relevant, and Exciting Applications

Presenters: Jack Bennett and Ryan Petitfils

In this presentation, we will share a few exciting real world, relevant applications that get students excited and engaged in learning math. We will share how we find the applications, how we implement lessons/projects around the applications, and how we assess student understanding of the material. Topics shared will include content from pre-algebra through calculus and statistics.

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November 8, 2017 3:00 PM - 3:40 PM

Coming Full Circle

Presenter: Gabriela Wood

Join me as we walk through memory lane - my memory lane. I would like to take you through my journey as an Oxnard College student, with big dreams, to coming full circle and teaching in the very same room I took my very first class in. Join me as I share with you my perspective, and hopefully expand yours, through my journey. I will address my experiences as a first-generation immigrant, single parent, English as a THIRD language, mentoring, transfer, and many more aspects of my journey.

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Helping Students Read Like an Expert

Presenter: Jenna Garcia

Students often struggle to read textbooks and other course material because they have not learned how to read like an expert. This workshop will highlight two Reading Apprenticeship strategies to guide students toward greater reading comprehension and show them how to read like an expert does.