

Fall Announcement #1

Phoenix College will be the premier provider of student-centered learning opportunities for our community to go far close to home.

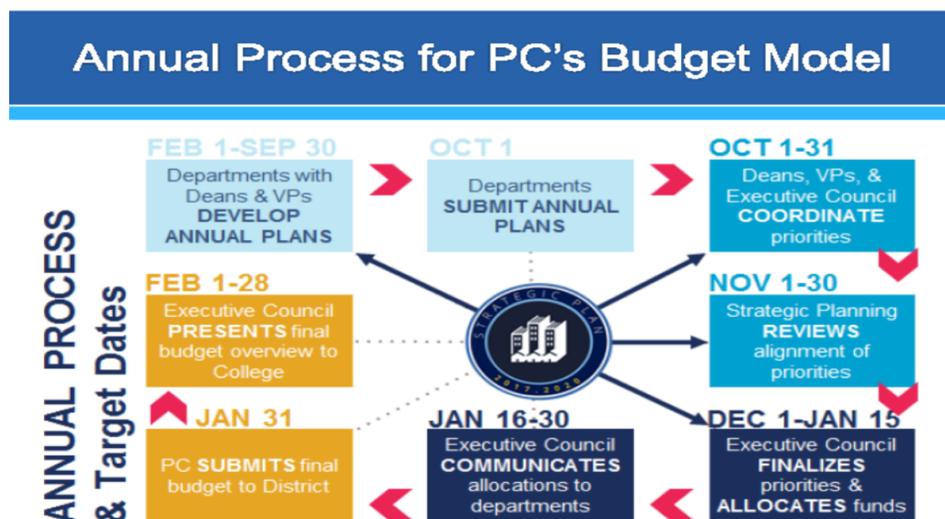
Greetings,

I hope your fall semester has gotten off to a smooth start. It was great to see students, faculty, and staff back on campus even in a limited capacity. We have some important dates coming up in the next 30 days, so I wanted to share some of that information in this newsletter. Specifically, you will find updates regarding the following topics: Title V Grant Award, Budget & Planning, 45th Day Roster Certification, and Hispanic Heritage Month.



Phoenix College received great news from the US Department of Education last week. We have been awarded a new 5-year Title V Grant starting in the fiscal year 2020. A number of faculty and staff worked evenings and weekends to put together a competitive application that allowed PC to rise out of a 9-way tie to earn the grant. A few of the key individuals responsible for putting the application together were Seth Goodman, Maria Reyes, Nichole Spencer, Minerva Pargas, Christine Moore, Jamie Martin, Sam Crandall, Frank Marfai, Joe Sueyoshi, Heather Kruse, Marc Surrarrer, and Eugene Ye.

The project title is *Closing Achievement Gaps Through Holistic Support, Work-Based Experiences, and Equity-Minded Practices*. The five focus areas of the grant are Work-based Experiences, Equity Scorecard, Academic and Non-instructional Services, MESA Program, and ata Literacy. This grant will allow PC to greatly impact the student experience and provide funding for these initiatives that would have otherwise not been possible. Great work team!



The [budget](#) request and submission process is here. Please work with your Managers, Chairs, Program Directors, and Administrators to submit your plans in [SPOL](#). You do not need to re-request current base budget allocations. Due to a sharp decline in enrollment, we are asking that new requests are for essential needs only. Chairs and Managers will need to have the submissions completed by Friday, September 25th.

45th-Day Roster Certification

*Attendance tracking and reporting are always important, and in our mostly virtual environment it is critical we are submitting the correct codes in a timely manner in SIS. This semester faculty rosters will be frozen on **Monday, October 5th**. That means you must have any updates to your rosters completed by that time. On Tuesday, October 6th all faculty will need to go into SIS and "**Certify**" each roster. If you have any questions on this process reach out to your Chairs, Administrators, or the Registrar for assistance.*



Hispanic Heritage Month recognizes and celebrates Americans who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico, Central America, South America, and the Spanish-speaking nations of the Caribbean. This observance was born in 1968 when Congress authorized the president to issue an annual proclamation designating National Hispanic Heritage Week. Just two decades later, lawmakers expanded it to a monthlong celebration, stretching from **September 15 to October 15**.

As a Hispanic Serving Institution with a 54% Latinx student population, we have an opportunity to engage our students in (and out of) the classroom as meaningful partners in co-facilitating how PC honors Hispanic American contributions to society, culture, and academia. Consider inviting students to develop discussion topics, homework assignments, or other peer learning opportunities to connect with Hispanic culture authentically.

"The point is not to pay back kindness but to pass it on."

~ Julia Alvarez

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