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Learning guides Student Affairs' vision under new V.P

Patricia Cardenas-Adame, PhD, envisions a Student Affairs area that connects the services and activities in which students engage to the college's learning mission. By asking two simple questions – “What did you learn?” and “How will you apply it in every day life?” – Student Affairs professionals will guide students in applying skills obtained in the educational setting to other parts of their lives.

“I truly believe that what we do in Student Affairs is an integral component of the college mission,” said Pattie. By focusing on several major initiatives, such as the New Student System, strategic planning, resource allocation, and student development, the Student Affairs team will continually identify chances to improve services and connect to the college mission.

Judy Taussig, Acting Dean of Student Services, said Pattie brings an ability to think creatively and proactively to her new position. “She's very focused,” said Judy. “She will have a vision and a plan for what she would like to achieve and that vision will add to the stimulation and focus of Student Affairs.”

Pattie began her tenure at MCC in 2001 as the Senior Associate Dean of Student Services. Her 20-year career includes numerous positions in student service areas such as Admissions, Recruitment, Records and Registration, Academic Advising, Financial Aid, and Career Services. Pattie holds a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration, a M.A. in Human Resources Management, and B.S. in Education with specializations in English and Speech.

“I am excited about the opportunity to assist in student growth and development. I want to continue to be engaged and available to those who need assistance. MCC has both the opportunity and responsibility to make significant differences in our students' lives, and we have an extraordinary team to make that happen,” said Pattie.

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*Pattie Cardenas-Adame, V.P.
for Student Affairs*



Student Affairs Restructures

Patricia Cardenas-Adame, PhD, (a.k.a. Pattie) became MCC's Vice President for Student Affairs on July 1. Her vacated seat as Dean of Student Services at Southern and Dobson sets into motion a sequence of organizational changes within Student Affairs which will address the increased demand for services on both comprehensive campuses at MCC. Several familiar faces within Student Affairs have new titles and responsibilities.

- * Jesse DeAnda, Dean of Student Services, Southern and Dobson campus
 - o Areas reporting to Jesse include: Admissions, Recruitment, Testing Center, Academic Advisement, Records and Registration, Financial Aid, Veterans Services, Transfer Services, and ESL Enrollment Services.
- * Judy Taussig, Acting Dean of Student Services, Southern and Dobson campus
 - o Areas reporting to Judy include: Child Care Center, Student Life and Leadership, Career and Re-entry Services, Multi-Cultural Services, American Indian Center, Facilities and Vehicle Scheduling, and Disability Resources and Services.
- * Joni Grover, Dean of Student Services, Red Mountain campus (acting position was made permanent on July 1)
 - o Areas reporting to Joni include: All enrollment and student life services at Red Mountain, and Facilities and Vehicle Scheduling at Red Mountain. Joni is also leading the New Student Information System project at MCC.
- * Margaret "Boots" Hunt, Acting Director of Advisement, Testing Center, and Specialized Student Services overseeing the areas of Transfer Services, Testing and Academic Advisement.
- * Patricia Peppin, Director of Student Financial Aid (acting position was made permanent on July 1).
- * Spencer Peterson, Director of Enrollment Services at Red Mountain.
- * Note: The Athletics Department reports directly to the Vice President of Student Affairs.

"A key responsibility of Student Services is the handling of student grievances and judicial processes," said Pattie. Student grievance and judicial processes will be handled by Judy Taussig at Southern and Dobson and Joni Grover at Red Mountain.

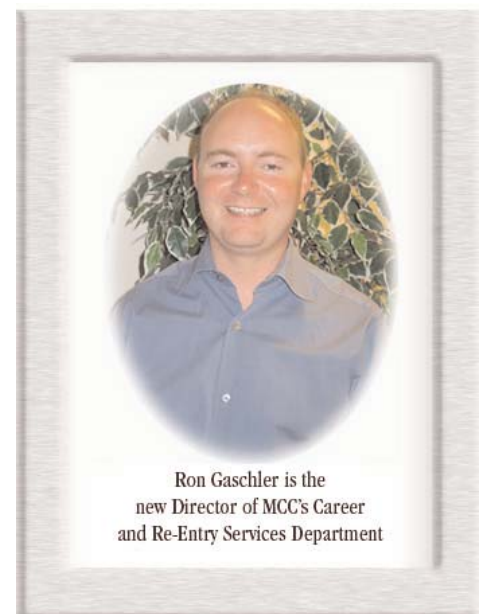
New director of Career and Re-entry Services

Ron Gaschler is the new Director of the Career and Re-Entry Services Department at Mesa Community College (MCC). Ron brings several years of experience with him; before joining MCC he worked at Glendale Community College (GCC) for over a year as manager of Career Services. Prior to GCC he was the Assistant Director of Career Services at Azusa Pacific University for five years, and also has six years experience in the corporate arena with Bank of America and America West Airlines.

Ron is very excited about the upcoming year and already has plans in motion for a new and revitalized center. He plans on revamping the re-entry services by reaching out to men and women through comprehensive programming. Ron has background experience in marketing and is looking to increase the marketing plan for Career and Re-Entry Services as well as concentrate on job development, workforce development, and strengthening relationships with MCC employers and vendors.

Other goals for this year are to increase internship opportunities, make online job posting more user friendly, and increase the number of exhibitor's at the Career Expo on October 12th. Ron is well positioned to accomplish these goals with the experience he and the Career and Re-Entry Services team have to offer – Suzanne Hipps, Internship Coordinator; Debbie Smith, Program Advisor; and Carol Vaughan, Program Advisor.

Ron has a bachelor's degree in marketing from Grand Canyon University and a master's of education degree from Azusa Pacific University. Ron serves as Chair-Elect of the District Career Services Council and on the National Advisory Board for Walt Disney World's College Programs.



Parking added at Southern and Dobson

What's happening to the parking lot near the football field (Lot C)? All of the islands have been removed in order to create additional parking spaces. Removing the islands will create approximately 100 new parking spaces. There will be an estimated 1,279 unrestricted spaces (i.e. student), 76 restricted spaces (i.e. employees and visitors), and 28 handicap accessible spaces.

Several other parking lots have also seen changes. Parking lots H, G, F, E (south of Studio 28, Theatre, Arts and Communications, and Technology) as well as the employee parking lot B (north of EF Bldg.) have all been resurfaced and re-striped.



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IKON Copy Center Expands to Red Mountain

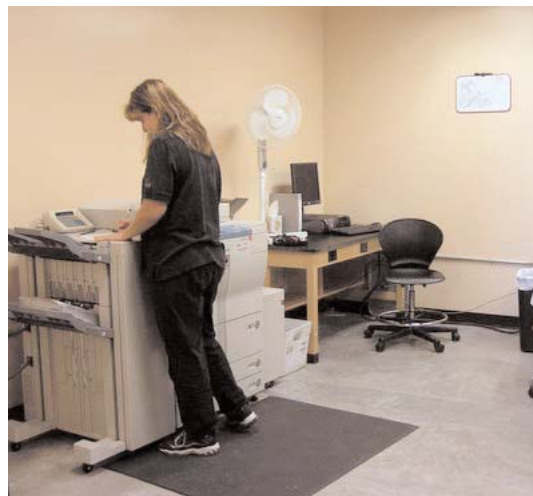
Based on input from the Red Mountain Employee Council, IKON is pleased to announce the expansion of the Copy Center to the Red Mountain campus. Located in Room 228 on the 2nd floor of the Mesquite building (next to Administration), the Copy Center will be open from 8:00 am -12:00 noon, Monday through Friday. There will be two runs a day at 8:30 am & 10:30 am at the new campus and at 9:00 am & 11:00 am at Acacia Village. Hours will be expanded as the need demands.

Two IKON employees, Stephanie Gilbert and Amy Torres, will rotate between the Southern & Dobson and Red Mountain campuses. Not only will Red Mountain faculty and staff have a much quicker turnaround time for print jobs of 30 or more copies, but the campus is now able to save money by receiving volume discounts when using the Copy Center.

To use this new service visit the Copy Center, use designated IKON pick-up locations (current mail drops), or send your job electronically by accessing the following web address and following the instructions

http://www.mc.maricopa.edu/other/copy_center/digital.html

For further information, the Copy Center's phone number is 480-654-7218.



The Ikon Copy Center at Red Mountain is open 8:00 am - 12:00 pm Monday through Friday and is located in the Mesquite Building.

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Kurt Conover – Acting VP of Administrative Services

Over the next few months Kurt Conover will serve as Acting Vice President of Administrative Services. Kurt will serve as V.P. until a candidate is hired to replace the recently retired Ron Etter. Kurt will be located at the Southern and Dobson campus on the third floor of the library.



Acting director for Maintenance and Operations

Richard Cluff is the Acting Director of Maintenance and Operations for the 2005-06 year. Rich has been with the college for over 20 years and is looking forward to working with everyone and bettering the campus. His goals are to make Mesa Community College (MCC) the cleanest and safest environment possible for teaching, learning, and working. He invites anyone with comments or questions to please give him a call at 480-461-7095 or email at cluff@mail.mc.maricopa.edu.