

### **JUNE 14, 2022 BOARD UPDATES**



# Make Connections That Count.

#### **EVC CELEBRATES GRADUATES IN PERSON** AT 46<sup>TH</sup> COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY

On Friday, May 27, 1,120 EVC graduates received 1,430 degrees at an in-person ceremony at Evergreen Valley College.



















#### US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RENEWS EVC'S TRIO UPWARD BOUND GRANT FOR 5 YEARS TO CONTINUE SERVING EAST SIDE SCHOOLS.



Evergreen Valley College is excited to announce the renewal of its Upward Bound grant from the US Department of Education, which amounts to \$389,865 per year and equates to over \$1.9 million dollars over the span of five years.

This grant enables us to continue robust precollege support services to at the following East Side Union High School District schools: (1) W.C. Overfelt High School and (2) Yerba Buena High School. Through this grant, we will serve 75 students per year and continue to be on the forefront of bolstering college-going culture within our richly diverse community.

### **EVC MATH PROFESSOR RECEIVES BIG HONOR**

### 2022 AD 27 ASIAN AMERICAN & PACIFIC ISLANDER NORMAN Y. MINETA LEGACY AWARD



Congratulations to EVC Math instructor, Tech Ky, for being named a 2022 AD 27 Asian American & Pacific Islander Norman Y. Mineta Legacy Awardee.

According to Assemblymember Ash Kalra, who nominated Professor Ky, "For 25+ years at Evergreen Valley College, Professor Tech Ky has been a popular Math instructor with unmatched energy, dedication, and desire to give back to his community."

### EVC'S INNOVATIVE INFECTIOUS DISEASE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FEATURED IN EDTECH MAGAZINE

EVC and its partnership with Building Skills Partnership on innovative infectious disease program was recently featured in EdTech Magazine on our collective role in developing a more techliterate workforce.

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### EVC STUDENT ATHLETE, ANA CENTENO, RECEIVES HONORABLE MENTION FOR NATIONAL AWARD



Congratulations to Ana Centeno for receiving honorable mention for the 2022 National Alliance of Two-Year College Athletic Administrators (NATYCAA) Scholar Athlete Team.

This national award is a representation of the hard work, commitment, and dedication Ana exhibited not only as a studentathlete but to the EVC community as a whole.

Ana will be transferring to Holy Names this upcoming fall where she will be playing for the Women's Soccer Team on a full-ride Athletic Scholarship. She also earned two Associate's degrees this spring (AAT in Child & Adolescent Development and AAT in Psychology). While at EVC, Ana also participated in the Enlace Program, the Enlace Honors Society, and worked as a Student Ambassador in the First Stop Center.

### **EVC STUDENT BECOMES FIRST EVER ON TRACK TO RECEIVE PH.D. THROUGH CAL-BRIDGE STEM PROGRAM**



EVC student scholar, Richard Ky, has just been accepted as our first-ever S STEM Cal-Bridge scholar on a track to becoming the first EVC student receiving a Ph.D. in computer sciences through this program.

The Cal-Bridge Program, a prestigious NSF-S STEM program is designed to guide students to a Ph.D. award in STEM and provides up to \$10,000 a year in scholarships depending on unmet needs.

### DISTRICT-WIDE BLACK GRADUATION HELD AT SJCC



On Tuesday, May 24, both Evergreen Valley College and San José City College hosted a districtwide Black Graduation on the City College campus.

The event recognized and celebrated the African American students graduating from both colleges.

### **EVC EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION ICE CREAM SOCIAL WAS SWEET!**

On Tuesday, May 10, EVC staff and faculty came together in person to celebrate and be celebrated at the annual employee recognition event and ice cream social. We celebrated years of service, tenure, retirements, and our employees of the year.











### **STUDENT ART EXHIBITION EMERGES**

EVC's Art Department hosted its 2022 annual juried student art exhibition, with this year's theme of "Emergence." On Wednesday, May 11, President Gilkerson presented awards and gift cards to the three top winning art students for their incredible artwork.









### **BLACK EXCELLENCE GRADUATION**

On Thursday, May 12, EVC's Umoja-AFFIRM program hosted its annual "Black Excellence" graduation, which featured a keynote address from Milan Balinton, Executive Director of the African American Community Service Agency.











### **EVC HOSTS SPECIAL PROGRAMS CEREMONY IN WONDERLAND**

On Thursday, May 19, we held our Special Program Awards Celebration to honor our graduates and transfers with the graduation sashes, honor cords, and medallions they would wear on graduation day. We were proud to feature First Year Experience graduates, and graduates from ASPIRE, CalWORKS, EOPS, DSP, Veteran's, Honors, OASISS, YESS/Equity Plus, Service Learning & Public Service, and International programs.











## EVC HOSTS FIRST COMMUNITY PARTNER DAY WITH FOCUS ON COMMUNITY BUILDING

On Friday, May 20, EVC hosted its first Community Partner Day, where we invited communitybased and nonprofit organizations onto campus to begin building relationships and partnerships with the external community as well as plant the seed for future collaborations.











## EVC DOLES OUT SCHOLARSHIPS TO DOZENS OF EXCITED STUDENTS

The Financial Aid Office announced our 2022-2023 scholarship winners at a ceremony on Monday, May 23. This year, we offered 79 scholarships to 48 students, totaling \$58,400.











### EVC CELEBRATES NURSES WITH TIME-HONORED PINNING CEREMONY

EVC's Spring Nurse Pinning Ceremony is a time-honored nursing school tradition which signifies the nursing graduates' official initiation into the brotherhood and sisterhood of nurses. On Wednesday, May 25, EVC pinned its next cohort of graduate nurses.











### CALIFORNIA STATE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE SELECTS EVC FOR STATE-WIDE MARKETING CAMPAIGN LOCATION

The California State Chancellor's Office this Spring put out a call to all California Community Colleges to get the word out to students about participating in a state-wide marketing campaign called "I Can Go To College." EVC and Long Beach City College generated the most student interest across the state, which led to EVC being selected as one of six colleges statewide to be featured in this campaign. Photo shoot took place on Tuesday, May 17.











#### **CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS WEEK EMPLOYEE HIGHLIGHTS**

The week of May 16 was Classified Professional's Week. EVC celebrated its outstanding Classified Professionals in a number of ways including daily highlights sent to the campus of some of our Classified Superstars. Below are just a few of the highlights.



"Jimmy is responsible for ensuring that our technology systems that include enrollment management, curriculum software, budgetary software, and our information security are running at an optimal level. Jimmy is an unsung hero on our campus as his work impacts all staff, faculty, and most importantly students. Thank you Jimmy for your hard work!" - Andrea Alexander, VP of Administrative Services

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