

**President's Report
September 2023**

NOTABLE



TRIO held an Open House to showcase its newly designed space. The event was well-attended, with an average of over 45 guests on both days, including students, staff, and faculty, who interacted with new TRIO staff to establish a connection to TRIO. Students took the opportunity to share their feedback and make recommendations for new programs and services.

TRIO program's enrollment numbers include 120 returning students, 91 applicants for the 2023-2024 term, and 35 new TRIO students for the 2023-2024 term. The TRIO program is still accepting new applicants for the upcoming fall/spring semesters. <https://www.coconino.edu/trio>



Pictured, left to right:
Marcus Szwankowski,
Luke Owens, Jeremy
Martin, Emily Giralt,
Colleen Carscallen,
Linda Neff, Gio
Macry, Julia Hull,
Katie Schwartz, Eva
Barraza, and Ashley
Averett. Not pictured:
Matthew Hernando.

The Teaching and Learning Center is proud to highlight CCC's participation in the Open Textbooks for Rural Arizona initiative, a project funded by the U.S. Department of Education. As part of this consortium of eight Arizona rural community colleges led by Yavapai College, CCC faculty and staff have designed 14 Open Educational Resource (OER) development projects since 2021, resulting in approximately \$120,000 in savings for our students. With one more year of funding and the potential for an extension, faculty and staff attend the OTRA Summit to learn how to further advocate for OER adoption and innovation at CCC. The team presented a session highlighting the College's progress and met with other colleges across the consortium.

PARTNERSHIPS



Student Life Coordinators/Directors and the Student Leaders from all Maricopa Community Colleges who collaborated with CCC Student Life to create The Student Leadership Experience provides our CCC Student Leaders with an enriching and transformative journey. Participants included Charmayne Yazzie from Page - Student Integrated Support Services (SISS), Becky Yanez, a member of the Anthropology Club, Asher Chaney, actively involved with both the Spectrum Club and Anthropology Club, and Mistyrose Jensen, a peer mentor in SISS. These students brought their unique perspectives and aspirations to this remarkable event.

The leadership experience encompassed diverse activities, including enlightening keynote speakers, engaging icebreakers, informative workshops, enjoyable social gatherings, and invigorating physical pursuits. The event offered a multifaceted approach to leadership development.

Workshops addressing Cultural Humility, Group Management, Real Colors, Having Hard Conversations, Leveraging Your Story, and the 5 C's of Well-Being, among others, provided valuable insights and tools for our Student Leaders.

The Student Leaders learned many valuable skills and insights: They learned that leadership is a shared endeavor rather than the responsibility of a single individual. They discovered the importance of providing clear instructions, even in high-pressure situations. They embraced the idea that any question can lead to meaningful conversations and that vulnerability is a key to effective communication. Moreover, they gained courage, an open mind, and an appreciation for honesty and the power of

making connections. They understand that being a leader complements rather than detracts from their academic pursuits. They've internalized the idea that mistakes and failures are growth opportunities. They've become more open, accepting of others, and committed to helping those in need, fostering greater inclusivity.

This experience motivates our Student Leaders to seek out more leadership opportunities, engage in open and courageous discussions, and actively participate in volunteer work. They are prepared to set boundaries, communicate effectively, and confidently tackle difficult conversations. Their goal is to create inclusive environments where everyone feels heard and valued.

The Student Leadership Experience has undoubtedly left a profound mark on these students, equipping them with the skills, knowledge, and motivation to impact their personal and professional lives positively.

EVENTS

September events for the College included:

- Community Education: Reading and Composing Poetry
- Community Education: The Art of Making Tiramisu
- Community Education: String Art
- Community Education: A Jungian Journey to the Creative Self
- Flagstaff Festival of Science: Science in the Park at Wheeler Park
- Cross Country George Kyte Invitational
- Comet Talk: Adventures of a 1901 Toledo Steam Car
- Student's First Breakfast
- Constitution Day Jeopardy
- Concepts and Careers in Conservation: Creating an Eye Catching Federal Resume
- Presidential Investiture and Gala

EARNED MEDIA

- September 20, 2023, Arizona Republic: "Coconino Community College receives \$750K grant for skilled trade programs." <https://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/arizona-education/2023/09/20/coconino-community-college-awarded-750k-for-skilled-trade-programs/70902943007/>
- September 21, 2023, KNAU: "CCC receives \$4 million to boost male enrollment." <https://www.knau.org/knau-and-arizona-news/2023-09-21/ccc-receives-4m-to-boost-male-enrollment>
- September 22, 2023: Arizona Daily Sun: "Coconino Community College receives \$4 million donation to increase men's participation in higher education." https://azdailysun.com/news/local/education/coconino-community-college-receives-4-million-donation-to-increase-mens-participation-in-higher-education/article_b3dfe482-58d0-11ee-b3d6-b7241ed6c5a5.html
- September 26, 2023, Williams News: "CCC to receive up to \$4 million to attract male high school students to higher education." <https://www.williamsnews.com/news/2023/sep/26/ccc-receive-4-mil-attract-male-high-school-student/>
- September 26, 2023, Diverse: Issues in Higher Education: "Coconino Community College receives \$4 million to bolster male student enrollment efforts amid national declines."

<https://www.diverseeducation.com/student-issues/article/15635123/coconino-community-college-receives-4-million-to-bolster-male-student-enrollment-efforts-amid-national-declines>

- October 3, 2023, Arizona Daily Sun: “Coconino Community College holds investiture ceremony for president Eric Heiser.” https://azdailysun.com/news/local/education/coconino-community-college-holds-investiture-ceremony-for-president-eric-heiser/article_9e5e5482-6153-11ee-ba5f-038a802db26c.html

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT MEETINGS OF INTEREST

Date	Meeting
09/06/2023	All Employee Meeting: An Introduction to Comet Hour
09/06/2023	Meeting with FUSD Superintendent Mike Penca
09/06/2023	President’s Cabinet Meeting
09/07/2023	1:1 Larry/Dr. Heiser
09/07/2023	1:1 Dianna/Dr. Heiser
09/07/2023	1:1 Adriana/Dr. Heiser
09/08/2023	A++ with Dr. Rima Brusi
09/08/2023	Arizona Republic Interview
09/08/2023	1:1 Tony/Dr. Heiser
09/11-12/2023	Two Day Franklin Covey Four Disciplines of Execution Design Sessions
09/11/2023	Property Tax Update Meeting
09/12/2023	Meet with Jodi Jacques re: 4DX
09/13/2023	Student’s First Breakfast
09/13/2023	1:1 Nat/Dr. Heiser
09/13/2023	ECoNA Meeting
09/13/2023	Marketing Team Meeting
09/13/2023	Arizona Daily Sun Interview
09/14/2023	Bonnie Stevens Meeting
09/14/2023	4DX Admin Meeting
09/14/2023	STEM/Event Team Needs
09/14/2023	Dual Enrollment Meeting
09/14/2023	A++ with Dr. Rima Brusi
09/15/2023	Alliance Meeting
09/15/2023	1:1 Patrick/Dr. Heiser
09/15/2023	EAB Data Warehouse Discussion
09/18/2023	Page Housing Discussion
09/19/2023	1:1 Jami/Dr. Heiser
09/19/2023	Rotary Meeting
09/19/2023	1:1 Kelly/Dr. Heiser
09/19/2023	Foundation Executive Committee Meeting
09/19/2023	Property Tax Meeting with Nathan Schott
09/20/2023	Joint Board and Foundation Meeting in Page
09/20/2023	Page Indigenous Club Meeting

09/20/2023	Page Staff Meeting
09/20/2023	Individual Page Staff Meetings
09/21/2023	AC4
09/21/2023	1:1 Adriana/Dr. Heiser
09/22/2023	President's Advisory Council for Excellence (PACE)
09/22/2023	1:1 Faculty Senate President/Dr. Heiser
09/25/2023	President's Cabinet/Campus Works Meeting
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09/25/2023	MOU Development CCC/FUSD Dual Enrollment Partnership with Mike Penca
09/25/2023	1:1 Staff Council Chair/Dr. Heiser
09/26/2023	Center Director Interviews
09/26/2023	ACCT/ATD Data Advisory Group: Kick-off Meeting
09/26/2023	Native American Advisory Board Discussion with Brian Francis
09/26/2023	Greater Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce Meeting
09/26/2023	1:1 Patrick/Dr. Heiser
09/27/2023	1:1 Nat/Dr. Heiser
09/27/2023	United Way Kick Off Luncheon
09/27/2023	Arizona Forward Meeting with Dr. Leyba Ruiz and Laura Rosensweet
09/27/2023	Marketing Team Meeting
09/28/2023	CCSO Brett Axlund Meeting
09/28/2023	Mary Splide Meeting
09/28/2023	1:1 Tony/Dr. Heiser
09/28/2023	Center Director Interviews x 3
09/29/2023	President's Investiture and Gala

Upcoming Travel:

10/23-25/2023 AC4

11/01/2023 AC4 Meeting with Governor

11/13-16/2023 HERDI Advisory Board Meeting