

Spring Flex Day - Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020

8:00am -Continental Breakfast and Coffee Sam Karas Room

8:30am Yogurt, fruit, pastries, and coffee, graciously donated by the MPC Foundation and David Martin, and prepared by the MPC Flex Team and

ASMPC. Reunite with long-time colleagues, meet new ones, and enjoy the slideshow and welcoming music.

8:30am -Welcome and Introduction of New Employees Lecture Forum 103

9:05am David Martin, MPC President, and Adria Gerard, Academic Senate President

9:05am -Self-Compassion as a Basis of Teaching and Learning Lecture Forum 103

9:15am Anthony Villarreal

Building on our previous courageous conversations, this brief activity will provide a quick moment to connect and practice self-compassion.

9:15am - 9:30am BREAK

9:30am -10:45am

Keynote: The Ocean Climate Action Plan--National Policy to Local Jobs Lecture Forum 103

Jason Scorse, PhD, Middlebury Institute of International Studies

Dr. Scorse is an Associate Professor at MIIS in Monterey, where he teaches courses in environmental and natural resource economics, ocean and coastal economics, and behavioral economics. He is also Program Chair of the International Environmental Policy Program, and Director of the Center for the Blue Economy, which provides "leadership in research, education, and analysis to promote a sustainable ocean and coastal economy." He has consulted for major environmental organizations, such as the Sierra Club, The Nature Conservancy, EarthJustice, and Oceana. Author of What Environmentalists Need to Know About Economics, Dr. Scorse holds a position on the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Research Activities Panel and Save Our Shores' Policy Committee, and is the MIIS faculty liaison for UC-Santa Cruz's MARINE program. His talk will explore questions of MPC and the Coastal Economy.

10:45am - 11:00am BREAK

11:00am -12:00pm

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MPC's Road to becoming a Hispanic **Serving Institution: Present, and Future Challenges and Opportunities**

LF 101

Diego Espinoza, Kelly Fletes, Juanita Vasquez, Diana Baltazar, Yadira *Moreno*Enrollment of Hispanic students continues to increase at Monterey Peninsula College. Conversations regarding how to serve the needs of students is important for MPC as we work towards meeting our equity goals. The HSI Team will share updates on the implementation of the Developing Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) Title V grant. We will share data from Jump Start, EL CENTRO (Center for Excellence in Transfer Readiness and Opportunities), HSI Week, and other initiatives. Attendees may provide feedback regarding their experiences and strategies serving underrepresented students.

Incorporating Ocean and Environmental Content Across Disciplines

LF 103

Jason Scorce, MIIS

For a more pedagogical and curriculum based discussion of connecting students to the wealth of the Monterey Bay, please join our keynote speaker for a smaller group format. How might our Guided Pathways connect to careers in the local economy as relates to the Ocean, Bay, and vast wealth of California's coastal communities? How may we transform teaching and learning by grounding activities and lessons in Marine themes and our broader relationship to the Ocean? Bring questions and ideas for this interactive session.

Improve Your Online Course Design LTC 203/204

Steve Bruemmer, Anita Crawley, and Frank Silva

MPC's Online Ed team will cover what's new in Canvas, then present tools for improving your online course. These tools include a course self-assessment, detailed explanations and examples, an aligned course template, and a guide to walk you through the steps. The tools are based on the Course Design Rubric from the Online Education Initiative, but adapted for MPC.

12:00pm

- 1:00pm

Slices and Solidarity IV: Lunch Provided by MPCTA and Dessert by CSEA Sam Karas Room

Catering by local, Pizza My Heart; cheese, meat, and vegetarian options. Salads. Dessert too! Come enjoy a slice, celebrate a three-year faculty contract, and consider the role of unionism in ensuring the best working, teaching, and learning conditions at MPC. All are welcome.

1:00pm -2:00pm

Presidents' Addresses: Superintendent, Senate Report, MPCTA and CSEA Updates, and ASMPC Lecture Forum 103

- Reem Benny, ASMPC President 9min
- Adria Gerard, Academic Senate President 12 min
- Kevin Haskin, CSEA President 12 min
- Lauren Blanchard, MPCTA President 12 min
- David Martin, Interim Superintendent/President 15 min

2:05pm -3:05pm

Breakout Session II

UMOJA LF 101

Kendra Cabrera, Lakisha Bradley, and Stephanie Perkins

The Umoja Learning Community is designed to improve the retention, academic success, and transfer rates of African ancestry students. Umoja adheres to the African Proverb, "it takes a village to raise a child." As such, Umoja values building community between students and staff, with a holistic approach to student development, where students can access the resources needed for their mind, body, and spirit to persist in their educational goals. How do MPC students experience the program? How can MPC faculty and staff be "Umojified" to help African American and other students succeed using Umoja principles and practices?

Active Learning in Lectures

LF 103 Jessica Thomas, Leila Jewell, and Heather Faust

This interactive workshop focuses on how students learn, but simultaneously demonstrates active learning strategies that the facilitators have brought to MPC after participating in the STEM Faculty Learning Program at UCSC. Many of the strategies are applicable to lectures of any size and discipline. Learn how to engage more of your students and deepen their learning!

Learning Assessment Drop-In LTC

203/204

Learning Assessment Team

Drop by this hands-on work session and get a jump on your assessment work for Spring 2020. LAC members will be on hand to answer questions and provide support for SLO and PLO assessment. Faculty scheduled to complete course assessments for Spring 2020 courses are especially encouraged to attend. (Assessment schedules for each division can be found on the SLO/Reflections page of the Academic Senate website.)

Division Meetings		
Division/Area	Location	Contact
Business Technology, HOSP	BMC 204	Leandro Castillo
Creative Arts	AS 103	Jamie Dagdigian
Humanities: Speech, Communication, Philosophy/Humanities World Languages ENGLISH ENSL	HU 106 HU 112 HU 101 HU 102	Anita Johnson
IT, AV & Print Shop	IT conference room	Mike Midkiff
Library	LTC 216	Jeff Sundquist
Life Sciences: HUMS, NUTR, INTD, DRAF, FASH AUTO BIOL, ANAT, PHYS, HLTH, ORNH, MAST Medical Assisting Dental	Group Meeting in the Marine Biology Lab	Heather Faust
Kinesiology	PE 105	Wendy Bates
Physical Sciences ASTRONOMY/ENG/PHYSICS CHEM Earth Sciences, MATE MATH	PS 107 PS 207 PS 106 PS 109E	Luke Spence
Social Sciences	SS 101	Steve Albert
Child Development Center	CDC Conference Room	Cathy Nyznyk
Nursing School	IC 203 Faculty Conference Room	Laura Loop
Academic Affairs Office, Marina Ed Center, PSTC	LTC 232 (Stutzman Room)	Jon Knolle
Administrative Services: Facilities, Security	BMC 107	Steve Haigler
Administrative Fiscal Services	Sam Karas Room	Rosemary Barrios
President's Office & Human Resources	Administration Large Conf Room	David Martin
Student Services	LF 101	Larry Walker

We would like to take this opportunity to offer a special thanks to the MPC Foundation, members of the Academic Senate, the Flex Committee, and all participants in our Flex Days, Spring 2020.

Also, please remember to complete the Spring 2020 Exit Survey; this is a primary way the Flex Team decides how to best plan, organize, and carry out our campus-wide professional development goals: https://forms.gle/hqYCfaAoGiRZ44Z9A

Have an idea already for Flex Fall 2020? Think about organizing a workshop or session! https://forms.gle/Y6fANpjSiswJfyoo7