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The Monday Minute (Week 9)

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Welcome to Week 9!

It's hard to believe we are officially halfway through the fall semester. There is something refreshing about this time of year as the leaves begin to change, the temperatures cool, and we settle into the rhythm of fall. I hope you are finding moments to enjoy the change of seasons and the transition from summer to fall. Thank you for all that you continue to do for our students and one another. Wishing you a wonderful week ahead!

Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF), Unfunded Enrollment Growth, and Mt. SAC's Apprach to Sustaining Student Access, Success, and Long-term Fiscal Stability

At the recent Department Chairs meeting last Thursday, Vice President



Joe Dominguez and Associate Vice President Ambur Borth provided an overview of the Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF), unfunded enrollment growth, and Mt. SAC's approach to sustaining student access, success, and long-term fiscal stability.

We appreciate their efforts to share this important information and help keep our campus community informed about the fiscal opportunities and challenges facing Mt. SAC.

For those interested in learning more, we hope the following information is helpful:

- **Department Chair Meeting Presentation:** Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF), unfunded enrollment growth, and Mt. SAC's approach to sustaining student access, success, and long-term fiscal stability Presentation
- **Board of Trustees Study Session Meeting:** Review of the Budget Fiscal Sustainability presentation (PowerPoint) presentation and the Board of Trustees Fiscal Sustainability Study Session materials, where additional information was shared regarding enrollment growth, state funding, and long-term fiscal planning.
- **Board of Trustees Study SEssion Video:** Board of Trustees Study Session (Saturday) October 10 2026 YouTube Video. The Fiscal Sustainability presentation begins around the 04:06:30 mark. The Fiscal Sustainability presentation is just over an hour.
- **Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees (October 14 at 5 pm)**. Special guest, Chris Ferguson, California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office, Executive Vice Chancellor of Finance and Strategic Initiatives, provided an overview. Watch it here: YouTube Video (begins around 4 minutes and 30 seconds). This presentation is about an hour in length.

Please reach out to Vice President Joe Dominguez or Associate Vice President Ambur Borth with any questions.

Mt. SAC Update - Immigration Enforcement: Know Your Rights

Last week, we recieved a reminder to the campus community to help understand how employees respond to requests from federal immigration officials on campus.



1. **Know What to Do.** Familiarize yourself with these steps in case a federal immigration official is on campus and requests access to student information, district records, or entrance to a facility.

2. **Remain Calm and Professional:** Mt. San Antonio College and its employees must follow state legal procedures and Mt. San Antonio Community College District Policies.

3. **Ask for ID and Communicate.** Ask the official to identify themselves by their **name, identification number, and agency.**

   Politely inform the officer that you are not obstructing their prcess but you must refer them to the propoer office for guidance and assistance.

4. **Notify the College.** Report any observations and request assistance from teh designated contacts.

   Primary Contact

   - Human Resources: 909-274-4493
   - Building 4
   - Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

   Emergency or After-Hours Contact

   - Police and Campus Safety: 909-274-4555

Please visit the [Mt. SAC Know Your Rights website] for additional information.

EMERGENCY & GENERAL CAMPUS SAFETY CONTACT INFORMATION

- **Police and Campus Safety Dispatch:** (909) 274-4555
- **Text-a-Tip Line:** (909) 610-9139
- **In an Emergency, dial or text:** 9-1-1



Knowledge is Power Learning Community

The Arise Program & Communication Studies Department invite you to the **Knowledge is Power Learning Community Museum.** The date and times are:

- **Thursday, October 22**
- **12:30 pm - 2:00 pm**
- **Founders Hall (Bldg. 10)**

Explore an interactive “Museum” where Cohort 3 students share their stories, cultures, & identities through speech. COMM C1000 is part of the Arise Program’s Knowledge is Power Learning Community (KPLC).

Come learn, connect, & celebrate the diverse voices of our community!

To request disability related accommodations, please contact the Arise Program at least 5 business days prior to the event. (909) 274-6622 or arise@mtsac.edu.



Mt. SAC 2nd Annual Library Photo Contest

We would love for you to participate in the library’s **“Mt. SAC Through My Eyes” Photo Contest**, starting now through Nov. 30.

Share a photo that captures your experience at Mt. SAC. Submit your photo here: **Mt. SAC Photo Contest Submission**. It could be a favorite place on campus, a memorable moment, a person, an activity, or an object that represents what Mt. SAC means to you.

Why participate?

- Your photo could be featured in the **College Digital History online archive**!
- You’ll also be entered into a raffle for a chance to win one of five Habit gift cards.

We encourage you to participate and share your unique perspective on life at Mt. SAC. We can’t wait to see Mt. SAC through your eyes!

Please reach out to Hong Guo if you have any questions.

Reminder!

Curriculum Deadlines



Mt. SAC is proud of the high-quality programs that we offer to our students. Per AP 4020 Program and Course Development (page 2), the work of sustaining programs includes the regular review of courses. The curriculum team in the Office of Instruction is enthusiastic and available to provide guidance and support for faculty, which will be described in

messages to department chairs and deans.

By October 1st, the Office of Instruction will send three messages including instructions and lists of courses to applicable department chairs and deans for review and action. There are three categories of curriculum review with their respective due dates:

1. **Due by October 30, 2026:** Course that are overdue for their 5-year review. The applicable departments are asked to review these courses and submit their course proposals. This message was sent out to these departments on September 16, 2026.

2. **Due by December 1, 2026**: Courses that have not been offered in the previous two academic years (2024-25 and 2025-26). the applicable departments are asked to respond with a rationale to keep the courses in the catalog for another academic year.

3. **Due by May 31, 2027:** Courses that are due for their 5-year review. The applicable departments are asked to review these courses and submit their course proposals for the 2028-29 catalog.

Please reach out to Shelley Doonan and L.E. Foisia, Curriculum Co-Liaisons, and Pauline Swartz, Assistant Curriculum Liaison, if there are questions or requests for assistance.

Important Dates and Reminders



- Inaugural State of the College: **Thursday, October 29, 2026** (registration link)
- Veteran's Day (Campus Closed): **Wednesday, November 11, 2026**
- Thanksgiving Holiday**: November 26 and 27 (Thursday and Friday)**
- Last Day of the Semester: **December 11, 2026**
  Grades Due (full-term classes): **Tuesday, December 15, 2026 (8 pm)**

- Mt. SAC Faculty Center for Learning Technology website
- Mt. SAC Student Services Resources
- Canvas Student Support Hub (log in to access this resource)
- Mt. SAC 2026 - 2027 Academic Calendar
- **new!** Mt. SAC 2027 - 2028 Academic Calendar
- Fall 2026 Credit Course Section Cancellation Protocol
- Mt. SAC Calendar of Events
- The Monday Minute Feedback Survey

Support from Your Division Office

Please continue to reach out to your Dean or Division Office to share your concerns and identify any assistance needed. We are here to support you.



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