is proud to celebrate the innovative team that established our On-Campus Afterschool Program for Student Parents/Guardians

Congratulations to the
2022-2023 Innovation of the Year Award winners!

Dr. Mike Muñoz
Superintendent-President

Dr. Tracy Carmichael
Chief Innovation Officer

Yvonne Gutierrez
Dean, Enrollment Services

Erin Murphy
Director, Special Projects

Kimberly Nepomuceno
Administrative Support Specialist

Your work inspires all of us at Long Beach City College.
We are so proud that your work to help our student parents is being recognized by the League for Innovation in the Community College.

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Foreword

The League for Innovation in the Community College has been dedicated to informing, inspiring, and celebrating innovation in learning, teaching, professional development, and student success for 55 years. Over 35 years ago, we created the Innovation of the Year Awards to recognize innovative programs, practices, and initiatives that improve the ability of community colleges to serve students and the community, and honor those who created and implemented them. In 2012, the League established the Excellence Awards to celebrate outstanding faculty, staff, and leaders in the community college field who have made a significant difference in the lives of students and in the communities their institutions serve. As colleges continue to experience the domino effects of the coronavirus, enrollment declines, staffing issues, and leadership shifts, award recipients’ efforts ensure that we will meet the future with confidence and purpose.

This program features the distinguished 2022-2023 Innovation of the Year Award winners and 2023-2024 Excellence Award recipients from our member colleges. The League thanks participating colleges for providing this opportunity to recognize extraordinary faculty, staff, and administrators. We appreciate your support and willingness to share your college’s experiences with the field, as together we carry on the legacy of the community college movement.

Rufus Glasper, Ph.D.
President and CEO
League for Innovation in the Community College
2022-2023 Innovation of the Year Awards

Carroll Community College
“Democracy Lab”

Sarah Star
Assistant Professor, Arts and Humanities

Central Community College and Metropolitan Community College
“Nebraska Math Readiness Equals College Success”

Mike Flesch
Dean, Math and Natural Sciences, Metropolitan Community College
Corey Hatt
Program Director, Math Readiness, Central Community College
Candace Walton
Vice President, Innovation and Instruction, Central Community College

Central Ohio Technical College
“The Student Success Center: Expanding a Culture of Caring Through a Multifaceted Approach to Student Success”

Rachael Bailey
Student Success Coach
Janetta Davis
Student Success Coach
Jackie Farmer
Student Success Coach
Ben Hampshire
Assistant Director, Student Success
Troy King
Director, Student Success
Lori LeVeque
Coordinator, Testing
John McCauley
Coordinator, Tutoring
Sarah Morrison
Dean, Enrollment Management
Stephen Pierce
Student Success Coach
Yvonne Townsend
Student Success Coach
Joan Webb
Student Success Coach

College of DuPage
“Immersive Visualization Lab”

Kevin Baldwin
Lab Software Specialist, Office and Classroom Technology
Sarah Born
Associate Professor, Nursing
Laura Burt-Nicolas
Reference Librarian
Jennifer Cumpston
Dean, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math
Joe Dalsanto
Associate Professor, Earth Science

Cory DiCarlo
Professor, Chemistry
Carolyn England
Professor, Computer and Information Science
Don Inman
Director, Facilities
Robert Plank
Assistant Professor, Computer and Information Technology
Steve Santello
Professor, Computer and Information Science
Jason Snart
Professor, English
Keith Zeitz
Interim Director, Information Technology

Columbia State Community College
“Quality Improvement Project for Nurse Educator Best Practices”

Kae Fleming
Dean, Health Sciences
Jo Ann Hansen
Coordinator, Clinical Laboratory
Amy Huff
Program Director, Nursing
Michele Marbet
Instructor, Nursing
Ginny Massey-Holt
Associate Professor, Nursing

Community College of Baltimore County
“The Good School Podcast”

Beth Baunoch
Associate Professor, Media Studies

Cuyahoga Community College
“Health Careers Access”

Chandra Arthur
Assistant Professor, Business Administration
Mira Batig
Assistant Dean, Academic Affairs
Molly Drenen
Program Manager, Ophthalmic Dispensing
Judith Kaplan
Director, Dietetic Technology
Michael Kenney
Associate Dean, Health Careers and Sciences
Bob Madison
Recruitment Specialist, Health Careers and Sciences
Gregory Malone
Associate Dean, Health Careers and Sciences
Joan Mayer Campbell
Programmer/Analyst
Annie Myatt
Director, Dental Hygiene
Mary Ann Stuhan
Adjunct Faculty, Pharmacology
CONGRATULATIONS

to the Community College of Baltimore County’s
2023-2024 League Excellence Award and 2022-2023 Innovation of the Year Award recipients.

INNOVATION OF THE YEAR AWARD

Beth Baunoch, 
Good School Podcast

LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARD

Dr. Theresa LaMotte, 
Program Director and 
Professor of Kinesiology

Dallas College
“First Teacher Apprenticeship Program in Texas Addresses Teacher Shortages”

Rob DeHaas
Vice Provost, Education
Shawnda Floyd
Provost
Justin Lonon
Chancellor

Delta College
“Web-Based Audiovisual Platform for the Health Profession”

Jim Czyzewski
Director, User Services
Chris Hausbeck
Associate Professor, Physical Therapy
Lori Kloc
Health and Wellness Specialist
Pam Livingston
Assistant Professor, Dental Hygiene
Greg Luczak
Project Director, Corporate Services and Academics
Mitch Ziehmer
Support Technician, Information Technology

Florida State College at Jacksonville
“Silo Smashing for Student Success: Positioning Academic and Nonacademic Staff as Changemakers”

Andrey Antee
Professor, Communications
Marc Boese
Professor, Video Production
Sarah Reardon
Director, Student Success and Achievement

Houston Community College System
“Innovative Professors Facilitate Metaverse Integration in Workforce Curriculum: The Future Is Now”

Shasta Beveridge
Professor, Interior Design
Alissa Dejongh
Professor, Cosmetology
Ruben Duran
Director, XR Lab and Studio
Katherine Rangel
Professor, Culinary, and Program Coordinator, Pastry Arts
Muddassir Siddiqi
Campus President, Central College
Cheryl Whitaker
Professor, Fashion Merchandising
2023 League Excellence Award Recipients

Hudson County Community College
“Gateway to Innovation”

Anita Belle
Director, Workforce Pathways
Lori Margolin
Associate Vice President, Continuing Education and Workforce Development

Humber College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning
“Idea Lab: Digital Fluency Skills in the Making”

Lida Anwari
Placement Advisor, Longo Faculty of Business
Valerie Benigno
Library Technician
Joseph Chan
Library Clerk
Ewan Gibson
Digital Fluency Librarian
Cheryl Mitchell
Director, Longo Faculty of Business
Alexandra Ross
Associate Director, Libraries
Jason Rouatt
Library Technician

Chris Rugo
eLearning Specialist, Libraries
Besma Soltan
Project Manager, Longo Faculty of Business
Varun Verma
Library Technician
Erin Walker
Digital Fluency Librarian
Zee Zaman
Digital Fluency Advisor, Libraries

Institute of Technical Education
“Artificial Intelligence-Enabled Marking for Computer-Aided Design Drawings”

Lim See Yew
Senior Director, Engineering
Lin Kok On
Course Manager, Marine Engineering
Tan Chee Keong
Senior Lecturer, Precision Engineering-Technical Engineer Diploma
Agnes Tan Hwee Juan
Lecturer, Mechanical Engineering
Ricky Tan Yuan Sheng
Lecturer, Precision Engineering-Technical Engineer Diploma
Lisa Wang Jianwu
Senior Lecturer, Built Environment

Congratulations
2023 League Excellence Award Recipients
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**Isothermal Community College**
“The Patriot’s Journey Summer Bridge Program”

Greg Thomas  
Vice President, Academic and Student Affairs

**Johnson County Community College**
“Open-Source Laboratory Manual for Human Physiology”

Corey Sullivan  
Associate Professor, Human Science  
Kristin Thurlby  
Associate Professor, Human Science  
Gwen Wright  
Associate Professor, Human Science

**Lane Community College**
“Got Milk? A Lactase Research Project to Support Course and Institutional Learning Outcomes in Introductory Biology”

Jeneva Anderson  
Instructor, Biology  
Christine Andrews  
Instructor, Biology  
Adam Gabay  
Instructional Specialist, Life Science Laboratory  
Susan Holmes  
Instructor, Biology

**Long Beach City College**
“On-Campus Afterschool Program for Student Parents/Guardians”

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Chief Innovation Officer  
Yvonne Gutierrez  
Dean, Enrollment Services  
Mike Muñoz  
Superintendent-President  
Erin Murphy  
Director, Special Projects  
Kimberly Nepomuceno  
Administrative Support Specialist, Office of the Superintendent-President

**Madison College**
“Inclusive Excellence in Curriculum: Recognizing Faculty Fellows”

Chevon Bowen  
Coordinator, Intersectional Education and Outreach  
Jody Cooper  
Faculty, Legal Studies and Paralegal  
Cherif Correa  
Faculty, English

**Congratulations, League Excellence Award Winners!**

Pamela Clark  
Executive Director of Institutional Advancement

Angela Cramer  
Controller

Christopher Curtis  
Professor, Psychology

**Innovation of the Year Award Recipients**

Left to right:  
Greg Luczak, Assist. Director of Business Services  
Chris Hausbeck, Assoc. Professor of Physical Therapist Assist.  
Pam Livingston, Assist. Professor of Dental Hygiene  
Mitch Ziehme, OIT Support Technician  
Lori Kloc, Health Simulation Educator  
Jim Czyzewski, OIT Director, User Services

Your leadership and dedication to higher education inspires us all.
Kari Daggs
Faculty, Information Technology

Phil Gasper
Faculty, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning

Kate Grovergrys
Faculty, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning

Loise Kirore
Faculty, Nursing

Robin Nickel
Faculty, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning

Karen Romanowski
Faculty, Health Sciences

Bethany Sansing-Helton
Faculty, Mathematics

Dee Soles
Faculty, Sociology

Marco Torrez-Miranda
Faculty Director, Institute for Equity and Transformational Change

Michele Turner
Faculty, Early Childhood Education

Paula Waite
Faculty, Information Technology

**Maricopa Community Colleges – Rio Salado College**

“Upskilling Adult Education Students: A Collaborative Career Training and Partnership Pathway Model”

Kim Anderson
Program Manager, Community Development

Marina Belgin
Program Manager, Community Development

Rodney Bennett
Student Services Analyst

Michael Benvin
Manager, Student Services

Lily Beth Brazones
Manager, Instructional Services

Simin Broumand Kia
Supervisor, Instructional Services

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Dean, Instruction and Community Development

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Nicole Sabino-Coker
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Nuria Sanchez
Supervisor, Instructional Services

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Director, Adult Basic Education

Kelly Stewart
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John Van Meter
Manager, Instructional Services

Andrea Vazquez
Program Manager, Community Development

Adam Wetterhan
Student Services Analyst

Nikki Zimmerman
Supervisor, Workforce Development

**Middlesex Community College**

“The SUCCESS Scholars Program: A Mentorship for Diverse Populations”

Tiffany Laudano
Coordinator, SUCCESS Scholars Program

Serrahtani Parrish
Financial Wellness Coach, SUCCESS Scholars Program

**Monroe Community College – SUNY**

“Data Champion Training and You Are a Data Person Book Club”

Elina Belyablya
Assistant Director, Research

Kimberley Collins
Associate Vice President, Academic Services

William Dixon
Director, Institutional Research

Amanda Eggleston-Rampe
Coordinator, Pathways and Academic Technologies

**Montgomery County Community College**

“Virtual Reality Radiography Simulation”

Rhonda Alexander
Probationary Lecturer, Radiography

Cheryl DiLanzo
Dean, Health Services

Matthew Kilbride
Instructional Technology Simulation Specialist

Anita Mangold
Clinical Coordinator, Radiography

Mary-Kate Najarian
Assistant Director, Instructional Technology

Amanda Pluck
Probationary Lecturer, Radiography

Dana Smith
Assistant Professor, Radiography
Moraine Valley Community College
“Equity Academy”

Cynthia Anderson  
Dean, Corporate Community and Continuing Education  

Kristine Christensen  
Director, Faculty Development  

Tamima Farooqui  
Manager, Employment Equity  

Scott Friedman  
Dean, Student Engagement and Development  

Sadya Khan  
Director, Institutional Research  

Northland Pioneer College
“This Class Is on Us Tuition Waiver”

Maderia Ellison  
Vice President and CFO  

Pima Community College District
“PimaFastTrack”

Amanda Abens  
Dean, Workforce and Continuing Education  

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Vice President, Workforce Development and Innovation  

Gregory Wilson  
Dean, Applied Technology  

Barbara Zelano  
Community and Corporate Navigator, Workforce Development  

Saskatchewan Polytechnic
“My First Five”

Leanne Barrington  
Coordinator, Student Engagement  

Nadine Craig  
Coordinator, Student Engagement  

Lisa DeVries  
Coordinator, Student Engagement  

Kelsi Murrow  
Coordinator, Student Engagement  

Amanda Powers  
Coordinator, Student Life  

Seattle Colleges
“Discover Seattle Colleges”

Beth Anderson  
Program Administrator, Communications  

Nicholas Anderson  
Program Coordinator, Healthcare and Human Services  

Rachel Andre  
Associate Director, Workforce  

Pablo Basilio  
Client Service Manager  

Sarah Bishop  
Director, Seattle Promise  

Aimee Brown  
Director, Title II  

Barb Childs  
Executive Director, Communications and Strategic Initiatives  

Karen DeVenaro  
Director, Pre-Apprenticeship  

Spencer Echon  
Education Technologist  

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Erika Guzman  
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Yuka Hemmi  
Administrative Assistant 3, Basic and Transitional Studies  

Chelsea Hoffman  
Entry Specialist, Admissions  

Christina Hoffman  
Admissions and Outreach Specialist  

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Associate Dean, Georgetown Campus  

Shan Lackey  
Transition Specialist  

Robin Leeson  
Instructional Designer  

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Outreach Specialist, Seattle Promise  

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JobLink College Navigator  

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Department Chair of Developmental Education

Dr. Scott Friedman
Dean of Student Engagement

Krista Syrup
Professor of Environmental/Earth Science

INNOVATION OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENTS

Equity Academy
(Front row) Dr. Sadya Khan, Executive Director of Institutional Research, Planning and Effectiveness;
Dr. Scott Friedman, Dean of Student Engagement
(Back row, from left) Dr. Cynthia Anderson,
Dean of Academic Development/Academic Outreach;
Tamima Farooqui, Employment Equity Manager, Human Resources; and Dr. Kristine Christensen,
Professor of Computer Information and Office Technology

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Sinclair Community College
“Tartan TOPS Program”

Tristan Chaput
Faculty and Coordinator, Tartan TOPS

Janice Metz
Transition Success Specialist, Accessibility Services

Jessica Minor
Chair, Education

Lorrie Spivey
Manager, Counseling and Accessibility

St. Louis Community College
“Biomanufacturing Research and Technical Training (BRaTT)”

Elizabeth Boedeker
Senior Research Scientist, Center for Plant and Life Sciences

Laura Moore
Senior Research Scientist and CRO Coordinator, Life Sciences

Eric Whitehead
Senior Program Manager, Business Solutions

Valencia College – East Campus
“Law@Work”

Matthew Kenney
Professor, Business

Devika Ramsingh
Librarian

Wake Technical Community College
“Academic Counseling for English Students (ACES)”

Laura Ingram
Assistant Professor, English, and Faculty Lead, ACES

Kelli Keltz
Associate Department Head, English

Lisa Martin
Associate Department Head, English

Emily Morris
Assistant Professor, English

Eileen Sweeney
Professor, English

John Wells
Associate Professor, English

CONGRATULATIONS
to all of our excellent innovators!

Nereida Arroyo
Campus Visit Coordinator

David Atlee
Science Faculty

Megan Dempsey
Assistant Director of Student Advocacy

Will Hicks
Interim Chair of Cinematic Arts

Erin May
Online and Blended Learning Specialist

Tracy Mendoza
Director of Academic Internal Operations

Siri Morken
Department Chair of Nursing and Health Sciences

Kelly O’Dell
Department Chair of Behavioral Sciences

Ana Romero
Visual Content Strategist

Adrienne Shabandarian
Director of Upward Bound Program

Kimberly Suaz
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Diana Swansen
Community ESL Instructor

Chris Tombari
Director of Strategic Initiatives

Jasmine Yap
Inclusive Pedagogy Instructional Lead

CONGRATS
The Maricopa Community Colleges are proud to honor our 2023-2024 League Excellence Award Winners!

Maricopa Community Colleges District Office
Tamra Gagnon, Associate Chief Human Resources Officer for People Experiences
Michelle Keller, Director, Human Resources Compensation (not pictured)
Aimee Pearce, Assistant Director, Financial Aid
Rose Rojas, Director, Center for Curriculum and Transfer Articulation

Chandler-Gilbert Community College
Mike Greene, Director of Student Life and Leadership
Theresa Wong, Director of Planning and Research
Prema Rayappa, Faculty, Computer Science
April Strom, Faculty, Mathematics
Donna Thompson, Faculty, Women’s, Gender, and Ethnic Studies

GateWay Community College
Carly Figman, Workforce Development Analyst Senior, Institutional Advancement
Stevie Jones, Assessment Coordinator, Institutional Effectiveness
Suzanne Ringle, Director, Financial Aid Enrollment Services
Laura Safa, Program Director, Physical Therapy Assisting
Johnna Vande Vegte, Project Manager CEI, Institutional Advancement
Miguel Villarreal, Custodian Supervisor, Facilities

Phoenix College
Robin Cotter, Faculty, Biosciences
Rose French, Faculty and Coordinator of Visual and Performing Arts
Anna Marti-Subirana, Faculty, Biosciences
Karl Schindler, Department Chair, Visual and Performing Arts
Roberto Villegas-Gold, Department Chair, Counseling

Rio Salado College
Maria Bellino, Interim Vice President Administrative Services
Karen Docherty, Faculty Co-Chair, Librarian
Jason Reiche, Application Developer Sr.

South Mountain Community College
Bechir Amdouni, Residential Faculty, Mathematics
**League Awards**

**2023-2024 League Excellence Awards**

**CANADA**

- **British Columbia**
  - Nicola Valley Institute of Technology
    - Aruna Gore
      - Dean, Academics
    - Sue Sterling-Bur
      - Vice President, Students

**Ontario**

- Humber College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning
  - Audrene Kerr-Brown
    - Professor, Psychology

**JAMAICA**

- Council of Community Colleges of Jamaica
  - Joedian Bryce
    - Lecturer, Language and Communication
  - Chantal Doyley
    - Nurse and Educator, Nursing and Technical Vocational Education
  - Muffet Forsythe Llewellyn
    - Lecturer, Hospitality and Tourism Management
  - Sherese Gooden
    - Lecturer, Literacy and English Literature
  - Shawn Harrison
    - Lecturer, Language Communication and Spanish
  - Tricia Anne Rob-Brown
    - Principal Lecturer, Curriculum Development and Humanities
  - Everton Walker
    - Lecturer, Educational Technology, Literacy Studies, and Communication
  - Earl Waysome
    - Lecturer, Hospitality and Tourism

**U.S.A.**

- **Alabama**
  - Snead State Community College
    - Tristin Callahan
      - Director, Admissions and Recruiting
    - Todd Freshwater
      - Instructor, Industrial Systems Technology
    - Kelly Snyder
      - Instructor, Business and Sociology
    - Susan West
      - Custodian
  - Wallace State Community College
    - Jason Bynum
      - Program Director, Agribusiness/Horticulture
    - Suzanne Harbin
      - Vice President, Advancement and Innovation

- **Arizona**
  - Arizona Western College
    - Patrick Brown
      - Coordinator, IT Stackable Certifications
    - Kenny Dale
      - Coach, Men’s Soccer, and Faculty, History
    - Dawnelle Franklin
      - Professor, IT Stackable Certifications
    - Sarah Herman
      - Strategic Content/Social Media Specialist

- **Central Arizona College**
  - Armineh Noravian
    - Professor, Engineering

- **Chandler-Gilbert Community College**
  - Michael Greene
    - Director, Student Life and Leadership
  - Prema Rayappa
    - Faculty, Computer Science
  - April Strom
    - Faculty, Mathematics
  - Donna Thompson
    - Faculty, Women’s, Gender, and Ethnic Studies
  - Theresa Wong
    - Director, Institutional Research

- **GateWay Community College**
  - Carly Figman
    - Director, Community and Industry Relations
  - Stevie Jones
    - Coordinator, Assessment
  - Suzanne Ringle
    - Director, Enrollment Services
  - Laura Safa
    - Faculty, Physical Therapist Assistant
  - Johnna Vande Vegte
    - Program Coordinator, Center for Entrepreneurial Innovation
  - Miguel Villarreal
    - Supervisor, Custodian

- **Maricopa Community Colleges District Office**
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TAYLOR OEST
Full-time Faculty
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RUTH ELLEN ELINSKI
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Technician Integration Specialist
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Yavapai College
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Faculty, Biology
Rose French  
Faculty, Music
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Taylor Oest  
Faculty, Emergency Medical Services
Tony Vytuvis  
Integration Technician Specialist

Cerritos College
Marie Benson  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene
Marcey Brabender  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene
DiAnn DiPietro-Fife  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene
Andrea Grammatica  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene
Diane Loera  
Director/Department Chair, Dental Hygiene
Ann Nguyen  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene
Kathy Ninomiya  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene
Elizabeth Riley  
Dean, Health Occupations
Jaclyn Ronquillo-Adachi  
Professor, Psychology
Tennille Rozak  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene

Cuyamaca College
Marlena Shore  
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Kristen Stephens  
Instructor, Dental Hygiene
Rachel Ward  
Part-Time Instructor, Dental Hygiene

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Co-Coordinator, Guided Pathways

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Professor, English
Dokesh Meacham  
Counselor and Instructor, Counseling
Tiffany Rideaux  
Faculty, Psychology, and Co-Coordinator, Umoja
Phuong Tran  
Coordinator, Apprenticeship Programs
Brandon Younger  
Co-Coordinator, Umoja

Grossmont College
Gregg Robinson  
Retired Faculty, Sociology

Mission College
Yolanda Barnes  
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Lusyna Narvaez  
Program Specialist, Student Equity and Success

Arapahoe Community College
Jennifer Jones  
Faculty, Astronomy
Jennifer Kellogg  
Faculty, Medical Laboratory Technology
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2023-2024 LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

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Faculty, Computer Science
Kathleen Sutherland
Associate Dean, Education
Christine Tomas
Faculty and Program Chair, Health Information Technology

Community College of Aurora
Nereida Arroyo-Ramirez
Campus Visit Coordinator, CentreTech
David Atlee
Faculty, Physics
Megan Dempsey
Coordinator, Basic Needs and Student Wellness
Will Hicks
Faculty, Screenwriting and Writing-Producing
Erin May
Team Member, Online and Blended Learning
Tracy Mendoza
Director, Academic Internal Operations
Siri Morken
Department Chair, Nursing and Health Sciences
Kelly O’Dell
Department Chair, Behavioral Sciences
Ana Romero
Visual Content Strategist, Strategic Communications
Adrienne Shabandarian
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Kimberly Suazo
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Jasmine Yap
Inclusive Pedagogy Instructional Lead, Title V

Illinois

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Joyce Georgi
Student Success Coach, Nursing and Health Sciences
Ryan Kaiser
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Brett Kalboth
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Allison Klein
Adjunct Faculty, Photography
Wayne Meirhofer
Adjunct Faculty, Respiratory Care
Jonathan Powell
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Addie Wong
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Assistant Professor, Early Childhood Education and Care

Alvin Community College
Jennifer Brazil
Instructor, Mathematics
Jordan Rusk
Director, Polysomnography & Neurodiagnostic Technology

2023-2024 LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARDS

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Elgin Community College celebrates this year’s recipients of the League Excellence Awards

We are proud of the work you do and your commitment to academic excellence. Thank you for your dedication to improving people’s lives through learning.

1. Sarah Buzzelli, Academic Advisor
2. Wendy Chen, Grant Manager for the Recovery Support Specialist Program
3. Chris Cunningham, Instructor of Mathematics
4. Juan Fernandez, Director of Art and Design
5. Sean Jensen, Assistant Dean of College in High School Programs
6. Joshua Thusat, Associate Professor of English

Elgin Community College

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Harper College

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