2024 LEAGUE & WARDS



Celebrating Excellence in Teaching & Leading

Congratulations to all the 2024-25 League Excellence Award Winners!





Kerri Donohue Biology Instructor



Tim French ACA Program Coordinator/Digital Media & UIUX Instructor



Carmel HerrinPhysical Therapy
Assistant Instructor



Casandra Higginbotham Associate Degree Nursing Instructor



Sonny Kelly English & Speech Communication Instructor



Jennifer Osborn Criminal Justice & Latent Evidence Instructor



Larissa White Healthcare Management Technology & Medical Office Administration Department Chair



Darius Wilkins Industrial Systems Technology & Mechatronics Engineering Technology Department Chair

Michael Brown
Corporate & Continuing
Education Instructor
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Foreword

he 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 more than 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 create and implement 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. We are proud to continue the tradition of acknowledging the exceptional efforts at community colleges around the world.

This program features the distinguished 2023-2024 Innovation of the Year Award winners and 2024-2025 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





2023-2024 Innovation of the Year Awards

Blinn College

"Orienting for Success: An Online Learning Management System Orientation"

Amanda Chau

Professor, Biology

Lillian Marshall

Functional Analyst, Administrative Computing Services

Tom McClung

eLearning Support Specialist, Distance Learning

Mathew Walpert

eCampus Systems Specialist, Distance Learning

Carroll Community College

"The Fun Stuff: Creative Programming to Foster Student Belonging and Ease Library Anxiety"

Emily Hampton Haynes

Assistant Director, Library, and Head, Public Services

Central Community College

"Transition Advantage Scholarship: Early College Bridge Program"

Marni Danhauer

Manager, Grants

Lisa Gdowski

Director, Financial Aid

Joanie Guerrero

Administrative Assistant, Early College

Jamev Peterson-Jones

Director, Early College

College of DuPage

"Africa Initiative"

Shamili Ajgaonkar

Professor, Biology

Julia diLiberti

Professor, Humanities

Susan Kerby

Coordinator, Study Abroad

Maren McKellin

Manager, Field and Experiential Learning





CONGRATULATIONS

to the Community College of Baltimore County's 2024 Innovation of the Year and League Excellence Awardees.

2024 INNOVATION OF THE YEAR AWARD

Shawntaye Adams

Math on Demand:
Supporting Students Where They Are

2024 LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARD

Liz Hart

Associate Professor of English



Community College of Baltimore County

"Math-On-Demand: Supporting Students Where They Are"

Shawntave Adams

Coordinator, Mathematics

Foothill-De Anza Community College District

"The Physics Show: Engaging the Public in Physics Education and Funding Title 1 School Outreach"

Frank Cascarano

Faculty, Physics

David Marasco

Professor, Physics

Christy Moore

Coordinator, Campus Facilities

Harper College

"Innovation Accelerator: Minimizing Risk While Maximizing Innovation"

Susanne Brock

Senior Director, Innovation and Development

HACC: Central Pennsylvania's Community College

"Enrollment Belongs to Everyone: Enhancing Data Literacy for Employee and Student Success"

Radecka Appiah-Padi

Assistant Vice President, Learning Enhancement

Tim Barshinger

Assistant Vice President, Student Enrollment Services

Shelly Blanchette

Director, Student Enrollment Services

Angela Campbell

Assistant Vice President, Assessment, Planning, and Strategy

Chrissy Davis Jones

Vice President, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

Mikayla Fullmer

Coordinator, Student Success and Enrollment Management

Kim Kelsev

Director, Institutional Research and Reporting

Hillsborough Community College

"Pre-Health Society Aims to Increase the Preparedness of Students to Apply to Medical Programs"

Elizabeth McCullough

Professor, Chemistry



Hudson County Community College

"Justice-Involved Undergraduate Success and Training Program"

Anita Belle

Director, Workforce Pathways

Heather DeVries

Associate Vice President, Academic Affairs and Assessment

Lori Margolin

Associate Vice President, Continuing Education and Workforce Development

Christopher Reber

President

Humber Polytechnic

"BrickMMO: A Smart City Education Platform"

Adam Thomas

Professor, Multimedia Design

Institute of Technical Education - ITE College East

"Hybrid Ballasts for Solar Panel Installation"

Gregory Edward Hogan

Lecturer, Mechanical Engineering

Andre Poh Siu Meng

Senior Lecturer, Mechanical Engineering

Lim Wenbin

Assistant Director, Mechanical Engineering

Johnson County Community College

"Wraparound Support Program for Academically At-Risk Students"

Joyce Friedel

Administrative Assistant, Academic Support

Jessica Garcia

Counselor

Rebekah Godke

Coordinator, Academic Alert

Kaitlin Krumsick

Director, Academic Achievement Center and Language

Resource Center Alyssa Slana

Coordinator, Wrap Around Services

Lane Community College

"Course-Embedded Tutoring: Supporting Student Success In and Out of the Classroom"

Wendy Rose Aaron

Faculty, Mathematics

Kristen Albrethsen

Instructional Specialist, Academic and Tutoring Services

Jason Ambacher

Faculty and Coordinator, Geography

Jeneva Anderson

Faculty, Biology

Amanda Blaeuer

Peer Tutor, Academic and Tutoring Services

Fatima Farje

Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Jacquie Fern

Instructional Specialist, Academic and Tutoring Services

Amanda Gomez-Zeller

Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Jennifer Goudreau

Faculty, Computer Information Technology

Tracy Henninger-Willey

Faculty Coordinator, English as a Second Language

Elizabeth Higgins

Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Kyle Hollingshead

Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Shane Holmes

Lead Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Luanne Johnson

Faculty, Business

Judith Kelly

Faculty, Adult Basic and Secondary Education, and Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Jenn Kepka

Director, Academic and Tutoring Services

Terry Macedo Ivanauskas

Faculty, Social Sciences

Tina Majchrzak

Faculty, Computer Information Technology

Julie Pfaff

Faculty, Adult Basic and Secondary Education

Sara Pittman

Faculty, Academic and Tutoring Services

Ce Rosenow

Faculty, Writing and Literature

MJ Santos

Instructional Specialist, Academic and Tutoring Services

Ethan Short

Peer Tutor, Academic and Tutoring Services

Shawna Staff

Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Lisa Turnbull

Part-Time Faculty, Science

Liz Wallace

Academic Coach, Academic and Tutoring Services

Victoria Webb

Part-Time Faculty, Business

Mara Williams

Peer Tutor, Academic and Tutoring Services

Long Beach City College

"Dramatically Improving Students' Sense of Belonging"

Karla Aguiñiga

Manager, Art Gallery

Eric Becerra

Director, Student Equity

Erainia Freeman

Dean, Academic Success, Inclusion, and Support Services

Alex Luong

Director, Title V and First-Year Experience

Justin Mendez

Director, Basic Needs and CASA Grant



CONGRATULATES OUR AWARD RECIPIENTS!

INNOVATION OF THE YEAR



Recipient

Adam Thomas

Professor,
Faculty of Media, Creative Arts & Design

LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARD



Recipient

Craig MacCalman

Program Coordinator, Faculty of Health Sciences & Wellness

Thank you for dedication to and commitment to students. Your leadership and passion for lifelong learning inspires change and innovation.

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Maricopa Community Colleges - Scottsdale Community College

"Girls Get IT Conference"

Melanie Burm

Director, External Affairs, Scottsdale Community College

Diane Meza

Executive Director, Maricopa Information Technology Institute, District Office

Merced College

"The AgTEC Innovation Center"

Jill Cunningham

Vice President, External Relations, and Executive Director, Foundation

Garrick Grace

Dean, Innovation

Cody Jacobsen

Director, Agricultural Innovation

Bryan Tassey

Dean, Career Technical Education

Chris Vitelli

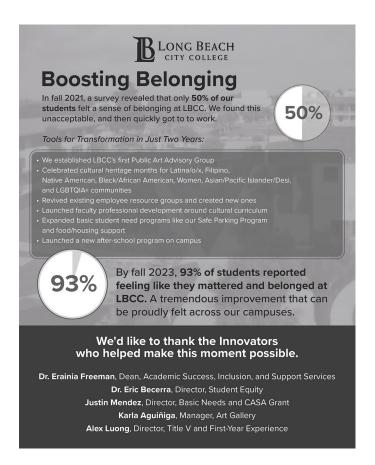
Superintendent/President

Middlesex Community College

"Using the Pedagogy of Real Talk for Student Support"

Christine Bell

Director, Academic Centers for Enrichment



Kayla Caron

Registrar

Fay Hourihan

Associate Director, Enrollment Management Center

Beth Kelley

Learning Specialist, Academic Support

Winny Oyamo-Twombly

Senior Director, Career Integrated Learning

Jeffrey Tejada

Director, Diversity Outreach and Recruitment

Yohanka Tejada

Assistant Director, Pathways and Academic Advising

Rina Tenore

Advisor, TRIO

Vera Vasconcelos

Administrative Assistant II, Career Integrated Learning

Monroe Community College - SUNY

"Champion of Psychological Safety"

Darrell Jachim-Moore

Associate Vice President, Administrative Services

Montgomery County Community College

"The Food Recovery Program"

Jennifer Fanega

Food Sustainability Fellow, Hospitality Institute

Karima Roepe

Director, Hospitality Institute

Moraine Valley Community College

"The Adult Education Foundations Project"

Rafif Abuzaghleh

Education Specialist, Learning Enrichment and College Readiness

Yolanda Bennett

Education Specialist, Learning Enrichment and College Readiness

Debby Blatzer

Assistant Dean, Academic Advising and Counseling

Ashley Lindemann Aebersold

Coordinator, Advising Resources

Patrick Lohan

Education Specialist, Learning Enrichment and College Readiness

Lupita Medina

Director, Testing Services

Janet Oleksy

Secretary II, Adult Basic Education

Jennifer Pilarczyk

Coordinator, Testing Services

Christian Torres

Learning Enrichment and College Readiness Specialist

Kate Wachtor

Assistant Dean, Enrollment Services

Lauren Zajac

Learning Enrichment and College Readiness Specialist

MORAINE VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE APPLAUDS ITS DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AND STAFF

LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS



Joe FlynnProfessor/Department Chair of Business







Jana Svec
Professor of Earth/Environmental Science



INNOVATION OF THE YEAR AWARD RECIPIENTS

Adult Education Foundations Project

(Front row, from left)

Rafif Abuzaghleh, education specialist in Adult Basic Education; Jennifer Pilarczyk, coordinatorof Testing Services; Christian Torres Smolenets, Adult Basic Education instructor; Kate Wachtor, assistant dean of Enrollment Services (Back row, from left)

Lupita Medina, director of Testing Services;
Janet Oleksy, secretary II in Adult Basic Education;
Lauren Zajac, transition specialist in Learning Enrichment
and College Readiness; Ashley Lindemann Aebersold,
advising resource coordinator in Academic Advising;
Dr. Yolanda Johnson-Bennett, education specialist
in Adult Basic Education; Debby Blatzer, assistant dean
of Academic Advising and New Student Orientation (retired);
and Patrick Lohan, education specialist
in Adult Basic Education

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Northland Pioneer College

"Nursing Assistant Integrated Education and Training"

Elizabeth McKey

Faculty and Program Coordinator, Nursing Assistant Training

Jessica Reeck

Faculty, College and Career Preparation

Tabitha Stickel

Associate Dean, College and Career Preparation

Betsyann Wilson

Development Director, NPC Friends and Family

Ruth Zimmerman

Dean, Nursing

Rogue Community College

"An Innovative and Effective Approach to Outcomes and Assessment"

Nate Breeden

Outcomes and Assessment Specialist

Kelly Johnson

Adjunct Faculty, Computer Science

Kristen Morales

Assistant to the Dean, Curriculum and Academic Support

Terrie Sandlin

Coordinator, Outcomes and Assessment

Michelle Welch

Instructional Systems Specialist

Sinclair Community College

"Engineering and Science Integration in Mathematics: An Initiative to Retain and Complete More STEM Majors"

Kerri Bentien

Assistant Professor, Mathematics

Robert Chaney

Professor, Mathematics

Eric Kraus

Associate Professor, Academic Foundations

Kinga Oliver

Associate Professor, Mathematics

Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College

"AIM SKYward: An Innovative Approach to Onboarding and Retaining Developmental Students"

Stephanie Hyman

Dean, Arts and Humanities

St. Louis Community College

"Cybersecurity Converge Tour"

Kris Bailey

Coordinator, Dual Credit/Enrollment Partnerships

Craig Chott

Associate Professor, Computer and Information Technology

Phyllis Davis

Associate Professor, Information Systems

William Hocker

Professor, Computer and Information Technology

Mandi Miller

Coordinator, Rental Facilities

Kimberly Mueller

Specialist, Employee Engagement

Gayla Sajben

Manager, Employee Engagement

Karen Wade

Secretary, Library Services

Tallahassee Community College

"Pathways to Persistence: Advancing Student Success Through Early Alert Partnerships"

Jennifer Bradley

Academic Coordinator, Academic Affairs

Brielle Crooms

Executive Assistant, Academic Affairs

Samantha DeZerga

Success Coach, Learning Commons

Anthony Jones

Dean, Natural Sciences

Angelina Kuleshova

Faculty, Science and Mathematics

Tricia Rizza

Associate Dean, Faculty Initiatives

Calandra Stringer

Provost and Vice President, Academic Affairs

Wake Technical Community College

"Care Team Advising and Wraparound Support Model"

Amanda Allen

Director, Student Success

Kevin Brown

Dean, Advising and Retention

Michael Coleman

Dean, Student Engagement and Impact

Scarlet Edwards

Dean, Student Services

Brian Gann

Vice President, Enrollment and Student Services

Michael Lewis

Associate Dean, Academic Advising

Abby Littlefield

Director, Care Team

Allyson Navlor

Associate Dean, Student Services, and Director, Care Team

William Nunnally

Director, Care Team

Davis Smith

Dean, Academic Advising

Korrie Smith

Dean, Career Services

Blair Turpin

Director, Care Team

Heather Weigand

Associate Dean, Student Services, and Director, Care Team

Ashlyn Wilson

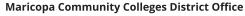
Director, Care Team



The Maricopa Community Colleges are proud to honor our 2024-2025 League Excellence Award Winners!







Kimberly Faust, *Fiscal Manager, External Affairs* Rochelle Rivas, *District Director, Healthcare Education*









Chandler-Gilbert Community College

Beth Nuneviller, Faculty, Business & Computing Studies Sam Rauhalammi, Faculty, Biological Sciences Eva Jean Smith, Library Specialist, Library Julie Wright, Fiscal Manager, Student Business Services









GateWay Community College

Suzanne Alexander, Residential Faculty, Nursing Monica Buensuceso, Faculty, Counseling Tom Kaczor, PR Marketing Manager, Marketing Stephanie Valenzuela, PR Marketing Analyst Senior, Marketing









Mesa Community College

Jennifer Caldwell, Faculty, Mathematics & Computer Science Jennifer Fay, Faculty Chair, Exercise Science Leanna Hall, Interim Dean, Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Jennifer Kady Stanton, Faculty, English







Paradise Valley Community College

Diane Chapman, Faculty, Counseling Matt Gallaugher, Faculty, Health and Exercise Science Ryan Wentzel, Technical Arts Director, Fine and Performing Arts









Phoenix College

Rhonda Barrett, Faculty, English and Reading
Kristi Deela, Program Director, Dental Assisting
Henry Denman, Tech Solution Architect, Information Technology Services
Scott Eroe, Audio Visual Specialist Senior, Information Technology Services
Julie Magadan, Teaching and Learning Director, Academic Affairs
Rosa Querry, Program Director, Dental Hygiene
Yvonne Tapia, Student Services Specialist Senior, ACE Program
Megan Tena, Student Services Specialist Senior, Student Affairs













Rio Salado College

Gina Pinch, Faculty Chair, Business, Management and Public Administration Karol Schmidt, Dean, Institutional Effectiveness and Innovation Heather Tyler, Dean, Instruction and Workforce Management Rick Vaughn, Faculty Chair, STEM Initiatives

2024-2025 League Excellence Awards

CANADA

■ Ontario

Humber Polytechnic

Craig MacCalman

Program Coordinator, Paramedics

■ Saskatchewan

Saskatchewan Polytechnic

Kara Delveaux

Program Head, Faculty of Nursing, Health Sciences, and Community Services

Nicole Wiens

Program Head, Simulation Centre

JAMAICA

Council of Community Colleges of Jamaica

Richard Hudson

Lecturer, Computer and Engineering

Evora Mais Thompson

Lecturer, Hospitality and Tourism Management

Thalia Mott

Lecturer, Business

Ashley Porter

Corporate Planner

Ann Rowe

Lecturer, Business

Nathalie Staines Gordon

Lecturer, Psychology

U.S.A.

■ Alabama

Snead State Community College

Amanda Gentry

Director, Financial Aid

Karter Krueger

Instructor, Welding

Laura Liebner

Instructor, Nursing
Steven Smith

Coordinator, Maintenance

Wallace State Community College

Jesse Cobb

Coordinator, Multimedia/Web

■ Arizona

Arizona Western College

Michelle Estes

Director, Learning Services

Juliana Garcia

Assistant Controller

Travis Mitchell

Director, Marketing

Yaneli Pasillas-Miller

Director, Outreach and Special Programs

Kimberly Trujillo

Director, Human Resources

Central Arizona College

John Foust

Professor, Administration of Justice

Chandler-Gilbert Community College

Beth Nuneviller

Faculty, Business

Sam Rauhalammi

Faculty, Biology

Eva Jean Smith

Library Specialist

Julie Wright

Fiscal Manager, Student Business Services

GateWay Community College

Suzanne Alexander

Residential Faculty, Nursing

Monica Buensuceso

Faculty, Counseling

Tom Kaczor

Manager, Public Relations and Marketing

Stephanie Valenzuela

Analyst Senior, Public Relations and Marketing

Maricopa Community Colleges District Office

Kimberly Faust

Fiscal Manager, External Affairs

Rochelle Rivas

District Director, Healthcare Education



YAVAPAI COLLEGE Congratulates



DR. TARA O'NEIL

Program Director Education & Early Childhood Education



DR. ALEX BARBER

Full-time Faculty Commercial Truck Driving



REBECCA SEIGARS

Advisor Admission Department

ITS 2024-2025

LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARD WINNERS!



Vavapai COLLEGE



Mesa Community College

Jennifer Caldwell

Residential Faculty, Mathematics

Jennifer Fav

Faculty, Physical Education

Leanna Hall

Residential Faculty, English

Jennifer Stanton

Adjunct Faculty, English

Paradise Valley Community College

Diane Chapman

Residential Faculty, Counseling

Matt Gallaugher

Faculty, Fire Science

Ryan Wentzel

Project Manager, Fine and Performing Arts

Phoenix College

Rhonda Barrett

Faculty, English and Reading

Kristi Deela

Program Director, Dental Assisting

Henry Denman

Coordinator, Technical Support

Scott Eroe

Audio Visual Specialist Senior

Julie Magadan

Instructional Designer

Rosa Querry

Program Director, Dental Hygiene

Yvonne Tapia

Student Services Specialist Senior, Achieving a College Education Program

Megan Tena

Student Services Specialist Senior, Student Affairs

Rio Salado College

Gina Pinch

Chair, Business, Management, and Public Administration

Karol Schmidt

Dean, Institutional Effectiveness and Innovation

Heather Tyler

Dean, Instruction and Workforce Partnerships

Rick Vaughn

Chair, STEM Initiatives

Yavapai College

Alexander Barber

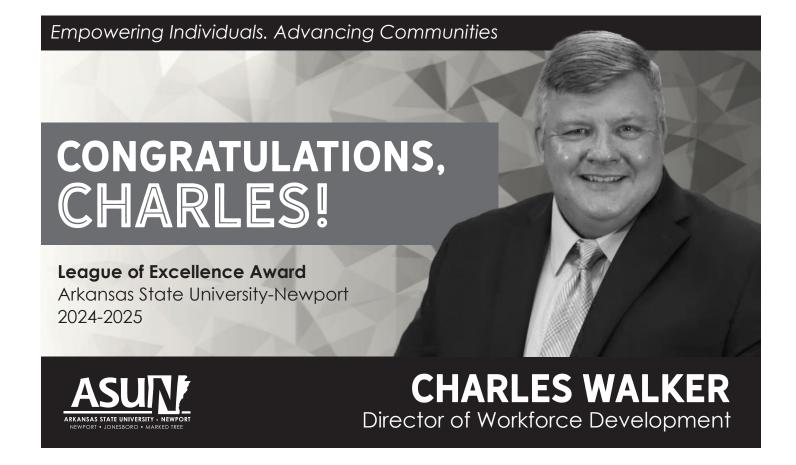
Faculty, Commercial Driver Training

Tara O'Neill

Director, Education and Early Childhood Education

Rebecca Seigars

Advisor, Admissions





Arkansas

Arkansas State University - Newport

Charles Walker

Director, Workforce Development

NorthWest Arkansas Community College

Meagan Ruffing

Director, Counseling and Wellness

■ California

Cuyamaca College

Christina Burnett Instructor, Biology

Miriam Simpson

Faculty, Physics

De Anza College

Mi Chang

Curriculum Technician, Academic Services

Mary Clark-Tillman

Curriculum Coordinator, Academic Services

Khoa Nguyen

Counselor and Coordinator, Transfer Center

Martin Varela

Director, College Fiscal Services

Foothill College

Ben Kaupp

Instructor, Tools for Transition and Work

Grossmont College

Hau Nguyen

Faculty, Computer Science and Information Systems

Ahn Nuzen

Faculty, Computer Science and Information Systems

Kern Community College District

Kristi Covington

Educational Advisor, Outreach

Michelle Miller-Galaz

Director, Educational Services

Ayla Mora

Executive Secretary, Instruction

Roger Perez

Director, Communications and Community Relations

Elisa Queenan

Faculty, Career Education

Fernando Serrano

Faculty, Social Science

Long Beach City College

Mayra Aguilar

Project Manager, Education and Multimedia Technologies

Looloo Amant Tupua

Coordinator, Career Pathways

David Goto

Librarian

Marina Karasotkina

Adjunct Faculty, Culinary Arts

Preston Smith

Senior Special Events Assistant

Kal Stewart

Director, Athletics

Mission College

Ashley Faris

Faculty, Chemistry

Edward Fedalizo

Instructional Technology Analyst

Valerie Jensen

Dean, Academic Services





■ Colorado

Arapahoe Community College

Jomil Ebro

Faculty, English

Monica Fuglei

Chair and Faculty, Concurrent Enrollment and English

Alexis Gaines

Faculty and Academic Coordinator, Physical Therapy Assistant and Clinical Education

Dave Sackris

Faculty, Philosophy

Ashley Vasquez

Faculty, Physical Therapist Assistant

Community College of Aurora

Kushmakar Baral

Senior Research Analyst

Radha Basker

Faculty, Mathematics

Jeff Chena

Chair, Business

Kristina Ciarlo

Chair, Behavioral Health

Cecilia Curiel

Coordinator, Community ESL

Terrilee Daniels

Controller, Fiscal Affairs

Kelly Gaer

Instructional Coordinator, Concurrent Enrollment

Mandy Geddes

Chair, English

Bonnie Hart

Coordinator, Career Coaching and Readiness

Kathleen Martin

Credentials Evaluator, Enrollment Management

Jordan Meyersieck

Director, Production Operation in Innovative Arts

Ana Romero

Visual Content Strategist, Strategic Communications

Rasheed Sheriff

Director, Disability and Equity

Amy Strade

Director, Human Resources Operations

Allyson Turner

Librarian, Digital Initiatives and OER

■ Illinois

College of DuPage

Danielle Berry-Herrera

Adjunct Faculty, Languages

Tashena Briggs

Manager, Academic Outreach and Program Development

Robert Burrows

Adjunct Faculty, Computer and Information Systems

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. Vinny Cascio, Director of TRiO Student Support Services
- Kristina Garcia, Interim Assistant Vice President for Teaching, Learning, and Student Development
- 3. Asha Raval, Professor II of Education
- 4. Colleen Stribling, Professor II of English as a Second Language
- 5. Tim Whitney, Director of Corporate and Community Education



Jennifer Duda

Senior Manager, News Bureau and Community Engagement

Steven Havens

Adjunct Faculty, Music

Jen Hill

Professor, Mathematics

Tracy Morser

Adjunct Faculty, Mathematics

Steve Santello

Professor, Computer and Information Science

Laura Scully

Adjunct Faculty, Dental Hygiene

Margot Underwood

Adjunct Faculty, Psychology

Tony Venezia

Professor, Motion Picture and Television

Shannon Wood

Adjunct Faculty, ESL/ABE/ASE

Elgin Community College

Vincent Cascio

Director, TRIO

Kristina Garcia

Interim Assistant Vice President, Teaching, Learning, and Student Development

Asha Raval

Professor II, Education

Colleen Stribling

Professor II, English as a Second Language

Timothy Whitney

Director, Corporate and Community Education

Harper College

Monica Edwards

Professor, Sociology

Brenda Escutia

Manager, Scholarship and Special Projects

Edward Hamel

Instructor, Music

Erika Hartman

Administrative Coordinator, President's Office

Ron Serio

Senior Information Analyst, Institutional Research

Brooke Smith

Administrative Secretary, Scheduling

Moraine Valley Community College

Joe Flynn

Professor, Business

Jana Svec

Professor, Environmental Science

LoShay Willis

Dean, Career Programs

KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE CONGRATULATES

- CHAD DAUGHERTY
- JILL DAVIS
- MARLA GROSVENOR
- ANGIE ZIESMAN WEILER

for being the 2024 – 2025 League Excellence Award recipients.

THANK YOU

for the exceptional contributions you make to the college and our students.



Kirkwood COMMUNITY COLLEGE





■ Indiana

Ivy Tech Community College

Amanda Livingston Faculty, Nursing

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Kirkwood Community College

Chad Daugherty
Professor, Industrial Technologies
Jill Davis
Senior Technical Analyst
Marla Grosvenor
Assistant Professor, Nursing
Angie Ziesman Weiler
Counselor

■ Kansas

Allen Community College

Terri Fahnestock Instructor, Communications Julie Ingle Financial Aid Specialist

Butler Community College

RuAnn Olmstead
Adjunct Professor, Mathematics
Jenifer Sutter
Associate Professor, Chemistry

Caroline Bradshaw

Garden City Community College

Associate Professor, Allied Health
Sara Gaut
Assistant Professor, Science
Chip Schuler
Director, Residential Life
Emmett Statzer
Head Coach, Men's and Women's Track
Nancy Unruh

Johnson County Community College

Shannon Benes
Assistant Professor, Mathematics
Anne Dotter
Associate Professor, Honors

Registrar, Student Services

Neosho County Community College

Jeremiah Davis Head Coach, Women's Basketball Andrew Haworth Director, Academic Advising and Counseling



is proud to recognize 2024-2025

LEAGUE EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS



RENEE DOUTHITT

Instructor,

Nursing



BRENDA MATHEWS Administrative Associate, Humanities Academic Programs



COURTNEY JENSEN

Director of Grants & Development

Congratulations?

from ACM faculty & staff



Middlesex Community College

Celebrates Equity as the Foundation for Excellence and Innovation!

Congratulations!

To our

2024-2025 Excellence Award Winners

Heloisa DaCunha and Fay Hourihan

And to the

2023-2024 Innovation of the Year Team:

"Using the Pedagogy of Real Talk for Student Support"

Thank you for your outstanding contributions to student success and our community!







■ Kentucky

Southcentral Kentucky Community & Technical College

John Thomerson

Academic Advisor, Career and Academic Planning

Denna White

Director, Admissions

Renee White

Associate Professor, Business and Information Technology

■ Maryland

Allegany College of Maryland

Renee Douthitt

Instructor, Nursing

Courtney Jensen

Director, Grants and Development

Brenda Mathews

Administrative Assistant, Humanities

Anne Arundel Community College

Naeem Ahmed

Instructor, Mathematics

Amv Carattini

Assistant Professor, Sociology, Anthropology, and Geography

Amberdawn Cheatham

Director, Student Engagement

Patricia Clarke

Academic Chair and Assistant Professor, Surgical Technology

Kendel Hannon

Laboratory Coordinator, Biology

Mary Ellen Holden-Musser

Assistant Professor, Biology

Sandra Koskovich

Instructional Coordinator, Science Technology Education

Jessica O'Leary

Instructor, Mathematics

Caryn Rose

Assistant Director, Financial Aid

Julie Takacs

Associate Professor, Biology

Carroll Community College

Kristen Maszarose

Associate Professor and Program Director, Business and Accounting

Community College of Baltimore County

Elizabeth Hart

Assistant Professor, English

Congratulations!

League Excellence Award Winners

Your leadership and dedication to higher education inspires us all.



Betheen Glady-Teschendorf

Professor

English



Beth Kelch Associate Professor Mathematics



Kristy Nelson
Director of Downtown Centers
Student and Educational Services



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■ Massachusetts

Middlesex Community College

Heloisa DaCunha

Professor and Chair, Criminal and Social Justice

Fay Hourihan

Associate Director, Enrollment Management Center

■ Michigan

Delta College

Betheen Glady-Teschendorf

Professor, English

Beth Kelch

Associate Professor, Mathematics

Kristy Nelson

Director, Downtown Centers

Jackson College

Eddie Burkhead

Chair, Professional Trades

Janel Elenbaas

Director, Student Success Services, and Disability and Inclusion Officer

Angel Fonseca

Professor, Business and Computer Technology

Zak McNitt

Registrar

Minnesota

Century College

Nicole Hinrichs-Bideau

Faculty, Humanities

Tana Hostetter

Assistant Director, Human Resources

Bee Moua

Assistant Director, AANAPISI

Starletta Poindexter

Advisor, Education Planning and Success, and Encoder, uAchieve

Jennifer Robev

Faculty, Psychology

Joshua Schmidt

Data Architect, Information Technology

Steve Wallner

Lead Application Developer, Information Technology

Cindy Xiong

Director, Educational Technology

Normandale Community College

Apryl Henry

Faculty, Mathematics



■ Missouri

St. Louis Community College

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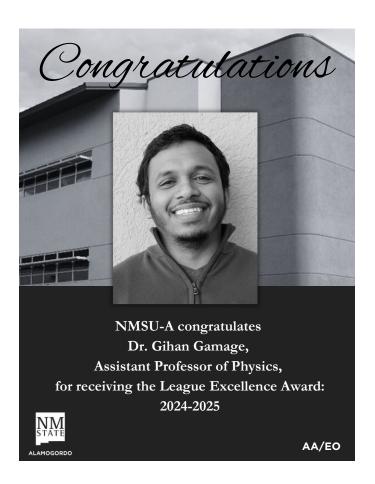
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