Join us in congratulating our Fall 2020 Staff Award recipients. The recipients are Cidni Griffith (top left) who is an Administrative Support Coordinator II in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, and Diana Ascencio (bottom left) who is a Student Services Professional II (Advisor) in the College of Science Advising Center.

The College of Science acknowledges two exemplary staff members every semester with an award and luncheon. The nominating process is open to faculty, students, and staff who submit nominations based on five different categories. The categories are job performance, successful interaction and/or relationships, college/university-wide service, noteworthy accomplishments that advance the goals of the College of Science.

Get fit, Wear It
About one in five Americans have a wearable fitness device or smartwatch with fitness tracking features. But do these devices really make us more fit?

That’s one of the questions Assistant Professor Zakkoyya Lewis-Trammell, from the Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion, is asking with her research.

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In Memoriam: Jill Adler-Moore
The Legacy of an Inspiring Professor, Mentor, and Friend
Lives on through Her Students

Jill Adler-Moore joined the biological sciences faculty at CPP in 1974. She chose to work at CPP because she found the students to be highly motivated, and the smaller class sizes would allow her to get to know her students.

“She was a mentor to countless students and she was my mentor. She was there when I doubted myself, and offered moral support and encouragement. She pushed me to go further,” Professor Nancy Buckley said.

Her contribution to the College of Science and those whose lives she touched will not be forgotten.

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News
Class of 2020 and 2021 Celebrated Commencement at Drive-in and Virtual Ceremonies

The College of Science Class of 2021 had a total of 1,168 graduates. There were 1,066 bachelor's, and 102 master's degrees awarded.

Want to watch the 2020 or 2021 drive-in, or virtual ceremonies? Go to our Commencement page.

Guest speaker, Alumna Maria Alvarez (’95, MS in computer science) talked about five E’s that contribute to excellence.

Explore - take risks and try new things. Experience - meet life’s challenges. Endure - persevere. Empower - pay it forward and support others. Empathy - learn to see the world through other’s eyes.

HEAR ALVAREZ SPEECH

Canvas Will be the Learning Management System for ALL Cal Poly Pomona Classes Beginning Fall 2021

Blackboard will not be available to use with students, but can still be accessed by faculty. For more information about support to transition courses to Canvas, please see the CPP Canvas Community, particularly the Support page. For help, email canvas@cpp.edu, contact Studio 6, or put in a Canvas request.

Log into Canvas at https://canvas.cpp.edu or via MyCPP.

The College of Science Gets Moving With it's First Activity Challenge

108 faculty, staff, and students participated in this first ever CoS activity challenge logging a total of 297,907 minutes of activity from 25 teams over six weeks, that ended in May.

The winning team was All Pain, No Gain, from the Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion with a total of 30,344 minutes of activity with a weekly average
New Study Finds Hope for Restoration of Kelp Beds and Commercial Fisheries

Jeremy Claisse, associate professor of biological sciences, and Chelsea Muñoz Williams ('21, master’s in biology) are coauthors on a new study, published in the April 15 issue of the Marine Ecology Progress Series, that provides strong evidence that deliberate efforts to remove urchins can be a key strategy in bringing back giant kelp forests and the high-value commercial marine species they support.

-from PolyCentric

Pictured right are Chelsea Muñoz Williams ('21, master’s in biology) and Dan Pondella (Director of the Vantuna Research Group). Photo credit: John Williams

Read PolyCentric Article

Are the Students Laughing at my Jokes? How to Connect and Build Community in the Time of COVID-19

Professor Laurie Starkey from the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry presented at the 2021 Gradescope User Summit. She shared tips on how to connect and build community in a virtual environment.

See her Presentation

Returning to Campus

We are currently in phase II of the campus repopulation plan. Phase III starts on August 2nd when all staff will return to campus. Faculty will return when their contract begins on August 17.

Since May 24, some staff, such as Benjamin Lucas, from the Department of...
Biological Sciences, have been participating in a pilot program to provide feedback on returning to work.

Please visit the Safer Return website for details about the face covering protocols currently in place and what to do when you’re on campus.

Are you Anxious About Re-entry?
Four Steps to Post-pandemic Hope

Alane Daugherty from the Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion provides tips to support mental health in this Psychology Today article.

Daugherty is co-director of the Mind and Heart Research Lab at CPP.

Information and Resources

- Science Advising Center Resources and Information
- Academic and Student Services Support
- Broncos Care Basic Needs Program
- CPP Safer Return & Vaccination Information
- Faculty Resources From the Center for the Advancement of Faculty Excellence
- Zoom & Online Learning Resources (How-to Info)

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Use a College of Science virtual background. It's the next best thing to being there.

Get Zoom Backgrounds

New Publications
If you have a recent publication that is not included, please let us know so that it can be listed in next month’s newsletter! email: djgriggs@cpp.edu


**Grants**

**Assistant Professor Jason Ear, Department of Biological Sciences**, Investigating the role of Daple/CCDC88C gene fusion in leukemia, CSUPERB (2021-2022)

**Associate Professor Mohammad Husain, Department of Computer Science**, Just-in-Time UAV Flying Ad hoc Network (UAV-FANET) for Emergency Communication Network, SIRG (2021-2022)

**Associate Professor Mohammad Husain, Department of Computer Science**, JROTC Pilot Project 2021, Whatcom Community College (2021)

**Assistant Professor Juanita Jellyman, Department of Biological Sciences**, Maternal High-Fat Diet Programs Endocrine Physiology in the Offspring, CSUPERB (2021-2022)

**Associate Professor S. Chantal Stieber, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry**, Nickel Catalysts for mitigating denitrification and agricultural pollution, Agricultural Research Institute (2021-2022)

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**IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES**

- **July 6 - 7:** 1st 5-week session finals
- **July 7:** 2nd 5-week session last day to drop and receive a 100% refund
- **July 8:** 2nd 5-week session begins
- **July 13:** 2nd 5-week session - last day to drop without receiving a "W"
- **July 14-20:** 2nd 5-week session students

Advisors are working remotely. Contact by email at: sci_advising@cpp.edu
You can schedule an appointment through CPP Connect.

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