



INSTRUCTION INSIGHTS

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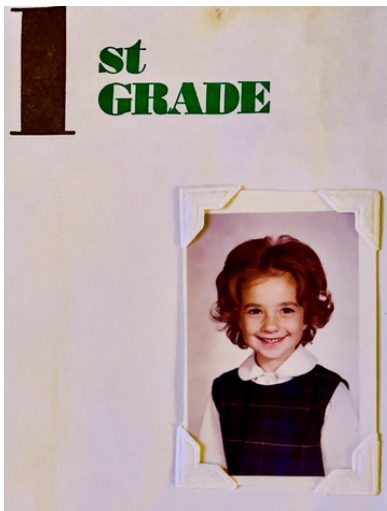
Fall Semester Important Dates

Census and Withdrawal Dates: Depending on when your class starts.

Grades and Positive Attendance Due Dates: The final deadline for grade and positive attendance for Fall 2024 is December 24, 2024.

Welcome Back!

*from Dr. Dina Humble,
Vice President of Instruction*



Welcome back to another exciting academic year at San Bernardino Valley College! I couldn't resist the picture of that 1st grader on her first day of school. She was hopeful, scared, and excited. That was me way back then and I could not have imagined where I would be today without all of the school and college professionals that helped me along the way. As we embark on this journey together, I am filled with gratitude and enthusiasm for the incredible work being done across our campus. It is a privilege to work with each of you at the college where our shared commitment to education and student success continues to drive our mission forward.

Our college thrives on the spirit of collaboration, and I am continually inspired by the dedication of our diverse constituent groups. Our instructional faculty are at the heart of our educational mission, consistently delivering engaging and innovative learning experiences that empower our students. Your work inside and outside the classroom is nothing short of transformative, and I am deeply appreciative of your efforts. Equally vital is the role of our non-instructional faculty, who provide invaluable support and expertise that enrich our academic environment. Your contributions ensure that our students receive a holistic education that prepares them for the challenges of tomorrow.



Our student services team plays a critical role in guiding and supporting our students throughout their educational journeys. Your commitment to student mental health and well-being is evident in the positive impact you have on their lives. Thank you for partnering with us.

The insights provided by our Institutional Research and Planning team are instrumental in shaping our strategic initiatives and ensuring that our decisions are data-driven and impactful. Your work helps us continually improve and adapt to the evolving needs of our students and community.

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Our classified professionals are the backbone of our institution, working diligently behind the scenes to maintain the seamless operation of our campus. Your dedication and hard work are essential to our success, and I am grateful for your unwavering support. Thank you for being there for our faculty and students. You are seen and are appreciated.

A special thank you goes to the Office of Instruction staff, whose unwavering commitment to student success and support for our divisions is truly commendable. Your dedication to excellence and your tireless efforts to enhance our academic programs are deeply appreciated. You are the driving force behind our ability to deliver quality education and support to our students.

As we move forward, I want to emphasize the importance of accountability in our academic responsibilities. Please ensure that grades and positive attendance are submitted on time by December 24, 2024. Timely submissions are crucial for maintaining our standards of excellence and supporting our students' academic progress.

We are also at a pivotal point in our accreditation process. As we reach the midpoint of our accreditation cycle, we are preparing to submit our Midterm Report this fall. This is an exciting time for San Bernardino Valley College, and I am confident that our collective efforts will lead to continued success and recognition of our commitment to quality education.

I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our new president, Dr. Gilbert Contreras, and the Executive Cabinet for their unwavering support and visionary leadership. Your guidance and dedication to our mission inspires us all to strive for excellence and innovation in everything we do.

Today is a fresh start. Let us carry forward the spirit of collaboration, innovation, and dedication that defines our college community. Together, we can continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students and the broader community.

Thank you all for your passion, hard work, and commitment to our shared mission. Let's make this year a remarkable one!



POSITIVE ATTENDANCE

Positive attendance is an alternative method for course funding that requires faculty to track and report students' hours at the end of the semester.

To find out if you are teaching positive attendance,

1. Look at your class roster, if the columns to the right of the student's name says "P/A" the section is Positive Attendance (see image below).
2. You also can search this [document](#) to see if your name is on the Faculty List. Note: This list is as of July 31, 2024.

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Dr. Kirk Rogers, Dean of Social Science, Human Development, Kinesiology and Health

San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) is excited to announce the appointment of Dr. Kirk D. Rogers Jr. as the new Dean of Social Sciences, Human Development, Kinesiology and Health. Dr. Rogers' career in academic administration is marked by a strong commitment to equity, diversity, and student success. With extensive experience in creating inclusive learning environments, he brings both expertise and a forward-thinking vision to SBVC.

Dr. Rogers' passion for academic administration is rooted in his dedication to fostering equitable and engaging learning spaces. In his previous roles at California State University Dominguez Hills (CSUDH) and the University of California, San Diego (UCSD), he led key initiatives like the Black Educator Excellence Initiative and the Anti-Racist Learning Community, both designed to address systemic challenges disproportionately affecting Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) students, especially Black students.

Throughout his career, Dr. Rogers has reached significant milestones, including leading the Black Educator Excellence Initiative at CSUDH, part of a \$750,000 grant from the Ballmer Foundation. He also played a vital role in developing UCSD's Anti-Racist Learning Community and has published numerous articles on systemic inequities in education. His accolades, such as the Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship and a Faculty Fellowship at the SNAP Inc. Institute for Technology and Education, highlight his unwavering commitment to educational equity.

Outside of his professional life, Dr. Rogers enjoys activities that keep him grounded and energized. "I love going to the beach as often as possible. When it's cooler, I spend time in my small backyard trying to keep my plants alive and thriving despite the heat," he says. He also enjoys cooking and spending time with his wife and their two dogs.

As Dr. Rogers begins his new role at SBVC, he is eager to engage with the college's diverse and vibrant community. "I'm looking forward to collaborating with faculty, staff, and students to strengthen our programs in social sciences, human development, kinesiology, and health. I'm also excited to develop innovative initiatives that meet the evolving needs of our campus community, contribute to the college's mission, and support student success," Dr. Rogers stated.



FACULTY SPOTLIGHT

LUCAS CUNY - THE CREATIVE FORCE BEHIND SBVC'S FTVM DEPARTMENT

This month, we highlight Lucas Cuny, an independent filmmaker with nearly 20 years of experience and the Faculty Co-Chair of SBVC's Film, Television, and Media (FTVM) Department. A published author, Cuny's works, including *Running a Film Festival: Or I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Project Management*, showcase his dedication to both the craft and education in cinema.

Since 1962, SBVC has been a leader in cinema and media education, offering students cutting-edge facilities like a professional TV studio, podcast studio, and 35mm and 16mm film cameras. With the on-campus KVCR TV and radio station, students gain real-world experience through internships and professional mentorships, extending their learning beyond the classroom.

Professor Cuny keeps SBVC's curriculum at the forefront of industry trends, offering specialized degrees and certificates in directing, camera work, story development, and more. Partnerships with industry leaders like Panavision give students access to top-tier equipment and hands-on experience. This September, Cuny is launching the "Cinema of Journalism" screening series, featuring films on journalism and discussions with local experts. Under Professor Cuny's leadership, SBVC's FTVM program is evolving in thrilling ways, making it an exciting time to be a part of this vibrant community.



SBVC ACHIEVES KEY MILESTONES IN CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING

San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC) has made significant strides in its Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) program, designed to award credit for skills and knowledge gained outside traditional classrooms. This initiative helps both Non-Veteran and Veteran students by recognizing their prior experiences and military training, saving them time and money.

Since Fall 2023, SBVC has enhanced its CPL process with the integration of Starfish and Laserfiche and created a dedicated CPL webpage and a QR code system for easy access. The college has been proactive in awarding CPL in fields such as Automotive Technology, Nursing, and Culinary Arts, with over 5,400 articulated items in the CPL queue. SBVC's efforts have streamlined the credit evaluation process, making it more efficient and accessible for students from diverse backgrounds. This has significantly reduced the time students need to complete their degrees, enabling them to enter the workforce more quickly. Additionally, the college's robust CPL program serves as a model for other institutions, highlighting its commitment to innovation in education.

SBVC ranks #8 out of 116 California community colleges in CPL productivity and has saved students over \$1.9 million. Special recognition is given to the team, including evaluators Silvia Romo and Julie Ulloa, Dean Dale, Dean Thomas, and CPL associates Kevin Memminger, Demond Littles, Ryan Hogan, and Dean Lewis, for their contributions to this initiative.

SBVC Hosts the Inland Adult Education Consortium's 7th Annual Professional Development Day



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Empowering Change

On August 1, 2024, the Inland Adult Education Consortium held its 7th Annual Professional Development Day at San Bernardino Valley College (SBVC), attracting over 100 attendees from across the Inland Empire. The event, featuring representatives from adult education consortia, K-12 school districts, community colleges, and non-profits, provided a platform for sharing best practices and fostering collaboration among adult education professionals.

The day began with inspiring stories from four adult learners who shared how returning to education changed their lives. They spoke about overcoming the shame of not having a high school diploma and how achieving their diplomas set them on paths to success, including one student who will attend UC Berkeley this fall. These testimonials highlighted the life-changing impact of adult education and the ongoing success of the California Adult Education Program (CAEP).



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