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Fall Semester So Far

We can't believe it's November already! The CCLC has had many adventures and wonderful collaborations, like paddleboarding and rock climbing with Adventure Outings. We relaunched the Men of Chico socials in preparation for the spring semester MCGS 140 Men of Color in Leadership course. We held a beautiful and affirming LGBTQIA+ Dinner and a Story with our friends from the Gender & Sexuality Equity Coalition.

We're looking forward to a Dinner with the Elders event with our friends at Tribal Relations as we celebrate Native American Heritage Month. We're grateful to be a part of a network of staff who work together to give our students from a myriad of backgrounds the opportunity to connect and engage with each other and the campus community.

Men of Chico Are Back!

We are excited to see young men in the CCLC take up the Men of Chico legacy of community. Two of our Inclusion Coordinator staff, Julian Liston and Logun De La Mora, have taken up the challenge of reviving this program. So far, they've hosted a Welcome Evening, which Dr. Isaac Brundage, Dr. Cirilo Cortez, and Dr. Joseph Morales attended. They have also held a dodgeball tournament with the WREC and are planning a Men of Color dinner and a story in November. All this is to help recruit young men for the MCGS 140 Men of Color in Leadership course, which Dr. Robert Jiles will teach this spring. Julian also attended the Young Men of Color Consortium in San Diego, and we are so proud of our staff as they step into these vital leadership roles.



Diversity Summit Success

The CCLC hosted its first Diversity Summit since 2019 on October 20, 21 & 22 at Woolman Camp in Nevada City. Forty students, staff, and partners from Chico State College Corp, Adelante & Wellcat Counseling Center joined us for a fantastic weekend of building a network of friendship and understanding. 83% of students reported feeling more connected to other students and staff more profoundly and personally after attending. One student commented that they "Would LOVE to see more events such as this in the future. I feel it allowed me to connect with many individuals I would have never had the opportunity to connect with previously and even strengthened the bonds with individuals I have met." We are delighted with the outcome of this event and hope to submit for another Student Learning Fee grant to fund next year's summit.

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Latine Unity Awards

The CCLC closed out its Latine Heritage Month celebrations with our Latine Unity Celebration to honor a student and staff member who made outstanding contributions to promoting achievement and equity for the Latine Community at Chico State. Ermelindo Salgado-Hernandez, graduate student and STEM Program Mentor Lead for TRIO, and Joanna Herrera, Adelante Student Success Coordinator, were nominated and selected as this year's winners. Both were chosen for their outstanding passion and commitment to working to empower and uplift the Latine community on our campus. Indeed, people like Ermy and Johanna help Chico State live up to its designation as a truly Hispanic-serving institution.

Looking Ahead

What can you look forward to in 2024? The CCLC is committed to bringing the campus community many student-driven and student-led programs that celebrate cultural diversity at Chico State. We will kick off the spring semester with a Lunar New Year celebration & welcome and then head into our Black History Month celebrations. Save the Date for February 22nd when we bring back our Young, Gifted & Black block party at the SSC Plaza. The CCLC will also host events for Women's History Month and AAPI Heritage Month with a series of celebrations. Make sure you follow us on social media, like Instagram @chicocclc, to stay up to date on all our events and opportunities for students.



Opportunities to Give

Look out for our following newsletter, which will outline the many programs the CCLC is looking to fund through the campus-wide spring Giving Day campaign in March. The CCLC has taken the NASPA Undergraduate Fellows Program (NUFP) under its portfolio along with the Men of Chico program. We also hope to finally endow our Stone of Hope Scholarship and revive giving scholarships under its auspices. Each of our programs, like Diversity Summit, has unique and pressing needs, and we will be looking to our network of support and alums to help us continue the legacy that the CCLC has created over the sixteen years the center has existed. We are making an impact, and we hope you'll be part of our legacy of change.