

## Dean's Message

Thank you...

For all you do for our campus community  
For teaching and guiding our students  
For your commitment to Columbia College  
For going the extra mile  
For submitting grades, roster, etc. on time  
For making your courses interesting  
For your dedication to professional growth  
For making our students feel supported and respected  
For caring about each other and lifting each other up  
For embracing new challenges

Enjoy your summer, you deserve it. See you in fall.

Klaus

## Important Dates in CTE

April 30 — Summer schedule starts: 10 hour work days Mon-Thurs, closed on Fridays until August 17

May 3 — Family Fiesta Night at Jamestown Elementary

May 7 — Summer courses begin

May 29-31 — Customer Service Academy training

May 28 — Memorial Day holiday



Columbia College apprentices serve food at the Columbia Wine Tasting, a fundraiser for the Hospitality Management program

## Faculty Feature: Marcus Whisenant

Marcus Whisenant has been an adjunct instructor of Hospitality Management at Columbia College since January 2017. He teaches Introduction to Commercial Food Preparation, Beginning and Advanced Baking, and Dining Room Service and Management.

Marcus has an Associate of Occupational Studies in Culinary Arts from the California Culinary Academy in San Francisco and a Bachelor of Arts in History from Sacramento State University, where he wrote and studied about food and culture.

Before coming to Columbia College, Marcus lived in Maui where he was an Executive Chef at Leoda's Kitchen & Pie Shop. Prior to that, he was a Culinary Instructor at the Institute of Technology in Citrus Heights and an Executive Chef/Instructor at Rancho Cielo in Salinas.

When he is not teaching or volunteering at local food and wine events in the community, Marcus enjoys golfing, hiking, and spending time with his three year old daughter Emily. He is enjoying getting to know the community and the natural beauty of Tuolumne County.



Marcus serves tacos at the Columbia Wine Tasting, a fundraiser for the Hospitality Management Program



Marcus, Emily, and Marcus' mother Lanita at the Child Development Tea Party Fundraiser



The CCAI team attended a live burn training day with the Fire Academy in preparation for the Fire Science Pre-Apprenticeship

## Apprenticeship Update

Even though the spring semester has come to a close and the campus has quieted down, the apprenticeship team is still going full-force! In addition to preparing a grant application for a third apprenticeship in Forestry & Natural Resources, they are busily scheduling field trips and workshops for the Fire Science Pre-Apprenticeship, supporting Child Development apprentices in their online summer courses, and recruiting at high schools and outreach events in the tri-county area!

Hospitality Management apprentices are busy working full-time all summer long, while Child Development apprentices are wrapping up their RSI with online summer courses.

## Student Feature

This month we are featuring a Forestry/Natural Resources student: Rachel Van Winkle. Rachel is a returning student embarking on a new chapter in life.

Rachel's first career started when she graduated from San Francisco State University with a Bachelor of Science in Business with a concentration in Accounting and a minor in Geography, after which she worked for a payroll company for 20 years.

But in 2012, Rachel was diagnosed with breast cancer. This was the beginning of a new chapter in her life, and in 2016 she realized that it was time to "turn to a new page". She left the bay area and her career of 20 years and moved to Tuolumne County, where she had spent years visiting as a Gold Rush history enthusiast. After a summer spent re-connecting with nature and exploring her options, she decided to follow the signs to Columbia College. It was here that she discovered the Forestry program, and enrolled in her first two classes.

During the summer of 2017, Rachel took seven Forestry and Natural Resources courses at Baker Station. When she returned to campus in the fall, she started working as a student worker in the bookstore. She says that she was determined to have a different college experience this time around: here at Columbia College, she makes sure to get to know her classmates and professors, and every time she walks across campus people greet her by name.

On Friday April 27th, Rachel graduated with distinction with an Associates of Science in Forestry and an Associate of Science in Natural Resources. On Monday April 30th, she began a new career with ACRT as a Consulting Utility Forester. She is excited to begin her new career, and enthuses, "I will be paid to hike and be outdoors, and I'll definitely be using the courses I took!"

Rachel is grateful for and believes in the community college system, and tells others that it's never too late to start a new journey in life. Every experience prepares you for the next, but it's important to continue searching until you find what ignites your passion!



Rachel Van Winkle



Rachel enjoying her time in the outdoors



# CTE in Action

The Columbia College Fire Academy conducted a live burn training in Twain Harte in collaboration with the Twain Harte Fire Department. More than a dozen trained firefighters, captains, and chiefs volunteered to instruct academy students on hose drills, building searches, door breaching, and residential fire behavior.





The 2018 Occupational Olympics main event may have been cancelled due to bad weather, but that didn't stop individual programs from collaborating with their high school counterparts to provide a rescheduled event for their students! On Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup> the Automotive Technology program hosted local high school students to compete in a variety of hands-on and technical tasks. The top three students received tools donated by Debco Auto Parts, and the high school with the highest combined points received a tool box donated by the NAPA Corporation. This year, the honor went to Summerville High School.



Matthew Hartwig of Summerville High (below, left) took first place, while Kylie Kitchell of Bret Harte (center) took second and Brennen Dibble of Summerville High (right) took third.





The Child Development-Future Educators Club hosted a super fun science booth at the Calaveras County Children's Fair at Bret Harte High on April 14<sup>th</sup>!





### FNR 86: California Naturalist

The California Naturalist Course debuted at Columbia College Spring of 2018. In this course we studied the natural and cultural history of California. Our field trips included Big Trees State Park in Calaveras, spending a day at Red Hills, exploring Table Mt, heading off to viewpoints of the Hetch Hetchy water system and Rim Fire footprint. Each student developed and implemented a Capstone Project. These projects were service-oriented, benefiting the environment and/or community while utilizing naturalist skills. Projects spanned a variety of foci: Native plant education, invasive species removal, a nature photography exhibit, a bat education community forum, inventory and monitoring of endemic species, and many more. Some of these projects were executed on campus. Gwen Craig took on the greenhouse project: getting it organized and ready for use by students. Amandalyn Madlin, Shawn Mathews and Melody Dicks created a culinary herb garden for the Hospitality Management program to use outside of the Manzanita building.

This course offers a certification through U.C. Davis Extension.





The High Sierra Institute (HSI) is based at the historic Baker Station in the heart of the Sierra Nevada. At 6,200 feet, HSI sits at the foot of Sonora Pass in the Stanislaus National Forest. Check out the Summer 2018 courses below!

Summer 2018 Baker Station Courses						
Course	Section	Title	Units	Orientation/On-campus Meeting Times	Baker Station	Instructor
BIOL 160	1892	Mushrooms and other Fungi	1.5	May 21, 11AM-noon, Toyon 2	May 29-June 1	Hofstra
FNR 184	2281	Field Ornithology	1	May 21, 12-1PM, Toyon 2	June 2-3	Adam Rich
HHP 18A	1898	Yoga I	1	May 24, 6-7PM, Alder 5	June 3-7	Newman
HHP 18B	2126	Yoga II	1	May 24, 6-7PM, Alder 5	June 3-7	Newman
FNR 182	1905	Techniques of Surveying Sierra Nevada Wildlife	2	May 21, 1-2PM, Toyon 2	June 8-11	Adam Rich
FNR 11	1999	Natural Resources Field Camp	3	June 4, 11AM-12PM, Toyon 2	June 14-17, June 21-24	Hofstra
FNR 1	2282	Natural Resources Conservation	3	June 18, 11AM-12PM, Toyon 2	June 28-July 1, July 5-8	Sinclair
FNR 174	2283	Nature Journaling	3	June 18, 12PM-1PM, Toyon 2	June 28-July 1, July 5-8	Hofstra/Hanson
FNR 71	2192	Water Use Efficiency	1	June 18, 1PM-2PM, Toyon 2	June 30-July 1	Christianson
BIOL 179	2152	Fishing and Fisheries Biology	1	July 2, 11AM-12PM, Sugar Pine 107	July 12-15	Hofstra
FNR 62	1902	Applied Forest Inventory and Management	2	July 9, 11AM-12PM, Toyon 2	July 19-22, 26-29	McNicol
FNR 172	2284	Nature Photography	1.5	July 9, 12PM-1PM, Sugar Pine 107	July 20-22	Schermeister
FNR 172	2285	Nature Photography	1.5	July 9, 12PM-1PM, Sugar Pine 107	July 23-25	Schermeister
FNR 187	2286	Edible and Medicinal Plants	1	July 16, 11AM-12PM, Sugar Pine 107	July 27-29	Hofstra/Campana
HHP 59A	2150	Beginning Tai Chi	1	July 23, 11AM-12PM, Sugar Pine 107	July 30-Aug 3	Campana
FNR 173	2287	Drawing Nature	3	July 23, 12PM-1PM, Sugar Pine 107	Aug 2-5, 9-12	Hofstra/Hanson
FNR 183	1909	Ecological Restoration	1	July 23, 1PM-2PM, Sugar Pine 107	Aug 4-5	Rich

Do you have photos to share from your CTE area?  
Send them along with a description to  
[hansonk@yosemite.edu](mailto:hansonk@yosemite.edu) to be featured in the CTE  
monthly newsletter!





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**WHEN: Saturday, May 19th, 2018**

**TIME: 8:00-10:00 a.m.**

**WHERE: Applebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar**

**851 Sanguinetti Road**

**Sonora, Ca. 95370**



**Questions? Contact Bruce Canon @ 769-5417  
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## Customer Service Academy + Generational Diversity: Train-the-Trainer

Tuesday and Wednesday, May 29 & 30, 2018 (8:30 - 4:30 PM)  
Thursday, May 31, 2018 (8:30 - 12:00 PM)

*Presented by:*

**Merced College Workplace Learning Resource Center**

Central  Mother Lode  
Regional Consortium



The Customer Service Academy (CSA) has been delivered to hundreds of organizations throughout California through the California Community College system. This 80-hour training program has been delivered for credit, non-credit and contract education by dozens of Community Colleges throughout the state. The program has won awards from EWD, CCCAOE, 4CSD, and ACCT (Association of Community College Trustees). It has been proven successful as an excellent training tool and an outstanding vehicle to use to partner with the business community.

If you are looking for an opportunity to deliver professional development training to businesses, organizations and city, county and government agencies, this curriculum will meet your needs!!

This Train-the-Trainer will provide content and curriculum to enable you to offer the Customer Service Academy plus Generational Diversity. If you are conducting contract training, community services or other workforce development functions for the Community Colleges, you will not want to miss this opportunity to:

- Obtain training content and methods sorely needed by organizations in your regions.
- Learn to conduct the complete training, find out what works, pitfalls to avoid, and key value-added strategies for delivering top notch customer service training to your clients.

- Receive a complete binder with ten 8-hour modules of instruction and a CD-ROM with all content for the CSA curriculum. Plus, we are including all the materials for Generational Diversity curriculum into this training.
- Past participants have described this Train-the-Trainer as fast-paced, full of relevant content and fun!

### **LOCATION:**

**Columbia College  
11600 Columbia College Drive  
Maple Building - Room 104  
Sonora, CA**

### **WHO SHOULD ATTEND:**

College Faculty, Trainers and Managers of  
Contract Education and Economic  
Development Programs in the Central Valley  
Mother Lode Regional Consortium

### **THE TRAINER:**

Patty Pistoressi, Professor,  
Merced College

***Over 400 faculty and staff have already  
completed this exciting workshop series!***



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## Columbia College Campus



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Campus Security (Bldg. 22) 588-5187

### LEGEND

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|---|--|--|
| 1 Alder   | 12 Maple                                     | 22 Public Safety Center / Firehouse                            |
| 2 Aspen   | 13 Oak Pavilion                              | 23 Charles Segerstrom, Jr. Memorial Amphitheater               |
| 3 Buckeye   | 14 Pinon                                     | 24 Segerstrom Arboretum Nature Trail                           |
| 4 Cedar   | 15 Ponderosa                                 | 25 Warehouse, Shipping/Receiving, Transportation & Maintenance |
| 5 Dogwood (Forum Bldg.)   | 16 Redbud                                    | 26 Me-Wuk Cultural Center                                      |
| 6 Fir   | 17 Sequoia                                   | 27 Observatory   |
| 7 Juniper   | 18 Sugar Pine                                | 28 Start Point, Fitness Jogging Trail                          |
| 8 Laurel (Child Care Center)  | 19 Tamarack Hall (Library, Media/Technology) | 29 Davis Cabin   |
| 9 Madrone   | 20 Toyon                                     | 30 Transit Stop  |
| 10 Mahogany   | 21 Willow                                    | 31 Information/Toll Booth                                      |
| 11 Manzanita<br>(Administration, Student Services, Instruction Office,<br>Manzanita Bookstore, Celler Restaurant & Cafeteria) |  |  |

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Fall 2015

## REGISTRATION FORM

Customer Service Academy + Generational Diversity: Train-the-Trainer  
May 29-31, 2018

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration is Free for Central / Mother  
Lode Regional Consortium Colleges**

**Seating is limited to 25 Participants**

**Registration Deadline is: May 15, 2018**

### Mail to:

Merced College  
Business Resource Center  
630 W. 19th Street  
Merced, CA 95340  
Attn: Terry Plett

**Or Register On-Line at: <https://tinyurl.com/TTT-Columbia-College>**

### For More Information Contact:

Terry Plett  
[terry.plett@mccd.edu](mailto:terry.plett@mccd.edu)  
(209) 386-6735

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# Emerging Leaders Institute

## Train-the-Trainer

Monday and Tuesday, June 4 & 5, 2018 (8:30 - 4:30 PM)

Presented by:

Merced College Workplace Learning Resource Center

Central  Mother Lode  
Regional Consortium



Join us for **Emerging Leaders Institute Train-the-Trainer** and learn how to market and deliver this new training opportunity. This dynamic program is designed for high potential employees and managers. This Train-the-Trainer will equip you to serve business and industry in your service area, focused on core leadership skills for employee training and development.

Participants will leave with: • Full set of the 4 course descriptions and curriculum with SLOs • Hard and electronic copies of the course agenda, handouts, and PowerPoint presentations • The training will be interactive and will include hands on experiential learning activities • Receive marketing tips and success stories with clients.

### The Classes:

#### Employee Engagement

##### *Improve Performance, Productivity, and Retention*

This class will define what Employee Engagement is and what it looks like in the workplace. Participants will learn the difference between engaged, disengaged, and actively disengaged employees and how they impact the workplace. Participants will learn five key ways to engage employees as well as strategies to implement to help keep employees engaged. Participants will also learn how to re-engage disengaged employees.

#### Leadership Essentials

##### *What Emerging Leaders Need to Know*

This class will help prepare new and emerging leaders to succeed by defining the roles, functions and responsibilities of great leaders. Participants will also learn effective delegation procedures and elements of successful coaching. They will learn how to display professionalism. A special emphasis will be placed on change management.

#### Generational Diversity

##### *Leading Cross-Generational Teams*

Working on cross-generational teams can be challenging. There is not a "one size fits all" approach to leading, communicating, and motivating people from different generations. This workshop is designed help participants understand generational personalities, and equip supervisors with the skills and knowledge they need to lead a cross generational team.

#### Emotional Intelligence

##### *Improve Relationships and Increase Productivity*

This class is an introduction to the principles of Emotional Intelligence (EQ). EQ is the ability to identify and understand your emotions and those of others and use this understanding to guide your behavior and manage relationships. Topics covered include the four competencies of EQ: self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, and relationship management.



## LOCATION:

Merced College  
Business Resource Center 630 W. 19th. Street  
Merced, CA



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Programs in the Central Valley Mother Lode  
Regional Consortium

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## THE TRAINERS:

Jonae Pistoressi, Business Professor  
Patty Pistoressi, Adjunct Business Professor

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## REGISTRATION INFORMATION

*Registration is Free for Central / Mother Lode Regional Consortium Colleges*

*Hotel accommodations (two nights - Sunday June 3 and Monday June 4, 2018) provided by the RHTLE DSN and are free for the first 15 people to register!*

*Courtyard Marriott  
750 Motel Drive  
Merced CA 95340*

*Seating is limited to 25 Participants.*

*Registration Deadline is: May 15, 2018.*

*Registration includes:*

*2 Continental Breakfasts (Monday and Tuesday)  
2 lunches (Monday and Tuesday)  
1 Dinner (Monday evening)*

*Register On-Line at:*

*<https://tinyurl.com/ELI-TTT-June-2018>*

*For More Information Contact:*

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# SAVE THE DATE

Instructional Skills Workshop (ISW) 2018

Theme: Mindshift!

Where: Baker Station

When: 8/20 10:00 am – 8/21 3:00 pm

Who: Everyone

Why: Featured presenters from campus and beyond. Great ideas to apply to your courses/areas at the start of the semester. Meals and lodging provided.

Beautiful scenery and time to connect!