



Welcome to Week 15!

As we enter the final two weeks of the semester, this is a time filled with reflection, celebration, and meaningful moments with our students. Thank you for all you do to support, inspire, and uplift our students as they cross the finish line.

This week's *Monday Minute* Reminders:

- **MT. SAC 2035 Information Session:** Join via Zoom on [June 5](#).
- **Healing-Centered Engagement for Faculty Workshop:** [Register by June 6](#).
- **Request to Merge Canvas Shells for Summer 2025:** Monday, June 9.
- **Building 414 Open House:** Monday, June 9, from 2 - 4 pm (2nd Floor).
- **Mt. SAC 2035:** [Review the draft](#) and [provide your feedback](#) by Tuesday, June 11.
- **Mt. SAC Commencement:** Friday, June 13, at 5:30 pm.
- **Spring 2025 Grades Due:** Tuesday, June 17, at 8 pm.



You're Invited! Healing-Centered Engagement for Faculty Workshop

As part of our Mt. SAC 2035 vision, we are excited to invite faculty to a unique opportunity that reflects our shared commitment to building a healing-centered Culture of Care. This summer, a limited number of faculty will have the opportunity to **participate in an engaging and informative workshop on *Healing Centered Engagement (HCE)***—a strengths-based approach that honors culture and identity as essential to personal and community well-being.

Rooted in over 30 years of research, this ***Four Pivots Workshop*** will explore how awareness, connection, vision, and presence can reshape our instructional spaces and deepen our support for students' lived experiences.

The workshop will take place on **Wednesday, July 16 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Heritage Hall**, and includes a light breakfast and lunch. **Faculty will be compensated at the non-instructional rate for 4 hours.**

We ask that all participants:

1. **Read *The Four Pivots*** by Dr. Shawn Ginwright (books will be provided once your registration is completed),
2. **Attend the full session**, and
3. **Commit to sharing implementation strategies** with peers in a follow-up setting.

Mt. SAC faculty participants share how they have been impacted by Healing-Centric Engagement workshops:

- *The HCE trainings have helped me become a better and more informed practitioner...colleague, and member of our diverse Mt. SAC community. I've gained a greater sense and appreciation of HCE's "asset-based" model whose core principle is built on cultivating others and communities so that they can maximize their potential despite the obstacles/harms they might have encountered in the past.*
- *Healing-Centered Engagement has strengthened my commitment to seeing students not through the lens of what's missing, but through the richness of their culture, resilience, and potential. It reaffirmed that education is a powerful space for restoration—a call to teach with humanity at the center, so we can move from surviving to thriving together.*

Space is limited and [registration](#) is on a first come–first served basis. Please [register](#) by **Friday, June 6**, to reserve your seat!



Mt. SAC 2025 Commencement Ceremony

The Mt. SAC 2025 Commencement Ceremony will be held on **Friday, June 13, at 5:30 pm**. The ceremony will begin promptly at 5:30 pm (rain or shine). More information can be found at the [Mt. SAC 2025 website](#).

- Faculty and staff regalia orders will **not** be processed in-store this year. All [faculty and staff orders](#) must be placed online.
- [Student orders](#) may be placed online or in-store. For their convenience, students may also [pre-order flowers, stuffed animals, leis, and other items](#) to pick up at the stadium on graduation day.

Please refer to the attached emails from Laura Martinez, Markelle Stansell, and Carol Nelson for additional Commencement information.

Spring 2025 Final Grades



With the end of the Spring semester rapidly approaching, this is a friendly reminder that **Spring grades are due by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17**. The Admissions and Records Office will initiate the "grade roll" or "batch" process of all Fall grades in Banner immediately following the 8 pm deadline on Tuesday.

We thank you for submitting your grades **on or before Tuesday, June 17**. Here are some reasons why students need their grades posted on time:

- Students need to know if they passed a pre-requisite course so they can register for the next course in a sequence.
- Students need to complete units aligned with the federal or state financial aid they have received.
- Our Veteran students may need proof of completion to receive veterans' benefits.

- Students send their transcripts to their transfer university, confirming they are ready to transfer in the upcoming semester.
- Students' wage increases, bonuses, or promotional opportunities depend on passing employer-approved courses or programs.
- Students must show satisfactory progress on their academic and/or progress probation status.

Below are some helpful resources for navigating the Grade Submission Process. Please get in touch with your Division Office if you have any questions or concerns.

Who Do I Contact in My Division: [Instruction](#), [School of Continuing Education](#), or [Student Services](#)?

- [Grade Changes and Incompletes](#)

If, for any reason, you anticipate that your grade submission process may be delayed (after 8 p.m. on June 17), please immediately contact your [Dean or Associate Dean](#).

Course Cancellation Protocols: Fall 2025 Pilot



This fall, Mt. SAC is launching a [Course Cancellation Protocol](#) that prioritizes student needs and emphasizes thoughtful, student-centered decision-making. It outlines key timeframes and promotes transparency, coordination, and ongoing feedback between faculty, department chairs, and instructional leaders.

The *Course Review and Notification for Cancelled Course Sections* begins 3 - 4 weeks prior to the start of the Fall 2025 semester (July 28 - August 11). This section states,

The educational administrators will coordinate with the Department Chair(s) to identify and notify faculty of any tentative cancellations due to low enrollment (less than 25% of section cap) unless the low-enrolled course/section is under consideration for a

delayed cancellation. Course section cancellations may still be needed due to extenuating circumstances. Additionally, the Dean or Associate Dean shall consult with Department Chairs when Course Reference Numbers (CRNs) of multiple sections of the same course are low enrolled (less than 25% of the section cap). Several sections of the same course may be reduced to optimize enrollment and protect sections critical for course or program completion. Staffing of course sections will follow the Faculty Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Please reach out to your Department Chair of [Dean or Associate Dean](#) if you have any questions.



Mt. SAC 2035: Update and Feedback Requested

Earlier today, Dr. Garcia shared this message:

Dear Mt. SAC Family,

I hope this message finds you well. Over the past year, hundreds of voices from across our campus—students, faculty, staff, and community members—have come together to envision a bold and inclusive future for Mt. SAC. I am excited to share with you the first public draft of [Mt. SAC 2035](#), our long-range, equity-centered, and student-focused strategic plan.

Mt. SAC 2035 is more than a planning document—it is a shared vision shaped by over 960 student voices, employee insights, and community engagement. It outlines where we are, where we need to go, and how we will get there—together. The plan centers on DEISA+ principles, healing-centered engagement, and systemic transformation. It sets clear commitments to advance a culture of care, equitable access, and innovative teaching, while ensuring our facilities and services are designed for student success.

Now, we need your feedback. Please take a moment to [review the draft](#) and [share your thoughts via this online form](#) by Tuesday, June 11th. Your input is vital in refining this plan and ensuring it reflects the real needs, hopes, and experiences of our entire

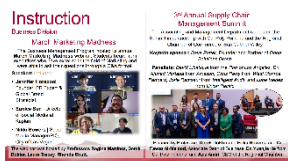
campus community. We welcome you to [join an Information Session via Zoom this Thursday, June 5](#) from 4-5 pm to learn more about the plan.

Let's work together to build a future where every student and employee can thrive.

With gratitude for all you do,

Martha Garcia, Ed.D.

Celebration: Dr. Garcia's Monthly President's Report to the Board of Trustees



Each month, Dr. Garcia shares her President's Report highlighting events and activities across campus, including the Instructional Division. While not every event can be captured, these presentations reflect the incredible work of our faculty, students, support teams, and academic programs. Dr. Garcia's update/report showcases how you bring to life the connections of learning through events, workshops, performances, showcases, and more.

Please take a moment to explore the [May 2025 President's Report](#) and join us in celebrating the outstanding events/accomplishments across the Instructional Division and campus community.

If you have recently hosted an event or activity you would like to see it included in future updates, please connect with your [Division Office](#)—we would love to share and celebrate your work!

Important Dates and Resources:

- **Resource:** [Course Cancellation Protocol Final May 1 2025](#)
- **Summer 2025 Merging Canvas Course Shells Deadline:** Monday, June 9, 2025
- **Office of Instruction Open House (Building 414):** Monday, June 9, 2 – 4 pm
- **Spring 2025 Finals Week:** June 9 – June 15, 2025
- **Mt. SAC Commencement:** Friday, June 13, 2025:
 - Event Begins Promptly at 5:30 pm
 - Refer to Attached Emails for Additional Information



- **Spring 2025 Final Grades Due Date:** Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 8 pm
- **Fall 2025 Merging Canvas Course Shells Deadline:** Monday, August 11, 2025
- [2024 – 2025 Academic Calendar](#)
- [Mt. SAC Calendar of Events](#)

As we head into the final stretch, may you find moments of pride in all you have accomplished—and joy in the impact you continue to make. Please continue to reach out to your [Dean or Division Office](#) to share your concerns and identify any assistance needed. We are here to support you.

Thank you,

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