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MCCA UPDATES

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**Begins Next Week! Spring 2024 Co-Req Deep Dive Workshop Series:** During spring 2024, any full or part-time math instructor in Michigan can participate in a virtual workshop series on math corequisites. Four 90-minute meetings will be held via Zoom on Fridays, each with a specific focus on an aspect of teaching corequisites. Multiple facilitators will run the workshops to provide a variety of perspectives and experiences. Attendees will be actively working at each workshop, not just listening and looking at slides. Meetings will take place on Fridays from 12:00 to 1:30 PM ET on March 29, April 12, April 19, and April 26. More information is available [here](#). Contact Jenny Schanker with any questions.

**Worthy Disruptions - Access for All Webinar:** Join us today, March 19, from 12 to 1 PM as we bridge equity gaps, champion inclusivity, and nurture a sense of belonging for students with disabilities. In this webinar, we’ll examine Michigan-specific enrollment, access, and disability data, while delving into strategies for cultivating inclusive campus environments. Joining us is Kristina Marshall, Director of DEIJ at Oakland Community College, to share insights into their accessible campus practices. [Registration is open](#) and you can contact Precious Miller with questions. See you there!

**Join Us for the First OER Stakeholders Virtual Coffee Hour:** On March 26 at 12 PM ET, connect with us on Zoom for an enlightening session featuring expert guests who’ll share their wisdom on making digital spaces universally accessible. Not just a learning opportunity, this event also offers a platform for open, friendly chats. [Registration](#) is open now. Please contact Autumn Caines or Stephanie Davis with questions.

**Final Gateway Faculty Roundtable:** On March 25 from 4 to 5 PM, join Susan Adams from Achieving the Dream for our final roundtable for faculty teaching gateway courses. "Did I Cheat? Students, Faculty, and AI in the Classroom" is a one-hour roundtable discussion aimed at delving into the complexities of using AI tools in educational settings. [Registration](#) is open now. Please contact Jenny Schanker with questions.

**Informational Webinar for Student Leadership Retreat Scheduled:** Please join us on Tuesday, April 2 from 2 to 3 PM to learn more about the September 2024 Michigan Community College Student Leadership Retreat. This webinar will provide an overview of the camp experience, learning outcomes, participation expectations, and the advisor role from each college. Please join the meeting via [Zoom](#). If you are unable to attend or have additional questions please contact Communications Lead Kristin McDermott.

**NMC President Appointed to NACCE Board:** Congratulations to Northwestern Michigan College President Dr. Nick Nissley on his appointment to the National Association for
Community College Entrepreneurship (NACCE) Board. From the press release, “Dr Nissley’s leadership at Northwestern Community College has been marked by strong emphasis on entrepreneurship and workforce development. His innovative strategies and commitment to student success align perfectly with NACCE’s goals.” Congratulations President Nissley!

New Resource Bolsters Student Success: We are so excited to bring you the Professional Learning Space — an online resource with tailored lessons aimed at addressing the key areas that matter most to community college professionals. Topics range from student basic needs to transfer to career exploration and more. And the best part… It’s completely FREE! Start learning today.

Join us for a 2024 Update on College Enrollment by High School! Registration is now open for our upcoming Building Back College Enrollments webinar, happening on Monday, April 22 from 10 to 11:30 AM. This event is perfect for all college personnel and will review the latest data on Michigan’s college enrollment by high school as well as provide helpful information on financial aid programs, grant opportunities, professional development, and free resources to increase community college enrollment for recent high school graduates.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

MiLEAP Testifies on Financial Aid Outreach Successes: Michelle Richard, Acting Director of MiLEAP, testified before the House Subcommittee on Higher Education and Community Colleges on Thursday about the efforts the department is undertaking to get the word out about the Michigan Achievement Scholarship (MAS). In the FY 2024 budget, $10 million was approved for marketing and outreach related to the MAS. Richard reported the MAS program has 27,800 student participants on campuses and with more engagement she hopes more students become informed about the program.

Legislative Schedule: The House and Senate are scheduled to hold sessions and committees this week. Beginning the following week, the legislature will begin its annual two-week spring recess, during which time neither session nor committees will meet.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, March 19: Worthy Disruptions- Access for All (12 to 1 PM)

Wednesday, March 20: MCC-SSEM Affinity Group Meeting (10 to 11 AM)

Wednesday, March 20: Strategize and Integrate- College Roadmap for Program Success (12 to 1 PM)

Monday, March 25: Gateway English and Math Faculty Roundtable 5 (4 to 5:30 PM)
Tuesday, March 26: OER Stakeholders Virtual Coffee Hour (12 to 1 PM)

Friday, March 29: Co-Req Deep Dive Workshop 1 (12 to 1:30 PM)

Thursday, April 11: Inaugural Government Relations Affinity Group Meeting (2 to 3:30 PM)

View the full list of upcoming events [here](#).

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**IN THE NEWS**

Crain's Detroit Business: [Schoolcraft College pilots program to encourage more dual enrollment](March 6, 2024)

WZMQ: [KBOCC prepares to launch nursing program](March 6, 2024)

Watershed Voice: [Glen Oaks awarded $5K to further support student parents’ education](March 8, 2024)

Daily Press: [Bay College, Northern create social work pathway](March 14, 2024)

MLive: [The state expected 41K Michigan college students to use new scholarship. It was far fewer](March 14, 2024)

Daily News: [MCC evaluating potential addition of $10 million housing complex for Sidney campus](March 15, 2024)

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