



# Chaffey College

## Academic Senate

Representing Chaffey College faculty in all academic & professional matters

### Updates from the Academic Senate

At the September 7 meeting, the Academic Senate unanimously approved the establishment of an Ethnic Studies Department and the formation of a workgroup that will help to create an ethnic studies graduation requirement (to be compliant with Title 5, Section 55063).

On September 14, the Senators approved the launch of the Textbook Transformation Project. Co-facilitated by Liz Encarnacion (Communication Studies) and Emilie Koenig (English), this project will provide training and resources for faculty in order to dramatically increase the adoption of zero-cost and low-cost textbooks in the next two to three years.

The Academic Senate will host an online welcome for the new faculty on Wednesday, September 29, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m., using the InSpace platform:

<https://app.inspace.chat/space/1016C22965B872D8B20F6BAF661C222D7C81E9A8>

Come and celebrate the new faculty at Chaffey College, while participating in one-on-one or group conversations in a virtual space. Interact and collaborate with new faculty seamlessly just as we would normally in a large venue on campus.

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## Individual Professional Accomplishments / Creative Works



### **Tara Johnson (Fashion Merchandising)**

Tara became a member at large for the African-American Alumnae Chapter (AAAC) at San Diego State University. She will be focused on membership initiatives. The African-American Alumni Chapter was established to provide leadership roles to SDSU students, alumni and community members, to reach out to potential SDSU students to assist in paving the way to their academic success.

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### **Dave Milbrandt (Political Science)**

Dave recently published his fourth novel, *Fool's Luck*, through Ambassador International. The book tells the story of Myles Bradford, a high school teacher who wins the Powerball lottery decides to run for President of the United States.

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### **Patty Peoples (Kinesiology, Nutrition, & Athletics)**

Patty served as the motivational speaker for her tenth time at the AAUW 8th Grade Girls' Stem Conference held at the University of Redlands, March 12, 2021. On May 22, 2021, Patty earned her eight USAT AG Duathlon National Championship Title.

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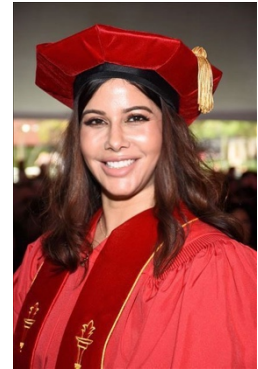
### **Dr. Deepak Shimkhada (Visual Arts)**

Deepak published a book titled *Planet of the Dogs: A Child of Two Worlds*.

## Continuing Education / Professional Development

### **Maria Fitzpatrick (Psychology)**

Maria recently completed her doctorate in Organizational Change and Leadership at the University of Southern California.



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### **Patty Peoples (Kinesiology, Nutrition, & Athletics)**

In June 2021, Patty completed her certification in Exercise Physiology from the Center for Health Education at Stanford University. Speaking about her motivation, she states, “I love staying up-to-date in my field and I wanted to learn more specifically about Exercise Physiology, which enables me to be a better KNA Adjunct Instructor.”

