



President's Innovation Fund Awards for 2013-2014

Asian Studies Center

The Asian Studies Center provides a one-stop resource center, classes, cultural activities, and a study abroad program. There will be Chinese immersion summer camps to High School students. The project provides a breadth of educational opportunities and experiences that help students and communities achieve success and embrace cultural diversity. The Asian Studies Center will promote multicultural awareness and international education. The project will enhance Skyline College's community outreach efforts that, in turn, will enable Skyline College to be a leader in international education.

Brothers and Sisters Conference

The Brothers and Sisters conference is modeled after the African American Male Summit that A2MEND facilitates each year in Los Angeles. This project will provide needed services to African American students to be successful in college and careers, including academic/student support programs. The conference will strengthen and expand Skyline College's existing outreach efforts to local high schools bridging the gap that currently exists in our educational pipeline for African American students. In collaboration with the African-American Success Through Excellence and Persistence Program (ASTEP) learning community, the Brothers and Sisters Conference will be a great transition and welcoming opportunity for students as they graduate high school and come to Skyline College.

Business Entrepreneurship Speaker Series

The Business Division and SparkPoint Center will collaborate to invite one to two speakers per semester from the Business Profession and/or Community/Public organization representatives to address "Business Entrepreneurship" including the diverse opportunities, the role Silicon Valley continues to play, the future of E-Ship education, student success and professional development.

Center of Hip Hop Arts, Scholarship, and Education

The Center of Hip Hop, Arts, Scholarship, and Education will provide youth and students direct linkages to the many excellent programs and services at Skyline College such as the Youth Entrepreneurship Program (YEP), Career Advancement Academy, Urban Music Academy, Urban Youth Society, Career Center, and SparkPoint Center by partnering with the Outreach Team to develop a comprehensive outreach plan. Center of Hip Hot Arts, Scholarship, and Education will also provide educational and professional development opportunities for faculty and staff to learn about current Hip Hop pedagogies and best practices. It will also provide educational and community events such as Hip Hop film screenings and Hip Hop history month.

Center for Paralegal Studies

The Center for Paralegal Studies at Skyline College will connect paralegal students to key educational services and to the greater legal community. It will serve as a platform for developing innovative curriculum and learning opportunities.



College Lecture Series

Through an Annual Lecture Series for Skyline College this project will continue to raise the consciousness of the campus community and provide increase opportunity for campus dialogue. The series will challenge status quo and normative thinking on a variety of topics and provide an opportunity for reflection upon the issues. In addition it will enable us to assess how our community can use this new knowledge and understanding to further increase the quality of the educational experience and professional development resources for our students, faculty, staff and community members.

Enactus Student Chapter

The Enactus Chapter at Skyline College brings together a diverse network of college students, academic professionals and industry leaders around the shared mission of creating a better, more sustainable world through the positive power of business. Each year the Enactus team assesses the needs in our community, develops and implements projects to address those needs, and measures the results. It is clear that the Enactus students change lives on our campus, in our community, and around the world.

KinderCaminata at Skyline College

The KinderCaminata project will showcase a first-choice campus by educating families and informing the surrounding communities of the services provided by Skyline College. It will make education a realistic and accessible goal for all individuals. These goals and objectives will be met through numerous collaborative efforts with departments on campus and the external community.

Literacy Intervention Community Program

Skyline College Career Services faculty are establishing the foundation for a literacy enhancement program that will allow Skyline students interested in working with school age students or who may be considering a career in education to gain exposure in the field. This partnership is between Skyline College, Los Cerritos Elementary School in South San Francisco and Reading Partners. The goal of this cooperation is to enhance the literacy scores of designated elementary students in our local neighborhood, and provide Skyline College students with the opportunity to contribute to their community by assisting children, who without receiving supplemental services, would likely continue to test below grade level.

Middle School Outreach

The Middle School Outreach Project completed its first year of exposing middle school students to multiple careers, major and financial options to pay for college. The project provides early college exposure and readiness to middle school students. Reaching out to students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade encourages and motivates them to stay on track to ensure a successful future filled with opportunities. The Middle School Outreach Project instills within these students the expectation that higher education is possible and accessible.

Science and Rehabilitation Collaboration Using Interactive Metronome Technology

The Science and Rehabilitation Collaboration project will give Skyline College students experience working with people whose lives have been affected by brain injury, illness or other motor impairments. Brain injuries/illnesses affect people of all ages, races, and socioeconomic levels. In fact, people from all sectors of our local community participate regularly in Skyline College's Adaptive Physical Education program. This program will benefit those community members, improving their motor functionality, as Skyline College's best transfer students gain invaluable experience.

Spring Musical Project

The Spring Musical project provides Skyline College students with an annual opportunity to participate in a musical theater production on campus. The project will benefit Skyline College, students, and the community by developing the scope and quality of instructional offerings in the performing arts. Skyline College's role as a leading Cultural Center for the Community and addressing student challenges in connecting to the college by providing visibility in the community and attracting potential students to our programs with a high-quality theatrical event.

Step Up

This project expands student engagement, civic learning and democratic participation on our Skyline College Campus. It also begins to make community connections with Daly City (possibly San Bruno and South San Francisco), exploring opportunities for broader community building and engagement forums, and training students to effectively participate in these forums.

Teaching Internship in Diversity and Equity

A Teaching Internship in Diversity and Equity (TIDE) is being proposed to address this need. Through the First Year Experience (FYE) program and under the direction of the FYE coordinator and math instructor, an intern will gain experience with first-year, basic skills community college students and learn from other faculty. In conjunction with the math course, the intern will collaborate with faculty to develop innovative and interdisciplinary curriculum, including assignments, projects and presentations. Interns will participate in other campus projects, developing relationships across the campus while bridging student services and instruction.

Youth Entrepreneurship Program (YEP)

There are very few avenues for high school and collegeaged students to receive resources to start their own businesses. Through partnerships at Skyline College and throughout the business community, the YEP program would target youth and young adults and provide resources and supportive activities to increase their business management skills and revitalize interest in this career technical education program.