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THE OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
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ARTS, HUMANITIES, & SOCIAL SCIENCE

DEAN CARLA JOHNSON



EMA CONFERENCE SUMMER 2026 IN SAN DIEGO

Dean of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Carla Johnson, along with 10 others from Gavilan, attended the Enrollment Management Academy (EMA) hosted at UC San Diego last week. The Gavilan College team engaged with data, analyzed trends, learned about state funding formulas, and developed a draft strategic enrollment management (SEM) plan for the coming years.

ENGLISH & SOCIAL SCIENCES

The departments are working with West Ed to bring a Reading Apprenticeship professional learning opportunity to faculty in the 2026-27 academic year. English is also working on Part II of the Anti-Racist Pedagogy work started last year and working to develop a common assessment/student writing portfolio.

In addition, several disciplines are conducting interviews during the summer to hire part-time faculty into unstaffed courses in the coming year.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, & MATHEMATICS

DEAN JENNIFER NARI

GAVILAN & CSUMB

On June 1st, 15 Gavilan College Interns and 5 CSUMB Interns from the Gavilan College STEM/MESA Program started their summer internship, where they are working in projects pertaining to engineering, physics, computer science, math, and environmental science.

USDA NRCS

Two USDA NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) Interns from the Gavilan College STEM/MESA Program started their summer internship on June 8th, where they are applying their skills that was developed from class into a real working experience.

SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY

On June 15th, 39 SJSU Interns from the Gavilan College STEM/MESA Program started their summer internship, where they are working on projects pertaining to engineering, biology, chemistry, and computer science.

STEM SYMPOSIUM INVITATION

The STEM Symposium will take place on Thursday, August 13th from 9AM – 12PM in the Gavilan College Library.

Please invite your colleagues, industry partners, and more individuals to come and support the students and ask them questions about their summer internship.



CAREER EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

DEAN VINS CHACKO

CONTINUING EDUCATION



ESL GRADUATION

On May 29th, we celebrated our ESL Graduation, recognizing over 20 students who successfully completed the ESL sequence of courses, earned their GED, or achieved U.S. citizenship. This milestone reflects the hard work, perseverance, and dedication of our students as they pursue their educational and personal goals.

We are grateful to everyone who contributed to making this achievement possible, including our faculty, staff, volunteers, family members, and community partners. Your encouragement, guidance, and unwavering support have played an important role in our students' success. Congratulations to all of our graduates!

SUMMER ESL ORIENTATION

This summer, we hosted ESL orientations for new students at both the Hollister and Gilroy (Gavilan) campuses. More than 30 students participated in the orientations, where they learned about the ESL program, available student support services, and the educational and career pathways available after completing ESL. The orientations were designed to help students successfully transition into their classes, connect with college resources, and begin planning for their next educational or workforce goals.

In addition, our upcoming orientation sessions will be held on the following dates:

- Gilroy: Saturday, August 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
- Hollister: Wednesday, August 19, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

CAREER EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

DEAN VINS CHACKO (CONT.)

COMMUNITY EDUCATION



COMMUNITY ED GRADUATION

On June 14, we celebrated the accomplishments of our students who completed the Certified Medical Assistant (CMA), Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), and EKG Technician programs. More than 50 graduates, along with their family members and friends, attended the ceremony to recognize this important milestone. We are grateful to everyone who contributed to making this achievement possible, including our faculty, staff, volunteers, family members, and community partners. Your encouragement, guidance, and unwavering support have played an important role in our students' success. Congratulations to all of our graduates.

These programs will start again in the fall. This summer we will offer Veterinary course schedule to start July 18, 2026.

ENRICHMENT CLASSES

Our lap and swim lessons are currently underway along with a variety of other summer offerings including watercolor, baile folklorico, beekeeper, tai chi and several others classes.

KINESIOLOGY & ATHLETICS
DIRECTOR JAMIE ADAMS

ATHLETICS

PREPARING FOR THE 2026-27 ACADEMIC YEAR

The Athletics Department has been actively preparing for the upcoming academic year through recruiting, scheduling, compliance, and student-athlete support initiatives. Coaches have been focused on roster development while ensuring prospective student-athletes complete admissions, financial aid, counseling, and eligibility requirements prior to the start of the fall semester.

COMPLIANCE AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

All coaches and athletic staff will participate in mandatory 3C2A compliance training prior to the start of the fall season. The department continues to emphasize rules education, student-athlete eligibility, and best practices to ensure institutional compliance.

STUDENT-ATHLETE SUCCESS

Gavilan Athletics remains committed to providing a comprehensive support system that promotes both academic and athletic success. The Rams Academic Mentor Program (RAAMP) continues to provide individualized mentoring, academic monitoring, and student success workshops designed to improve retention, persistence, and graduation outcomes for student-athletes.

CONFERENCE AND STATEWIDE LEADERSHIP

Gavilan College continues to maintain a strong presence in statewide athletics leadership. Athletic Director Jamie Adams serves as Vice President of the California Community College Athletic Directors Association (CCCADA) and continues to represent community college athletics through service on statewide committees that support student-athlete success and institutional collaboration.

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Planning continues for future growth opportunities within Athletics, including exploration of new athletic offerings and academic pathways that align with student interest, workforce demand, and enrollment growth opportunities.

KINESIOLOGY & ATHLETICS
DIRECTOR JAMIE ADAMS
(CONT.)

KINESIOLOGY



CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT

The Kinesiology Department continues to expand educational opportunities through the development of career-focused certificate programs. Work continues on the proposed Certificate of Achievement in Lifeguarding and Aquatic Safety, which will provide students with industry-recognized certifications while addressing regional workforce needs in aquatics, recreation, and public safety.

WORKFORCE AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The department continues to strengthen relationships with local agencies, school districts, and community organizations to expand experiential learning opportunities and create career pathways for students pursuing careers in health, fitness, recreation, education, and athletics.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

Summer kinesiology courses continue to provide students with opportunities to complete transfer and degree requirements while maintaining healthy lifestyles through physical activity. Planning for the fall semester has focused on maximizing course offerings that meet student demand and support Guided Pathways.

LOOKING AHEAD

As the department prepares for the fall semester, priorities include continued enrollment growth, student success initiatives, implementation of new curriculum, and strengthening academic and athletic programming that supports Gavilan College's mission of student achievement and community engagement.

NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

DEAN SANA MASSAD

ADVISORY NURSING BOARD MEETING UPDATE

The recent Advisory Nursing Board meeting was a great success, with a highly engaging and exciting turnout. Strong participation reflected a shared commitment to advancing nursing education and workforce development.

On behalf of the Nursing Department, we extend our sincere appreciation to President Dr. Avila, VP Dr. Fayek, Dean Chaco, Director Pedroso, Director Fernandez, nursing faculty, staff, and students, as well as our valued stakeholders including clinical partners, high school representatives, K-16 funding representatives, and many others.

We also invite the Board of Trustees to indicate their interest in participating in next year's Advisory Nursing Board meeting.

CA-BRN PROGRAM APPROVALS

On March 26, 2026 Approval received for:

- Standalone Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program
- ADN Advanced Placement Pathway
- Standalone LVN-to-RN program curriculum

These approvals mark a significant milestone in expanding nursing education pathways.

ADN PROGRAM LAUNCH (FALL 2026)

Initial cohort of 22 students - designed to address regional workforce demand and provide a strong academic and clinical foundation.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PATHWAY (SPRING 2027)

We will offer an accelerated pathway for students with prior healthcare education/experience. This advanced placement will enhance access and flexibility within the ADN program.

NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

DEAN SANA MASSAD (CONT.)

REBUILDING THE NURSING INFRASTRUCTURE (RNI) GRANT

- Gavilan College has received a formal Notice of Intent to Award for the Rebuilding Nursing Infrastructure (RNI) Grant – Round 2 from the Chancellor's Office Workforce and Economic Development Division.
- The RNI grant program is designed to close critical healthcare workforce gaps by expanding nursing education pathways, strengthening program infrastructure, and increasing the number of qualified nursing graduates across California community colleges.
- This was a highly competitive process, with 48 applications requesting over $66 million in funding statewide. Gavilan College's inclusion reflects the strength and quality of our proposal.
- Final grant awards are pending approval by the California Community Colleges Board of Governors, anticipated in May 2026, with a projected start date of July 1, 2026.
- Funding will support faculty recruitment, clinical partnerships, simulation and instructional equipment, and student support services to ensure successful implementation and sustainability of the ADN program.

LVN-TO-RN PROGRAM (HOLLISTER CAMPUS – ANTICIPATED FALL 2028)

Expands career advancement opportunities for LVNs and will support regional workforce needs.

LVN PROGRAM ENROLLMENT EXPANSION

Pending BVNPT Approval: The proposed program expansion will increase to 30 students per semester. Anticipated implementation: Fall 2026

CNA PROGRAM UPDATE

The program continues at current capacity of 30 students per semester and remains a key entry point into nursing pathways .

GAVILAN COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAMS STRATEGIC EDUCATION PLAN (2026–2030)

Currently in development for the Board to review: The plan will outline long-term vision, growth strategies, and workforce alignment



VICE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS
DR. MOATY FAYEK

ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT ACADEMY - SUMMER 2026

Attendees: Moaty Fayek, Carla Velarde-Barros, Cecilia Ghiorzi, Sana Massad, Irene Haneta, Carla Johnson, Yusif Imanov, Judy Rodriguez, Hazel De Ausen, Nicholas Salisbury, Nicole Cisneros.

This year's Gavilan EMA Team learned the core enrollment management principles and work with facilitators to analyze our own institutional data and set some institutional management strategies.





ENROLLMENT UPDATES BASED ON THE LATEST 320 REPORT

Year	Total Credit FTES	Total Noncredit	Total FTES
2024-25	4,569.25	720.94	5,290.19
2025-26	4,715.06	761.61	5,476.67
% Change	**3%**	**6%**	**4%**