



# STUDENT SERVICES CONNECTION



WEEKLY UPDATE: OCTOBER 5, 2020

## More Classes Could Mean More Money in Your Pocket

Fall eight-week courses begin October 19, 2020 and there are still classes available! Are you wondering if you may be eligible for more financial aid if you add an additional credit course? The answer is "YES" if you are not already enrolled full-time (12+ units).

How much of an increase, you ask? If you add units and are financial aid eligible, you may increase your Pell Grant anywhere from \$300-\$1,000. If you are a Cal Grant student, you may be eligible for an increase from \$200-\$400. If you are receiving both the Pell Grant and the Cal Grant, you could receive up to \$1,400 more just for adding one class! If you have a fee waiver which pays for your classes,

why not add more classes and increase the money in your pocket while reaching your academic goals even faster?

The deadline to add more classes is October 17 to be considered for additional financial aid for Fall 2020. Access the Class Schedule here: <https://www.goldenwestcollege.edu/project/schedule/index.html>.

For more information, visit the Financial Aid Office website at <https://www.goldenwestcollege.edu/gwcfao/index.html>.



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GET TO KNOW YOUR SSC TEAM

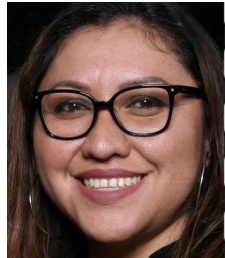
Erica Morales, Financial Aid Specialist/ California Dream Act Liaison

What is your role at GWC?

My title is Financial Aid Specialist/CA Dream Act Liaison. I assist with the daily operations of the Financial Aid Office. You can catch me answering the FA phone line M-F 12pm-2pm. I also host financial aid workshops on Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30 via Zoom. My main role is to connect with undocumented AB540 students who are attending GWC and assist them with the financial aid process. There are many students who may not know that - even though they do not qualify for FAFSA - they may be eligible to submit the California Dream Act application for state aid. When I connect with students and families, I inform them of the many resources available to help them reduce the stress of the cost of higher education. For example: completing the CA Dream Act application, the

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program, scholarship opportunities, and the Golden Promise Program, etc.



What is your favorite family vacation?

My favorite family vacation would have to be the one time I visited El Salvador. In the states you will not catch me at the beach because the water is too cold for my liking; but when I went to El Salvador you could not get me away from the beach. The water was so warm - even on rainy days. And don't get me started on the food! While visiting there, I was able to meet my grandparents and older sister for the first time. I can't wait to go back!

ACADEMIC SUCCESS WORKSHOPS

- Take advantage of the FREE workshops available to GWC students. To sign up, visit the Academic Success Center workshop at https://www.goldenwestcollege.edu/asc/ and click the green button to enter our virtual front desk via Zoom. A staff person will answer your questions and get you set up for the workshop. Or, if it's after hours, you can send an email to academicsuccessctr@gwc.cccd.edu.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

- College Algebra Workshops - Mondays, 12-1pm
10/5/20 - Clearing Fractions - Review of clearing fractions and solving formulas for a variable
10/12/20 - Graphing Lines - Review of graphing lines using input output table, finding slope, y=mx+b, and Ax+By=C

Writing Assistance Workshops - 11-12pm

10/9/20 - Reading for Understanding - Students will learn effective strategies for improving reading comprehension.

10/16/20 - Quote Integration - Students will learn how to integrate quotations into their writing in accordance with MLA guidelines and good practice.

Campus Resources/ Navigating College

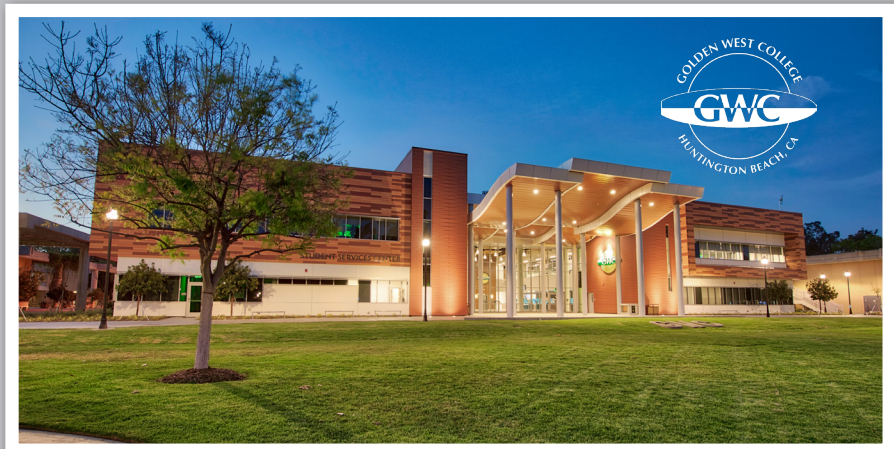
This workshop will provide you help with finding where to go on campus when you need assistance and provide an overview of resources that you may not be aware of that are included in your student enrollment. We'll also highlight how to navigate being a college student in general.

10/21/20 @ 1pm
10/22/20 @ 10am

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# Campus Events

## OCTOBER IS SEXUAL AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

### Virtual Clothesline Project October 1st - 31st

The Clothesline Project serves as a physical representation of the number of people on our campus who have experienced sexual violence. The Clothesline is made up of T-shirts created by survivors, or created in honor of someone who has experienced violence. To view the shirts decorated by GWC students, staff, and faculty, please visit [HERE](#)

### Healthy Relationships/Safe Online Dating Webinar (Coastline College event)

**October 6th ~ 12:00pm - 1:00pm**  
This webinar will explore how to safely connect with your 'bae' in an online space. Participants will learn about consent and boundaries in dating, practice communication skills, and learn about dating resources.



**Yoga (Coastline College Event)**  
**October 7th ~ 11:00am - 12:00pm**  
Join us for an all levels yoga class! As October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month, this class will be taught through a trauma-informed lens. Participants will learn health and wellness skills. [REGISTER HERE](#)

For more information, please visit:  
<https://www.goldenwestcollege.edu/titleix/index.html>

# Upcoming Events



## GWC VIRTUAL TRANSFER FAIR

Wednesday, October 14th  
10:00 am to 1:00 pm  
Register Now: <https://tinyurl.com/GWC-CCCFair>

## Things You Need to Know...

### CSU/UC Fall 2020 Admission Application Workshops

#### "CSU Fall 2021 Admission Application"

##### 1:00 - 3:00pm Live ONLINE

- Thursday, October 1<sup>st</sup>
- Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>
- Monday, November 2<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>

##### 3:00 - 5:00pm Live ONLINE

- Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>
- Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>

##### 10:00 - 12:00 noon Live ONLINE

- Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>
- Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

#### "UC Fall 2021 Admission Application"

##### 3:00 - 5:00 pm

- Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>

Please sign up in advance by calling 714-895-8794 or visit:  
[www.tinyurl.com/transfer21](http://www.tinyurl.com/transfer21)



## GWC Live on Instagram

Join us for GWC Live every Thursday at 3:00 p.m. with GWC's Outreach Specialist, Ben Olague. Feel free to ask questions in the chat at any point, we will do our best to make sure they are addressed. See you there! Find us at: [instagram.com/goldenwestcollege](https://www.instagram.com/goldenwestcollege)

