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# Welcome New Administrators

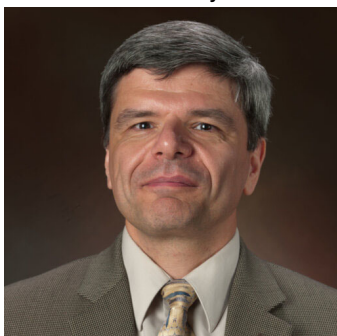
Melissa Ramirez Cooper



Director of Communications

## Welcome New Administrators

Dr. Panos Hadjimitsos



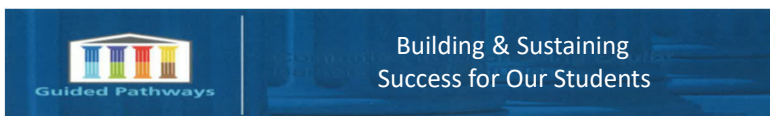
Dean of Business & Technology

Dr. Justyna Kohtz



Interim Associate Dean  
of Business & Technology

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### PILLAR 1: Clarifying a Path for Students

- Clear Enrollment Steps: Get Admitted, Get Registered, Get Ready
- Campus Tours and Family Nights: Monthly offerings in English and Spanish
- Academic Planning Enhanced
- Maximize Recruit platform for applications: automate test scores into applications
- Financial Access: Trustee Honors Scholarship, increase from 163 to 273 in two years



### PILLAR 2: Helping Students

#### Select and Enter a Path

- Career Exploration Access
- Programs, Maps, and Academic Plans: 124 academic program offerings, completed maps on websites, and academic plan alignment
- Updated orientation: Online and In-Person

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**PILLAR 3: Helping Students Stay on a Path**

- Launch of TroyMart and TroyRide
- Faculty, staff, and students trained on Mental Health First Aid
- TimelyCare Usage: 197 student sessions
- Maximization of Retention Alerts and Interventions: over 800 alerts submitted this fall
- Skill Enhancement & Employee Development (SEED) program for students



**PILLAR 4: Ensure Learning**

- Assessment of instructional strategies for teaching & learning
- Advancing student learning outcomes: Financial Literacy, Inclusivity, Leadership, Navigating Resources, and Relationship Building, through assessment for learning outside the classroom
- Tutoring and expanded academic support

## Strategic Plan

**Goal 1**  
Assure quality and innovation in teaching and learning to increase student recruitment, retention, and completion.

<b>Equip</b>	Equip faculty with knowledge and resources to improve persistence and completion rates across all areas of study.
<b>Replicate</b>	Replicate successful practices across all departments to solidify students' progress on their guided pathway.
<b>Deliver</b>	Deliver an 8-week course format to accommodate students' schedules.

## Strategic Plan

**Goal 2**  
Cultivate a diverse, equitable, and inclusive work environment that fosters employee engagement to support students.

<b>Broaden</b>	Broaden employee knowledge and understanding of on-campus resources for greater student utilization.
<b>Replicate</b>	Strengthen cross-departmental communication with opportunities for dialogue and reflection.

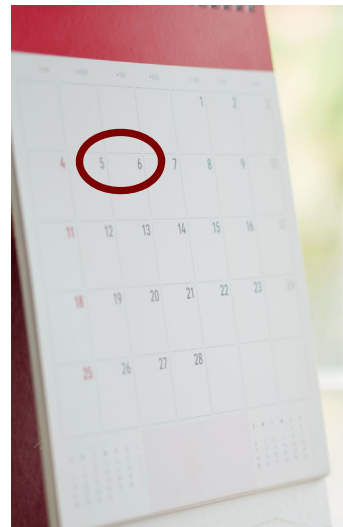
**Goal 3**  
Strengthen the college's relationships with the community and prepare students to enter the local workforce.

<b>Expand</b>	Expand our focus on neurodiversity to increase access to students with varying learning styles.
<b>Accelerate</b>	Accelerate credentialing and advancement in the workforce for adult students.

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## HLC Affirmation Visit

- Campus visit - February 5 and 6.
- The final itinerary will be coming at the end of January.
- Employees are invited to attend.
- In-person and virtual options will be offered.
- In-person sessions will be held in B204/210.



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## FAFSA

The FAFSA Simplification Act represents a significant overhaul of the processes and systems used to award federal student aid starting with the 2024-25 aid year. This includes the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form, needs analysis, and many policies and procedures for schools that participate in federal student aid programs.

These changes are aimed at making it easier for students and their families to apply for financial aid with a more streamlined application process.

### KEY CHANGES

- More streamlined application process with fewer questions, and an easier way to transfer the tax information directly from the IRS.
- Student Aid Index (SAI) replaces the term Expected Family Contribution (EFC).
- New terminology – you will notice new terminology being used in the application and aid eligibility process.

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## Anniversary



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## Welcome New Faculty

Dana Nestrick



Engineering Technology

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## The other AI

The numbers tell the story...

- 500 + , 2000
- 160 , almost 50%
- 32
- 107 ,1/3, 5 of 5, \$30K
- \$70,000 - \$524,490

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## The other AI

The numbers tell the story...

- 500 + , 2000      **Adaptive**
- 160, almost 50%      **Caring**
- 32      **Supportive**
- 107, 1/3, 5 of 5, 30K      **Purposeful**
- \$45K - \$525K      **Innovative**

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## Blackboard LEARN – AI Design Assistant

Starting on February 12, 2024, you will begin to see generative AI capabilities within Triton's Blackboard, known as "AI Design Assistant," strategically designed to empower and support instructors with AI.



### Simplify course creation

Get recommendations for course structure, including titles, modules, and descriptions.



### Content-based test generation

Obtain suggestions for a diverse set of test questions based on existing course content.



### Rubric creation

Draft grading rubrics to evaluate student performance consistently and fairly.



### Royalty-free image sourcing

Get automated image recommendations based on course content—royalty-free and ready for use.



### Complete instructor control

Designed in accordance with Anthology's Trustworthy AI Approach, the instructor maintains full control over course content and can review and edit all AI-generated suggestions based on their subject matter expertise and pedagogical approach.

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# Have a Great Semester!



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