WEDNESDAY – August 17

**Workshop:** Intriguing Ways to Keep Students Engaged and Interested in Learning while Concentrating on the Task at Hand  
**Presenter:** Eduardo Rodriguez Trevizo and Marcia Clark  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 - 8:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2121  
**Description:** This workshop will focus on the benefits of making your students meet with you at least twice during a regular semester.  
**CB Credit:** #9

**Workshop:** Trigger Warnings: To Warn or Not to Warn  
**Presenter:** Jorge Gomez, Brian Kirby, and Shanan Valles  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 8:00 - 8:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2122  
**Description:** Trigger warnings are a growing trend in academia, the idea being that students need to be warned about sensitive or controversial material so as to prevent "triggers" from student trauma, anxiety, or PTSD. Trigger warnings would therefore preface such material. Instructors worry about academic freedom due to the possibility of students abstaining from said content, or the diluting of class content to generalized disclaimers. This workshop will present the various arguments given in favor of and against trigger warnings, as well as the kinds of mental triggers students could possess.  
**CB Credit:** #7

**Workshop:** The Four Agreements by Don Miguel Ruiz  
**Presenter:** Alex Hernandez  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 8:30 - 12:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Administrative Service Center/Boardroom  
**Description:** The Four Agreements by Don Miguel Ruiz describes an alternative way of thinking for individuals who have been challenged by the belief systems and ideas of society. These belief systems many times dictate how we think, act, and behave because we have been taught by our parents, schools, and institutions that this is acceptable. Don Miguel Ruiz calls this “The Dream of the Planet.” Incorporating the four agreement into your life will teach you how to live a life of integrity, halt the frustrations that result when people demean or are unfair to you, ease the disappointments that come when people fail you in your life, and help you achieve success by confronting life with your true potential.  
**To register for this session, please click on the link below and complete the registration form (Limited seating):** [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe7K94_q6WCjDq8YxC3RQ_ExBDQ9VCJWPKaO9OzYeq6UjdkQ/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe7K94_q6WCjDq8YxC3RQ_ExBDQ9VCJWPKaO9OzYeq6UjdkQ/viewform)  
**CB Credit:** #4

**Workshop:** How to Avoid the Most Common Mistakes in Reasoning: Learn Informal Fallacies Part II  
**Presenter:** Crisol Escobedo and Manuela Gomez  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2117  
**Description:** Mistakes in reasoning are everywhere! We are exposed to them on a daily basis in politics, media, and advertising. Come learn about the most common informal fallacies in order to avoid making them and to spot them in others. Examples of teaching strategies will be provided to help introduce this knowledge into the classroom. Foster critical thinking in students by teaching them how to make better arguments. Learning about these fallacies can help you and your students make decisions that can save time, money, and headaches. This workshop is a continuation of a previous workshop. Different fallacies will be covered.  
**CB Credit:** #7
Workshop: The Use of Historical Thinking to Overcome Border Thinking  
Presenter: Dr. Patrick Timmons  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2126  
Description: Before 1969, a Juárez/El Paso community existed. But after 1969, the region's residents began to engage in "border thinking." This way of thinking is a product of the hard, regulated border that came into existence after 1969. This workshop examines how border thinking is a product of history, or, rather that historical thinking can be used to re-think what it means to belong to the region of El Paso/Juárez.  
CB Credit: #6

Workshop: Teaching Critical Thinking in INRW  
Presenter: Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Brian Kirby, and Jorge Gomez  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2119  
Description: Looking for assignments and activities that encourage students to think critically? Although the workshop's focus will be on Integrated Reading and Writing (INRW 0311), the assignments and activities demonstrated can be applied to other disciplines as well. CB Credit: #3

Workshop: Engaging Student Learning through the Social Sciences  
Presenter: Steven J. Loera  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2124  
Description: Students often ask, "When will I ever use what I am learning in the classroom in the real world?" Finding what motivates them requires creativity in how best to present the subject material. Common everyday tools such as notepaper, a ruler, tape and newspaper circulations are just a few of the items to demonstrate the applicability of sociology as well as the social sciences in general. CB Credit: #6

Workshop: Using Film to teach Historical and Post Apocalyptic Concepts  
Presenter: Michael Duncan, Melissa Esmacher, and Lorely Ambriz  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 9:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2118  
Description: This workshop will focus on using media analysis to promote critical thinking skills and focuses specifically on apocalypticism as an example. The historical roots of apocalyptic visions and thinking will be briefly examined. Media associated with the Cold War will be a particular focus to examine how atomic anxiety shaped history and society. Cormac McCarthy's *The Road* will also be examined as an example of a representation of contemporary fears of environmental degradation and nuclear holocaust. The workshop will also include the production of online research lib guides and in-class materials to assist in film-related assignments. CB Credit: #5

Workshop: Biology Discipline: CCA Workshop Fall 2016  
Presenter: Dominic Lannutti, Dr. Rebecca Escamilla, Dr. Carolina Chianelli, Paul Hotchkin, Diego Reyes, and Dr. Miguel Vasquez  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2724  
Description: This workshop is designed to update EPCC Biology Faculty on the results of the Core Curriculum Assessment Cycle 1 report and to discuss implementation of the design, analysis, and implementation of the district-wide approved Core Curriculum Assessment in accordance with the THECB and SOCSOC guidelines for cycle 2. We seek to provide a venue for the Biology faculty district-wide to come together and discuss this important, mandatory CCA for 1306/07 and 1308/09 courses. Please RSVP Dr. Rebecca Escamilla, marin20@epcc.edu if you plan to attend. CB Credit: #9
Workshop: Equal Employment Opportunity & Equal Educational Opportunity Workshop  
Presenter: Nancy Nelson and Victoria D. Lipscomb  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2127  
Description: Faculty members are required to attend this workshop biannually as a condition of employment. This requirement is due to the legal implications for the institution and faculty member individually. The workshop is designed to inform employees of current laws, definitions, and criteria of employment discrimination, including sexual harassment; the College's policy and grievance procedure; and the implications sexual harassment has on employees and students. This workshop will ensure faculty is knowledgeable about the issues of employment discrimination and maintaining a sexual harassment-free environment. The workshop's focus is on issues relative to employment at the College, including employee rights and responsibilities. CB Credit: #9

Workshop: Critical Thinking Using Blackboard Journals & Discussion Boards  
Presenter: Luz E. Cadena  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B163  
Description: Get your students to demonstrate their critical thinking skills through Blackboard journals and discussion boards. This hands-on training will focus on forming effective writing prompts and best practices when setting up Blackboard journals and discussion boards. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: Testing — Introduction to Writing Nursing Exams  
Presenter: Ann Currie  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/H015  
Description: Nursing exams are unique and must be developed utilizing various cognitive levels and the Nursing Process. Questions/items must be developed utilizing Nursing Course and Unit SLO objectives and the NCLEX detailed test plan. This workshop will explain how to develop test questions and review faculty on the basics of writing nursing exams. It will show faculty how to identify and write test questions at different cognitive levels, how to integrate the nursing process into the questions/items, and how to make a detailed test blueprint for an exam. CB Credit: #4

Workshop: Visions of Nightmare and Hysteria: A Comparative Analysis of Kafka, Ribera, and Lynch  
Presenter: Richard Barakat and Francisco Carrasco  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2120  
Description: Comparing and contrasting different ideas and works is an effective way to broaden the student and stimulate class discussion. This workshop focuses on developing critical thinking skills by using the technique of comparative analysis across the spectrum of literature, painting, and cinema. It will begin by explaining what a comparative analysis is, and then focus on Kafka the writer, Ribera the Spanish painter, and David Lynch the filmmaker, whose distinct visions explore hysteria and nightmare. CB Credit: #7

Workshop: Supporting Pathways to Success through Student Scholarships  
Presenter: Dr. Dolores Gross and EPCC Foundation Board Members  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2121  
Description: Have you wondered what EPCC does to support our students with scholarships or how you can get involved? Making a difference for today’s students and building a foundation for future student success is the mission of the EPCC Foundation. Find out more about what the Foundation does, types of scholarships available to EPCC students, and how you can “spread the good word” that scholarship support is available to help our students along their educational pathways. There are funds available, and it’s possible to build a lasting legacy for the future. Pathways to success begin with funds needed to attend college. CB Credit: #4
Workshop: Writing as Concrete Conversation: Writing Reports & Articles in the Sciences
Presenter: Jorge Gomez and Karina Castillo
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1124
Description: When composing lab reports or research articles, students sometimes fall into writing traps that hinder clarity. These traps include excessive jargon, wordiness, and a distant point of view. We will show attendees that by embracing a conversational writing style, students can learn to write clearly, concisely, and concretely. Instructors in the STEM fields and Health Sciences will benefit the most. CB Credit: #5

Workshop: Great Prompts Make Great Essays: A Writing Workshop
Presenter: Sylvia Aguilar Zéleny
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B101
Description: Writing a prompt is a difficult task. Even when a professor has a clear goal to the results of the assignment, many students end up missing the mark. This writing workshop will help you in the crafting of prompts that clearly convey the tasks you want your students to undertake and add to your course success. CB Credit: #7

Workshop: Developing Rational Students: Overcoming the Egocentrism Problem in Critical Thinking
Presenter: Crisol Escobedo and Shanan Valles
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2117
Description: Egocentric tendencies can impede critical thinking, yet they are so deeply embedded into our natural way of thinking that they become hard to overcome. Incorporating methodologies into the classroom that are designed to engage students in values and elements necessary for critical thinking can help them avoid the problem with egocentric thinking and develop into rational, critical thinkers. This workshop gives an overview of egocentric tendencies, informs of specific strategies aimed at overcoming egocentrism, and highlights the different stages of a person’s rational development. CB Credit: #7

Workshop: Using Film as a QEP Project: The Showing of "43"
Presenter: Blayne Primozich
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.  Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2118
Description: In Fall 2015, a faculty mini grant was used to show the El Paso premier of Charlie Minn's documentary "43," about the disappearance of 43 student protestors in Mexico. I will discuss the results of the QEP project connected to the film's showing, and discuss ways in which the film was used in class to foster critical thinking and awareness of the border region. I also will discuss how to invite director Charlie Minn to campuses to discuss his films and latest projects, since so many of his works focus on the El Paso-Juarez area. CB Credit: #7

Workshop: NCBW Training & Updates
Presenter: Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Michael Duncan, Brian Kirby, Roberto Santos, and Kathleen Bombach
Date: August 17, 2016  Time: 10:00 - 10:50 a.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B240
Description: A Non-Course Based Option (NCBO) is an innovative academic intervention that helps students persist and complete their developmental coursework. The team working on the English discipline's NCBW (Non-Course Based Option for Writing) will share best practices gained from teaching the course district-wide and will provide valuable training. English faculty teaching an NCBW 0111 section who have not yet attended training are required to attend. Faculty who have already completed training are also encouraged to attend to receive valuable updates. CB Credit: #3
**Workshop:** "It's just EPCC." Maintaining High Standards Through Critical Consciousness  
**Presenter:** Elvira Carrizal-Dukes and Isaac Ceniceros  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2121  
**Description:** This workshop will focus on the importance of maintaining a high standard in response to comments like, “It's just EPCC.” In order to change this attitude, we need to embrace our community and shape what is said about us. Therefore, critical consciousness is a necessary tool that we may use in order to push students and teachers past their comfort zone. Critical consciousness can help to transform negative images. By identifying what makes EPCC the #1 college in the nation for Hispanic education, through dialogue we become part of the process of changing our community, the world, and ourselves. **CB Credit:** #7

**Workshop:** Socratic Dialogue in the Classroom  
**Presenter:** Manuela A. Gomez and Gabriel Camacho  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2125  
**Description:** Want to enhance the quality of participation and discussion in your classroom? Come and learn what the Socratic Method is and the best techniques to implement it. Discover how a man who never wrote anything down became the father of philosophy and revolutionized the way we teach our students. The Socratic Method is one of the oldest and most powerful teaching tools for engaging in intellectual discussion. This workshop will examine its history and application. **CB Credit:** #7

**Workshop:** Using Common Places for INRW 0311  
**Presenter:** Elizabeth Acosta  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2128  
**Description:** This workshop will introduce and offer training on our newly adopted default textbook, *Common Places*, for faculty teaching, or interested in teaching, INRW 0311. The author of the textbook, Lisa Hoeffner, will also be in attendance. **CB Credit:** #7

**Workshop:** Creating Short Stories in the Classroom Using Ransom Riggs' Talking Pictures  
**Presenter:** Jennifer Cedillos  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A1121  
**Description:** Ransom Riggs, best known for *Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children*, was able to create an entire book series based on photographs he found in junk stores, garage sales, flea markets, and private collections. In the classroom, students are asked to do this in the form of a short story. During this workshop, participants will choose an old photograph and will create a character, conflict, twist, and resolution. By the end of the workshop, participants will walk out with their own short story which they may choose to expand upon, or perhaps even submit to Chrysalis! **CB Credit:** #5

**Workshop:** Improving Students' Information Consumption Habits Using Social Media  
**Presenter:** Michael Duncan and Lorely Ambriz  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 11:00 - 11:50 a.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2326  
**Description:** Students are not being discerning in relation to the ethos of outside sources, especially social media with respect to information consumption and knowledge creation. The workshop will focus on harnessing pre-existing popular forms of information consumption on social media platforms that students already use and instilling cognitive filtering processes in the digital age to ensure the ethos of incorporated information sources. The ultimate goals are to increase technical fluency, teach informed decision-making skills, and provide opportunities to contribute to digital society using Twitter as a potential research tool. **CB Credit:** #5
Workshop: Adjunct Faculty Forum
Presenter: Rudy Hernandez
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 11:00 - 11:50 a.m. 
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1510
Description: Come meet Steve Smith, Vice President of Instruction and Workforce Education for El Paso Community College. Mr. Smith will discuss issues that involve the college and adjunct faculty and give an update of the College's ongoing events and projects that may affect adjunct faculty. Additionally, adjunct faculty can ask questions regarding working for the College. CB Credit: #9

Workshop: EARLY ALERT TRAINING
Presenter: Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Susan Silva, and Sandra Lujan
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/E100D
Description: Early Alert is a retention initiative that integrates counseling, advising, and support services with instruction. Faculty, counselors, and advisors are working collaboratively to provide students with the resources necessary for a positive college experience. Faculty use a software to monitor their First-Time-in-College students and to send alerts to the students and their counselors. This workshop will show faculty how to use the software and provide information about the program and its benefits. CB Credit: #3

Workshop: Are You a Victim of Chronic Inflammation? Fight Back with an Anti-inflammatory Diet!
Presenter: Helga Carrion
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 11:00 - 12:00 p.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2127
Description: Inflammation is a natural process that helps your body heal and defend itself from harm. However, when this process becomes chronic, it can result in various health problems (i.e., Diabetes, Heart Disease, Cancer, Auto-immune Disorders). In this workshop you will learn about how an Anti-Inflammatory Diet, together with exercise and good sleep, can result in increased health. Learn about foods to avoid and those to eat to reduce inflammation! CB Credit: #11

Workshop: Service Hours: Implementing Your Student's Skills in the Real World
Presenter: Alexandra Hinojosa and Elvira Carrizal-Dukes
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 12:00 - 12:50 p.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1122
Description: The Mass Communication Department implemented the pilot program, "Mass Comm Service Hours," in the Fall of 2014, providing students with mass media experience. The program requires students in production and writing courses to put their media skills to use. Students who complete Service Hours get the benefit of published work in their college newspaper, their broadcast aired on a college YouTube channel, their ads viewed at all 5 campuses, and countless other opportunities. In addition, students can add any work they did for a club, college department or partner to their resume portfolio. CB Credit: #7

Workshop: Instructor Resources for English 1301
Presenter: Elizabeth Acosta
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 12:00 - 12:50 p.m.
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2124
Description: This workshop will focus on using Norton's free online sources for English 1301. Norton offers instructor resources that can be easily incorporated into Blackboard. Representatives from the company will show participants the different types of resources available and how to use them in the classroom. CB Credit: #8
Workshop: Guaranteed Income: Foundation of Security  
**Presenter**: Norma Aros Holmes, Agent  
**Date**: August 17, 2016  
**Time**: 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room**: Valle Verde Campus/A2116  
**Description**: "Guaranteed Income: Foundation of Security" is an educational workshop where we will discuss the challenges pre-retirees and retirees face when it comes to managing their retirement income and how New York Life Insurance and its affiliates can help meet those challenges. **CB Credit**: #11

Workshop: El Paso's Economic Update  
**Presenter**: Cynthia Gamez  
**Date**: August 17, 2016  
**Time**: 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room**: Valle Verde Campus/A2128  
**Description**: Learn about the El Paso area in this economic overview. Recent data and trends will be discussed, covering issues such as population growth, educational achievement, income, job creation, and key industrial sectors in the El Paso region. **CB Credit**: #5

Workshop: Social Media and College Life  
**Presenter**: Priscilla Gutierrez, Patricia Ortega, and Marisel Yañez  
**Date**: August 17, 2016  
**Time**: 1:00 - 1:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room**: Valle Verde Campus/A2126  
**Description**: Come and join us for this exciting workshop! Learn how the Early Alert program and Counseling Department are using social media to connect with and engage students by creating a dynamic online community. Learn how simple it is to create a Facebook page to help students’ social and academic lives co-exist. Let’s bridge the gap and step into the students’ world to facilitate their involvement in college life. **CB Credit**: #4

Workshop: EARLY ALERT TRAINING  
**Presenter**: Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Susan Silva, and Sandra Lujan  
**Date**: August 17, 2016  
**Time**: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room**: Transmountain Campus/1206  
**Description**: Early Alert is a retention initiative that integrates counseling, advising, and support services with instruction. Faculty, counselors, and advisors are working collaboratively to provide students with the resources necessary for a positive college experience. Faculty use a software to monitor their First-Time-in-College students and to send alerts to the students and their counselors. This workshop will show faculty how to use the software and provide information about the program and its benefits. **CB Credit**: #3

Workshop: TCFP Curriculum and Skills Update  
**Presenter**: Richard Bahena and Frank Lujan  
**Date**: August 17, 2016  
**Time**: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room**: Valle Verde Campus/ATC 317  
**Description**: TCFP Curriculum and Skills update for the Fire Technology Academy discipline. **CB Credit**: #4

Workshop: Making Your Blackboard Media Accessible: Audio, Video & Images  
**Presenter**: Luz E. Cadena and Andres Lopez  
**Date**: August 17, 2016  
**Time**: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room**: Valle Verde Campus/A2124  
**Description**: Ensuring that learners with varying abilities have access to Blackboard course media is not only the law, it's simply the right thing to do. Start moving your course toward compliance by learning how to make your course media accessible for all. **CB Credit**: #2
Workshop: Games in the Classroom — How to Implement Discussion and Participation and Keep Students Engaged through Simple Games.

Presenter: Alexandra Hinojosa

Date: August 17, 2016

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1122

Description: The use of games in the classroom is a classic teaching method typically used in elementary and middle school. The method becomes less of a teaching strategy in college. But what if we implemented it again? Perhaps once a week? Once a month? Before a test? Recent studies show that 48 percent of gamers are female and 52 percent of gamers are male; while the average male gamer is 36 years old, the majority of gamers are between the ages of 18 and 35 — a majority of our students fall within this range. The presenter will give a brief presentation regarding the pros and cons of using games in the classroom and quick, easy, and inexpensive techniques to accomplish this. Participants in the workshop will also be part of a live gaming demonstration.

CB Credit: #7

Workshop: IS IT WORTH IT?

Presenter: Mayra Cordero and Vera I. Araiza

Date: August 17, 2016

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2125

Description: Is it worth it economically, environmentally, and ethically to REFUSE, REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE? This interactive workshop will answer this question with valuable information and real life examples. In addition, there will be great door prizes from the EPCC Recycling Program that will help you apply the 4Rs in your daily life. CB Credit: #11

Workshop: Outlook 2013 Tips and Tricks

Presenter: Nancy Gamez, Jesse Ramirez, Frank Samaniego, Monica Montenegro, Cristobal Montano, and Lupe Davila

Date: August 17, 2016

Time: 1:00 - 2:20 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B123

Description: Learn how to navigate Outlook 2013 Interface. Learn how to use personalized settings, shortcut keys, managing emails, searching, signatures, notes, tasks. Work with calendars, sharing, creating meetings, changing views, reminders, permissions. Include your my.epcc.edu account in Outlook 2013. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: Testing — Moving beyond the Basics of Nursing Exams

Presenter: Ann Currie

Date: August 17, 2016

Time: 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/H015

Description: Faculty will learn how to develop questions/items that are application and analysis. How to modify stems to questions/items and identify what it means to be good, strong, and how to develop good alternative questions will be discussed. Faculty will learn how to improve and modify already-created test questions/items. How to make questions utilizing Nursing Course and Unit SLO objectives and the NCLEX detailed test plan will be discussed. We will discuss and write a Nursing Exam blueprint. CB Credit: #4

Workshop: Learn the Power of PowerPoint using Media for Presentations

Presenter: Nancy Gamez and Patricia Araujo

Date: August 17, 2016

Time: 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/C201A

Description: Learn the power of PowerPoint. You will learn to incorporate images, sounds, and videos to create interactive presentations. CB Credit: #5
Workshop: Supporting Pathways to Success through Student Scholarships  
Presenter: Dr. Dolores Gross and EPCC Foundation Board Members  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/A245  
Description: Have you wondered what EPCC does to support our students with scholarships or how you can get involved? Making a difference for today’s students and building a foundation for future student success is the mission of the EPCC Foundation. Find out more about what the Foundation does, types of scholarships available to EPCC students, and how you can “spread the good word” that scholarship support is available to help our students along their educational pathways. There are funds available, and it’s possible to build a lasting legacy for the future. Pathways to success begin with funds needed to attend college. CB Credit: #4

Workshop: Digital Self-Defense  
Presenter: David M. Rodriguez  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2326  
Description: In this Digital Age, how can you protect yourself, assets, and sanity? Take Digital Self-defense! Learn practical methods of protecting your identity online, how to keep your devices clear of malicious software, and why backups are a critical part of any disaster recovery plan. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: Drawing to Learn: The Relationship between Thought and Process  
Presenter: Frank Rimbach and Sarelah Aguilar  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1320  
Description: Drawing to Learn: The problem is that people know how to draw, but they don't know how to see. This workshop will seek to encourage individuals to actualize their potential as artists. Participants will learn how to compose a composition and receive instruction in the process of drawing a still life and perhaps drawing from a figure. The result of this hands-on workshop will be to open up awareness of the world around them. CB Credit: #7

Workshop: Working Together to Ensure Student Success and Completion  
Presenter: Elizabeth Olivas, Hortencia Lopez, Crystal Martinez, and Cynthia Velasco  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Transmountain Campus/1123  
Description: Come celebrate the new 5-year U.S. Department of Education continuation-grant award of the EPCC TRiO Student Support Services Program (SSSP). Learn how SSSP has been enthusiastically supporting student success and degree completion for over 30 years at EPCC. An overview of SSSP goals and student eligibility will be presented. An interactive conversation will follow to explore how faculty and staff can partner with us to support student persistence and get students on a structured pathway for timely college completion and transfer. Celebration cupcakes provided! CB Credit: #3

Workshop: Everything Begins and Ends in the Classroom: Teaching Borderlanders Border Narratives  
Presenter: Jorge Gomez and Reyna Munoz  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2118  
Description: In this workshop we highlight teaching strategies and considerations for *Everything Begins and Ends at the Kentucky Club*, the award-winning collection of short stories by Benjamin Saenz. As part of teaching culturally-relevant literature, we will highlight literary elements, vocabulary, style, reading comprehension, and specific essays that can be taught from this collection. CB Credit: #3
Workshop: Active Learning Instructional Strategies in the Biology Classroom  
Presenter: Paul Hotchkin and Xiomara Chianelli  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2721  
Description: Vision and Change Reports have stressed the importance of student-centered learning and active learning in the classroom. This workshop will offer some examples currently used by the presenters in their Biology classes to bring active learning into biology lecture classes. It is hoped that participants will share examples of active learning activities used in their own classroom so that we can share successful strategies.  
CB Credit: #7

Workshop: Who Let the Dogs In??  
Presenter: Bill Robnett, Carmen Castillo-Attar, Marta Olivares, and Alma Valadez  
Date: August 17, 2016 – August 18, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2119  
Description: We are seeing more and more students with service animals accompanying them on campus. Learn how to work more effectively with this population. You will learn the difference between service animals (SA) and emotional support animals (ESAs), what legal rights students with SAs have, the two questions that may be legally asked regarding the SA, and the role of the Center for Students with Disabilities (CSD) in dealing with service animals. You will also be provided with useful tips in working with the student with a service animal as well as "dos" and "don'ts" for other students enrolled in your class.  
CB Credit: #3

Workshop: EPCC Dashboards: What Student Information is Available and How Do I Get It?  
Presenter: Art Gonzalez  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/A232  
Description: The IR office will demonstrate EPCC dashboards of student data available to all college personnel. The dashboards were created with the IT department and specific dashboards will be demonstrated, including student demographics, graduation, dual credit/early college high school, and historical enrollment. The benefits of dashboards include:  
1. Ability for end users to have one central place to view easy-to-read charts, tables, and graphs with the information needed without having to fill out a form or have to contact IR personnel for data.  
2. Ability to generate up-to-date data within seconds, not hours or days.  
CB Credit: #8

Workshop: Guaranteed Income: Foundation of Security  
Presenter: Norma Aros Holmes, Agent  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1121  
Description: "Guaranteed Income: Foundation of Security" is an educational workshop where we will discuss the challenges pre-retirees and retirees face when it comes to managing their retirement income and how New York Life Insurance and its affiliates can help meet those challenges.  
CB Credit: #11

Workshop: The Puente Program: Nurturing Cultural Affirmation To Inspire College Completion  
Presenter: Lucia M. Rodriguez, Richard Yañez, Kathleen Bombach, Arturo Valdezpino, Nena Fabela, Yazmin Ramirez, and Minerva Laveaga  
Date: August 17, 2016  
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2116  
Description: The PUENTE program faculty use culturally relevant books and materials to nurture a sense of cultural affirmation in the classroom. Faculty undergo ongoing training to develop teacher-student dynamics that create a sense of familia and cariño in the classroom. The concepts of familia and cariño both build a feeling of belonging to something greater, and these proven techniques nurture cultural affirmation. Laura Rendon's validation theory in her research has proved this is powerful.  
CB Credit: #7
Workshop: EPCC Dashboards: What Student Information is Available and How Do I Get It?
Presenter: Dr. Carol Kay
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Northwest Campus/M48
Description: The IR office will demonstrate EPCC dashboards of student data available to all college personnel. The dashboards were created with the IT department and specific dashboards will be demonstrated, including student demographics, graduation, dual credit/early college high school, and historical enrollment. The benefits of dashboards include:

1. Ability for end users to have one central place to view easy-to-read charts, tables, and graphs with the information needed without having to fill out a form or have to contact IR personnel for data.
2. Ability to generate up-to-date data within seconds, not hours or days. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: EPCC Dashboards: What Student Information is Available and How Do I Get It?
Presenter: Mary Beth Haan
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 2:00 - 2:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Mission del Paso Campus/B112
Description: The IR office will demonstrate EPCC dashboards of student data available to all college personnel. The dashboards were created with the IT department and specific dashboards will be demonstrated, including student demographics, graduation, dual credit/early college high school, and historical enrollment. The benefits of dashboards include:

1. Ability for end users to have one central place to view easy-to-read charts, tables, and graphs with the information needed without having to fill out a form or have to contact IR personnel for data.
2. Ability to generate up-to-date data within seconds, not hours or days. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: The Colonial Exception for Success: A Brief History of the Cayman Islands, BWI
Presenter: Dr. John T. Nelson
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2120
Description: European explorer Christopher Columbus discovered the Cayman Islands in the Caribbean Sea and claimed them for the Spanish Empire. Great Britain eventually gained possession of these three small islands as well as Jamaica. When Jamaica became independent of the United Kingdom, the Caymans earned independence as well. Unwilling to join Jamaica politically, the Caymanian people voted overwhelmingly to rejoin Great Britain with colonial status. This workshop presents a brief history of these islands and their economic success as a tourist destination. CB Credit: #4

Workshop: The U.S.-Mexico Border: An Amazing Example of Stability and Cooperation
Presenter: Dr. Sergio Saenz-Rivera
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2128
Description: The presentation claims that the overwhelmingly negative — and largely ignorant — images and information that portray our border region in the popular imagination (i.e. drugs and immigration), obscure the fact that the U.S.-Mexico border is a remarkable example of border cooperation and institution-building. The presentation describes some episodes in the history of the Paso del Norte region to illustrate how our border challenges prominent theories and popular views about border stability and cooperation. Another version of this presentation was given at the Border Learning Conference. CB Credit: #6
Workshop: Enhancing Your Classroom Technology Capabilities & More  
**Presenter:** Nancy Gamez, Carlos Mejia, and Jessie S. Salas  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2518  
**Description:** A hands-on workshop on how to use the equipment placed in the Technology Enhanced Classrooms and Multimedia Carts. Learn how you can connect your own devices on the carts and podiums for classroom use, (e.g., graphic calculators, iPads, Tablets, etc.) Please bring your devices and adapters. You do not have to be there the entire time if we answered your questions or helped you with your device.  
**CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: THE MINI GRANT: El Paso Repertory: Master Classes for Performance Excellence  
**Presenter:** Keith Townsend  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/C401  
**Description:** This presentation will focus on the use of the Mini Grant to provide students additional training in specific areas of performance to round out the theoretical foundation provided in the actual degree course. Discussion will focus around the development of the grant, specifics regarding the practical operation of the grant specifics, and evaluation of the student benefits.  
**CB Credit:** #7

Workshop: The Mission of the American Red Cross  
**Presenter:** Alexandra Macedo and Oscar Macedo  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2116  
**Description:** Learn about the services that the American Red Cross provides. Understand the mission, the commitment it makes, and the lives it touches. The American Red Cross brings help and hope to those in need. Learn how to become a volunteer and donate your time to our community.  
**CB Credit:** #11

Workshop: MyCourses Version 2.0!  
**Presenter:** David M. Rodriguez  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2326  
**Description:** Would you like to offer additional materials to your students online and help the environment by going completely paperless? Come see what MyCourses has to offer you! This interactive workshop will showcase the many features coming to the MyEPCC: MyCourses platform.  
**CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: A Path to Wellness  
**Presenter:** Mary Weyant and Trish Winstead  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 3:50 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Northwest Campus/M48  
**Description:** Welcome to Wellness! Embark on a path to maintain a healthy immune system, reduce stress, and promote positive moods and a sense of focus. Find natural ways to support your digestive health, protect yourself against seasonal threats, and enhance joint comfort and function. Learn how essential oils enhance your well-being, expand your awareness, and provide a path to improve your health.  
**CB Credit:** #11

Workshop: EARLY ALERT TRAINING  
**Presenter:** Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Susan Silva, and Sandra Lujan  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Northwest Campus/M89  
**Description:** Early Alert is a retention initiative that integrates counseling, advising, and support services with instruction. Faculty, counselors, and advisors are working collaboratively to provide students with the resources necessary for a positive college experience. Faculty use a software to monitor their First-Time-in-College
students and to send alerts to the students and their counselors. This workshop will show faculty how to use the software and provide information about the program and its benefits. **CB Credit: #3**
Workshop: Explore Math with Desmos  
**Presenter:** Ivette Chuca, Lorena Gonzalez, and Shahrbanoo Daneshtalab  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/L04  
**Description:** Desmos is the next generation of graphing calculators. Graph functions, plot tables of data, evaluate equations, explore transformations, and much more — for free! Desmos allows the user to create sliders for graphs to engage students in learning difficult concepts. Come learn about Desmos and how it can be used in your classes. **CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: NBC Learn  
**Presenter:** Nancy Gamez and Patricia Araujo  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/C201A  
**Description:** NBC Learn is designed to help teach and engage students of all levels and abilities. It is an effective way to "infuse technology and digital media into 21st century learning." NBC Learn is a great tool that integrates with Blackboard. NBC Learn offers more than 10,000 resources of 2 to 5 minute videos that are aligned to higher education courses and that can connect students to the real world. **CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: It's Not What the Ladibug Can Do for You — It's What You Can Do with the LadiBug!  
**Presenter:** Nancy Gamez, Jaime Rodriguez, and James Townsend  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2515  
**Description:** A hands-on workshop on how to use the Ladibug (Document Camera). Learn the functions available for faculty to use for instruction. Learn how you can connect your own devices on the document cameras for classroom use. (e.g., graphic calculators, USB, SD Cards, microphones, tables, iPads, etc.) Please bring your own devices and adapters. **CB Credit:** #8

Workshop: History Discipline Core & SLO Assessment Workshop  
**Presenter:** Vanessa M. Camacho and Melissa Esmacher  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2126  
**Description:** In Fall 2016, Core Assessment will cover HIST 1302 and HIST 2321. This workshop provides an overview of the Core Assessment process as it pertains to the History Discipline. It will discuss assignment ideas that can assess personal responsibility, written communication skills, critical thinking skills, and social responsibility competencies. This workshop will also update attendees about the SLO Assessment 2015-2017 Cycle. It is strongly recommended that History Adjunct Faculty attend this workshop. **CB Credit:** #9

Workshop: Applying the Humanities to History Part II: African American Creativity in the 20th Century  
**Presenter:** Diana Martinez and Adrian Arrogones  
**Date:** August 17, 2016  
**Time:** 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
**Campus/Room:** Valle Verde Campus/A2125  
**Description:** In this presentation we will role model how to introduce creative works into American history. Through an interdisciplinary approach, we are able to enhance learning in history for our students. We will address African American works in particular to emphasize their contribution to our intellectual history and to understand the various roles that they have had in our society. The creative works will range from music, visual arts, and dance to poetry. **CB Credit:** #6
Workshop: Texting Students without Using Cellphones
Presenter: Edith Aguirre and Fan Chen
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/L04 L05
Description: Do you want to find an easy way to connect, motivate, and provide guidance to small groups in an asynchronous environment? Many instructors are using Remind. It is as easy as 1, 2, 3. You can also schedule friendly reminders of HW deadlines to be texted to your students. With the new functions just developed, students can choose up to six different languages in which to receive your message — no extra step for you. Most importantly, you do not need to share your cell phone number with your students. You do not even need a cell phone! Bring your cellphones or we will log into the computer to get started. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: Outlook 2013 Tips and Tricks
Presenter: Nancy Gamez, Jesse Ramirez, Frank Samaniego, Monica Montenegro, Cristobal Montano, and Lupe Davila
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 3:00 - 4:20 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B123
Description: Learn how to navigate Outlook 2013 Interface. Learn how to use personalized settings, shortcut keys, managing emails, searching, signatures, notes, tasks. Work with calendars, sharing, creating meetings, changing views, reminders, permissions. Include your my.epcc.edu account in Outlook 2013. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: Distance Learning Open Lab
Presenter: Luz E. Cadena, Andres Lopez, and Leyla Alnami
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/B163
Description: Need assistance adding those final touches to your fall 2016 Blackboard course? Work independently in an open lab setting with DLSS staff available to answer your questions. Please note that with the number of faculty who come in for assistance and limited time, DLSS staff cannot sit and train individuals on various aspects of Blackboard. The open lab is intended to answer questions and provide trouble shooting assistance. CB Credit: #8

Workshop: Who is the Weakest Link?
Presenter: David M. Rodriguez
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 4:00 - 4:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2326
Description: Every day you hear about companies being hacked, sensitive information being stolen, and the impact totaling hundreds of millions. How does this happen? Who is responsible for the securing of information and resources? How do hackers break through such sophisticated security systems? The answer might surprise you… CB Credit: #9

Workshop: An Introduction to the S-STEM Program and Highlights of Student Progress and Success
Presenter: Dr. Fariba Ansari, Dr. Rebecca Escamilla, Dr. Jose Pacheco
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 4:00 - 4:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2117
Description: The EPCC S-STEM program is currently partnered with UTEP. Our goal is to provide students opportunities to transition easily from a 2-year to a 4-year college. In their current STEM project, students are being trained in robotics, while also being exposed to academic and professional opportunities at UTEP. Through this endeavor, students experience first-hand how math and computer science are related, and are exposed to the "college-going experience" at a 4-year institute. This, in turn, will increase the chances that students will complete their degrees at EPCC, and continue in their education by transferring to a 4-year university. CB Credit: #4
Workshop: IS IT WORTH IT?
Presenter: Mayra Cordero and Vera I. Araiza
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Mission del Paso Campus/B109
Description: Is it worth it economically, environmentally, and ethically to REFUSE, REDUCE, REUSE & RECYCLE? This interactive workshop will answer this question with valuable information and real life examples. In addition, there will be great door prizes from the EPCC Recycling Program that will help you apply the 4Rs in your daily life. **CB Credit: #11**

Workshop: House Bill 2504
Presenter: Nancy Gamez and Deborah Toynes
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/C201A
Description: This workshop will help faculty become familiar with House Bill 2504 and learn how to upload their source syllabi and update profile. **CB Credit: #9**

Workshop: Guaranteed Income: Foundation of Security
Presenter: Norma Aros Holmes, Agent
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 5:00 - 5:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2116
Description: "Guaranteed Income: Foundation of Security" is an educational workshop where we will discuss the challenges pre-retirees and retirees face when it comes to managing their retirement income and how New York Life Insurance and its affiliates can help meet those challenges. **CB Credit: #11**

Workshop: Effective English Syllabi Construction
Presenter: Margie Nelson Rodriguez, Arturo Valdespino, Mauricio Rodriguez, Lesley Pullen, and Minerva Laveaga
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 5:00 - 5:50 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2518
Description: Have questions about constructing an effective syllabus? This workshop will thoroughly explain the syllabus construction process, from complying with discipline and College procedures to presenting one's individual policies and pedagogy clearly and effectively to students. **CB Credit: #9**

Workshop: New Tricks To Teach Using the Physics Laboratory Equipment
Presenter: Erick R. Valdes Estrada and Allison Bruce
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A2511
Description: New tricks to teach using the physics laboratory equipment. **CB Credit: #10**

Workshop: Blackboard Course Design Rubric
Presenter: Luz E. Cadena
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Rio Grande Campus/A232
Description: Instructional leadership has approved the Blackboard Course Design Project meant to improve retention and student success in courses that use Blackboard. At the heart of the project is the Blackboard Course Design Rubric built on best practices and Universal Design principles. The rubric will help faculty design organized, effective, and ADA compliant courses. Come learn about the project, rubric, and positive implications for faculty and students. **CB Credit: #8**
Workshop: Bioidentical Hormones for both MEN and WOMEN
Presenter: Dr. Jonnalyn R. Belocura, M.D.
Date: August 17, 2016
Time: 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.  
Campus/Room: Valle Verde Campus/A1510
Description: Hormones slowly and steadily decline with aging. But certain deficiencies are reversible and comprehensive treatment with bioidentical hormones may lead to significant physical and behavioral improvement — even restoration of health. Consider that hormone imbalance is at the CORE of these problems: weight gain, mood swings, fatigue, stress, hot flashes, heavy bleeding, breast cysts, uterine fibroids, osteoporosis, diabetes, PMS, anxiety, infertility, low testosterone, lack of passion, E.D., autoimmune conditions, insomnia, thyroid issue, muscle weakness, and others. By addressing the various factors that disrupt critically important hormone systems, including replenishing essential micronutrients, reversal of chronic conditions is thus rendered feasible. RSVP your attendance to 833-9393 by August 12. CB Credit: #11