## Our Mission Statement
The mission of College of Alameda is to serve the educational needs of its diverse community by providing comprehensive and flexible programs and resources that empower students to achieve their goals.

## Workshop Highlights

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<td>Thursday, January 15, 2015</td>
<td>COA’s Faculty Learning Community Challenge</td>
<td>COA’s Faculty Learning Community offers the opportunity to take your teaching practice to the next level with support from your peers. We invite you to accept the challenge of actively supporting our at-risk students achieve greater levels of success! Research shows that the faculty-student relationship is a strong contributor to student success. In the FLC, we focus on our classroom strategies and how we can work together to support each other, our students and this campus achieve success.</td>
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| Thursday, January 15, 2015 | Student Success in Distance Education Courses: Effective Practices and Strategies that increase Student Success in DE courses at COA | This professional development activity is designed to share with the college wide community the findings of the two focus groups on distance education effective strategies and intervention at COA. Several faculty will collaborate in a one hour activity which will share some of the best practices and will engage faculty in a discussion about some of their successes, challenges and needs for improving the quality of distance education at COA. Expected Outcomes:  
  - Research and disseminate best practices for increasing access to online and hybrid courses for all students, especially for underrepresented communities in higher education and identify the best practices that will be a great fit for our students.  
  - Disseminate some of the best practices utilized by COA faculty to increase student success in DE courses  
  - Discuss resources and needs to enhance the quality and the success of DE Courses at COA |
| Thursday, January 15, 2015 | Career Pathways Trust and COA | Career Pathways Trust (CPT) and what it means for College of Alameda! Attend this session and get an overview of the CPT initiative and its impact on the college and local high schools. Meet and hear from the COA CPT Working Group. Expected Outcomes:  
  - To provide the college community with an overview of the CPT Initiative  
  - To inform the college community of our progress towards CPT objectives  
  - To meet with the CPT leads and obtain pathway updates  
  - To answer any questions relating to CPT |
| Thursday, January 15, 2015 | New & Continuing Faculty Orientation! | Be Informed!! A faculty orientation session for both new and continuing faculty. Learn about current & revised college/district policy and procedures. Get answers to your questions! Expected Outcomes:  
  - To inform faculty of college/district policy & procedures  
  - To provide faculty with resources  
  - To answer faculty questions |
| Friday, January 16, 2015 | Fabulous Friday | New Student Orientation is a critical piece in preparing students for college success. Won't you join us and say YES! to helping our new students:  
  - Be better prepared for your classes  
  - Learn more about your departments and programs  
  - Hear your expectations of them and their work in your class  
  - Feel welcomed and supported by their instructors |
| Friday, January 16, 2015 | “Points of Pride”  
**Theme:** Cross-promotion of departments, programs, and services; amplifying our own and each other’s voices | Expected Outcomes:  
  - Drafted template of publicity material for respective participant’s department, service, or academic work.  
  - Agreements between partners to cross-promote for each other in specific, committed ways over the semester, and a check-in date. |