

Orange Coast College UPDATE

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Calendar

■ Jan. 28-Feb. 26 — Pedagogic Clay 2 Exhibit

Frank M. Doyle Arts
Pavilion

■ Feb. 5 — Women's Tennis vs Palomar

OCC Tennis Complex,
2 p.m.

■ Feb. 5-7 — Baseball vs Cuesta

Wendell Pickens Field,
2 p.m. Thurs. & Fri.,
noon Sun.

■ Feb. 6 — Softball vs Southwestern

Wendell Pickens Field,
2 & 4 p.m.

■ Feb. 7 — Women's Crew vs UCSB

Newport Harbor, 7 a.m.

■ Feb. 24 — "Walking With Dr. King" by Doug Parks

OCC Library, 7 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!

■ March 10 — Senior Day

OCC Quad, 10 a.m. to
1 p.m.

■ March 13-21 — "Tartuffe"

Drama Lab Theater,
7:30 p.m.

■ March 22 — "Tartuffe"

Drama Lab Theater,
2 p.m.

■ March 25 — Cesar Chavez Day Celebration

Location OCC Student
Center lounge, 9 a.m.



OCC's Pedagogic Clay 2 Exhibit Draws Large, Enthusiastic Crowd

Visitors at the opening of OCC's Pedagogic Clay 2 Exhibit at the Frank M. Doyle Arts Pavilion were treated to an inspiring mix of ceramic art on Wednesday, Jan. 28.

The impressive collection of pieces, part of an exhibition that runs through Feb. 26, featured work from 60 ceramic artists, most of whom are well-known educators in the field.

"All of the artists that are here are professors that are actively teaching," said curator and OCC ceramics professor Kevin Myers. "This is really meant to parallel their classroom pedagogic strategy. It is a combination of great artists that are also great professors."

Pieces varied from large-scale

abstract sculptures to smaller displays evoking themes found in political and social commentary, and the techniques used by each artist varied greatly. "Styles range anywhere from functional ware, to very decorative, high-gloss surface, to a concentration of surface design, to sculptural form," said Myers. "It really runs the gamut of ceramics."



Top: Guests mingle at Pedagogic Clay 2 Exhibit opening on Jan. 28. Bottom: Cups by Northern California ceramist Ehren Tool.

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The Doyle Arts Pavilion, which opened in 2007, hosts several exhibitions each year.

"We are very fortunate to have the Frank M. Doyle Arts Pavilion and to be able to have shows on an ongoing basis," said Myers. "It is a critical part of our department, and a critical part of the College, to be able to bring in the community and show actively what's happening in the visual and performing arts."

The opening kicked off a weekend of scheduled events, including a student presentation on Jan. 30, an interactive artist workshop on Jan. 31, and a distinguished panel discussion on Feb. 1 that discussed hot-button issues facing the field of ceramics today, including environmental concerns.

The exhibition and all related events are free and open to the public.

OCC Offering Free Online Student Success Workshops

OCC has rolled out a new online service that offers student-success workshops free of charge.

The workshops are part of Student Lingo, a series of interactive workshops that incorporate action plans focused on helping students achieve their academic, personal and career goals. The service is funded by the Student Success and Support Program (SSSP) and is available to all students.

OCC will be offering 32 workshops to students, including "Exploring Careers and Choosing a Major," "Writing Effective Resumes and Cover Letters," "Study Tips and Note-Taking Strategies," and "Navigating the Financial Aid Process."

Many programs and divisions at OCC offer in-person workshops, but SSSP wished to augment the service for students who are unable to attend traditional workshops due to scheduling conflicts.

"This will be a resource that students can access online, at home and at their convenience," said Stephen Tamanaha, Associate Dean of Student Success and Support Services.

"We have services on campus that do in-person workshops, but suppose a student can't make it at that time? This is something they can go to, it's free and it gives students another option."

A complete list of available workshops can be viewed at <https://www.studentlingo.com/orangecoastcollege>

OCC Offering More Classes, Available Seats for Spring 2015

OCC's spring semester kicked off with nearly 200 more classes compared to a year ago.

Coast's Spring 2015 semester is one of its largest in recent years, with more than 70,000 seats available to students.

"We're offering more sections than we had last year," said Vice President of Instruction Kevin Ballinger. "We're doing our best to meet the demand of our students and the community."

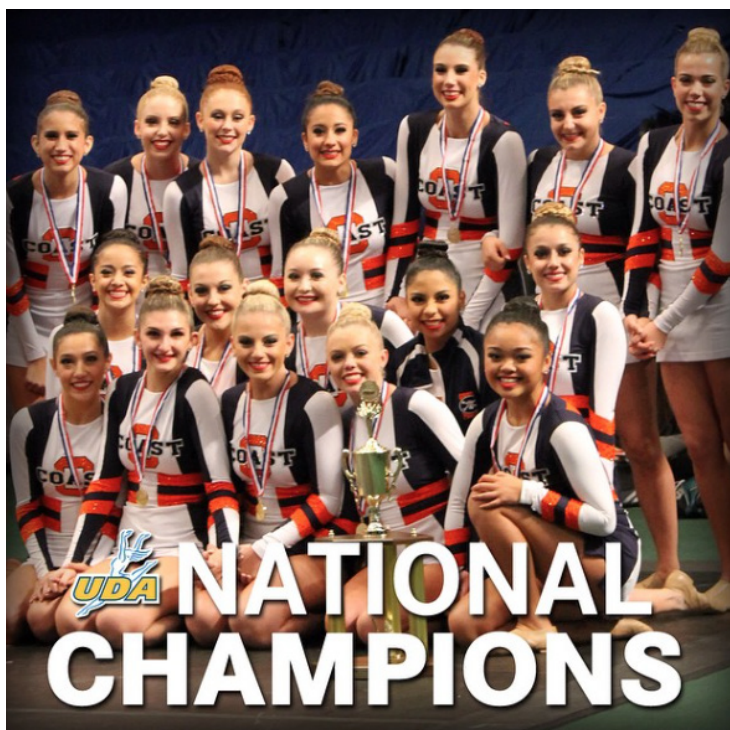
There are open classes in high-demand subjects such as math, science and English that students need to complete



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certificates and degrees, or to transfer to four-year universities. The College offers classes in the day, evening and online to cater to a diverse and growing student population.

The Spring 2015 class schedule is available on OCC's website at www.orangecoastcollege.edu, and the semester includes both 16-week and 8-week courses. Registration is open for 16-week classes until Feb. 15.



Coast Dance Team Takes Top Spot at National Competition

The OCC Dance team took first place in the Open Pom division at the Universal Dance Association (UDA) Cheerleading and Dance Team National Championship in Orlando on Jan. 18. The dance team also came in fourth in the Open Jazz division.

The UDA National Championship is the largest collegiate cheer and dance competition in the country, with more than 100 colleges from across the nation competing in this year's event at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex. This latest win marks the OCC dance team's 19th UDA national title in the past 21 years.

"It takes relentless dedication and hard work to accomplish what they have done," said head coach Mike Reynolds. "It is extremely hard, being a two-year school, to maintain this level of expertise when the team is constantly changing. Most of our competitors have four years to build their teams and keep their best athletes."

Coach Reynolds credits coach and choreographer Dan Sapp for the team's continued success. "Dan is a major player in the dance world. He was inducted into the International Dance Hall of Fame in 2012 and named the International Dance Coach of the Year in 2013. We are lucky to have him and he always brings out the best in our girls."

OCC Alum Named Head Coach at University of Hawai'i

Former Pirate standout Jeff Hall has been named the head coach of the sand volleyball program at the University of Hawai'i. Hall also will be the associate coach for the women's volleyball indoor squad during the fall.

Jeff played for the Orange Coast College men's volleyball team in 1992 and led the team in hitting percentage at .370%. He was a first team all-conference selection and helped the Pirates win the South Coast Conference Championship and a third place finish in state.

After leaving Coast, Hall attended University of the Pacific, where he was named the Offensive Player of the year in 1993 and 1994. He was selected to the United States Olympic Festival during his time at Pacific and is considered one of the top volleyball players in the school's history.

Hall began coaching the men's volleyball team at UH in 2011 and became an associate coach the following year. His duties included recruiting, team scouting and offensive game planning, as well as working with the team's setters. Hall also has held past coaching positions at University of California, San Diego, and Grossmont College.

"Jeff Hall has all the qualifications we were looking for in an associate coach as well as head sand coach," said UH



women's volleyball head coach Dave Shoji in a press release. "He's done everything we expect from our associate coach from recruiting to film analysis to game planning, and is very proficient in the practice gym. He will be a great asset to both programs."

Strong second half lifts Pirates to win over Chargers

The points were easier to come by in the second half for the Orange Coast College men's basketball team during last Wednesday's night's 63-53 Orange Empire Conference win over visiting Cypress.

Buchignani scored all 11 of his points in the second half, while Deion Page scored 12 of his 14 in the final 20 minutes. Deion and DeAndre Page combined for 21 points on 8-of-11 shooting from the floor to account for OCC's hot shooting down the stretch.

OCC will return to the Peterson Gym on Wednesday, Feb. 4, against Fullerton, at 5 p.m.



Twins Deion and DeAndrea Page helped lead the Pirates to a win over Cypress College on Jan. 28.

After trailing by four in the first half, 27-23, the Pirates (5-13, 3-3 in the OEC) came alive and hit 14-of-24 from the field (58.3 percent) and outscored the Chargers 40-26 over the final 20 minutes.

The starting five of Deion Page (14 points, six rebounds), DeAndre Page (13 points), Brad Buchignani (11 points), Henry Nguyen (eight points) and Davasyia Hagger (seven points) combined for 53 of the Pirates' 63 points.

For the Chargers (9-12, 2-4), Jarred Cook led the way with 14 points, while Jeremy Wright added 10 and Jordan Fleck tossed in nine.

Coast turned things around early in the second half, using a 11-6 run over the first five minutes to grab a 34-33 advantage. A pair of 3-pointers from Buchignani, the second coming from just inside the parking lot, put Coast ahead for the first time in the game.

That lead never changed hands the rest of the way as the Pirate defense made key stops down the stretch, holding the Chargers to just 9-of-25 from the floor (36%) in the second half.

