



# COLLEGE UPDATES

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Dear Harold Washington College Community,

As we approach the one year anniversary of our remote work due to the pandemic, I am reminded of all that we have had to encounter for the last year. It has been an honor to watch, and work, with you through these trying times. I recognize that everyone's experience has been different, but similar in some ways. I realize the losses, individual and collective, that have been sustained over this time, and I grieve with you. Our community is stronger because of you, and the sacrifices that you have made.

To commemorate this year anniversary we have designed a way for the entire Harold Washington community to take part, virtually, in a community storytelling. We want to hear about your experiences, your feelings, and your insights as we move into a new year. Please take part in this activity with us. Linked [here](#).

This Padlet will allow you to post on our Harold Washington virtual wall, and to read others' comments. We are excited to read your comments and learn about your experiences.

I am always open to talk about your ideas. Feel free to join me during my office hours via [Zoom](#) next Wednesday, from 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm. Enjoy the weekend.

### Here are the College Updates for this week:

- General HWC Announcements are updated weekly and can be found [here](#).
- **[Enrollment Update]** Our current Spring 21 enrollment headcount is **6,052** as of 3/5/21. That is **83% to our target of 7,262**.
- **[Students]** Mini-Term Registration: If you have a busy schedule this term and could benefit from an accelerated class schedule, it is not too late to register for the 8-Week Term!
  - The 8-Week Term registration deadline is March 12; classes start March 15.
- **[Faculty and Staff Opportunity]** Over the past few weeks, the City Colleges of Chicago Foundation has hosted a series of webinars featuring renowned experts in their fields of finance, civil rights, education, philanthropy, government, and technology. You can [view the recorded webinars here](#). The next session entitled **Black Men Teach** is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9, 12-1pm. To register for free and to learn more about this event, go [here](#).

- **[Request for Proposals]** City Colleges is seeking proposals for its 2021 Continuous Improvement and Impact Summit – an opportunity for every member of the City Colleges community to share ideas and practices that benefit our students and the communities we serve. This year, our theme is *Equity in Education: Overcoming the Divide*. Interested? Submit your proposal [here](#).
- **[Congratulations are in order!]** Students Luke Straube, Kaming Leung, and Juan Guerrero have been selected as the Jack Kent Cook Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship semifinalists. This year's semifinalists were chosen from a pool of over 1,500 applicants attending 398 community colleges in 44 states and the District of Columbia. Please see the [press release here](#).
- Harold Washington College has been awarded the 2021-2022 Military Friendly® Spouse School award for our efforts in creating sustainable and meaningful education paths for Military Spouses. HWC has been awarded this designation six years in a row. Thanks for our Veteran's Services Specialist, Marcus Williams' leadership!

#### **Personnel Updates:**

##### New Employees:

N/A

##### Open Positions:

- **Dean of Students** – Search in progress.  
Hiring manager: Shiang-Kwei Wang ([swang56@ccc.edu](mailto:swang56@ccc.edu)), Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs.
- **Dean of Instruction** – Search in progress.  
Hiring manager: Shiang-Kwei Wang ([swang56@ccc.edu](mailto:swang56@ccc.edu)), Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs.
- **Director of Institutional Research and Planning** – Search in progress.  
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