

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Harold Washington College Community,

I am delighted to share the return of art exhibits at the college under the leadership of Professor Stephanie Burke. The new exhibit entitled “Essential Workers” was created by the staff in the Art and Architecture departments and will be on display through April 12th in the President’s Gallery located on the 11th floor.

Congratulations to the artists featured in the exhibition: Amanda Cervantes, Natalia Cuevas, Samantha Friend Cabrera, Alex Fuchs, Trish Happel, Mark Hawk, Aurora Hernandez De Lopez, Matthew Hollis, Janet Montiel, Tressa O’Brien, Carmen Ordonez, Micky Pinto, Sara Roberts, Zygmunt Rudz, Melody Vasquez and Connie Wolfe. Thank you to Professor Stephanie Burke, Anna Pontius and their team for making this exhibit possible.

Also, this week, our institution was granted approval by the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association for the Paralegal Program. Thank you, Professor Brian Nix, the faculty and department for leading this very important work.

As a reminder, we will continue this semester with Phoenix Friday! You are encouraged to wear your Phoenix wear. If you have not picked up your college apparel, please visit my office for assistance.

As always, I am open to talking about your ideas. Feel free to join me during my office hours on Wednesdays from 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm for faculty, staff, and students via [Zoom](#) or in person. On Thursdays from 1 pm – 3 pm office hours students, faculty and staff will be held via [Zoom](#) with Theresa Carlton, Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs.

Have a great weekend!

Here are the College Updates for this week:

- **Credit Enrollment Update (March 3, 2023)**
 - Registration for Spring 2023 Second 8-week ends on March 9th. Late registration is March 10th and March 12th. Classes start on March 13th. To learn more about our registration process, click [here](#).

Spring 2023 Enrollment Data:		YOY
Total Headcount to Date:	5,541	+6%

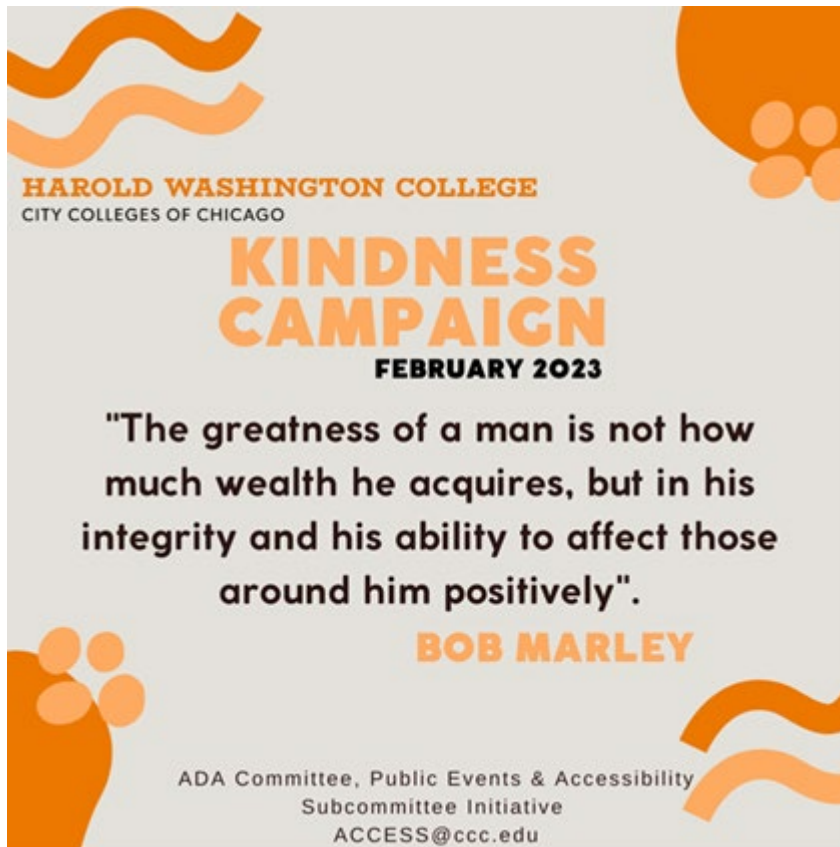
Total Credit Hours taken by CCC students at HW:	53,695	+6%	
Spring 2023 Applicants to Enrollments:	2,992	1,226	
Application Conversion Yield Rate:		41.0%	
	Spring Enrollment Goal	Actual	% Towards Goal
New enrollment	881	1,226	139%
Retention	4,367	4,315	99%
Total Credit Enrollment	5,248	5,541	106%
Continuing Education	152	143	94%
Total Credit and CE	5,400	5,684	105%

- **At Home Testing Kits**
 - Binax NOW over the counter COVID-19 Antigen Rapid Tests is available for free, for your personal use, while supplies last. You can obtain your tests by visiting the Security Office (Room 206). Safety and security will pass out tests to faculty and staff in the coming weeks. Students can obtain their tests from student services.
- **Library Announcements**
 - March 2023 Library Newsletter is [now available](#).
- **Zoom Stations**
 - To assist faculty and students with hybrid schedules we have designated zoom stations throughout the campus. Faculty can submit a request through our classroom scheduling platform, Astra Scheduling. Faculty can also request a laptop to teach their remote classes through our One-Day Laptop Check-out program by emailing Brandon Hopkins at bhopkins19@ccc.edu.
- **Faculty and Staff Accomplishments**
 - Dr. Hamed Sarwar presented at the University Partner Festival at the Art Institute of Chicago on February 25th as an HWC faculty nominee. Congratulations Professor Sarwar!
 - Librarian Todd Heldt will have his poem, Cicadas, in the next issue of *West Trade Review*. Congratulations!
 - We are excited to [share](#) recent accomplishments from our faculty, staff members, and students. Please send accomplishments to Maggie West, Community Relations Strategist at mwest28@ccc.edu.
- **Facilities Update**
 - **Building Façade Update**
 - Signage for the front of the building is delayed due to re-design issues. However, the final product was approved today, so fabrication and installation are coming soon. Please be advised that on installation day we will direct egress traffic to the Wabash door (more to come soon). The remaining building signage for the upper Lake Street side and the Wabash Street side is expected in February.
 - **High Voltage Signage**

- We have attached signage to the windows where the anti-bird wires are installed (on the outside of the window). Please be assured there is no danger of shock from the window or window trim on the building's inside. The warning is meant for window washers and is required by law. The signage is on the Southwest side of the building – 2nd floor up to the 11th floor and the South side of the building – 2nd floor up to the 7th floor.
- **State/Lake CTA Train Station Project - Utility Work Update**
 - Telecoms will start work on State St in early March, and work will continue onto Lake Street thereafter. Telecom work will last 6-8 weeks.
 - ComEd work on Lake Street, Wabash Ave, and State Street will start sometime in March; the exact schedule is still being determined.
- **Lane Closure Impacts**
 - During construction of utility relocations, at least 1 lane will remain open on Lake Street and Wabash Ave and 1 lane in each direction on State Street.
- **Work Hours**
 - Telecoms will be working during the daytime and CenTrio will be working at night. ComEd will work daytime hours, and it is not yet known if work will occur at night. Daytime hours are 9-4 M-F, and 8-8 Sat. Utility companies are aware of and required to abide by the Chicago noise ordinance, which limits noisy work during overnight hours.

Featured Upcoming Events:

- **Kindness Campaign 2023**
 - The Public Events and Accessibility Subcommittee, a part of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Committee, is inviting the Harold Washington College Community to participate in a Month of Kindness this February 2023! Check out [the flyer](#) with information regarding Month of Kindness events! If you have questions, concerns, or need accommodation for any event please contact us at hwc-studentaffairs@ccc.edu.



- We are excited to share college events and programs. Please send **detailed** event programming to HWC Events and Programming, hwc-events@ccc.edu. Kindly allow **ample time** for promotion.
- **For a complete list of announcements please visit the [HWC Announcements page](#). The [HWC Events Calendar](#) lists all upcoming events for students, faculty, staff, and the public.**

Full-Time Permanent Personnel Updates and Searches (March 3, 2023)

- **Assistant Business Manager** - Candidate starts 3/20/2023.
- **Assistant Director- Financial Aid**- Position posted.
- **Business Advisor**- Interviews in progress.
- **Clinical Counselor- Wellness Center**- Position posted.
- **College Clerical Assistant II- Admissions**- Interviews in progress.
- **College Clerical Assistant II- Mathematics**– Position posted.
- **College Recruiter**- Interviews in Progress.
- **Director of Strategic Initiatives**- Position posted.
- **Director- ARCOS**- Position posted.
- **Faculty- Tenure Track- Geology**- Position posted.
- **Info Tech Services Associate**- Candidate starts 3/20/2023.
- **Janitor**- Position posted.
- **Testing Specialist**- Candidate selected.
- **TRIO Clinical Counselor- Wellness Center**- Candidate starts 4/10/23.