

Dear students, prospective students, and community members,

Thank you for your interest in College of Alameda (CoA). Whether you are a prospective student, a current student, an alum, a visitor, a parent, or a community member, I am delighted to welcome you to our wonderful community college!

If you're new to college or a returning student, College of Alameda is a great place to start or continue your education. We offer hundreds of classes; a variety of programs that transfer to four-year universities; career and technical programs to jump start your career; and courses designed to help you build skills for advancement in your current profession. Our smaller sized classes ensure that you will receive personalized attention and not get lost in a crowd. We are very proud of our dynamic and diverse college community and welcome students from all backgrounds and walks of life.

CoA's professional faculty and dedicated staff members are here to help guide your academic growth and provide the support that you need to succeed every step along the way. We offer comprehensive student support services, including Admissions and Records, Financial Aid, Academic Counseling, Transfer Center, Tutoring, and much more. Campus offices are open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m.to 4:30 p.m., with **Special Extended Hours from January 17 to 27, 2023,** Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m.to 7 p.mn.; and Friday, from 8 a.m.to 4:30 p.m. Learn more about our services at: <u>https://alameda.edu/students/student-services/</u>.

Spring Semester classes start January 23, 2023. For enrollment assistance please join us at an upcoming **Rock EnRoll** event: January 10, 17, or 23[,] 2023, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Free lunch and snacks will be provided.

During the semester you also will find many ways to stay engaged with your campus community. You can enjoy a weekly free lunch at **Tasty Tuesdays**; participate in student life activities; access important resources such as our Free Produce Market (fruits and vegetables), and Cougar Closet (free personal items); and don't miss **Wellness Wednesdays** for free activities such as yoga, arts, crafts, meditation, and more. If you need help setting up your school email account, CANVAS, or online help in general, please contact Professor Richard Kaeser, CoA Distance Education Coordinator, at <u>rkaeser@peralta.edu</u> to set up an appointment to meet on zoom.

For further assistance, please also refer these helpful links: <u>Getting Student Email Help</u> <u>Online Course Student Resources</u> <u>Online Help</u> in general"

All of us at College of Alameda are committed to providing our students with the highestquality education possible and serving as a vital community resource. I hope that you enjoy getting to know our amazing community college. Thank you for visiting us!

Warm Regards,

Dr. Diana Bajrami Acting President College of Alameda