

— 83RD ANNUAL —

Commencement



— MAY 15, 2026 • MEMORIAL STADIUM —

NAPA VALLEY  COLLEGE

MISSION

Napa Valley College transforms lives. Whether your goal is to transfer, to pursue a career, or to explore your interests, Napa Valley College provides excellent educational and professional opportunities that are student-centered, equity-focused, and community-oriented.

VISION

Napa Valley College cultivates a learning environment grounded in equity, inclusion, and empowerment.

VALUES

Napa Valley College is a community of learners that strive to grow, teach, model, and emulate the following values in ourselves and in our students.

- **Integrity:** We treat each other ethically and foster an environment of trust.
- **Accountability:** We commit to ensuring that our actions align with our words and recognize the importance of clear expectations and follow-through that is timely and clearly communicated.
- **Respect:** We recognize each other's humanity, demonstrate consideration for others, and connect through active listening and sharing perspectives to achieve common goals.
- **Inclusion:** We embrace the power of diverse peoples, perspectives, and experiences. We commit to creating a flexible and responsive environment where everyone can thrive and learn.
- **Equity-Mindedness:** We commit to being evidence-based, race-conscious, institutionally focused, systemically aware, and equity advancing.
- **Social Justice:** We commit to being anti-racist and dismantling systemic injustices to ensure access to resources and opportunities necessary for success.
- **Sustainability:** We pledge to center sustainability by recognizing the interconnectedness of a healthy ecological environment, upholding universal human rights, and equitable stewardship of economic resources, all of which are necessary to the wellbeing of current and future generations.





President's Welcome

To our Graduates, their Families, and Friends:

It is with pleasure and pride that I welcome you this evening to Napa Valley College's 83rd Commencement Ceremony to offer recognition for the accomplishments of all who are gathered here.

To the family and friends of graduates, please accept my utmost gratitude for the support and assistance you have lent along the way. Your efforts have been important to the success of this year's class.

To the class of 2026, I congratulate you on your educational success and wish you much satisfaction as you continue your journey. On behalf of the Napa Valley College Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, and administrators please accept our most heartfelt wishes for you to continue reaching your goals, growing personally and professionally, and achieving success in your every endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Torence Powell". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "T" and "P".

Torence Powell, Ed.D.
Superintendent/President

Bienvenida del Presidente

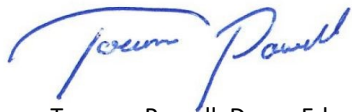
A nuestros Graduados, sus Familiares, y Amigos:

Es un placer y orgullo darles la bienvenida esta tarde a la 83.^a Ceremonia de Graduación de Napa Valley College para reconocer los logros de todos aquí reunidos.

A los familiares y amistades de los graduados, por favor acepten mi más sincera gratitud por el apoyo y la ayuda que les han brindado en esta trayectoria. Sus esfuerzos han sido fundamentales para el éxito de la generación que hoy se gradúa.

A la generación del 2026, los felicito por su éxito educacional y deseo que se llenen de satisfacciones al continuar su trayecto de vida. De parte de la Mesa Directiva de Napa Valley College, de la facultad, todo el personal, y administradores por favor acepten nuestros más sinceros deseos para que sigan alcanzando sus metas, sigan creciendo personalmente y profesionalmente, y sigan cosechando triunfos en todos sus emprendimientos.

Sinceramente,



Torrence Powell, Dr. en Educación
Superintendente/Presidente

**Napa Valley College
Commencement Ceremony
Friday, May 15, 2026
6:00 p.m.**

National Anthem

Sophia Passaris
NVC 2026 Graduating Student

Welcome to Graduates and Guests

Dr. Torence Powell, Superintendent/President
Naomi Chianese, President, Academic Senate
Jennifer Baker, President, Board of Trustees

Valedictory Addresses

Jeremy Sutton
Alessandra Martino

Roll Call of Class of 2026

Cathy Gillis
Dr. Tia Madison
Former McPherson Distinguished Teaching
Award Recipients

Certification of Candidates

Dr. Priscilla Mora
Assistant Superintendent/
Vice President, Academic Affairs

Official Conferring of Degrees and Certificates

Dr. Torence Powell
Superintendent/President

Farewell to Graduates

Dr. Alejandro Guerrero
Assistant Superintendent/
Vice President, Student Affairs

Ending Recession

Corridor of Faculty,
Administrators, and Classified Staff

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**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREES
SUMMER 2025 AND FALL 2025**

SUMMER 2025

PSYCHOLOGY

Diego Jimenez
Suafeera Khan
Renee Ledda

SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS

Isela Morrow

**UNIVERSITY PREPARATION FOR A
SPECIFIC MAJOR**

Arianne Adrineda*
Danielle Vitug



Sophia Passaris is a dual-enrolled senior from Benicia, who has been homeschooled while taking classes fulltime at NVC. She is transferring to UC Santa Barbara to study Theater and Communication. ASNVC Secretary 2025-2026.

FALL 2025

ART HISTORY

Susan Hughes*

CULINARY ARTS—PROFESSIONAL

Julianna Ella Palomares*

DIGITAL ART

Danielle Costa
Meagan McConnehey

DIGITAL ART AND GRAPHIC DESIGN

Aleeyah Ball
Seth Mata
Meagan McConnehey
Wyntress Mehelis*
Manuel Perez Avina
Brenda Speth*

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Ahmadiyah Sweezy*

PSYCHOLOGY

Alexis Ayer*
Chairelle Balmoja
Alexandria Bohlen
Larissa Contreras
Roland Daguna*
Rebecka Espinoza
Sherlinne Field
Ana Garcia
Isabelle Hugg*
Yasmeen Jabarin

STUDIO ARTS

Brenda Speth*

* President's Honors at Graduation, 3.5 cumulative GPA or higher

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREES
FALL 2025 AND SPRING 2026**

FALL 2025

**THEATER ARTS—TECHNICAL
THEATER**

Robyn Smithson

**UNIVERSITY PREPARATION FOR A
SPECIFIC MAJOR**

Szvetlaena Kaith Cosme*
Fernando Diaz Hernandez
Evelyn Perez*
Yelitza Ramirez Flores
Katelyn Spake
Adil Touzani
Seth Vazquez
Natasha Vo*



Nicole Agraviador is transferring to San Francisco State University to study nursing. Member of Kasaysayan Learning Community and 2024-2025 president of the Kaibigan Club.

SPRING 2026

ART HISTORY
Samuel Orian*

CULINARY ARTS—PROFESSIONAL
Miriam Garcia Carreto*
Yahir Guzman Martinez*
Stefhany Rios*

DIGITAL ART AND GRAPHIC DESIGN
Diego Barrera
Evelin Carrillo Ramos*
Angelo Lyons
Erik Ortega
Brian Pacheco
Crickett Sosna*
William Velasquez

DIGITAL ART
Evelin Carrillo Ramos*
Rajhan Sangha
Samantha Sobelman*

ETHNIC STUDIES
Maricruz Octaviano Laureles

GRAPHIC DESIGN
Eloisa Marie Mercado

HUMANITIES AND PHILOSOPHY
Emani Atlas

MUSIC—INSTRUMENTAL
Leanne Manalo
Alexander Neujahr*

MUSIC—VOCAL
Lilla Kasper*

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

PHOTOGRAPHY

Jacqueline Tapia Flores

PSYCHOLOGY

Raymond Christopher Calimbas

Yadhira Carrillo

Tiyana Edmonds*

Jonas Edwards

Myron Griffin

Yahir Guzman Martinez*

Saray Hernandez

Aldo Medina*

Tiffany Meim

Daisy Mendoza

Maricruz Octaviano Laureles

Joshua Patane*

Rommel Perez

Lucas Pofi*

Casara Rose Esplana *

Esther Solorzano

Melissa Torres Avila

Aubrey Claire Trodden

Michelle Villafana*

SPANISH FOR HERITAGE SPEAKERS

Katia Monserrat Castro Gonzalez

Lisa Lazaro*

Maria Silva Silva*

STUDIO ARTS

Diego Barrera

Crickett Sosna*

THEATER ARTS—ACTING

Sophia Quinones*

Arely Tinoco

**UNIVERSITY PREPARATION FOR A
SPECIFIC MAJOR**

Arianna Aguilar*

Edwin Bergius*

Giana Carreon

Evelin Castellanos

Katya Castillo

Alexander D'Amato

Mason DeOcampo

Willow Diamond

Akayla Fortuno*

Riki Gombas

Andres Gonzalez-Oropeza*

Aya Hassan*

Omar Musa

Gunner Nino

Luis Ramirez

Adrian Roa Roa*

Savannah Sall*

Gesselle Tomas Preciado

Lionel Williamson*

NOTE: Students awarded degrees in Spring 2026 must successfully complete their spring courses. President's Honors at Graduation for students awarded degrees in Spring 2026 will be validated after spring grades have been included in total cumulative GPA.

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS FOR TRANSFER DEGREES
SUMMER 2025 AND FALL 2025**

SUMMER 2025

ANTHROPOLOGY

Leilana Griffin*

KINESIOLOGY

Diego Jimenez

PSYCHOLOGY

Rylee Afable-Aguilar

Selma Candelario*

Diego Jimenez

**SOCIAL WORK AND HUMAN
SERVICES**

Diana Avina Cardenas*

SOCIOLOGY

Maurice Calhoun

FALL 2025

ANTHROPOLOGY

Audrey Crane

COMMUNICATION STUDIES 2.0

Ciara Bender

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Douglas Crittendon II

Areja DeMoss*

ECONOMICS

Roland Daguna*

Anthony Pena

ELEMENTARY TEACHER EDUCATION

Ruth Junco*

ENGLISH

Teresa Conemac*

HISTORY

Audrey Crane

Justin Escobedo Fabela*

KINESIOLOGY

Angelo Dominguez

Adrian Villaseñor

MUSIC

Arwen Caruso

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Yasivi Gutierrez*

Jose Perez*

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS FOR TRANSFER DEGREES
FALL 2025 AND SPRING 2026**

PSYCHOLOGY

Alexis Ayer*
Chairelle Balmoja
Roland Daguna*
Ana Garcia
Alexis Gutierrez*
Yasivi Gutierrez*
Leonardo Martinez Cruz
Hannah Pierleoni
Abigail Shortridge*
Gemma Southerington
Roveen Valeros
Karla Vargas

SOCIAL WORK AND HUMAN SERVICES

Madison Foster

SOCIOLOGY

Roland Daguna*
Remi Ellis
Maricruz Gallegos*
Alexander Love
Felicia Martinez
Ariana Ortega*
Jade Ramos-Gomez*

STUDIO ARTS

Ingrid Gutierrez
Shantal Verdejo*

THEATER ARTS

Joe Benjes

SPRING 2026

ANTHROPOLOGY

Mia Hernandez*

ART HISTORY

Caitlin Kenney*
Emaline Reinsimar*

COMMUNICATION STUDIES 2.0

Karla Ceja*
Elinda Demons
Jackson Dunkley
Isabella Koch
Alejandra Lopez Hernandez
Alessandra Martino*
Nicholas Stubbles*
TyJuan Thompson*



Julia Olivia Enos is receiving an associate of arts for transfer degree in English and is transferring to CSU, East Bay to study English with a concentration in creative writing.

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS FOR TRANSFER DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

ECONOMICS

Dominic Aris Bertumen
Maria Estrada
Andres Gonzalez-Oropeza*
Sophia Ochoa*
Dulcel Rodriguez-Segura
Thomas Walder*

**ELEMENTARY TEACHER
EDUCATION**

Mia Franco*

ENGLISH

Lilyana Cauich
Julia Enos*

HISTORY

Luciana Barraza*
Aidan Chavez*
Michael Cordero
Trey Denton
Miriam Infante
Gavin Johnson
Jed Padrones
Wyatt Smith
Arlo Stein

KINESIOLOGY

Jacob Alim-Quenga
Yarethzy Calderon*
Adan Correa Saenz*
Rhone Farthing
Jorge Marcelo
Madeline Maybituin
Jonah Schwarze
Tainara Trevelin
Andrew Woods

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Trey Denton
Elias Elmuqattashi*
Genesis Galindo
Yugesh Singh Kamboj*
Landon Stadelhofer*
Oscar Vega*
Cady Wilkes*

PSYCHOLOGY

Daniel Acuna*
Itzel Aguirre Rodriguez
Alexander Anicete*
Michael Biederman*
Jordyn Birdsong*
Raymond Christopher Calimbas
Andrea Castaneda Guevara
Aidan Chavez*
Jaqueline Delgado Hernandez



Crystal Sandoval Equihua is transferring to Sacramento State University to study social work. Member of Student Support Services (SSS) TRIO Program.

**ASSOCIATE OF ARTS FOR TRANSFER DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

Tiyana Edmonds*
Rebecka Espinoza
Sherlinne Field
Nicole Franco
Jazmin Garcia Perez
Giovanni Gil
Zairy Guzman Parra
Melissa Missy Honrade*
Sueliey Jauregui
Nayely Jimenez
Puneet Kaushal
Jeneca Le
Kaley Lewis
Jenae Liaiga *
Deyli Lopez
Teresa Ochoa
Maricruz Octaviano Laureles
Sydney Parker
Nathaniel Pieper
Lucas Pofi*
Lucien Reed*
Aurorah Rios
Daniela Rios
Casara Rose Esplana*
Marco Salas
Melissa Torres Avila
Tainara Trevelin
Natalie Vega Juarez
Ray Wiggins

**SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDIES—ETHNIC
STUDIES**

Nicole Agraviador*
Tiyana Edmonds*

**SOCIAL WORK AND HUMAN
SERVICES**

Samantha Garcia*
Ashley Hall*

Mariah Medeiros-Zimmerman
Nancy Rodriguez Cabrales
Crystal Sandoval Equihua

SOCIOLOGY

Jolene Barnes
Ashley Camargo Garcia*
Ashley Campainha
Lydia Chappell-Thompson
Jennifer Conley
Daryl Diaz Gomez
Angela Garcia Bogarin
Paulina Garcia Soto*
Ashley Hall*
Morelia Plancarte*
Katherine Salazar
Sofia Solorio-Avina
Daniel Vasquez
Oscar Vega*
Shane Zerbe

SPANISH

Mia Hernandez Marin*

STUDIO ARTS

Evelin Carrillo Ramos*
Eloisa Marie Mercardo
Cerwyn Edison Patubo*
Emaline Reinsimar*
Crickett Sosna*

THEATER ARTS

Sophia Passaris*
Eligh Rickard

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES
SUMMER 2025 AND FALL 2025**

SUMMER 2025

ACCOUNTING

Natalia Grigorev*

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Paulina Arellano

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Quy Quach*

NATURAL SCIENCE

Mya Brooks*

PRE-HEALTH SCIENCE

Dijonnaie Agnew*

Geyanne Francine Argarin

Alexis Dantes Laguardia*

Kimberly De Haro

Laura Martinez

Ashley Marie Maybituin

Keelan Zoilo Osias

**VITICULTURE AND WINERY
TECHNOLOGY—CONCENTRATION
IN WINEMAKING**

Sean Adams

WELDING TECHNOLOGY

Jonathan Millan

FALL 2025

ACCOUNTING

Stephanie Cruz

Cheyann Jinks

Angelica Valencia Navarro*

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Julissa Fuentes Vaquero*

Dolores Gutierrez*

Keith Hardy

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Cole Bailey*

Sergio Garcia

Roman Osorio*

Yesenia Rios-Padilla

Jacob Anthony Tomaneng*



Oscar Vega is transferring to UC Berkeley to study political science. Recipient of the Fogarty Family Scholarship, president of the Pre-Law Club, member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, and 2025-2026 ASNVC Senator-at-Large.

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES
FALL 2025**

**DIGITAL DESIGN GRAPHICS
TECHNOLOGY**

Miguel Kenning
Luis Ramirez Soto*

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Matthew Ingersoll*
Jillian Wallace*

HUMAN SERVICES

Samantha Samaniego

MACHINE TOOL TECHNOLOGY

Uriel Ortiz
Andres Vargas

NATURAL SCIENCE

Zander Bailon
Katia Contreras
Michelle Domingo*
Kyle Ryan Lagmay
Caitlyn Tittle

NURSING

Tahmina Aguirre
Angela Alliston*
Nash Andrew Avila
Christian Baruelo*
Cassandra Bohan*
Cathryn Bruna
Jacqueline Carranza Ramirez
Janely De Anda Barbosa*
Lauren Enos
Ana Esoimeme
Nija Foster*
Nadia Garcia*
Angelica Gomez
Yesennia Gutierrez
Dominique Hamilton

Ariana Hurtado
Dakota Macias
Katia Marcos
Catherine Martinez
Jessica Miller
Hope Muñoz
Joana Nunez Vega
Sophia Pineda
Brianna Ramirez Santos*
Karla Reyes
Kathleen Reyes*
Maryanna Reyes
Waylon Robbins
Jill Ann Sotelo*
Emily Stransky*
Jennifer Tat*
Keshia Terrell Orourke*
Jazmin Torres
Victoria Torres
David Vail*
Jennifer Vazquez*
Megan Yee

PRE-HEALTH SCIENCE

Jeslie Avestruz
Cyon Devyn Bais
Genever Besana*
Stephanie Chavez
Carlos Conerly
Katia Contreras
Emelin De Leon Mendez
Darlet Dominguez
Adrienne Louise Egargin*
Stacy Guerrero-Armenta
Yasmeen Jabarin
Angelina Juarez*
Arizbeth Martinez-Ramos
Keila Mata
Isabella Victoria Mendoza

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES
FALL 2025**

PRE-HEALTH SCIENCE

(continued)

Joseph Christian Moreno*
Giselle Navarro
Rhianna Nolasco*
Fatima Perez
Ashanti Rodgers*
Maria Rodgers*
Cynthia Rodriguez Salomon*
Nayeli Ruiz
Jennifer Varela
Aneya Williams*

**PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN—
3 SEMESTER**

Aaric Daniel Azucena
Edwin Fuentes
Susan Incleto
Kristine Mae Morete
Fejiro Okumo
Viridiana Osornio Salgado
Marshaila Thomas
Veronica Vieyra

**VITICULTURE AND WINERY
TECHNOLOGY—CONCENTRATION
IN WINE MARKETING AND SALES**

Wonkyo Kim*



Ashley Hall is transferring to the University of San Francisco to study sociology. 2025-2026 president of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and member of EOPS, CARE, CalWORKs, Pride and ASNVC.

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

ACCOUNTING

Claudia Ayala*
Matthew Boulton
Jose Cervantes Garcia*
Amanda Exum*
Vaneza Godinez
Manjot Hansra*
Erika Hurtado-Ponce
Alonnia Ibrahim*
Jacqueline Jacinto
Gabriela Johnson
Mary Dhel Jumawan
Kathryn Lumbard

ADDICTION STUDIES

Terina Bailey*
Rebekah Couch*
Geannie Johnston
Michael Merris*
Jamie West*

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Salah Duncan
Myles Gray
Omar Perez Calderon
Felicia Reyes
Kayla Rodriguez Zavaleta*
Esther Solorzano
Albert Topete*

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Amelia Bondoc*
Kyla Dodson Rodriguez*
Samar Elmahmoud
Angel Garcia Garcia*
Manjot Hansra*
Jacqueline Jacinto
Brian Kingsford
Gysel Quinones
Silvia Schmidt*

CHILD AND FAMILY STUDIES

Eileen Healey
Crystal Lopez Alvarado*
Danica Sebastian*

COMPUTER STUDIES

Jonathan Earl Murao

**DIGITAL DESIGN GRAPHICS
TECHNOLOGY**

Jackson Huckaby*
Julian Lemus*

EMT-P-PARAMEDIC

Natalia Campbell
Conner Cardwell
Zachary Keefer

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Peyton Miracle*
Kaitlyn Torres*
Maliha Walters*

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

HUMAN SERVICES

Deloris Burnsidés
Joselyne Castaneda Hernandez
Ashley Hall*
Maricruz Octaviano Laureles
Daisy Perez
Nancy Rodriguez Cabrales
Casara Rose Esplana*
Shannon Roth

MACHINE TOOL TECHNOLOGY

Kelton Kingsford*

NATURAL SCIENCE

Alan Aguilar
Evelyn Alvarez
Amarsain Badral
Anahat Brar*
Yao Cajoles Yanez*
Diego Carapia Paniagua*
Hudson Chaddock*
Emma Correia
Emily Cortez
Melissa Cortez
Prinz Edijou Cruz*
Phil Dahlberg*
John Timothy Diolola
Al Justin Dizon*
Cooper Dodd*
Rhone Farthing
Daniel Gilbert
Julian Ruben Hester
Hanna Lucero*
Jorge Marcelo
Gabriel Marin
Yadira Martinez
Lyvia McKinnon*
Gavin Mills*
Karalyne Joyce Orme*

Juliana Mari Pablo
Betizabeth Paniagua Rodriguez
Lorena Plancarte*
Jeremy Sutton*
Sierra Tenbrook*
Joseph Waweru
Elizabeth Webb*
Becca Wheeler

**NATURAL SCIENCE AND
MATHEMATICS**

Rosaura Corona
Jorge Marcelo
Gabriel Marin

PHOTOGRAPHY

Gerald Dorfman*

PRE-HEALTH SCIENCE

Nicole Agraviador*
Agatha Guillana Alansalon
Jacob Alim-Quenga
Raymond Christopher Calimbas
Jasmine Castillo
Hillary Cerrillo Zeferino*
Adan Correa Saenz*
Chelsea Cruz*
Ashley Davault
Emerson Diaz*
Alyssa Dorough*
Miriam Duarte*
Rhone Farthing
Maria Garcia*
Janete Garibay*
Maria Guadalupe Gaspar Narciso
Elijah Ibay*
Maribel Infante Garcia
Anntionette Landers
Ahmes Magsano

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

Jorge Marcelo
Madeline Maybituin
Ariana Molina*
Georgia Morris*
Marc Brian Pagal
Joshua Patane*
Alondra Perez Calixto
Elizabeth Ramirez
Keith Ashley Ramos*
Baleria Reynoso*
Kylie Mae Santera*
Gabriela Segura Flores
Jessica Sheffield
Maria Silva Silva*
Roisin Umphress*
Emily Vanderbilt



Al Justin Dizon is transferring to UC San Diego to study neurobiology. 2025-2026 NVC student trustee, and member of MESA, Kasaysayan Learning Community, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, DOCC and the Kaibigan Club.

Bethany Vasquez
Jasmin Vega
Mary Villanueva
Naisha Williams
David Zamora

**PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN—THREE
SEMESTER**

Jeremiah Galang
Alvin Rae Pensotes*

RESPIRATORY CARE

Immaculate Abenojar
Samrawit Akelom*
Juliana Arauza-Castillo
Maira Asuncion*
Genesis Atienza *
Jonathan Berkowitz*
Jace Brock*
Leanne Gietzen
Amanda Rachelle Lillie*
Briana Longoria*
Ryan Majcherek
David Perez*
Gerardo Ramirez
Delaney Ramos*
Anaya Rodriguez*
Badyah Senussi*
Jessica Sheffield
Nicole Vile
Samantha Williams

**VITICULTURE AND WINERY
TECHNOLOGY—CONCENTRATION
IN VITICULTURE**

Elissa Hermanson*
Daniel Mitchell*
Paige Simpkins
Leonardo Vega

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE DEGREES, SPRING 2026, AND
ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER DEGREES, SUMMER 2025**

SPRING 2026

**VITICULTURE AND WINERY
TECHNOLOGY—CONCENTRATION
IN WINE MARKETING AND SALES**
Kevin Hanrahan*

**VITICULTURE AND WINERY
TECHNOLOGY—CONCENTRATION
IN WINEMAKING**
Kelli Brown*
Audrey Carrothers*
Natalie Heredia*
Saray Hernandez
Anthony Salustro*
Jared Stefani

VOCATIONAL NURSING
Maria Uriz

WELDING TECHNOLOGY
Kelton Kingsford*

SUMMER 2025

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE
Anthony Arciga Rodriguez
Paulina Arellano
Adan Lopez
Britany Navarro*

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 2.0
Eric Altamirano De Haro*
Owen Nelson
Anthony Pena

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
Breanna Trujillo Jasso*

MATHEMATICS
Antonio Bazan*
Cruz Segura*

PHYSICS
Cruz Segura*

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER DEGREES
FALL 2025 AND SPRING 2026**

FALL 2025

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Victoria Anguiano Cendejas
Adrian Cortez
Julissa Fuentes Vaquero*
Mary Lastrella
Kirsten Sapp*
Aniyah White

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 2.0

James Aken*
Adriana Arriaza*
Cole Bailey*
Dominic Aris Bertumen
Liliana Carreon*
Christian Corpus*
Roland Daguna*
Genaro Espinoza
Daniel Jordan*
Carlos Lopez
Chris Montanez Aguilar
Clever Perez*
Alexandra Ramirez
Kiana Roberts

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Daniela Bernardino Pizano
Evelyn Gutierrez Ojeda*

MATHEMATICS

Roque Flores
Sophia Moro*
Dayron Solis*

PHYSICS

Roque Flores
Sophia Moro*
Dayron Solis*

SPRING 2026

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Maria Alvarado Reyes
Ethan Boatman
Salah Duncan
Yashira Garcia Ramos*
Jose Gutierrez
Robert Martin
Melyssa Mays
Thandiwe McDonald*
Gilbert O'Connor *
Luis Ramirez*
Diego Torres-Chimal
Calixta Ventura Leon



Cynthia Adriana Rodriguez Salomon is transferring to Sacramento Ultrasound Institute to study cardiac sonography. She is a recipient of the Elks Larison NVC General Scholarship, the NVC Academic Senate Scholarship, and the NVC Fogarty Family Scholarship.

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 2.0

Aaron Ballines*
Jackson Cole
Sydnee Coulthurst*
Omar Cruz
Esai De Haro Llamas
Katrina Deem*
Mario Dum Dumaya
Maria Estrada
Jazmine Fontilla*
Mateo Julian Francisco*
Jaret Garcia Romero
Gaurab Gole
Jonathan Gruder*
Ana Gutierrez-Molina*
Jose Guzman Orozco*
Robert Haderler*
Alyssa Hill*
Harrison Huffman



Aaron Ballines is transferring to CSU, Chico to study construction management. InterClub Council (ICC) representative of the Mathematics Society.

Oai Huynh
Alonnia Ibrahim*
Gabriela Johnson
Telorah Kawakami
Jia Lal*
Kathryn Lumbard
Diana Martinez
Sophia Ochoa*
Savanna Patrick
Jonathan Preciado
Samantha Ramirez Garcia
Michael Richards*
Julian Robledo
Maya Quidit*
Jayden Quintana*
Jayden Scalise Kifer*
Humberto Servin
Thais Thomson-Rangel*
Gesselle Tomas Preciado
Jenna Wachowski
Gehrig Waggoner*

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Ulises Elias Aguayo
Tainara Trevelin

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Evelyn Alvarez
Mario Gonzalez
Alejandro Guzman Gutierrez*
Luis Hernandez
Nicolas Lopez
Juliana Mari Pablo
Dominic Parra*
Francis Martin Rebullida*
Paolo Rivero
Matthew Schilter*

**ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE FOR TRANSFER DEGREES
SPRING 2026**

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Areli Mauricio
Laura Ruiz
Danica Sebastian*

**FILM, TELEVISION AND ELECTRONIC
MEDIA**

Angelica Albarran
Madelyn Walker*

MATHEMATICS

Ivan Acosta
Alan Aguilar
Evelyn Alvarez
Amarsain Badral
Anahat Brar*
Yao Cajoles Yanez*
Diego Carapia Paniagua*
Hudson Chaddock*
Prinz Edijou Cruz*
Alejandro De Haro De Reza*
Cooper Dodd*
Abigail Droppa*
Zachary Eckels*
Zulema Fernandez*
Alejandro Guzman Gutierrez*
Rigo Hurtado
Waqas Lodhi*
Nicolas Lopez
Karalyne Joyce Orme*
Juliana Mari Pablo
Betzabeth Paniagua Rodriguez
Dominic Parra*
Carlos Ramirez
Francis Martin Rebullida*
Dulcel Rodriguez-Segura
Matthew Schilter*
Scott Slovensky
Jeremy Sutton*

Sierra Tenbrook*
Ruben Topete*
Joseph Waweru

PHYSICS

Ivan Acosta
Evelyn Alvarez
Amarsain Badral
Anahat Brar*
Yao Cajoles Yanez*
Diego Carapia Paniagua*
Hudson Chaddock*
Prinz Edijou Cruz*
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John Timothy Diolola
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Alejandro Guzman Gutierrez*
Waqas Lodhi*
Nicolas Lopez
Karalyne Joyce Orme*
Juliana Mari Pablo
Matthew Schilter*
Scott Slovensky
Sierra Tenbrook*
Joseph Waweru

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
SUMMER 2025**

ACCOUNTING—BOOKKEEPING

Silvia Schmidt
Gehrig Waggonner

CHILD AND FAMILY STUDIES

ASSOCIATE TEACHER

Ozgul Logan

COMBINATION WELDING

TECHNICIAN

Jonathan Jordan

CSU GENERAL EDUCATION

Rylee Afable-Aguilar
Anthony Arciga Rodriguez
Paulina Arellano
Diana Avina Cardenas
Maurice Calhoun
Selma Candelario
Brent Dreyer
Genaro Espinoza
Leilana Griffin
Diego Jimenez
Brayden Kohl
Samantha Liu
Britany Navarro
Juan Ochoa Sandoval
Anthony Pena
Dylan Solon
Breanna Trujillo Jasso
Danielle Vitug

CULINARY ARTS—ADVANCED

Julianna Ella Palomares

INTERSEGMENTAL GENERAL

EDUCATION TRANSFER

CURRICULUM (IGETC)

Arianne Adrineda
Eric Altamirano De Haro
Antonio Bazan
Owen Nelson
Cruz Segura

LAW ENFORCEMENT—

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Doris Becerra
Felicia Reyes

LAW ENFORCEMENT—CAREER

PREPARATION

Doris Becerra

MECHANICAL TOOL TECHNOLOGY

Francisco Rico Mora

VITICULTURE AND WINERY

**TECHNOLOGY—VITICULTURE AND
ENOLOGY**

Jared Stefani

VITICULTURE AND WINERY

**TECHNOLOGY—WINE MARKETING
AND SALES**

Kevin Hanrahan

WELDING TECHNICIAN BASIC

Edith Cuevas Topete
Jonathan Jordan

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
FALL 2025**

ACCOUNTING—BOOKKEEPING

Liliana Abarca
Yajaira Alfaro
Allison Allen
Daniel Anderson
Alex Ballard
Miguel Bautista
Fany Benitez Castro
Adrienne Boudreaux
Jasmin Brown
Raul Calamateo Sanchez
Kyle Carpenter
Jose Cervantes Garcia
Skylar Daniels
Karla Delgado
Crizelle Marie Dumalig
Brittany Duran
Amanda Eagleston
Alexandra Farley
Mariel Gomez
Samanta Gonzalez
Ezekiel Gorospe
Noah Gulbransen
Catlin Hall
Graciela Hernandez
Laura Hernandez
Frank Herrera
Zainab Hijaz
Erika Hurtado-Ponce
Jacqueline Jacinto
Cheyann Jinks
Dakota Lim
Christopher Lopez
Kathryn Lombard
Brenda Marciano
Maria Mares Gonzalez
Elizabeth Martinez
Alfonso Medina
Maria Medrano

Karen Moody
Phuong-Trang Nguyen
Erika Nixon
Menrex Obico
Janette Peña
Natalia Plancarte
Isabel Naomi Radana
Emanuelle Ramos
Nina Richner
Lintia Rizwan
Zoltan Rossi
Luz Ruiz
Andrea Servin Rios
Maritza Soto



Delaney Ramos is graduating with an Associate of Science Degree in Respiratory Care. She is the recipient of several scholarships such as the Carl and Alice Benscoter Memorial Scholarship, the NVC Foundation Scholarship, the Napa County Medical Society Alliance, the Dey Labs Respiratory Therapy Scholarship, and the NVC Faculty Association Scholarship.

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
FALL 2025**

ACCOUNTING—BOOKKEEPING

(continued)

Samantha Torres
Diana Uribe
Denise Jane Villaflor-Samson
Alyssa Warrington

**CALIFORNIA GENERAL EDUCATION
TRANSFER CURRICULUM
(CAL-GETC)**

Elijah Ibay
Ariana Ortega

CSU GENERAL EDUCATION

James Aken
Victoria Anguiano Cendejas
Cole Bailey
Cyon Devyn Bais
Chairelle Balmoja
Christian Baruelo
Ciara Bender
Dominic Aris Bertumen
Alexandria Bohlen
Liliana Carreon
Arwen Caruso
Teresa Conemac
Katia Contreras
Adrian Cortez
Poneva Coverson
Audrey Crane
Roland Daguna
Areja DeMoss
Fernando Diaz Hernandez
Angelo Dominguez
Remi Ellis
Sherlinne Field
Madison Foster
Julissa Fuentes Vaquero
Ana Garcia

Alexis Gutierrez
Yasivi Gutierrez
Evelyn Gutierrez Ojeda
Daniel Jordan
Ruth Junco
Carlos Lopez
Alexander Love
Felicia Martinez
Meagan McConnehey
Chris Montanez Aguilar
Joseph Christian Moreno
Clever Perez
Evelyn Perez
Jose Perez
Hannah Pierleoni



Gabriel Marin is transferring to CSU, Sacramento to study microbiology with a concentration in clinical laboratory sciences. ASNVC vice president 2025-2026 and member of NVC Boxing Club, NVC Pre-Law Club, MESA and Society for Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) club.

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
FALL 2025**

Alexandra Ramirez
Kiana Roberts
Kirsten Sapp
Abigail Shortridge
Gemma Southerington
Katelyn Spake
Karla Vargas
Seth Vazquez
Shantal Verdejo
Adrian Villaseñor
Natasha Vo
Aniyah White

CULINARY ARTS—ADVANCED

Courtney Gilbert

**DIGITAL DESIGN GRAPHICS
TECHNOLOGY**

Eliana Ebstein
Bryan Werkheiser

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Amelia Bondoc
Felix Flynn
Miguel Gonzalez
Jorge Hernandez
Eric Ortiz
Jillian Wallace

**INTERSEGMENTAL GENERAL
EDUCATION TRANSFER
CURRICULUM (IGETC)**

Adriana Arriaza
Alexis Ayer
Joe Benjes
Daniela Bernardino Pizano
Christian Corpus
Szvetlaena Kaith Cosme
Douglas Crittendon II

Roland Daguna
Justin Escobedo Fabela
Ingrid Gutierrez
Amora Hamilton
Meagan McConnehey
Sophia Moro
Jose Perez
Yelitza Ramirez Flores
Jade Ramos-Gomez
Meghan Reynolds
Dayron Solis
Roveen Valeros

**LAW ENFORCEMENT—CRIME
SCENE INVESTIGATION**

Itzi Padilla

**LAW ENFORCEMENT—JUVENILE
JUSTICE**

Sheanna Cooper
Dolores Gutierrez

**LAW ENFORCEMENT—MENTAL
HEALTH AND ADDICTION**

Esther Solorzano

**LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND
TRANSGENDER (LGBT) EDUCATION
FOR EDUCATORS**

Breana Olvera Jones

**LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND
TRANSGENDER (LGBT) EDUCATION
FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**

Erin Lawley

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**CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT
FALL 2025 AND SPRING 2026**

FALL 2025

**PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN—
3 SEMESTERS**

Solvin Adams
Aaric Daniel Azucena
Lindsay Flores
Edwin Fuentes
Jeremiah Galang
Deisy Gonzalez
Monica Griffin Salgado
Kristine Mae Morete
Fejiro Okumo
Viridiana Osornio Salgado
Alvin Rae Pensotes
Marshaila Thomas
Veronica Vieyra

SPRING 2026

ACCOUNTING—BOOKKEEPING

Claudia Ayala
Alonnia Ibrahim
Melody Romero

ADDICTION STUDIES

Terina Bailey
Gretel Galvan-Padilla
Jazmin Soto Ramirez

**CALIFORNIA GENERAL EDUCATION
TRANSFER CURRICUCULUM
(CAL-GETC)**

Ivan Acosta
Nicole Agraviador
Alan Aguilar
Arianna Aguilar
Angelica Albarran
Lina Al-Salti
Evelyn Alvarez
Alexander Anicete
Luciana Barraza
Jordyn Birdsong
Ethan Boatman
Anahat Brar
Yao Cajoles Yanez
Karla Ceja
Lydia Chappell-Thompson
Jackson Cole
Sydnee Coulthurst
Prinz Edijou Cruz
Esai De Haro Llamas
Daryl Diaz Gomez
John Timothy Diolola
Al Justin Dizon
Jackson Dunkley
Maria Estrada

**CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT
SPRING 2026**

Waylon Fletcher
Jazmine Fontilla
Akayla Fortuno
Mateo Julian Francisco
Mia Franco
Alexander Frank
Mario Gonzalez
Ana Gutierrez-Molina
Alejandro Guzman Gutierrez
Jose Guzman Orozco
Isabella Koch
Jia Lal
Kaley Lewis
Waqas Lodhi
Nicolas Lopez



Rebekah Couch is graduating with an Associate of Arts Degree in Addition Studies and is taking the state exam with the California Association of DUI Treatment Programs (CADTP) this May to continue practicing as a substance use clinician.

Gunner Nino
Gilbert O'connor
Karalyne Joyce Orme
Juliana Mari Pablo
Savanna Patrick
Lucas Pofi
Doris Porras Vega
Jonathan Preciado
Maya Quidit
Jayden Quintana
Carlos Ramirez
Luis Ramirez
Keith Ashley Ramos
Solvey Regen
Michael Richards
Daniela Rios
Adrian Roa Roa
Julian Robledo
Savannah Sall
Jonah Schwarze
Deena Sharqawi
Yugesh Singh Kamboj
Sofia Solorio-Avina
Nicholas Stubbles
Sierra Tenbrook
Thais Thomson-Rangel
Madelyn Walker
Ray Wiggins
Cady Wilkes
Andrew Woods

**CHILD AND FAMILY STUDIES
ASSOCIATE TEACHER**
Aleeyah Ball

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
SPRING 2026**

**CHILD AND FAMILY STUDIES
ASSOCIATE TEACHER AND
ADMINISTRATION**

Anna Beatriz Garcia
Jenina Sioson

CSU GENERAL EDUCATION

Yonathan Aceves Sanchez Tovar
Daniel Acuna
Agatha Guillana Alansalon
Adriana Alfaro Melgoza
Iman Ali
Maria Alvarado Reyes
Madison-Tyler Antonio
Aaron Ballines
Jolene Barnes
Michael Biederman



Betzy Paniagua Rodriguez is graduating with a AS in Natural Sciences and Mathematics and is transferring to UC Santa Cruz to study chemistry. Recipient of the Dallas Family Scholarship and 2025-2026 ASNVC Events Coordinator.

Natalia Birch
Yarethzy Calderon
Raymond Christopher Calimbas
Ashley Camargo Garcia
Ashley Campainha
Giana Carreon
Evelin Carrillo Ramos
Andrea Castaneda Guevara
Frida Castillo
Hillary Cerrillo Zeferino
Hudson Chaddock
Tyler Charifa
Elizabeth Contreras
Michael Cordero
Adan Correa Saenz
Emily Cortez
Melissa Cortez
Omar Cruz
Genesis Deberry
Jaqueline Delgado Hernandez
Elinda Demons
Cooper Dodd
Alyssa Dorrough
Mario Dum Dumaya
Salah Duncan
Tiyana Edmonds
Ulises Elias Aguayo
Rebecka Espinoza
Sandra Esquivel De Haro
Rhone Farthing
Zulema Fernandez
Nicole Franco
Michelle Friedlander
Genesis Galindo
Samantha Garcia
Angela Garcia Bogarin
Yashira Garcia Ramos
Jaret Garcia Romero

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
SPRING 2026**

Paulina Garcia Soto
Janete Garibay
Maria Guadalupe Gaspar Narciso
Jonathan Gruder
Jose Gutierrez
Zairy Guzman Parra
Robert Hadelers
Ashley Hall
Mia Hernandez Marin
Alyssa Hill
Rigo Hurtado
Erika Hurtado-Ponce
Oai Huynh
Alonnia Ibrahim
Miriam Infante
Sueliey Jauregui
Nayely Jimenez
Gabriela Johnson
Gavin Johnson
Lilla Kasper
Telorah Kawakami
Jeneca Le
Miguel Angel Leon
Jenae Liaiga
Angel Lopez
Deyli Lopez
Hanna Lucero
Kathryn Lumbard
Jorge Marcelo
Gabriel Marin
Robert Martin
Alessandra Martino
Areli Mauricio
Madeline Maybituin
Melyssa Mays
Thandiwe McDonald
Mariah Medeiros-Zimmerman
Ariana Molina

Keira Morrison
Omar Musa
Sophia Ochoa
Teresa Ochoa
Maricruz Octaviano Laureles
Sydney Parker
Dominic Parra
Cerwyn Edison Patubo
Nathaniel Pieper
Samantha Ramirez Garcia
Baleria Reynoso
Eligh Rickard
Alex Rodriguez
Nancy Rodriguez Cabrales
Casara Rose Esplana
Shannon Roth
Laura Ruiz
Laila Sadakni
Marco Salas
Crystal Sandoval Equihua
Jayden Scalise Kifer
Danica Sebastian
Humberto Servin
Scott Slovensky
Wyatt Smith
Crickett Sosna
Landon Stadelhofer
TyJuan Thompson
Gesselle Tomas Preciado
Ruben Topete
Alejandro Torres
Melissa Torres Avila
Diego Torres-Chimal
Tainara Trevelin
Natalie Vega Juarez
Calixta Ventura Leon
Gehrig Waggonner
Thomas Walder

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
SPRING 2026**

CSU GENERAL EDUCATION

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Joseph Waweru

Shane Zerbe

CULINARY ARTS—ADVANCED

Shane Masaveg

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Sophia Rodriguez-Solis

HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Loffeya Darden

Ghenwa Haddad

INTERSEGMENTAL GENERAL

EDUCATION TRANSFER

CURRICULUM (IGETC)

Yonathan Aceves Sanchez Tovar

Itzel Aguirre Rodriguez

Amarsain Badral

Diego Carapia Paniagua

Andrea Castaneda Guevara

Lilyana Cauich

Aidan Chavez

Emma Correia

Emily Cortez

Ciara Costello

Erin Cullen

Alejandro De Haro De Reza

Katrina Deem

Trey Denton

Cooper Dodd

Abigail Droppa

Aasalah Du Pree

Zachary Eckels

Elias Elmuqattashi

Julia Enos

Sandra Esquivel De Haro

Janete Garibay

Gaurab Gole

Luis Gonzalez Marquez

Andres Gonzalez-Oropeza

Ashley Hall

Aya Hassan

Luis Hernandez

Mia Hernandez

Melissa Missy Honrade

Harrison Huffman

Oai Huynh

Puneet Kaushal

Caitlin Kenney

Alejandra Lopez Hernandez

Jorge Marcelo

Diana Martinez

Yadira Martinez

Eloisa Marie Mercado

Gavin Mills

Vanessa Nuñez

Sophia Ochoa

Jed Padrones

Betzabeth Paniagua Rodriguez

Sophia Passaris

Lorena Plancarte

Morelia Plancarte

Francis Martin Rebullida

Lucien Reed

Emaline Reinsimar

Aurora Rios

Paolo Rivero

Dulcel Rodriguez-Segura

Casara Rose Esplana

Katherine Salazar

Matthew Schilter

Samantha Sobelman

Arlo Stein

Jeremy Sutton

Daniel Vasquez

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT
SPRING 2026**

Oscar Vega
Diana Venegas Rico

**LAW ENFORCEMENT—
ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE**
Albert Topete

**LAW ENFORCEMENT—CAREER
PREPARATION**
Itzi Padilla
Albert Topete

**LAW ENFORCEMENT—CRIME SCENE
INVESTIGATION**
Albert Topete



Nathaniel Pieper is transferring to Sacramento State University to study psychology. Member of Umoja Learning Community, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, Student Advisory Council, and president of the NVC Boxing Club.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT—JUVENILE
JUSTICE**

Nisana Pollard
Albert Topete

**LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND
TRANSGENDER (LGBT) EDUCATION
FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS**
Aaric Daniel Azucena

**MECHANICAL DRAFTING AND
DESIGN**

Patrick Buscher

**PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIAN—3
SEMESTERS**

Dwayne Sinclair

**VITICULTURE WINE
TECHNOLOGY—WINE MARKETING
AND SALES**

Oscar Pacheco
David Worden

**VITICULTURE WINE
TECHNOLOGY—VITICULTURE AND
ENOLOGY**

Allison Darnell

WELDING TECHNOLOGY

Braisen Ray

WELDING TECHNOLOGY BASIC

Braisen Ray

2026 CO-VALEDICTORY SPEAKER

Jeremy Sutton arrived at Napa Valley College after moving back to California from Texas in 2022. Uncertain of his next steps, he was encouraged to attend NVC by a few friends who played on the college baseball team. Jeremy discovered a campus that reshaped his understanding of what a community college could offer—a place of growth, opportunity, and belonging. Today, Jeremy is graduating with a 3.6 GPA in Chemistry with AAs in Physics, Math, and Natural Science.



Jeremy is proud of his involvement at NVC's Math Center. As a student, he thrived in an encouraging and welcoming environment. As a tutor, he is proud of helping students navigate difficult concepts in a safe space without judgement and gaining valuable lessons in empathy and patience.

He credits NVC's rigorous STEM curriculum, especially organic chemistry, for helping him develop discipline and reach new levels of academic achievement. Jeremy is especially grateful to Dr. Yoshino for truly pushing him to thoroughly understand the complex material. Jeremy also thanks Dr. Hanson, one of his very first professors, for his guidance and being a dependable presence throughout his NVC journey.

Jeremy is proud to represent his class as valedictory speaker and hopes his story reminds his fellow graduates to recognize their achievements, embrace the future, and believe in their potential. Jeremy credits NVC for shaping him into who he is today, both his academics and his character, and hopes others can see themselves in his challenges and achievements.

Jeremy plans to transfer to UC San Diego or UC Davis to pursue pharmaceutical chemistry, with long-term goals in research, medicine, or emergency care. Wherever his path leads, he is driven by a desire to serve others, push the boundaries of discovery, and make a meaningful impact in the world.

2026 CO-VALEDICTORY SPEAKER

Alessandra Martino began her journey at Napa Valley College in 2023 after moving to the United States from Italy. As she learned more about the American education system, she returned to school to expand her career opportunities. What began as a practical decision sparked by a simple online search quickly evolved into a genuine passion for learning, leadership, community, and a renewed sense of purpose. Today, Alessandra is graduating with a 3.54 GPA in Communications Studies.



Alessandra takes pride in her academic growth and resilience, viewing her achievements not only as grades but as milestones in her self-confidence. As a second-language English speaker, she is especially proud of her communications studies. Classes such as Intercultural Communication and Public Speaking helped her connect with others, find strength in her voice, and share her immigrant experiences.

A dedicated member of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), Alessandra is especially proud of her leadership and service on campus. She has served as both vice president of communications and vice president of her chapter. She also played a key role in establishing the Student Advisory Council, an initiative designed to elevate student voices and strengthen student participation in campus decision-making.

During her academic journey, Alessandra balanced her time as a new mother and student parent. She thanks her mentors, Marlene Holden and Professor Christina Trujillo, and Kelly Tomlinson of the Title IX office for helping her overcome barriers and helping secure her sense of confidence.

As a valedictory speaker, Alessandra is proud to represent not only her own journey, but also her classmates' stories of courage, perseverance, and success. She plans to transfer to a university and pursue a career in public relations, with the goal of advocating for immigrants and marginalized communities and helping others find their voice—just as she did at Napa Valley College.

DR. ED SHENK EXCELLENCE IN STUDENT SERVICE AWARD 2026 RECIPIENT

The Dr. Ed Shenk Excellence in Student Service Award is an annual award that recognizes and rewards excellence in service to students. The award honors a Student Services staff member who has made an outstanding contribution to the success of Napa Valley students through activities that promote student learning, student retention, and student growth.

Julie Hernandez serves as the Coordinator of the Basic Needs Center at Napa Valley College, where her work is grounded in a deep commitment to student connection, equity, and holistic support. A Napa native, Julie returned to her hometown in 2021 after more than a decade in Los Angeles, where she completed her education and began her career in higher education and counseling.



Julie joined Napa Valley College as an Administrative Assistant in the Library, a role that provided a strong foundation in campus operations. She later transitioned into student-facing work as a Student Affairs Specialist in the Basic Needs Center before advancing to her current role as coordinator.

Julie holds a BA in English and an MA in Special Education from Loyola Marymount University, as well as an MA in Counseling Psychology from the University of San Francisco. She also holds California teaching credentials in English and Science and is an Associate Marriage and Family Therapist. Her professional background spans tutoring, K–12 teaching, college learning support, and mental health counseling—experiences that shape her student-centered, narrative-based approach to service.

Under Julie’s leadership, the Basic Needs Center has expanded staffing and services to include case management, financial assistance, a clothing closet, emergency grants, and strong cross-campus partnerships. Her work aims to destigmatize food and housing insecurity while creating a welcoming, student-driven space rooted in connection and trust.

Julie views student services as the glue that connects academics and student success and is honored to support students throughout their educational journeys.

**ADMINISTRATIVE/CONFIDENTIAL EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR
2026 RECIPIENT**

Jerry Dunlap has served Napa Valley College since 2016, beginning as Associate Dean of Kinesiology, Health, Dance, and Athletics, and Dance and Athletic Director, and now as Dean overseeing Kinesiology, Health, Dance, Social Sciences, Administration of Justice, and Athletics. Before joining NVC, he spent 23 years at Napa High School as a teacher, coach, and department chair, shaping his commitment to supporting students and those who serve them.



Jerry is known for his steady, approachable leadership and the genuine relationships he builds across campus. He values consistency, clear communication, and creating an environment where people feel respected and supported. His focus on organization and follow-through helps ensure that programs run smoothly and that students remain at the center of the college's work.

He actively contributes beyond campus through his role as President of the Bay Valley Conference and statewide leadership as a member of the 3C2A Executive Board, while also serving on key college committees. Jerry takes pride in representing Napa Valley College with integrity and is deeply committed to the people and community he serves.

In appreciation of our 2025-2026 NVC retirees for your many
years of service to Napa Valley College and its students.

Administrative/Confidential

Katherine Kittel

Faculty

Stanley Hitchcock

Katharine Ratliff

Faye Smyle

2026 MCPHERSON DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

Greg Miraglia is an LGBT activist, college professor of LGBT studies and criminal justice, author, radio host and producer, and professional speaker. He has a Master's Degree in Education, a Bachelor's Degree in Business, and is a graduate of the California Commission On Peace Officer Standards and Training Master Instructor Development Program.



Mr. Miraglia is a Dean Emeritus at Napa Valley College and currently serves as the program coordinator for Criminal Justice Education and Training and Pride Learning Community coordinator. He is the onsite liaison for the early college program at New Technology High School. Mr. Miraglia is also a part time member of the faculty at City College of San Francisco and Santa Rosa Junior College. He teaches six different LGBT studies courses and a number of criminal justice classes including introduction to administration of justice, community policing, 21st century policing, criminal law, and criminal procedures. His teaching is informed by his formal education, professional experience, and extensive research.

Mr. Miraglia serves as a member of the Board of Directors for the Matthew Shepard Foundation and is also a radio program host and producer on Outbeat Radio, a weekly LGBT program on KRCB Radio. He is also an Ambassador for the Gilbert Baker Foundation in New York and the National Law Enforcement Memorial Fund and Museum in Washington DC.

Teaching has always been a passion for Mr. Miraglia. He enjoys most designing and facilitating learning experiences that enable students to discover new knowledge, skills, and ways of thinking. His passion for technology has inspired the creation of numerous online courses that enable students to access education in ways other than coming to a campus. Mr. Miraglia's love of teaching continues to grow today with his work in the early college program at New Technology High School.

Congratulations to Professor Miraglia.

2026 MCPHERSON DISTINGUISHED TEACHING AWARD

Forest Quinlan brings energy, authenticity, and high expectations to the chemistry classroom, creating an environment where students are challenged, supported, and fully engaged. As a first-generation college student raised by a single mother on welfare, Forest's journey to higher education was shaped by perseverance and a deep belief that hard work and a good education would change his life trajectory and elevate him out of poverty.



He began his academic path intending to become a high school science teacher, hoping to help and inspire others, just as others had done for him. He later shifted to Chemical Engineering, drawn to its rigor, opportunity—and, as he puts it, “a great paycheck.” He went on to earn his M.S. and Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering from UC Davis. After several years in two different postdoc research positions, a chance opportunity to teach for Sacramento City College reignited his passion for the classroom. He found his calling in the community college system, teaching for four years across multiple campuses, before landing at Napa Valley College in 2008.

From the start, Forest focused on improving the student experience. He led efforts to modernize introductory chemistry labs, replacing outdated practices with more relevant, hands-on learning. He also helped build a stronger sense of community in STEM, contributing to the founding of the SACNAS chapter and advising multiple student clubs over the years.

Known for his fast-paced, highly interactive teaching style, Forest uses a Socratic approach that pushes students to think critically and participate fully. In his classroom, no one sits on the sidelines. Students are expected to try, to engage, and to learn from mistakes. His goal is simple: if students can explain what they have learned to someone else, they truly understand it.

Affectionately known as “Tío Bosque,” Forest creates a classroom culture that is both demanding and supportive. He tells them upfront, “I will not teach you anything you do not already know, but I will teach you the why and the how it happens.” He connects chemistry to everyday life, through humor making complex concepts approachable. His philosophy is clear: learning is hard work, and he will work as hard as the students work to achieve their goals. Their success is his success. Congratulations to Professor Quinlan.

ACADEMIC REGALIA DISCIPLINE COLORS

For all academic purposes, including trimmings of doctoral gowns, edging of hoods, and tassels of caps, the colors associated with the different disciplines are as follows:

Agriculture	Maize
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White
Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Drab
Dentistry	Lilac
Economics	Copper
Education	Light Blue
Engineering	Orange
Fine Arts, including Architecture	Brown
Forestry	Russet
Journalism	Crimson
Law	Purple
Library Science	Lemon
Medicine	Green
Music	Pink
Nursing	Apricot
Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Pharmacy	Olive Green
Philosophy	Dark Blue
Physical Education	Sage Green
Public Administration, including Foreign Service	Peacock Blue
Public Health	Salmon Pink
Science	Golden Yellow
Social Work	Citron
Theology	Scarlet
Veterinary Science	Gray

Trimmings for doctorates: Gowns for the bachelor's or master's degrees are untrimmed. For the doctor's degree, the gown is faced down the front with black velvet; three bars of velvet are used across the sleeves. These facings and crossbars may be of velvet in the color distinctive of the disciplines to which the degree pertains, thus agreeing in color with the binding or edging of the hood appropriate to the particular doctor's degree in every instance.



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