# STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

The Student Engagement Office provides students with the resources to get involved and get the most from their experiences on campus. Students can get connected to opportunities including: student government, student activities, clubs/student organizations, and student leadership development programs. The office also assists students who are interested in creating new student clubs/organizations and supports all student clubs/organizations with the resources they need to be successful. The office helps students put classroom learning into practice through experiential education by providing a range of out-of-classroom experiences which are designed to complement and supplement students' classroom experience and contribute significantly to their personal development. The office works in partnership with students, faculty, and staff to foster and support student opportunities for learning, involvement, leadership, and community building.

## **Associated Students of UCC**

The Associated Students of Umpqua Community College (ASUCC) Leadership Board represents all students and is an integral part of UCC's shared governance structure. Any student enrolled for college or other credits may participate in activities and access services provided by ASUCC. ASUCC Leadership supports the forming of clubs and student organizations, organizes student activities, and provides ASUCC Student Services. ASUCC officers and senator positions – filled by election and appointment - are compensated positions. Five officers are elected through spring term elections, while senators are appointed starting in fall term. For more information visit ASUCC Leadership located in the LaVerne Murphy Student Center, call ASUCC Leadership at 541-440-7849 or the Director for Student Engagement at 541-440-7749.

# **ASUCC Student Services**

ASUCC is responsible for a number of student oriented services. For more information, contact any member of the current Student Leadership Team.

## Project C.A.N.S.

Project C.A.N.S. is an on-campus food pantry. It is designed to assist a student during difficult times and is a place where a student can receive free, supplemental food assistance.

### **Backpack Program**

Students who face significant difficulties purchasing basic class supplies can request them through the Backpack Program.

### **Emergency Gas Voucher Program**

The program assists students that are unable to afford gas. Students may access the program once each term.

## **Hygiene Supplies**

A selection of hygiene supplies are available for students who might not otherwise be able to afford these items.

# **Hawk Nest Clothing Closet**

The clothing closet is open available to students seeking business, business casual, and casual clothing. Warmer clothing items are cycled in during colder months. Items are donated and are both gently used and new.

### **Laundromat Voucher**

Students who do not have access to laundry facilities and/or do not have funds for laundry may request a laundromat voucher once each term.

#### **Textbook Reserve**

The ASUCC Leadership Board and faculty donate to the Textbook Reserve. Located in the UCC Library, reserve textbooks are available for some (but not all) of the classes taught at UCC and are for use only in the Library.

## **Athletics**

UCC is a member of the Northwest Athletic Conference (NWAC) and the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) and actively participates in men's and women's basketball, wrestling, cross country, obstacle course racing, women's volleyball, track & field, Esports, Women's soccer and baseball. Competition comes from across the country.

Team membership is based on skill and ability to compete at the intercollegiate level. Any qualified student is welcome to try out. Besides the benefits of physical development, participants learn teamwork, self discipline, and leadership skills. Some members of each team receive merit awards, based on NWAC and NJCAA rules, to help pay for tuition.

UCC is known for building champions in the classroom, champions in the community and champions in competition. All students are encouraged to attend and support UCC athletic events. Attendance is free for all current students. Team colors are green, black, and white, and the college mascot is the Riverhawk. Those interested in becoming a member of a team, contact the Athletic Director, 541-440-7729.

# **Clubs and Student Organizations**

Student clubs and organizations provide students with the opportunity to combine various aspects of academic and/or vocational learning into action and are a way in which students can learn "soft skills" such as communication, team building, problem solving, decision-making, and conflict management. Student clubs and organizations are officially recognized through a certification process by the ASUCC Leadership Board and are open and available to any UCC student who has an interest in participating in the group. Students interested in joining a club and/or starting a club are encouraged to visit ASUCC Leadership located in the LaVerne Murphy Student Center, call ASUCC Leadership at 541-440-7849 or the Director for Student Engagement at 541-440-7749. Visit umpqua.edu/student-life/activities/asucc-clubs-organizations (https://umpqua.edu/student-life/activities/asucc-clubs-organizations/)

# **Peer Mentors**

Peer Mentors provide support for the Information Desk and UCC switchboard, often serving as a first point of contact for prospective students and community members. They are available to assist with navigating college processes, completing college forms, understanding campus technology, communicating with faculty & staff, college success skill building, and referrals to campus and community resources. The Peer Mentor Office is located in the LaVerne Murphy Student Center, adjacent to the Information Desk. Students are encouraged to visit the office or call 541-440-7949.

# **Student Newspaper**

UCC's student media and newspaper, The Mainstream, provide opportunities to engage in professional media writing, editing, graphic

design, photography, videography, website development and social media management. It is primarily staffed by students enrolled in Journalism Production (J 215 Journalism Production (1-3 cr.)), a variable credit course (students may enroll for 1, 2, or 3 credits); however, any UCC student can submit work for publication consideration. Any student may enroll in Journalism Production (J 215 Journalism Production (1-3 cr.)) in order to work on the newspaper under both an editorial staff and an advisor.

No prerequisites are required for J 215 Journalism Production (1-3 cr.), but students should consider taking J 251 Writing for the Media (3 cr.) (fall term only) either concurrently or before J 215 Journalism Production (1-3 cr.). Students enrolling in J 215 Journalism Production (1-3 cr.) must be able to meet deadlines and interact positively on a creative work team.

For information about UCC student media or for assistance in registering, contact 541-440-4645. The Mainstream is a designated student forum.

# **Umpqua Singers**

The Umpqua Singers in Roseburg, Oregon, are one of the premiere vocal jazz ensembles in the Pacific Northwest. This 10 member group performs a broad range of musical styles ranging from traditional swing to contemporary R&B. With 18 CD's to their credit, the group performs 45-50 engagements per year.

The Umpqua Singers have toured across the United States, and were the featured performers at the Capitol Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony in Washington D.C. on December 12, 2002. They have also toured Brazil, Spain and Ukraine. In addition to frequent radio and television broadcasts, the Umpqua Singers have been featured on FOX, C-SPAN, and XM Satellite Radio.

# Community Services The Art Gallery at UCC

The UCC Art Gallery is located in the Whipple Fine Arts Center. The 1,100 square foot space features six exhibits during the academic year. There is also the mezzanine gallery on the second floor of Whipple that features student art work on a continuous basis.

Both galleries feature exhibits in a variety of media, including ceramics, drawing, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture. The major purpose and function of the Art Gallery is to exhibit quality works of art for the education and cultural benefit of the students of UCC and the citizens of Douglas County.

## **Community & Workforce Training**

The UCC Community and Workforce Training Department enriches lives and supports employers with high-quality education and training in Douglas County. We strive to respond to the ever-changing needs of residents and businesses quickly and with care. The Department coordinates non-credit classes, workshops and trainings in several subject areas:

- · Fun, hobby, and personal enrichment
- Professional development & continuing education
- · Safety and health certifications
- · Employer training & consulting

Community and Workforce Training includes Adult and High School Driver Education courses, American Heart Association CPR/First Aid courses,

coordination of Gold Cards, Continuing Education Units (CEUs), Summer Enrichment Camps for children and teens and much more.

Course offerings are updated each term and can be found online at: umpqua.edu/community-workforce-training (http://umpqua.edu/community-workforce-training/).

For more information on Community and Workforce Training activities, please call 541-440-4668, visit our website or visit our office in the old Science building on the Umpqua Community College campus.

## **Community Pool**

During the summer months, a number of athletic activities are offered for members of the community. The swimming pool is open for recreation/ lap swim and for swimming classes. In addition, there are Boys and Girls Basketball, and Volleyball youth camps.

For information call Summer Recreation and Sports Information at 541-440-7845 or visit umpqua.edu/pool (http://umpqua.edu/pool/).

## **Continuing Education Unit**

The Continuing Education Unit (CEU) is used by some professional and occupational groups as a means of measuring time spent in upgrading activities and in-service. CEUs are given for non-credit and non-graded activities. They are awarded at the discretion of the college. For more information, contact Community and Workforce Training, 541-440-4668.

## **Event and Meeting Venues**

UCC offers an array of indoor and outdoor venues and spaces to fit a variety of occasions and groups of people. Halls, rooms, and outdoor spaces are equipped, or can be equipped, with video sound systems, tables, chairs and lighting. Many of the facilities also have WiFi connections. UCC is ready to host any occasion. Feel free to browse the website and get a feel for the variety of venues available.

If a student would like to plan an event on the UCC campus, they can view UCC's venues and fill out the request an event form. Or, if preferred, students may contact UCC to discuss an event.

### The Danny Lang Teaching, Learning and Event Center

One of our premier event spaces is the Lang Center which is available to the public for scheduling through the UCC Events Department. The Lang Center is an ideal location for a variety of events such as weddings, parties, business meetings, workshops, fundraisers and banquets. There are indoor and outdoor event spaces, along with a variety of services can be made available to help make an event successful.

## **Southern Oregon Wine Institute**

The Southern Oregon Wine Institute (SOWI) provides all wine and beer services for public and private events on campus. We work together with the Catering and Special Events departments to provide everything a student needs for any UCC or private event.

### **Fitness Center**

The fitness center is equipped with weight training machines, aerobic machines, free weights and more. For more information visit: umpqua.edu/fitness-center (http://umpqua.edu/fitness-center/).

### **Off-Campus Classes**

UCC Community and Workforce Training offers courses located offcampus throughout the college district. These include non-credit selfimprovement, technology, and cultural and personal growth activities. Consult the UCC Community and Workforce Training sections for listings of courses in a specific area. Department coordinators serve all areas of the college district. If a student has an interest in a particular class, contact 541-440-4668.

### **Performing and Visual Arts**

The Performing and Visual Arts faculty members are active in the community.

The UCC Music program sponsors a number of performing groups, including Umpqua Singers, UCC Chamber Choir and the Umpqua Chamber Orchestra. All students are welcomed, and college credit can be earned. Please note that some groups require an audition. In addition, numerous music classes are offered, including individual lessons.

Throughout the year, UCC presents theatrical and musical performances. Theatre Arts students present performances on stage as part of their learning experience. Casting auditions are open to all students and college credit may be earned for participation. In addition, classes in theatre arts are offered throughout the year.

UCC Visual Arts students are offered opportunities to exhibit their work on campus and in other gallery settings.

Performance-based tuition waivers are awarded to outstanding music, theatre, and visual arts students each term. Contact the department office at 541-440-4691 for more information.

### **Small Business Development Center**

The Small Business Development Center is one of 20 SBDCs in Oregon established by the Small Business Administration and Oregon State Legislature in 1983. SBDCs were given the directive to assist and educate business owners. The UCC SBDC provides almost 1000 hours of business advising each year working for businesses up to 500 employees. In addition to providing advising at no cost, the SBDC also provides low or no-cost workshops, seminars, and technology assistance. The Center is located at 522 SE Washington in Roseburg but services are available anywhere in Douglas County. Don't hesitate to call for an appointment at your place of business. For information or an appointment, call 541-440-7824 or visit our local website at umpqua.edu/sbdc (http://umpqua.edu/sbdc/).

### **Training Courses**

SBDC offers an array of free or low-cost trainings to meet the needs of small businesses. Topics include starting a business, small business management, online and traditional marketing, human resource issues, food production, government procurement, construction contractor training and exam, and real estate broker's pre-license training. Call 541-440-7824 for more information on current and future workshops.

### **Advising**

SBDC offers no-cost and confidential business advising to people considering starting a business, as well as to business owners at all stages of business life. Advising is personalized to meet the business owner's needs and might include: getting started, financing, business plan creation, marketing, sales, human resource issues, obtaining government procurement contracts, QuickBooks assistance, changes in business structure, exiting or just guidance on taking a business to the next level. There is no limit to the amount of advising time spent with a client. To make an appointment call 541-440-7662.