

PURPOSE IN ACTION

Transforming Futures, Together

Convocation 2026



**WOODLAND
COMMUNITY
COLLEGE**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2026
Woodland Community College
Performing Arts & Culinary Center
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

CONVOCATION 2026



Welcome to the 2026 Woodland Community College Convocation! As we launch *Purpose 2030: WCC's Vision for Transforming Futures Through Education and Opportunity*, we come together around this year's theme, "Purpose in Action: Transforming Futures, Together." This is an opportunity to renew our shared commitment to expanding educational opportunity, advancing socioeconomic mobility, and transforming lives through the power of education. Together, we will turn our vision into action and build a stronger future for our students, our communities, and one another.

Dr. Lizette Navarette, *President of Woodland Community College*

8:30 AM – 8:55 AM

Welcome & President's Update

8:55 AM – 9:10 AM

Chancellor's Message & Foundation Update

9:15 AM – 10:15 AM

General Session

WCC INSTITUTIONAL STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES (ISLO) REFRESH

WCC Theatre

As our students, communities, workforce, and educational landscape continue to evolve, it is important that our institutional learning outcomes reflect the knowledge, skills, and values every WCC graduate should demonstrate. This Convocation session is designed to engage faculty, classified professionals, and administrators in a shared conversation about the future of student learning at WCC. Participants will learn about the purpose of Institutional Student Learning Outcomes (ISLOs), examine current trends in higher education and workforce preparation, review WCC's existing ISLOs, and contribute ideas that will shape the next generation of institutional learning outcomes.

Panelists: Kathy Sorensen, VP of Instruction; Ariana Velasco, VP Student Services; Nili Kirschner, Curriculum Co-Chair & Professor of Sociology; Jose Vallego, Counselor & Articulation Officer; Scott Cosca, Instructional Assistant

10:15 AM – 10:30 AM

Transition & Coffee Break

10:30 AM – 12:20 PM

Breakout Sessions

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

To facilitate a more interactive and engaging experience, we have organized our breakout sessions into two blocks that will repeat. This ensures that all participants can attend each session in smaller groups.

Block 1: Session A and Session B

10:30 AM – 11:20 AM

Block 2: Session A and Session B (Repeat. Switch Topics.)

11:30 AM – 12:20 PM

10:30 AM - 12:20 PM

Breakout Sessions

BREAKOUT SESSIONS (Repeat. Switch Topics)

SESSION A - Giving Credit Where Credit Is Due: WCC's Implementation of Credit for Prior Learning
Room 936

Discover how Woodland Community College is expanding Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) through the use and implementation of the Mapping Articulated Pathways (MAP) platform. This session will highlight strategies for recognizing students' prior learning, streamlining pathways to completion, and increasing equitable access to academic and career opportunities. Join us to explore WCC's approach, lessons learned, and the collaborative efforts that are helping more students earn the credit they have already earned. *Presenters: Calvin Klein Gloria, Director of Military CPL Pathways; Janelle Brekke, Director of MAP CPL Counseling Support; Brandi Asmus, Professor of Agriculture and CPL Project Lead.*

SESSION B - A Campus Conversation: WCC Institutional Student Learning Outcomes (ISLO) Refresh
Room 925

What knowledge, skills, and values should every WCC graduate possess? This interactive session builds on the General Session to help shape the future of student learning at WCC. Through a collaborative workshop, participants will provide feedback on WCC's current ISLOs and identify the competencies that can prepare students for college and careers, and socioeconomic mobility.

12:20 PM - 1:20 PM

Lunch & Loteria

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Keynote Address



Servingness 2.0: An Updated Approach to HSIs in Practice
WCC Theatre

Dr. Gina Garcia, author and professor in the School of Education at UC Berkeley.

Servingness is common vernacular in the Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) community. But what does it really mean and how do you advance it in practice? Dr. Garcia lays out the updated framework, providing a definition of the “structures for serving” and offering examples of how HSIs are transforming to better serve their students. She also re-examines the “indicators of serving,” providing examples of how HSIs can assess their progress toward student success, liberation, and thriving. Moreover, the updated framework includes active “servingness processes” and “barriers to servingness,” making it more dynamic. Dr. Garcia challenges the audience to think about servingness as a multidimensional concept that can be addressed by every person on campus, for all students, and across all enrollment-based MSIs.

2:30 PM - 2:45 PM

Transition Break & Snacks

2:45 PM - 3:40 PM

Concurrent Sessions

KEY UPDATES SHAPING OUR CLASSROOMS

Room 925

Faculty

Join us for this important breakout session where faculty leaders bring you up to speed on the latest developments impacting instruction. From Academic Senate initiatives to curriculum updates, this session will cover what you need to know about significant changes affecting teaching and learning. Whether you're full-time or part-time, new to campus or a seasoned instructor, this is your opportunity to stay informed, ask questions, and engage in the conversations shaping our classrooms.

PURPOSE IN ACTION: OUR ROLE IN THE STUDENT JOURNEY

Room 936

Classified Professionals and Administrators

This interactive session takes a closer look at Purpose 2030's Goal 2: Advancing Equitable Student Success and Socioeconomic Mobility and its alignment with WCC's Student Equity Plan. Together, we will examine the student journey, from initial connection through completion and beyond, and reflect on how individual and collective roles support our shared commitment to increasing student success.

3:45 PM - 4:30 PM

Labor Partner Meetings

- **ROOM 924:** AFTYCCD
- **ROOM 925B:** CSEA
- **ROOM 936:** FAYCCD

4:30 PM

Adjourn

CONVOCATION ACTIVITIES

- Headshots for All Classified Professionals, Faculty, & Administrators (optional)

Performing Arts & Culinary Center Map



WOODLAND CAMPUS

Bldg. 900 - (1st Floor)



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Campus Connect
September 8, 2026
November 10, 2026
February 9, 2027
March 23, 2027
May 4, 2027

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Welcome Week
August 25-27, 2026

**Spring Professional
Development Days**
January 12-15, 2027

Commencement
May 21, 2027