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The end of the semester is approaching quickly, and we can all help each other finish strong. Instructors, counselors, and peers are here to help! The <u>Learning Centers</u> have tutoring and support services available virtually and in person.

Student Resources

Post-completion success and civic engagement are both highlighted this week. April's in-person job fairs begin this week, with <u>Wednesday's fair</u> in Germantown. More than 40 employers are scheduled to participate. Also on Wednesday, on the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus hosts a training on <u>how to administer Narcan</u> in an emergency. Developing an awareness of the dangers of opioids is a valuable skill—and one that can serve our community.

April is Arab American Heritage Month, and the Library has developed <u>an outstanding guide</u> to finding books, streaming films, and local resources related to Arab American heritage. Another resource for students seeking scholarship support is the <u>Presidential Scholars Program</u>—a program open to students of all backgrounds who demonstrate a commitment to the goal of increasing the representation of African-American males in high-wage, high-demand careers. Applications are open until April 24.

Inclusion by Design Builds Access

MC's Inclusion by Design Summit happens this Friday. Creating a culture of inclusion is everyone's responsibility. As educators, we have a duty to make learning accessible to all students. I hope you will join the event, which offers enriching interactive workshops, rapid insight sessions, and inspirational talks from College faculty. This community-driven platform will also provide time for sharing about how to best foster inclusivity through the design of inclusive digital and physical environments. I am grateful that so many faculty and staff have exhibited such enthusiasm for learning new design practices.

Equity Week is Coming

Equity Week, which starts next Monday, April 15, features activities that explore diversity and deeper experiences of belonging and mattering. I encourage you to engage in these events, which take place across all campuses and online. The announcement of Equity Awards for employees and students will take place on April 17 at the Takoma Park/Silver Spring Campus.

With Raptor Regards,

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