



Office of the
President

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Dear Colleagues,

I am thrilled to share some exciting news with all of you today. After a rigorous and comprehensive process, I am delighted to announce that ***the Board of Governors has officially approved the Cerritos College Dental Hygiene Baccalaureate degree program!*** This monumental achievement is a testament to our collective efforts and unwavering commitment to our students and community.

First and foremost, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the entire campus community for your firm support during this journey. This accomplishment would not have been possible without your dedication, enthusiasm, and belief in the transformative power of education. We have achieved something remarkable, and I am immensely proud of our accomplishments.

I would also like to extend a special and sincere thank you to the Dental Hygiene Faculty for their tireless efforts, expertise, and commitment to the success of our students. Your passion for teaching and continued pursuit of excellence have made this milestone a reality. Big thank you to Diane Loera, Department Chair of our Dental Hygiene program. Diane's vision, leadership, and tireless work have been instrumental in obtaining the approval of the Dental Hygiene Baccalaureate degree program.

With the approval of the Dental Hygiene Baccalaureate degree program, we are opening up new horizons and expanding opportunities for our students in the dental hygiene field. This program will equip our students with advanced knowledge and skills, positioning them for career success and beyond. We are paving the way for a brighter future and ensuring our students have the tools they need to excel in their chosen profession.

As we celebrate this incredible milestone, let us not forget the collective effort and the sense of community that has brought us here. Together, we have demonstrated the power of collaboration, perseverance, and innovation in shaping the future of education at Cerritos College.

Once again, I extend my heartfelt appreciation to every one of you for your invaluable contributions and support.

Looking forward to seeing your proposals for the next round of Baccalaureate degrees,

Thank you,

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