Learning & Wellness

The Healthy U lecture series was introduced this year to offer a variety of professional development opportunities in each of the seven dimensions of wellness. One dimension was highlighted each month, and a variety of lectures were offered over the year by a variety of Fresno State faculty and staff.

Snack Attack: Healthy Snacks that Pack a Punch
Dr. Lisa Herzig

Doing Well and Being Good: The Spirit of Ethics
Dr. Andrew Fiala

Physical Activity: It’s Not Just for Weight Loss
Dr. Mark Baldis

Deeds Not Words
LTC Lorenzo Rios

Introduction to Mindfulness; Developing Decision Making Skills; Building Self-Esteem Through Positive Self-Talk
David Crabtree

Learning to S.M.I.L.E. in the Midst of Challenges; Cultivating Authenticity & Emotional Intelligence
Katie Williamson

Parliamentary Procedure: What is It? Why you need to know it!
Ron Avedisian

Making Friends With Your Emotions
Dr. Christine Edmondson

Is THIS All There Is?
Kathy Johnson

“Thrive Across America.” Fresno State’s first physical activity program that allowed participants to log activity online and updated team standings in real time, launched its first competition September 2014. 155 employees across all divisions participated, and the Division of Student Affairs was awarded the first campus “Wellness Award” for having the greatest number of employee participation. The spring competition of Thrive is currently underway, and the next “Wellness Award” recipient and top performing teams will be announced at this year’s STAR Day.

Thin It to Win It

Thin It to Win It is a unique, 10 week program that began in 2013 in collaboration with Dr. Lisa Herzig. Dr. Herzig and her senior dietetics students lead a comprehensive nutrition course open to all Fresno State employees. In addition to nutrition consulting and meal planning, topics include exercise education, mindfulness, and stress reduction techniques. Participants have reported high satisfaction rates, and through this program, students have received valuable, hands on experience teaching, facilitating, and consulting.

Winner’s Circle

1st
The Happy SHCC Team
Dr. Frank Lamas accepts the “Wellness Award” at the Thrive Across America Celebratory Luncheon in January. The Division of Student Affairs had the most participation in the fall Thrive competition.

2nd
Team Pound Stoppers
Team members from left to right: Ruby Royola, Marianne Hamm, Feilei Lee, Michele Meza, Stephanie Annett, Maria Madrigal, Mohammad Saeed, Dirk Rutauff, Lisa Roberts (sitting)

3rd
Team F.I.T.
Back row from left; Lorrie Westcott, Lori-Ray Rauo, Ann Pylik, Melanie Harble; Front row from left; Anshu Chater, Juanita Aguilar, Teresa Chavez, Kevin Talloza; Not pictured; Gina Tamez

Team members from left to right: Frank Pascoa, Daunette Dryden, Susan Hawksworth, Monica Acosta, Tracy Bessey, Martha Rodriguez, Ramee Camacho, Margie Upton, Katha Brassfield (not pictured)