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## **Dean of Instructional Services Announced**

August 5, 2015

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Tom Voden has been appointed to serve as GCC Dean of Instructional Services effective September 1, 2015, subject to governing board approval.

Tom has 13 years of professional experience in higher education. He has served as a teaching assistant at U.C. San Diego, an adjunct and tenure-track faculty member at San Diego City College, and visiting professor at the University of San Diego. In 2007 Tom came to GCC to serve as a mathematics teacher.

At GCC Tom was the founding co-advisor of the robotics club, was instrumental in the development and fulfillment of a \$6 million Title V grant focused on infusing active and experiential learning opportunities throughout the GCC science, technology, engineering, and mathematics curriculum. He received the ASGCC Mathematics Teacher of the Year Award and was a finalist for the GCC Davitt Award for Outstanding Management Service.

Since 2011, Tom has been Project Director for the GAUSS grant, administering two projects focused on institutional development goals. In that role he has worked with nine instructional divisions, student services and administrative departments in instructional design, curriculum development, facilities development, institutional evaluation, class scheduling, faculty hiring and development, and use of instructional technology.

The son of working-class immigrants, Tom started his education speaking Polish and Bulgarian but not English. He married his "high-school sweetheart" who spent her childhood years in Mexico and Tom has learned Spanish as he engages with his extended Mexican family.

Tom has earned his Ph.D., C. Phil. and M.A. degrees in Mathematics from U.C. San Diego and his B.S. in Mathematics from U.C. Riverside.

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