Colleagues,

I am pleased to announce that Dr. Nicola Richmond is the College’s new Assistant Vice Chancellor of Planning and Institutional Research.

The creation of the AVC position is a reflection of increased importance that data-informed, evidence-based decision will have at the College. As is true throughout higher education, PCC is challenged at the federal and state levels to provide empirical evidence that we are performing in a way that produces tangible benefits to students and the community. A key expectation of the PIR position is to provide user-friendly data sources in support of the assessment of student learning outcomes, enrollment management and strategic planning. The Assistant Vice Chancellor of PIR will report to the Provost.

Nic’s professional accomplishments are wide-ranging. Nic began her career at the College in February 2008 as a research project manager in PIR. She quickly rose through the ranks, becoming the department’s Executive Director later that same year. Since August 2012, Nic has served as Academic Dean of Business, Occupational and Programs at our Downtown Campus.

Her 13-year career in higher education includes working as a post-doctoral researcher at the University of Arizona’s Lunar and Planetary Laboratory and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography. Nic holds a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the Department of Earth Sciences at University College London.

Nic’s appointment is subject to Board approval. Please join me in congratulating Nic on her new position.

Lee D. Lambert
Chancellor