

# September Newsletter

At SEEA, we are dedicated to creating a welcoming environment that acknowledges and celebrates our student body's diversity. We believe that by embracing our multifaceted experiences, we can foster a more inclusive and supportive community. Our commitment to diversity is not just a statement but a lived reality that we uphold through our student access and success initiatives, student success programs, and holistic student support services.

SEEA supports students through mentoring, student access, success coaching, and various workshops. It is proudly located in STC 101 on the Taylorsville Redwood campus. This vibrant and dynamic location is not just a physical space but a part of our identity and a place where our community comes together to learn and grow.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Latinx Heritage Month  
Staff highlight  
Student Leadership Highlight  
Book Signing Dr. Kamal Bewar  
Event Calendar

## WHAT'S HAPPENING FALL SEMESTER

We are excited about the upcoming Latinx Heritage Celebration as we enter the fall semester.

We are thrilled about the planned activities and cannot wait for you to participate in these celebrations!

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### Student Engagement, Experience, and Achievement

Taylorsville Redwood Campus | Student Center 1st Floor Room 101V  
4600 Redwood Road

### Gender & Sexuality Student Resource Center

South City Campus, 1575 South State Street | SCM 1-140 |

### SLCC Dream Center

The Dream Center is a part of [Student Engagement, Experience, and Achievement \(SEEA\)](#).

# Latinx Heritage Celebration

2024 Latinx Heritage Celebration!

These events, led by your fellow students, are a testament to the vibrant and diverse Latinx community at SLCC. This celebration promotes unity and understanding among all students, fostering an inclusive and welcoming environment. We encourage everyone to participate, join the festivities, and engage in a rich learning experience as we all learn from one another.

SEP. 27 | 11 AM - 2 PM

UNIDAD Y DIVERDAD:

A Celebration of Cultural Exchange In STEM

Taylorsville Redwood Campus Student Center

Engaging in presentations, activities, and social media content that highlight various cultural backgrounds within the Latinx community can help you gain a deeper understanding and appreciation of these backgrounds, particularly in the context of STEM.

**UNIDAD Y DIVERSIDAD:  
A CELEBRATION OF  
CULTURAL EXCHANGE IN STEM**

**HOSTED BY:**  
SOCIETY OF HISPANIC  
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS (SHPE)  
&  
HISPANIC-SERVING  
INSTITUTION (HSI) INITIATIVES

**CULTURAL DEMONSTRATIONS**

- Diverse STEM Student Presentations
- Latinx STEM Panelists
- Latinx Lunch & Learn

**FOOD & SOCIAL HOUR**

- Traditional Latinx Appetizers, Dishes, Drinks, & Desserts
- Cultural Games

**WHEN & WHERE?**  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27  
11 AM - 2 PM  
Taylorsville Redwood Campus  
Student Event Center

**SLCC** Hispanic Serving Institution Initiatives

**SOCIETY OF HISPANIC PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS**

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# Professional Staff Highlight

## DR.Kamal Bewar

Dr. Kamal Bewar has dedicated almost a decade of service to Salt Lake Community College. Over the past seven years, he has contributed his expertise to the Seea Office. He previously served as an advisor for the financial aid office before transitioning to a role in the student engagement experience achievement office. His commitment to student success led him to a year-long term as an intern director at the stem center. Dr. Kamal's passion for empowering students is evident in his advisory roles for Global Connections and Kurdish Student Leadership clubs, where he provides invaluable support and guidance. Interacting with and assisting students has been the most fulfilling aspect of his career, and he looks forward to continuing to make a positive impact.



# Highlight Student Leadership

## Fernando Rodriguez Camarena

Fernando Rodriguez Camarena is considering switching his major from business to education with a minor in archaeology. He aims to establish a Latino-based charter school in Glendale, Rose Park, or West Valley to better educate children about the diversity of life, including Indigenous, African, and European perspectives. He believes it is crucial to acknowledge the presence of Asian Latinos. One of the challenges is securing funding due to the need for jobs. He has experience working as a peer mentor in SEEA and completed a work-study for 100 hours. HE started as a peer mentor in April and continued in that role. He enjoyed his time at SEEA and was inspired by the community's diversity, drive, courage, and determination. His time at SEEA has been a journey of learning about various cultural values, religious beliefs, and human life. It has been an enriching experience.

He also participates in Winter Rex activities with friends. He is the president of Nisu. I work with our part of the club and serve as a peer mentor with Winter Rex. It is essential to come here and explore, as the more you learn, the more included you feel, and the more you can include yourself. I have found the college incredibly diverse, with students from various religious and cultural backgrounds. I have friends from all walks of life and feel a sense of belonging and love in this space. It is essential for everyone to feel included and to share their thoughts and experiences. No one should be judged based on religion, color, culture, or status in this space. This is a place where everyone is welcome. I am Mexican and come from a family of immigrants. He is a first-generation Mexican, and English is his second language. He follows my indigenous religion and brings all that here, feeling a sense of belonging and love.



# Memorial for Adam

Adam Ibrahim, a remarkable colleague, worker, supporter, friend, and helper, consistently delivered outstanding performance. Our team genuinely valued him, and his absence will undoubtedly be felt. We sincerely appreciated Adam's contributions; his positive impact and influence will be greatly missed.

His strong leadership, collaboration with Dr. Kamal Bewar, and genuine concern for everyone's well-being made him exceptional. His loss is deeply felt as we mourn a colleague, dear friend, and extraordinary human being.



*A celebration of life*

**Adam Abdalrasul Ali Ibrahim**

نوعجار هويلا اناو هللا يلا انا Inna lillahi wa inna ilayhi raji'un



*We belong to Allah, and we will return to Him.*

**September 19, 2024**

**12:00PM to 1:30PM**

Location:

Taylorville Redwood Campus,  
Student Center, Oak Room.

# Meet the Author

## Perfect Dream

A Kurdish boy's life in his peaceful village in Kurdistan, Iraq, starkly contrasts the following disruptions. His small village with a large family in their two-room mud brick home is a haven of happiness and peace. He experiences all the joys, triumphs, and activities of a young boy growing up in the country, complete with sheep, dogs, family farming, and broken bicycles. However, the systematic disruptions of military raids, the deaths of loved ones, economic government oppression, and violent prejudice against his people leave an indelible mark on his life.

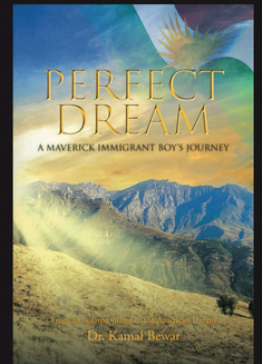
**Book Signing Event-**  
**September 25, 2024, 11:30 to 1:00 Pm**  
**At the Student Event Center**

### MEET THE AUTHOR

Join Kamal Bewar as he discusses his newly released autobiography

## "PERFECT DREAM"

*A Maverick Immigrant Boy's Journey from an Isolated Village to the American Dream is an Inspiring Memoir.*



Book Signing Event

**September 25, 2024 • 11:30 to 1:00 pm**

At Student Event Center

Taylorsville Redwood Campus

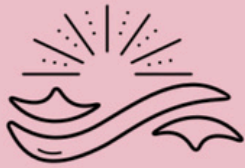
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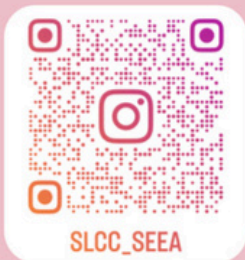
PRESENTS

# Meet & Greet



**Everyone Invited!  
Come meet SEEA's  
staff and student  
leaders.**

**FREE FOOD AND SWAG**



**Date: Monday, September 30th  
Time: 1:00PM-3:00PM**

**Taylorsville Redwood Campus  
Student Center Room 101.**



*Individuals who require ADA accommodation contact  
the ADS Office at (801) 957-4659 or Alisi Niupalau at  
(801) 957-4559 09.04.24*



# Event Calendar

Global Connections +Kurdish Student Leadership	September 16-12:00 P.m
Asian Student Association	September 16-2:00 p.m.
Muslim Student Association (MSA)	September 18- 2:10P.m
A celebration of life Memorial -Adam	September 19- 11:00 P.m
Black Student Union (BSU)	September 19-12:00 P.m
Native Indigenous Student Union	September 19- 1:00 P.m
LATINX'S UNITED FOR CHANGE AND ACTIVISM	September 19-2:30 P.m
Global Connections + Kurdish Student Leadership	September 23-12:00 P.m
Asian Student Association	September 23-2:00 P.m
Meet The Author "PERFECT DREAM"	September 25-11:30 P.m
Muslim Student Association(MSA)	September 25 - 2:10 P.m
Black Student Association (BSU)	September 26 - 12:00 P.m
Native Indigenous Student Union	September 26-1:00 P.m
LATINX'S UNITED FOR CHANGE AND ACTIVISM	September 26- 2:30 P.m
UNIDAD Y Diversidad	September 27 - 11:00 A.m
Global Connections+Kurdish Student Leadership	September 30 - 12:00 P.m
Meet&Greet	September 30- 1:00 P.m
Asian Student Association	September 30 - 2:00 P.m

Stay Tuned for Upcoming Events