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Chancellor's

MONTHLY REPORT
APRIL 2023

Dear LACCD Colleagues,

I hope this message finds you well as we begin the second half of the spring semester.

We are eagerly awaiting the formal outcome of our nine college and District accreditation review. Initial reports are very positive and I want to again recognize this tremendous effort by all of the colleges and District staff to ensure quality assurance in meeting accreditation standards. The Accrediting Commission will consider granting a 7-year accreditation for each of our colleges at its June 2023 meeting.



You are invited to join us at these exciting in-person programs celebrations:

- On Friday, April 21, the District will sponsor a **Dream Center Forum** at Los Angeles Mission College. This all-nine college event by our Dream Resource Centers is an opportunity to improve services and increase student success for our undocumented, Dreamer and DACA students throughout the District.
- April 24 – 28, LACCD is sponsoring the **California Community Colleges Black Student Success Week** that focuses on best practices to advance the success of Black students: <https://linktr.ee/cablackstudents>
- **Lavender Graduation Celebration** will be held at LATTTC, Thursday, May 25, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- **Asian Pacific Islander and Desi American (APIDA) Graduation Celebration** will be held at LACC Saturday, May 27, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- **Black Graduation Celebration** will be held at First AME Church on Thursday, June 1, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
- **Mi Gente Graduation Celebration** will be held at LATTC Saturday, June 3, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

We hope you can make it to some of the upcoming events to advance our equity agenda.

Thank you for all you do to support the success of our students,



Francisco C. Rodriguez, Ph.D.
Chancellor
Los Angeles Community College District



Philanthropy Summit – Register Now!

Registration is now open for the [LACCD Philanthropy Summit](#), to be held on April 27th from 9:30am-2:00pm at LA City College.

Registration closes April 14th.

This special event is designed as a day of learning, collaboration, and celebration for the foundations of LACCD and their college and community partners. Attendees will have the chance to hear from LACCD leadership, engage with major funders, select breakout sessions

that align with their interests, and learn directly from students about how we can best support their dreams and success.

[Click here for more information and to RSVP](#)



Congratulations



Congratulations to LA Harbor College faculty, Adrienne Brown, on your appointment by Governor Gavin Newsom to the California Community Colleges Board of Governors!



Congratulations to ELAC's Kenneth Chaiprasert for winning the California Community Colleges Board of Governors' Gerald C. Hayward Award for Excellence in Education!

Upcoming Events



LAMC to Host Dream Resource Forum

Join us on Friday, April 21st, at Los Angeles Mission College as we host the



inaugural Dream Center Forum. This forum will be an opportunity to improve services, increase student success, and advance equity through our individual college Dream Resource Centers.

Faculty and staff from all colleges are invited to attend, visit drcforum23.eventbrite.com and RSVP today!

The 2023 Black Student Success Week is scheduled for April 24-28, 2023. This year's theme is "Vision to Action: Building Systems and Structures for Black Student Success." The 2023 Black Student Success Week will focus on successful approaches to ensure Black and African American students succeed at California Community Colleges.

<https://linktr.ee/cablackstudents>

Lavender Graduation Celebration
Thursday, May 25, 2023 at 4 pm - 6 pm
Culinary Arts Event Space at
Los Angeles Trade Tech College

ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER DESI AMERICAN Graduation Celebration
Saturday, May 27, 2023 11am - 2pm
Los Angeles City College

Black Graduation Celebration
Thursday, June 1, 2023 2 pm - 4 pm
First AME Church of Los Angeles

Mi Gente Graduation Celebration
Saturday, June 3, 2023 10 am - 1 pm
Los Angeles Trade-Technical College

Cultural Graduation celebrations

Lavender Graduation Celebration
[more information](#)

Asian Pacific Islander Desi American Graduation Celebration
[more information](#)

Black Graduation Celebration
[more information](#)

Mi Gente Graduation Celebration
[more information](#)



Wednesday, April 12th – Representatives from LACCD including ELAC President Alberto Roman and Legislative and Governmental Affairs Officer Maria Luisa Veloz traveled to the State Capitol in Sacramento to testify before the Senate Education Committee in support of the District sponsored SB 715 to establish the LACCD Small Business and Entrepreneurship Center at East LA College (ELAC).

Thursday, April 13th – LACCD and LA Pierce College will hold a joint Press Conference with Representative Brad Sherman (D-CA-32) to announce the \$2 million Community Project Funding grant for Los Angeles Pierce College (LAPC) sponsored by Rep. Sherman and included in the Federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023. LACCD leadership will be represented by

Board President Vela, Chancellor Rodriguez, and LAPC President Aguiar. The funds will support the creation of a Baccalaureate Degree Program in Biomanufacturing, as well as certificate programs in the field.

Saturday, April 22nd – At West LA College (WLAC), LACCD leadership including Board President Vela, Chancellor Rodriguez, and WLAC President Limbaugh will co-host a Press Conference along with Assemblymember Isaac Bryan (D-CA-55) to announce the establishment of the LACCD California Center for Climate Change Education, a first-of-its-kind, forward-looking resource that will expand the climate studies degrees available to community college students but will also focus on developing workforce certificates in green technology, clean energy, and climate technology industries, and prepare students for good-paying, fulfilling careers.





LACCD Enrollment Update

Spring 2023 TO Spring 2022 COMPARISONS

DAY 63 - RELATIVE TO THE BEGINNING OF INSTRUCTION

Relative Day Comparisons for Day 63, comparing Spring 2023 (Monday, April 10, 2023) to Spring 2022 (Monday, April 11, 2022).
Data source: LACCD PS Student Information System.

HEADCOUNT
106,416
110%
96,545

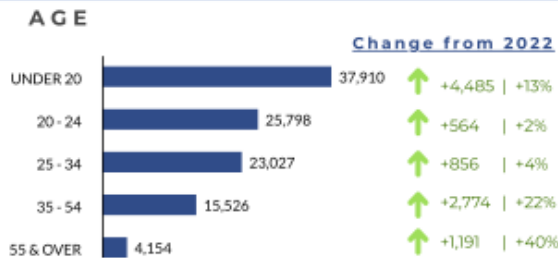
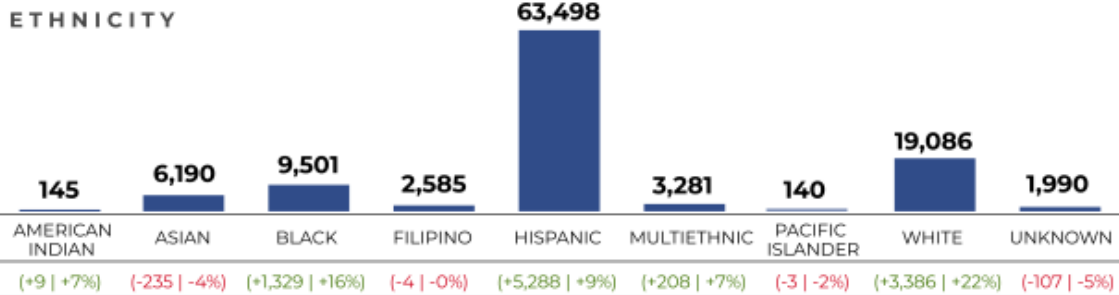
ENROLLMENT
221,714
115%
192,591

SECTION COUNT
9,691
102%
9,495

ENROLLMENT DIVIDED BY SECTION
22.9
113%
20.3

GENDER Spring 2023 Change from 2022

FEMALE	56,536	↑ +3,145 +6%
MALE	44,833	↑ +5,862 +15%
NON-BINARY	755	↑ +315 N/A
UNKNOWN	1,292	↑ +549 N/A



ENROLLMENT STATUS Spring 2023 Change from 2022

FIRST-TIME	6,343	↑ +2,104 +50%
TRANSFER	8,407	↑ +3,293 +64%
RETURNING	6,077	↑ +1,382 +29%
CONTINUING	70,461	↑ +3,227 +5%
CONCURRENT HIGH SCHOOL	14,910	↑ +1,523 +11%
CONCURRENT ADULT SCHOOL	148	↓ -13 NA%

CLASS MODALITY & FILL RATE

CLASS MODALITY:	51% Remote	7% Hybrid	42% In-Person
FILL RATE:	79%	68%	65%

SOURCE: LACCD Office of Institutional Effectiveness

[More information](#)





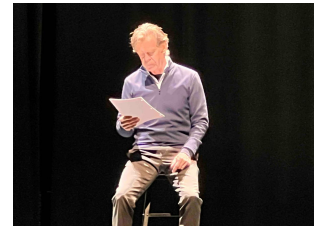
LACC in the news



on Tuesday, March 28, a story on LACC's Cubby's Closet ran on Spectrum News at 6:20am in the morning and throughout the day. Additionally, local CBS morning news ran live cut away segments on Cubby's Closet Wednesday, March 29 at 7:20am, 8:20am, 9:20am and 10:20am.

LACC's special guest William H. Macy

William H. Macy, two-time Emmy Award winning actor, was LACC's special guest on March 15 for a panel discussion and Q & A.



Special discussion and Q & A with Dr. Helen Benjamin

LACC hosted a special discussion and Q & A with Dr. Helen Benjamin, author of "How We Got Over: Growing Up in the Segregated South." In 2019, the American Association of Community Colleges honored her with its Leadership Award to recognize her contributions to the community college field.

Districtwide Annual Women's History Month Afternoon Tea

LACC hosted the districtwide Annual Women's History Month Afternoon Tea on Wednesday, March 29 from 2 to 4pm. The theme was "Women Who Tell Our Stories." The four LACCD Trustees who are women joined us as special keynote speakers.





Three ELAC Honors Students Present at Research Conference

Three East Los Angeles College (ELAC) Honors students presented at the 23rd annual University of California Irvine (UCI) Community College Honors Research Conference on March 26th. These students applied last fall with their research projects and were selected from a highly competitive pool of applicants.

Ruby Pichardo, Kaitlyn Garcia, and Perla Valencia all were mentored by the ELAC Chicano/a Studies

Department professor Dr. Nadine Bermudez and each wrote research projects on various subjects.

Ruby's research project was titled "Breaking the System: Tattoos as a Representation of Identity and Resistance" and centered around how tattoos are used to break cultural and social norms with Chicano youth. Pichardo will be transferring with her AA in Administration of Justice this June and is also a semi-finalist for the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.

Kaitlyn's research project was titled "The Pursuits of Mexican Immigrant Children: The Development of First-Generation Children in the U.S." and explores the challenges Mexican immigrant children face while living in the U.S. and the impact on their mental health. Garcia was drawn to this topic from personal experience as she is a first-generation Mexican American.

Perla's research project was titled "Community Engagement & Belonging: A Minority Within Minorities" and it examined how many students who are Latino/a but not Mexican can feel excluded at ELAC. She was inspired by her Chicano/a Studies class which helped her to want to explore how Latinos/as feel about their place in education.

ELAC Professor Earns California Community Colleges' Award

East Los Angeles College's (ELAC) full-time political science professor and director of the pathway to law program Kenneth Chaiprasert was one of four community college faculty members in the state of California to earn the California Community Colleges' Gerald C. Hayward Award for Excellence in Education.

Professor Chaiprasert was selected for his work with pre-law students at ELAC. In his class, his students discover their strengths from their diversity and use pedagogical strategies to harness the power of their unique backgrounds. "I tell my students that everything about them – whether they are undocumented, have a physical disability, or were formerly incarcerated – are the

strengths that will help them become the awesome champions for immigrants, the disabled/differently-abled, and system-impacted communities,” said Chairprasert.



Upcoming Events

EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE INTERNATIONAL CLUB, BURMESE CLUB, AND ASSOCIATED STUDENT UNION PRESENT

2023 BURMESE WATER FESTIVAL

Thursday 4/13/23
11am - 1pm
E3/E7 Quad Area

Come join the festivities of the Thingyan - The Burmese Water Festival - an ancient tradition centered on the Burmese calendar and new year. The traditions center around water which cleanses "sins" of the past.

11am
 Tradition/culture booths, coffee, water games, prizes
 Thauka - native tree bark made into body paste for blessings
 Burmese language translation - have your name in Burmese
 Photo Zone - traditional Burmese outfit in wooden cut-out

12pm
 Traditional Burmese dance and instruction

12:30pm
 Traditional Burmese food for students

EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE

ELAC Burmese Water Festival

April 13, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., E3/E7 Quad

Come join the festivities of the Thingyan - The Burmese Water Festival - an ancient tradition centered on the Burmese calendar and new year. The traditions center around water which cleanses “sins” of the past. Sponsored by the ELAC International Club, Burmese Club, and Associated Student Union.

BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!!! OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC

Saturday Night, April 15, 2023 @ 7pm

BENEFIT FOR THE ARTS CONCERT

Classic Rock Revival featuring

The Random 1s

The Random 1s Tribute Band performs the One-Hit-Wonders of the '60s, '70s, and '80s

East Los Angeles College
 Performing Arts Theater
 S2 Recital Hall
 1301 Avenida Cesar Chavez
 Monterey Park, Ca 91754
 ELAC Foundation/ELAC Alumni Association
 91103 - Tel: 62-692-6000/223

Oldies But Goodies Benefit for the Arts Concert – April 15, 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., S2 Recital Hall

The ELAC Foundation in partnership with the President's Office are hosting a benefit for the arts concert on Saturday, April 15 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Come and enjoy the songs that were one hit wonders for many bands you won't remember from the 60s and 70s. But you'll recognize the songs!

Experience the excitement of the one hit wonders band, “The Random 1s Tribute Band”, as they pay homage to the bands and their music.

TICKET PRICES:

1. Premium Seats - \$50 each (first 3 rows)
 - Ticket includes beverages at Pre-concert Reception.
 - Pre-concert Reception will be held from 6:00 PM to 6:45PM.

- Must show ID to be served wine.
- 2. Preferred Seats - \$40 each (front section)
- 3. General Seats - \$30 each (back section)

NOTE: Not a bad seat in the house – see venue map below!

[Reserve Your Tickets Here!](#)



Men's Basketball has won the Conference Title for the CCCAA South Coast

Harbor Athletics – Seahawks Soar to New Heights

The Men's Basketball team has won the Conference Title for the CCCAA South Coast Conference. The final game was one for the books--Seahawks fans packed the stands with Blue and Gold in support of their team and cheered till the very end, in overtime to be exact. Though they lost to the Huskies, the final score of 99-91 shows that the team put up an impressive fight and played their hearts out until the very end. With two all-state players, Louis Walker and Demetrius Douglas (also the SCC MVP), the Men's Basketball team has shown that they are a force to be reckoned with and will undoubtedly continue to achieve academic and athletic success. [Coach Tony Carter-Loza](#) was recognized as the SCC Coach of the Year.

In addition to winning the Conference Title, the Athletic department continues to make great strides in the Harbor community. Julissa Mercado, a dual athlete in soccer and cross country, made it to the State Championship for Cross Country. The Women's Basketball team also had an all-state player, Jada Turner, who scored over 1000 points this year and broke the school

record of points scored per game with an average of 29.9. Harbor had 10 All SCC 1st team Athletes and 8 All SCC 2nd team athletes for the soccer and basketball teams.

Along with its athletic achievements, Harbor athletes remained studious and dedicated to their academic careers. Coach Art Caballero and the Team have been recognized by the Coaching Association with the Merit Awards for attitude and sportsmanship through the season. The Baseball and Cross Country teams tied for the highest team GPA with a 3.2 GPA. In total, the athletic programs had 45 scholar-athletes that earned over a 3.5 and 15 with a 4.0 GPA.

Harbor Welcomes two new coaches, Sean Zuvich for Women's Volleyball and Jose Hernandez for Men's Soccer.

Harbor Black Faculty and Staff Receive Recognition

The Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) Black Faculty and Staff Association (BFSA) held an awards and recognition ceremony in which three members of the Harbor family were recognized for their leadership and activism. Faculty members Florence Yates and Byron Smith were recognized with the Community GrassRoots Leadership Award for “being individuals on the frontline, leading the vital work of addressing racial equity, disparities in the community, and social justice where they may live, work or represent”. Dean Dawn Reid achieved the Dedicated Leadership Award which was awarded for “exhibiting excellent communication skills, enthusiasm, problem-solving skills, and innovation. They are deemed inspirational visionaries, with the ability to inspire administration, faculty, staff, students, and the community at large.”



Harbor Continues to GIVE

PRESENTED BY THE MASLOW BASIC NEEDS CENTER

DON'T MISS IT!

CALFRESH & WIC ENROLLMENT

STUDENT UNION 1ST FLOOR

Speak with a representative to learn how to apply!

CalFresh: 3/15 @ 10AM-2PM
WIC: 3/16 @ 10AM-2PM

MASLOW'S BOUTIQUE

Open

COME BY AND CHECK OUT THE WARDROBE

Men, women, children clothing of all sizes
Toiletries
Baby items

Current students only ** Student ID Required

Located in Tech 212
Mon & Wed
10:00am - 4:00pm

Contact us:
310-233-4057
basicneeds@laccd.edu

Harbor College's commitment to helping its students extends beyond the classroom. The college has continued its programs to assist students with CalFresh and WIC Enrollment, providing valuable resources to those who need them. Additionally, [the Basic Needs Center](#) has opened "Maslow's Boutique," which offers free clothing and toiletries to students. Additionally, the Concession Stand has also been transformed into a Food Distribution Point, providing students with access to sustenance on campus. This initiative ensures that no student goes hungry while at school, alleviating food insecurity and helping students focus on their studies.

Veteran's Hold Resource Fair

[Harbor College's Veteran's Resource Center](#) (VRC) recently held their annual resource fair, providing students with an opportunity to connect with valuable resources both on and off-campus. The event was organized by VRC Director Jessica Cruz and her team, who continually work to ensure that students have access to Harbor's many resources. The fair provided students with the opportunity to learn about everything from academic support and financial aid to mental health services and job opportunities. The VRC continues to demonstrate an unwavering dedication to supporting its veteran students by organizing events that bring the Harbor community together in support of our vets.

Click [HERE](#) for additional Information



LAMC Secures \$5 Million in Combined Funding for STEM

Los Angeles Mission College has recently secured \$5 Million through three different funding sources to support underrepresented students in STEM.

The funding resources include:

- \$1.6 million to increase educational and economic opportunities for people in underrepresented communities through the U.S. Department of Labor's Strengthening Community Colleges Training Grant
- \$2 million to enhance student equity in Allied Health and to support three career pathways in Life Sciences, sponsored by Rep. Tony Cardenas
- \$1.4 million to increase student diversity and achievement in STEM through the Mathematics, Engineering, Science, Achievement (MESA) Program

Dream Resource Forum



LAMC to Host Dream Resource Forum

Join us on Friday, April 21st, at Los Angeles Mission College as we host the inaugural Dream Center Forum. This forum will be an opportunity to improve services, increase student success, and advance equity through our individual college Dream Resource Centers.

Faculty and staff from all colleges are invited to attend, visit drcforum23.eventbrite.com and RSVP today!

LAMC Job Fair Sponsored by Monica Rodriguez

In partnership with L.A. City Councilwoman Monica Rodriguez, Los Angeles Mission College hosted a job fair on March 23. Approximately 46 public and private employers tabled the event, and over 500 students and community members were in attendance to discuss job & career opportunities.



San Fernando Food & Wine Festival

Tickets are on sale for the return of the San Fernando Food & Wine Festival! Join us on April 29th as we embark on a culinary journey through the Los Angeles street food scene, prepared by chefs and students from our award-winning Culinary Arts Institute.

General Admission tickets are available for \$99, all event proceeds will go towards the Los Angeles Mission College Foundation and much-needed student scholarships. Visit sfvfw23.eventbrite.com and purchase your tickets today!





Supporting LAPC's Jack Kent Cooke Scholar



Nelson Solares (pictured in center giving peace sign) is surrounded by Pierce faculty, staff and administrators who helped him achieve the goal of reaching the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship semifinals, among other goals, on March 20, 2023.

LAPC Jack Kent Cooke Semifinalist: "I Stood on the Shoulders of the Greats Who Came Before Me"

It was standing room only on March 20 for student **Nelson Solares** (pictured in center giving peace sign), who thanked two dozen Pierce professors and staffers, each of whom helped him achieve the semifinals of the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.

"I needed all of you at Pierce to get here," said the veteran, Umoja and Alpha Gamma Sigma Honor Society member, who plans to major in Interdisciplinary Sociology and Business. "My goal was just to transfer. Thanks to all of you, I found out there is more to choose from."

Solares particularly recognized **Umoja Counselor Dr. Kalynda McLean**, saying "I wanted to go from point A to B. Dr. McLean provided the rest of the alphabet."

Professor of Sociology Dr. James McKeever's class helped Solares develop "sociological imagination." **Professor of Art Constance Kocs** said she considers him Pierce College's resident art philosopher.

Professor of Economics Dr. Kaycea Campbell told Solares that back in the Zoom days, “You knew every student’s name. You connected the students. That energy, and the heart and soul you are developing, embody who you are.”



Fierce Pierce Impresses Accreditation Visiting Team With Spirit--and No Core Inquiries

We are pleased to report that LAPC is the first college in the State of California to receive no Core Inquiries, which means no formal recommendations for improvement. The Visiting Team was impressed with our Brahma spirit.

Our Accreditation site visit on Feb. 27 was the culminating event in our accreditation process, and it highlighted all the amazing efforts of our Fierce Pierce Community. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our success.



Grand Opening of Multicultural Center a Festive Affair

Pierce College has created a welcoming space for our diverse students and all cultures in the new Multicultural Center, which celebrated its Grand Opening Feb. 28 with a speech from Chancellor Francisco Rodriguez to a gathering of about fifty people. The group enjoyed a tour, refreshments and camaraderie in a place promoting togetherness for all.

Center Coordinator Tatevik Melkumyan said this space will “give voices to marginalized students and groups on campus and promote intercultural learning.” The Center is planning celebrations for Women’s History Month, Transgender Day of Visibility, and the Persian New Year, plus a collaboration between the Center and Brahma Bodega food pantry.

The Multicultural Center is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Fridays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Diversity Committee Creates Multifaceted Multicultural Day

Our Diversity Committee has collaborated widely to create a full day of experiences celebrating the diversity of culture, gender, and society in the Pierce College community and to foster a more inclusive and equitable campus.

Pierce College’s 3rd Multicultural Day will run all day on Thursday, April 20, starting with 10-12 morning workshops such as Writing Literature for Marginalized Creators, the Equal Rights Amendment, and housing insecurity, and student panels.

The keynote speech is by Xiuhtezcatl Martinez, a hip-hop musician and environmental activist in his 20s who has addressed the United Nations Climate Change conference while he was still a teenager.

Lunch will be followed musical entertainment and a screening of the French film, Gagarine. Contact Michael Habata, habatamh@piercecollege.edu.



Helping Each Other Survive a Major Disaster With CERT Training

“95 percent of all rescues during a true emergency are handled by citizens,” said L.A. Fire Department training instructor Ted Debs.

Within five minutes of a disaster, all official services will have been deployed to the most damaged areas, and we will be left on our own.

The key priority of CERT—Community Emergency Response Team—training is to lessen the impact of a disaster by spreading basic first aid and survival training widely to citizens so they can help themselves, their families and neighborhoods survive a large disaster.

About fifty Pierce employees, mainly classified staff and administrators, signed up for CERT training taught by L.A. firefighters over the course of seven weeks at Pierce. The training addressed the types of emergencies we might face—earthquakes, fires, floods, explosions, terrorist attacks—and the preparations to make and actions to take. Visit <https://www.cert-la.com>.



Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Spring 2023 Series



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One-hour presentations focused on the unique needs of our student populations. Workshops are intended to raise awareness of the many campus programs available for students at LASC.

REGISTER BY CLICKING THE DATE EVENT YOU WANT TO ATTEND

March 15 @ 12noon - EOP&S
March 29 @ 12noon - UMOJA
April 12th @ 12noon - TRIO STEM
April 19 @ 1:00pm - Gateways Housing
April 26 @ 11am - NextUp/Guardian Scholars
May 3 @ 12 Noon - Dream Resource Ctr.

The following information will be shared:

- Information about the specific student populations and their unique characteristics and/or needs
- Program resources for the student population highlighted
- Suggested strategies and actions that can be helpful to the highlighted population
- Suggestions for implementing strategies/techniques for increased student success

EQUITY
DIVERSITY
INCLUSION

For more information about the Spring DEI Series, contact Stephanie Burrus (burrusd@lasc.edu).

From March 15 through May 3, the LASC Professional Growth Committee will host a series of six workshops focused on the unique needs of the LASC student population. Workshops are intended to raise awareness of the many campus programs available for students at LASC. These programs include; EOP&S, UMOJA, TRIO STEM, Gateways Housing, NextUp/Guardian Scholars, and Dream Resource Center. Workshops will cover: 1) Information about the specific student population and their unique characteristics and needs, 2) Program resources for the student population, 3) Suggested strategies and actions that can be helpful, and 4) Suggestions for implementing strategies and techniques for increased student success.

“I See You” Women’s History Month Event

On March 23, 2023, LASC hosted an event to celebrate Women’s history month. All staff was invited to come and hear the stories and honor the sacrifices of phenomenal women who have made history. A legendary example is Odessa B. Cox, the principal founder of LASC, “It feels so good to see the things we have fought for so many years finally coming to pass.” It promises to be a memorable “cougar conversation”.



The
“I SEE YOU”:
Women’s History
Month
Luncheon

Come and hear the stories and honor the sacrifices of phenomenal Women that have made History. Join us for a memorable “Cougar Conversation”!

Little Theatre
(Lunch served immediately following the HSTP)

Thursday, March 23, 2023
12:45pm



It is hard to find a seat for this event. Register today for the limited seats!



MARCH 24, 2023 - 10:00-11:20am

SUPPORTING STUDENTS IN TRANSITION

Guest Presenter: Dr. Keisha Paxton
Professor of Psychology & Senior Faculty Strategist for the Office of Undergraduate Studies, and director of the First Year Seminar program at California State University, Dominguez Hills.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION
Southwest College students manage multiple demands as they pursue their education. This workshop will provide information to help understand the busy adult student transitioning to community college.

REGISTER TODAY!



LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE
www.lasc.edu

Supporting Students in Transition

On March 24, 2023, LASC hosted a workshop titled “Supporting Students in Transition”. Guest presenter Dr. Keisha Paxton was a professor of Psychology and senior faculty strategist for the Office of Undergraduate Studies, and director of the First Year Seminar program at California State University, Dominguez Hills. This workshop provided information to help faculty understand the busy LASC adult student transitioning to community college.





LATTC Hosts High School Counselor Day on March 3

On Friday, March 3, Trade-Tech welcomed 250 high school counselors from LAUSD and surrounding high school districts to its 2023 Counselor Day. Each year, Trade-Tech enrolls thousands of incoming freshmen, and the college is committed to providing its high school partners with support as the enrollment cycle begins.

Counselor Day informs partners of Trade-Tech's enrollment process, showcases pathways and educational programs, and builds awareness of student support services and how students can opt in.



LATTC Welcomes the U.S. Department of Labor for Garment Worker Survey Event

On Wednesday, March 22, LATTC was pleased to welcome the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) to its campus as they discussed the results of their latest garment worker survey findings. Guest speakers included Jessica Looman, DOL Principal Deputy Administrator; Marc Pilotin, DOL Regional Solicitor; Marissa Nuncio, Director of the Garment Worker Center; and guests and garment workers, Santiago Puac and Minerva Sandoval.

LATTC President Kathleen Burke welcomed the morning's attendees, followed by the program's speakers, who underscored the importance of enforcing federal labor laws and promoting compliance in order to protect California's workforce, specifically across the garment industry.

Some of Trade-Tech's fashion and design students were able to join the program. As the future of the industry, students were encouraged by DOL representatives to be a positive influence on the industry from within.



LATTC Hosts Districtwide 2023 Counselor Retreat

On Wednesday, March 22, 250 counselors, graduation evaluators, and administrators from throughout the District were in attendance at the 2023 Counselor Retreat. The topics under discussion included degree audit validation and status reports, understanding and producing the People Soft advisement report, and new districtwide software projects.

It was a productive day together as counselors continue in the semester and gear up for the start of second session.

Upcoming Events

Spring Roll-In to Enroll Days are coming April 10 and 11

Spring semester is underway, but it's not too late for students to enroll in classes! Trade-Tech hosts Roll-In to Enroll events on Monday, April 10 and Tuesday, April 11 from 9 am–1 pm.

Students can learn about academic programs, meet with a counselor, enroll in classes, learn about financial aid options, explore student services, and even get tech assistance with password resets.

[Registration is available online](#)



LATTC Hosts the 3rd Annual Culinary Cup Competition on May 12!



Trade-Tech is thrilled to host the District's 3rd annual Culinary Cup on Friday, May 12, 2023! The full-day event will present an exciting culinary competition featuring chef instructors and culinary students from Trade-Tech, LA Harbor College, and LA Mission College. Now in its third year, with Harbor hosting the first competition and Mission hosting

the competition last year, Trade-Tech is pleased to welcome the event to our campus for the first time.

This year's competition will take inspiration from the flavors of Southeast Asia. In addition to the day's competition, guests will enjoy guided tours, cooking and baking demonstrations, a special Southeast Asian lunch prepared by Culinary Art students, and a seat at the awards ceremony where the winning team will receive the Golden Chef's Hat trophy.

Tickets are now available, visit the [event page online](#) for more information. We hope to see you there, supporting our District's Culinary Arts students!



LAVC Opens Monarch's Market to Helps Students in Need

The LAVC Basic Needs Center kicks off the launch of its new Monarch's Market with two events on March 8 and 16. The two-day pop-up food distribution events also offered warm meals, and community resources for students in need.

President of Disney Branded Television speaks during Women's History Month

On March 14, as part of Women's History Month, LAVC's Umoja Black Scholars welcomed Ayo Davis, president of Disney Branded Television, who shared her journey of breaking through the glass ceiling as a Black women executive in Entertainment. Davis is responsible for animated, live action and unscripted programming for kids and families on Disney+, Disney Channel, Disney XD, and Disney Junior.



Paint and Lunch for Women Veteran & LGBTQ Students

The Veteran Resource Center and Rainbow Pride Center held a Women Veteran and LGBTQ Paint and Lunch on March 15. Women Veterans and LGBTQIA students gathered together for a guided painting exercise with Professor Amelia Borja and free lunch.

CAP Open House with Authors Rafael Agustin and Sonia Movsesian

Two best-selling authors, Rafael Agustin and Sona Movsesian, shared their stories and the pathways that led to their success at LAVC's Spring 2023 Career & Academic Pathways (CAP) Open House on March 27. Students, faculty and staff left inspired to pursue their passions while understanding how to overcome obstacles along the way.

Upcoming Events

National Trans HIV Awareness Day

Tuesday, April 18 from 11 am - 2 pm

The LAVC Rainbow Pride Center is hosting a [National Trans HIV Awareness Day](#) on Tuesday, April 18 at Mosaic Village Unity Center. The Rainbow Pride Center, The University of Puerto Rico, and AltaMed will be providing resources and information about HIV for National Trans HIV Awareness Day. There will also be an art installation.

A Day at Chicano Park Field Trip

Thursday, April 20 from 7:30 am - 5 pm

The LAVC Associated Student Union is offering a [A Day at Chicano Park Field Trip](#) in San Diego to visit and learn the inspiring history behind the creation of Chicano Park.

Seminar Slay: Vogue 101

Thursday, April 27 from 1 pm - 3 pm

The LAVC The Rainbow Pride Center proudly presents [Seminar Slay: Vogue 101](#) featuring Calypso Jete on Thursday, April 27 at the Mosaic Village Unity Center. Vogue 101 is a seminar that will be teaching runway basics with the intention of boosting self-esteem and confidence, and highlight our LGBTQ+ students.

A Place Called Home: Spring Connect

Wednesday, May 3 from 11 am - 2 pm

The LAVC Rainbow Pride Center, Guardian Scholars, and Basic Needs is hosting resource fair called [A Place Called Home: Spring Connect](#) featuring David Ambroz (author of “A Place Called Home”).



UCLA's 24th Annual Student Transfer Outreach Mentor Program Conference

A Return to STOMP – not the musical – but UCLA's 24th Annual Student Transfer Outreach Mentor Program Conference. Back in-person after two years, WLAC's CalWORKs and EOPS programs partnered to take students and their families to this outstanding event that teaches participants about transfer admission requirements, financial aid, becoming competitive applicants and more. Students also participated in a campus tour.

Facility Management & Construction Inspector Apprenticeship

WLAC was awarded a \$120,000 apprenticeship planning grant which allows the college to expand its work with the International Facilities Management Association (IFMA) and local employers to establish apprenticeships with local employers to train and hire a new generation of facilities managers and construction inspectors to serve commercial and institutional entities. Per Indeed.com, the average salary for these occupations are over \$84,000 and \$56,000 respectively.



The California Center for Climate Change Education

The California Center for Climate Change Education is slowly taking shape. The Center, located on the second floor of the WLAC Fine Arts Building, has its exterior graphics in place and the office is fully outfitted and ready for occupancy. **The official opening will be held along with a press conference on Saturday, April 22 at 9:00am**, to coincide with Earth Day. Free parking is available in the adjacent S. Parking Structure.



The Center's logo was designed by WLAC student Shirley Garcia.

Eighteen members WLAC's faculty attended their first planning session to initiate a series of curricular changes leading to the establishment of a "climate change across the curriculum" concept to infuse the premise into every course, as well as to develop climate-specific course offerings. Their work is vital to the College's goal to be a model for climate change education in community colleges.

Upcoming Events

On Wildcat Walkway

April 12: College & Community Job Fair 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

April 12: Financial Aid Awareness Event 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

JOB & CAREER FAIR
WED, APRIL 12
10:00 am 3:00 pm
 West Los Angeles College
 Wildcat Walkway

WAC.edu/News/Westweek

Register to attend, scan the QR code or click the link:
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