LOS ANGELES HARBOR COLLEGE & LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE FEATURED IN NEW PBS SHOW ABOUT CALIFORNIA'S COMMUNITY COLLEGES

LOS ANGELES—A new PBS television series that looks at the important role of California’s community colleges profiles two highly successful career workforce training programs at two of the Los Angeles Community College District’s nine colleges.

The public is invited to attend a special, theater-style screening of the videos beginning at 4 p.m., Wednesday, January 15, at Los Angeles Southwest College, Little Theater, 1600 W. Imperial Highway, Los Angeles.

“Inside California Education: Community Colleges” is produced by PBS-affiliate KVIE in Sacramento. There are three, 30-minute episodes featuring several short, TV-magazine features, including segments on the HireLAX construction jobs training program at Los Angeles Southwest College, https://www.lasc.edu/, and the Nursing Program at Los Angeles Harbor College, https://www.lahc.edu/.

The series will air on local PBS station KCET beginning January 11, after first seen in the Sacramento market in late 2019, https://www.kcet.org/shows/inside-california-education-community-colleges/episodes/inside-california-education-community. Be sure to check the local schedule listings for your other favorite PBS stations, or you can watch both videos now online at:

- L.A. Harbor College Nursing Program
- L.A. Southwest College HireLAX Program
  https://insidecaled.org/videogallery/video/iccclax-irelax-from-classroom-to-construction-site/

The program description by KVIE for the two episodes notes:

**HireLAX Apprenticeship Readiness Program:** HireLAX is a unique collaboration between Los Angeles Southwest College and Los Angeles World Airports, designed to train local residents to work on in-demand construction projects at LAX and elsewhere. It’s an 8-week program that’s free for students, with more than 70 percent of graduates going on to start construction careers at LAX or other nearby projects.

**Community College History in Training Nurses:** Community Colleges have played a historically significant role in the training of nurses in California. We’ll look at the role the colleges play in supplying the state’s workforce of nurses, and take an in-depth look at the top-performing nursing program at Los Angeles Harbor College, which has a 100 percent completion rate.

For more information about KVIE’s Inside California Education series, go to https://insidecaled.org/community-colleges-home/

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**About the Los Angeles Community College District**
LACCD (www.laccd.edu) is the nation’s largest community college district, educating about 250,000 students annually at its nine colleges that serve the residents of more than 36 cities and communities from 900 square miles of Los Angeles County. Since 1969, the District has been providing an important learning pathway for students seeking transfer to four-year colleges or universities while also offering two-year degrees and certificated training programs to Southern California’s diverse workforce in many specialized trades and professions. Follow us on Facebook, https://www.facebook.com/LACCD, @LACCD, and on Twitter, https://twitter.com/laccd @laccd and Instagram, https://www.instagram.com/laccd.edu/ @laccd.edu.

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