

April 2, 2025

Dear LACCD Community,

As we navigate an ever-evolving national education landscape, LACCD remains steadfast in its commitment to our students, faculty, and staff. While challenges continue to emerge in higher education, we are also seeing incredible progress and impact across our District.

Just recently, we hosted a successful In-Language Summit webinar, ensuring that language is never a barrier to education and opportunity. Looking ahead, we are excited for the upcoming Women's Business Expo at ELAC on April 17, an event dedicated to empowering women entrepreneurs and fostering economic mobility. If interested in attending - RSVP now: https://bit.ly/Sisterhood417

These initiatives, along with countless efforts across our nine colleges, highlight the dedication and resilience of our community.

We are making a difference—ensuring that every student, regardless of background, has access to the resources and support needed to succeed. Together, we will continue to uplift and amplify the incredible work happening districtwide.

Thank you for all you do to support our students and advance our mission.

With appreciation,

Dr. Alberto J. Román, DPA Interim Chancellor

Campus Events & Updates













On March 14, LACC welcomed professors from ITE College East in Singapore to meet and get a campus tour of facilities in the Department of Life Sciences, Mathematics, Physics, Engineering, and the Visual and Media Arts Center. They viewed classes in action and discussed how community colleges in the US deliver education and potential collaborative opportunities between LACC and ITE.



Women's History Month Tea – On Monday, March 24, LACC hosted the LACCD Annual Women's History celebration featuring master of ceremonies William Allen Young and guest speaker Joanna Jackson. The event was held in the Student Union Multipurpose Room.

City Senior Day – On Tuesday, March 25, LACC hosted high school seniors from our feeder schools to learn about our enrollment process and tour our campus.

<u>TG12 Job Fair</u> – On Thursday, March 27, LACC hosted the second annual TG12 Job Fair from 10am to 4pm in the Student Union. Students had a chance to network, grow and connect with inclusive employers and learn about resources.













ELAC Celebrates Women's History Month with 2nd Annual Teatime Luncheon

ELAC and ELAC Foundation celebrated the Women's History Month Teatime Luncheon on March 20, 2025, honoring outstanding women in the ELAC community. The event featured keynote addresses from California State Treasurer Fiona Ma and mountaineer Alfa Kartina Valle Arrue.

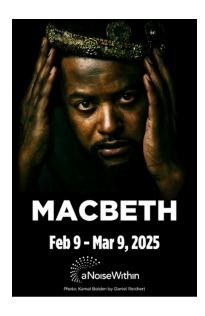
Treasurer Ma, the first woman of color and CPA to hold California's top financial position, shared insights from her career in public service. Valle Arrue captivated the audience with her account of becoming the first Salvadoran to summit Mount Everest in May 2022, after a grueling 25-hour final ascent.

Eight exceptional ELAC women received Women of the Year awards for their contributions to academic excellence, student support, administrative leadership, and community engagement. The event also recognized the six founding members of ELAC's Women's and Gender Studies program, which has become an integral part of the college's academic offerings.

LACCD Interim Chancellor Dr. Alberto J. Roman joined Dr. Monte E. Perez, Interim President of ELAC, to praise the honorees for their dedication and innovation, emphasizing their profound impact on students and the campus community.

ELAC Theater Department Celebrates Success in A Noise Within's Macbeth

The ELAC Theater Department is proud to announce that six students from its Summer Shakespeare Workshop were cast in A Noise Within's recent production of Macbeth. This marks a new milestone for the ELAC-ANW Acting Fellowship, which typically selects two students for each production. The



students performed alongside professional actors in a critically acclaimed production set in 1920s New Orleans.

The ELAC-ANW partnership, established by Kelley Hogan and now guided by Vanessa Mizzone Pellegrini and David Llaird Scott, provides students with the opportunity to audition for A Noise Within productions. This experience allows students to gain industry insights, network with professionals, and earn points toward an Actors Equity Association membership.

ELAC's Summer Shakespeare Workshop offers comprehensive classical acting training, culminating in public performances. To be eligible for the fellowship, students must complete at least one workshop session. Auditions for this year's summer session will take place in late April; follow @elacacting for details.

This achievement highlights the strength of ELAC's theater program and its successful collaboration with A Noise Within, offering students a pathway from educational theater to professional careers.



ELAC Respiratory Therapy Students Triumph at South Coast Region Sputum Bowl, Advance to State Competition

ELAC Respiratory Therapy students recently triumphed at the South Coast Region Sputum Bowl, a prestigious competition hosted by the California Society for Respiratory Care (CSRC). The team, consisting of Julius Calderon-Dominguez, Jonathan Munoz, Eulises Perez, Graciela Solis, and Mark Pacquaio, showcased

exceptional knowledge, clinical skills, and professionalism against strong teams from Ventura, Los Angeles, and Orange counties.

This victory highlights the students' dedication and the mentorship provided by ELAC's faculty. Following their regional success, the team represented the South Coast Region at the statewide Sputum Bowl competition during the CSRC Annual Conference held March 11-13, 2025, in Temecula, CA.

RT Program Director Allan Gonzales expressed pride in the students' achievement, emphasizing their hard work, dedication, and passion for learning. Although the team did not win the state-level championship, they demonstrated outstanding knowledge and teamwork against top competitors.

The Sputum Bowl, a cornerstone of annual respiratory care conferences since 1978, provides students with a platform to apply their knowledge in a competitive environment, sharpening their problem-solving and critical-thinking skills. This experience will undoubtedly benefit ELAC's students in their future careers as respiratory care practitioners.











Nursing: Transfer Road to BSN

This workshop will enhance students' understanding of the admission requirements for Nursing BSN programs at various universities and equip students with the knowledge to navigate the transfer process successfully. This is a virtual event. Please **RSVP** to obtain the Zoom link. - Wednesday, April 2, 2025 \sim 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Virtual workshop. For more information, contact the Transfer Center at 310.233.4282



Empowering Women

Harbor College will take a group of 30 students and staff to the <u>Women of Color Action Network Leadership Conference "Planting the Seeds"</u> - Friday, April 4, 2025, at Mt. San Antonio College. The goal of the event is to ignite a collaborative spirit between women of color from various college campuses.

<u>Project Poetry – LAHC Library Presents: Project Poetry</u>

Every spring, the Library holds a poetry contest. Current Harbor Students and employees may enter. The poems are sent to the panel of judges anonymously, without name or campus role. Browse and read the entries by visiting our website: https://libguides.lahc.edu/pp - Entry Form Link: https://lahc.libwizard.com/f/ppform ~ -- Participant entries are due by April 14th --



Biotech Workshop – May 2 and May 9, 2025 – SCC Room 211

Curious about the Biotech world? Attendees will learn fundamental research lab skills and conduct genetic analysis and protein purification experiments. No previous experience is needed – all majors are welcome. Dive into the biotech!



Building our Faculty and Staff ~ Opportunities for growth are essential.

This training serves as a continuation of the Reshaping Responsibility workshop series that focuses on how we better equip our first-year students for the community college experience. Join us in our next workshop as our faculty community comes together to share what new policies, practices, assignments, successes/failures, insights and curiosities they've implemented and/or discovered this semester.

April 22, 2025 – 2 pm – Evaluating Student

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LAMC Hosts 2nd Annual Dream Resource Forum & UNITY Center Grand Opening

On Friday, March 14, LAMC hosted the 2nd Annual Dream Resource Forum, bringing together nearly 200 LACCD faculty and staff for a day of meaningful discussions focused on strengthening support for undocumented students across the District.



Interim Chancellor Alberto Román reaffirmed LACCD's commitment to undocumented students, while a panel of state and city legal experts provided critical insights. Local elected officials—including CA State Assemblymember Celeste Rodriguez (CD-43), L.A. County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath, and LACCD Trustee David Vela—delivered a powerful call to action.

LAMC also celebrated the Grand Opening of the UNITY Center, which is now home to the Black Scholars Program, Dream Resource Center, MEChA de LAMC, Puente Project,

and Unity Pride Center. Additional photos of the event can be found <u>on the college's Instagram</u> account.



Hire L.A. Youth Job Fair @LAMC

The Office of Mayor Karen Bass and the Economic and Workforce Development Department have partnered with four LACCD colleges to host Hire LA Youth Job Fairs from March 25 through April 24.

L.A. City College, L.A. Trade-Technical College, L.A. Mission College, and L.A. Southwest College will each host free job fairs, inviting young people ages 14–30 to connect with employers and explore internship opportunities across the greater L.A. area.

L.A. Mission College will host its job fair on Thursday, April 3, featuring opportunities in Public Service, Education, Environmental Sustainability, and other community-focused roles, with both summer and year-round positions available.

Rising Scholars Symposium

Rising Scholars Symposium —RSVP Today!

On Friday, April 25th, Los Angeles Mission College will host a Rising Scholars Symposium. This Districtwide event will bring together educators, community partners, and formerly incarcerated individuals to foster academic growth and personal development.

Breakfast and lunch will be provided. **RSVP Today**!



Tickets are still available for the Culinary Cup

Los Angeles Mission College is excited to host the Culinary Cup once again on **Friday, May 16, 2025!** Now in its fifth year, this full-day event will feature an exhilarating culinary competition spotlighting the talents of chef instructors and culinary students from L.A. Mission College, L.A. Harbor College, and L.A. Trade-Tech College.

This year's competition is inspired by the vibrant flavors of the Caribbean. Guests will enjoy guided tours, interactive cooking and baking demonstrations, a Caribbean-inspired lunch crafted by Culinary Arts students, and a front-row seat at the awards ceremony where the winning team will claim the coveted Golden Chef's Hat trophy.

Tickets are now on sale! Please visit <u>culinarycup2025.eventbrite.com</u> and purchase your tickets today!











HASH Fest Marks a Successful Inaugural Year at Pierce College

Pierce College hosted its inaugural HASH Fest on March 19-20, 2025, a two-day festival presented by the History, African American Studies, and Humanities (HASH) Department. The event featured thought-provoking presentations, film screenings, and discussions exploring a range of historical and cultural topics. Highlights included Professor Chris Strickland's exploration of African American Studies, a screening of *The Screaming Queens: The Riot at Compton's Cafeteria*, and a deep dive into the connections between history and music through sessions on punk and black metal.



-March 20, 3-4pm, ELM 1709, Lorene Milligan, UCLA History Student & CAS Tutor Presents a Women's History Event: The 1966 for 1964 A Middle-Class Status Symbol" - Exploring the mink stole, the leonic women who were it, what it mount for Pays Schooled or the stole generation, and how it fit into 1960 sectial and column history "History major & enthusiasts welcome - Faculty and Staff Flore & Professional Dev. credit The festival brought together students, faculty, and community members in an exchange of ideas and perspectives. Its success sets the foundation for an annual tradition that will grow in the years to come.



Experience a Bold, Post-Apocalyptic Antigone at LAPC Theatre

Pierce College Theatre is bringing a fresh, bold take on a timeless classic with its upcoming production of *Antigone*. This modern reimagining of Sophocles' Greek tragedy, adapted by Jean Anouilh, Lewis Galantiere, and LAPC's own JP Evans, transports audiences to the year 2156, where civilization has crumbled, and a new society has risen from the ruins. At the heart of it all is Antigone, a young woman torn between obeying the harsh rule of King Creon or risking everything to honor her brother's memory.

Directed by JP Evans, this production combines classic themes of justice, defiance, and duty with a post-apocalyptic aesthetic that hopes to captivate audiences. The production features a talented cast and beautiful scenic, costume, lighting, and sound design.

Performances run from March 28 through April 6 at LAPC's Dow Arena Theatre, with Friday and Saturday shows at 7:30 PM and Sunday matinees at 2:00 PM. There will also be a special sign-interpreted performance on April 5. Tickets are \$15 for students and seniors and \$20 for general admission. Parking is free in Lot #6, making it easy to come and enjoy the show. Get your tickets now at <u>lapctheatre.org</u>



Celebrating Pierce College's Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship Semifinalists

Los Angeles Pierce College is proud to announce that four of our outstanding students have been named semifinalists for the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. Chloe Bassirat, Muhammad Khan, Nicole Llerena and Christina Virchis are in contention for one of the most esteemed awards available to community college students nationwide, offering up to \$55,000 per year to support the completion of a bachelor's degree at a four-year institution.

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation's Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship is highly competitive, with 467 semifinalists selected from over 1,600 applicants attending 212 community colleges across 43 states. The rigorous selection process assesses candidates on exceptional academic ability, achievement, financial need, perseverance, and leadership.

This recognition reflects the dedication and hard work of Pierce College students and the supportive learning environment at LAPC. Final scholarship awards will be announced in May 2025. In addition to financial support, recipients will receive personalized educational advising, opportunities for internships, study abroad experiences, and access to a network of over 3,400 Cooke Scholars and alumni.

















Water Basin Ribbon Cutting

A new recycled water irrigation system at the Los Angeles Southwest College marks an impactful stride toward sustainability and a significant reduction of potable water use. West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin), in collaboration with the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD), was at LASC for the ribbon cutting, announcing the completion of a transformative recycled water connection that will provide irrigation to approximately 20 acres of landscaping across the LASC campus. The recycled water used to irrigate the campus landscape amounts to about 60 acre-feet of recycled water per year, significantly reducing the campus's reliance on potable water for irrigation.





Fireside Chat

Students, faculty, and staff convened in a safe space to discuss current events and topics like immigration, government funding, basic needs, and mental health on March 11th. Sponsored by LASC's Umoja and ASO, it was an opportunity for students to ask questions and express concerns.













First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom Visits LATTC on Equal Pay Day

To mark Equal Pay Day, California First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom convened a special roundtable on March 25, 2025, at LATTC to discuss the topic of women in the trades.

California needs 750,000 new construction workers by 2030, with 78% of companies already struggling to hire. The roundtable brought together educators, industry leaders, policymakers, and trade

professionals to develop strategies to address this critical workforce shortage while creating pathways for women—who currently represent only 4% of the construction workforce—to access careers that offer family-sustaining wages, union benefits, and a path to building intergenerational wealth.

Before the roundtable, First Partner Newsom toured LATTC's Construction, Maintenance & Utilities facilities with President Alfred McQuarters and faculty, engaging with instructors and students.







Roundtable participants focused on developing new partnerships and actionable strategies to increase the number of women in the construction talent pipeline to help close both the workforce gap and gender pay gap.



LATTC Breaks Ground on New DMA Building

On March 17, 2025, LATTC hosted a special groundbreaking ceremony for its upcoming Design & Media Arts (DMA) Building. The morning event welcomed LATTC students, faculty, staff, and community members, along with LACCD representatives.

The three-story, 89,445 square foot DMA building will include classrooms, computer labs, a multi-purpose space, social lounges, living labs, and a street-level exhibition and gallery space that will showcase garments, costumes, and collections. The project is scheduled for completion in 2027.

Read more about the new building and the groundbreaking event in LATTC's <u>recent news post</u> and in news stories with <u>ABC7 Eyewitness News</u>, which aired March 18, 2025, at 5 pm (coverage begins at 31:38), and <u>Urbanize LA</u>.



Upcoming Events



Join us for the following Saturdays:

- Saturday, May 17, 2025 8 am-12 pm
- Saturday, June 7, 2025 8 am-12 pm

Register

Save the Date!

Barber Battle

Monday, May 19, 2025 | 4:30-8:30 pm

Spring Gold Thimble Fashion Show

Friday, May 23, 2025 | 7 pm

LATTC Offers Super Saturday Enrollment Assistance Days

LATTC presents its Super Saturday Spring Series, bringing enrollment and service assistance to prospective and continuing students. Attendees can receive assistance with enrollment and applications, counseling sessions, assistance navigating the student portal, and getting a student ID.













Valley College's STEM & MEC Pathways celebrate Pi Day

LAVC students packed Monarch Hall to connect with programs and careers in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM), and Manufacturing, Electronics, and Construction (MEC) fields at the Pi (3.14) Day event on Thursday, March 13.

Held in collaboration with LAVC's Math, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) program, the STEM and MEC Career & Academic Pathways (CAPs), the event featured demonstrations of 3-D printing, drones, robotics, video game development, prosthetics, and microscopy. Students also got to play Pi (math) games, pie your professor, and eat Pi (round) foods such as pizza, fruit, and pie.



LAVC Hosts the California Al-Cybersecurity Summit

On Friday, February 28, public sector, private industry, K-12 education/higher education, and community-based organizations from across the state met at Valley College to address career readiness and college preparedness aspects of cybersecurity and artificial intelligence at the California Al-Cybersecurity Summit. This is the second time the event was hosted by Valley College.



Topping-Off Ceremony for Sage Hall (Formerly Academic Building 2)

The final steel beam was placed at a topping-off ceremony of Sage Hall (formerly Academic Building 2) on March 20. The 60,000 SF two-story building will be the future home of the LAVC Communication Studies, English, English as a Second Language (ESL), Foreign Language, and Technology departments.

Upcoming Events

Free Wednesday Concert: Music Performed at Home and at Court

Wednesday, April 2 at 1:30 p.m.

The Kadima String Quartet will perform at the <u>Free Wednesday Concert on "Music Performed at Home and at Court"</u>.

"Promoting Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Using an Anti-Bias Lens" Conference Friday. April 4 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Join LAVC Child Development Department for its <u>"Promoting Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Using an Anti-Bias Lens" conference"</u>. Come learn about advocacy, anti-bias curriculum, diversity, and play! An Early Childhood Education Job Fair to follow the conference. Faculty can earn 4 hours of professional development credit.

Farmers Market at LAVC

Sunday, April 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Good Times Farmers Market is hosting a <u>farmer market at LA Valley College</u> every Sunday year-round. There will be fresh produce, live music, food, beverages, baked goods and handcrafted items.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, April 10 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Come to the <u>American Red Cross Blood Drive</u> at the Blood Mobile on campus. Blood donors are critically needed due to an emergency blood shortage. Sign up today to make a life-saving donation (enter sponsor code: LAVC).

Free Wednesday Concert: Music for Political Expression

Wednesday, April 16 at 1:30 p.m.

This <u>Free Wednesday Concert on "Music for Political Expression: National Identity"</u> features performances by the LAVC College Choir and Chamber Singers conducted by faculty member Glenn Carlos.

Arbor Day Tree Planting

Tuesday, April 22 from 12-1 p.m.

The Arbor Day Committee invite you help us plant two new Trumpet Trees and two new Eastern Redbud Trees in Monarch Square at our **Arbor Day 2025 Tree Planting**. LAVC prides itself in being a Tree Campus USA campus, and was the first California community college to be given that distinction.

Free Wednesday Concert: A Musical Celebration for Jazz Appreciation Month

Wednesday, April 23 at 1:30 p.m.

Join the Music Department for <u>"A Musical Celebration for Jazz Appreciation Month" Concert</u> featuring the <u>L.A.6</u> jazz ensemble. This concert is sponsored by the Music Performance Trust Fund.

Free Wednesday Concert: Music for Spiritual Expression

Wednesday, April 30 at 1:30 p.m.

This <u>Free Wednesday "Music for Spiritual Expression" Concert</u> features performances by LAVC students and faculty, accompanied by Ms. Natalie Pang and Dr. Frank Garvey.

Free Wednesday Concert: Music for Moving

Wednesday, May 7 at 1:30 p.m.

Come watch performances of popular and jazz pieces incorporating a variety of dance rhythms. This **Free Wednesday Concert on "Music for Moving"** features LAVC Faculty members Steve Goomas and Christian Coulter, with special guest artists.











Community Events







Planetary Parade

Campus and community members who attended the Planetary Parade viewing at West heard presentations from local astronomers, asked questions, used high-powered telescopes, enjoyed the panoramic view from the top of the library, and became more informed about the college and its programs. Unfortunately, due to cloud cover, most of the 300 guests did not see the planetary alignment. Despite this, the group had a good time, lingered, and were very complimentary on their way out. The event was organized by Biology Professor Vered Mirmovitch and the CA Center for Climate Change Education at West, with assistance from Aerospace Astronomy Club volunteers... VIDEO: Parade Event Recap





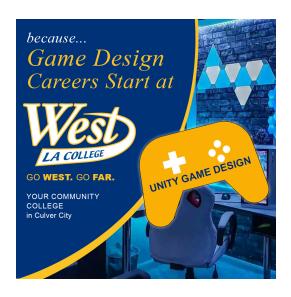




Microforest Planting Day

Over 150 participants, including Girl Scouts, Upward Bound high school students, and college and community members, gathered to plant a Microforest adjacent to Wildcat Walkway, a main thoroughfare on campus. A microforest uses a layered planting technique inspired by the Miyawaki Method to mimic natural forests and restore local biodiversity. In addition to all of the benefits of microforests, the communal efforts and learning for the participants, WLAC Film / TV production students were able to use the event to hone their skills and portfolios. Student film crews have produced a site preparation and day-of planting videos to document the initiative. Periodically, they will revisit the forest to capture its progress and impact on the campus... VIDEO: Planting Day Video

Partners in bringing this project to fruition include the LACCD Facilities, Planning, and Development Department; the West Basin Municipal Water District; **North East Trees**; **Seed to Landscape** and **Nature Nexus Institute**.





New Gaming Program Launched

The Computer Science & Information Technology program has launched a new video game development certificate and an eSports club. By completing just 6 classes, students can be prepared for entry-level employment or internships in the game development industry, which is expected to grow faster than average for all occupations. According to O*Net, salaries in California range from \$54K - \$171K.

Remarkable Students



Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship Semifinalists

For the second consecutive year, multiple students from the Transfer Honors (TH) program are semi-finalists in consideration for the Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship. They are Aylan Rosales, Jeanine Torres, and Charles "Spenser" Wilson. Last year, two TH students received the scholarship, and another received the award in 2022. Finalists for 2025 will be announced in May. The



A2MEND Mentee of the Year

Accounting student Millard Hill was named Mentee of the Year at the recent African American Male Network and Development (A2MEND) conference. The award includes a \$5,000 scholarship that will assist him with tuition when he transfers to a university – his targets are Howard University and Morehouse College. In addition to earning a spot on the 2024 Fall Dean's List, Hill was hired by BuildLACCD as an accounting trainee, which is giving him valuable

Cooke Scholarship awards as much as \$55,000 per year for two to three years to complete a bachelor's degree.

experience in the career to which he aspires. Hill also gained some worldly experience by traveling with the A2MEND Student Leadership Academy to Zambia, Botswana, and Mozambique.

Upcoming Events

<u>Tues, Apr 1</u> (In-Person): Rooted Resistance: Storytelling, Climate Justice, and the Chicanx Experience - guest speaker **Helena María Viramontes, Distinguished Professor of Arts and Sciences in English at Cornell University** and the recipient of numerous awards, including the John Dos Passos Award for Literature and a United States Artist Fellowship.

<u>Wed, Apr 16</u> (Hybrid Event): For LACCD Faculty Climate Change Education: Community of Practice Event - Do students want their community college coursework to be green? In this moderated panel discussion, we will first hear from students who took a "climatized" class at West about their experience.

<u>Tues, Apr 22</u> (In-Person): Earth Day, the Climate Center 2nd Anniversary, and Reentry Awareness Week – Resource Fair, Walking Tours of Gardens & Micoforest, Film Shorts, Live Music & Vegan Burgers

District Office Events & Updates







<u>View the LACCD ELAC Sisterhood Expo</u> 2025 attendee flyer PDF version

View the LACCD ELAC Sisterhood Expo 2025 internal map PDF version

Join LACCD and ELAC for a Celebration of Women's Entrepreneurship!

Experience a vibrant marketplace showcasing women-owned businesses in art, music, fashion, food, and more! Enjoy a day of shopping, networking, and inspiring workshops focused on women's entrepreneurship.

Thursday, April 17 | 10 AM – 3 PM East LA College, Front Quad

Support a Cause – Donations collected will benefit:

- · LA Strong: Disaster Response Fund
- East Los Angeles Women's Center (<u>Donate</u>)
- ELAWC Forever Home Campaign

RSVP Now: https://bit.ly/Sisterhood417

Don't miss this opportunity to support women entrepreneurs and make a difference!





A big thank you to **Trustee Gabriel Buelna** and **Deputy Chancellor Nicole Albo-Lopez** for taking the lead at the **Statewide In-Language Education Summit**. With over **190 attendees** joining the webinar, the event was a huge success.

The summit sparked a powerful discussion on how expanding in-language learning supports diverse student populations, enhances enrollment, and strengthens access to higher education.

We also touched on ongoing legislative efforts, including **AB 1096 (Fong)**, aimed at improving language accessibility across California's community colleges.

Thank you to all who participated, and we look forward to continuing this important conversation!



LACCD Advocates Making a Difference



Congratulations to Trustee Sara Hernandez
Our very own LACCD First Vice President of the
Board was recognized as Woman of the Year by
LA County Supervisor Hilda Solis this Women's
History Month.



On March 25, Trustee Sara Hernandez testified before the Board of Supervisors in support of the Los Angeles County Peer Navigator Program. A program that helps community college housing insecure students navigate the bureaucracy to find basic needs assistance. Funding for the Program, which was slated to be cut, was restored following her testimony.

Los Angeles Harbor College President Dr. Luis Dorado testified before the Assembly Higher Education Committee in support of AB 323 (Fong). The bill passed 7-0 and will allow community colleges to use Strong Workforce dollars to provide students with industry internships.

AB 648 (Zbur) relating to community college housing also passed the Assembly Higher Education Committee with a vote of 7-3. LACCD and Santa Monica College co-sponsored the bill. Ms. Maria Luisa Veloz spoke in support of the bill.



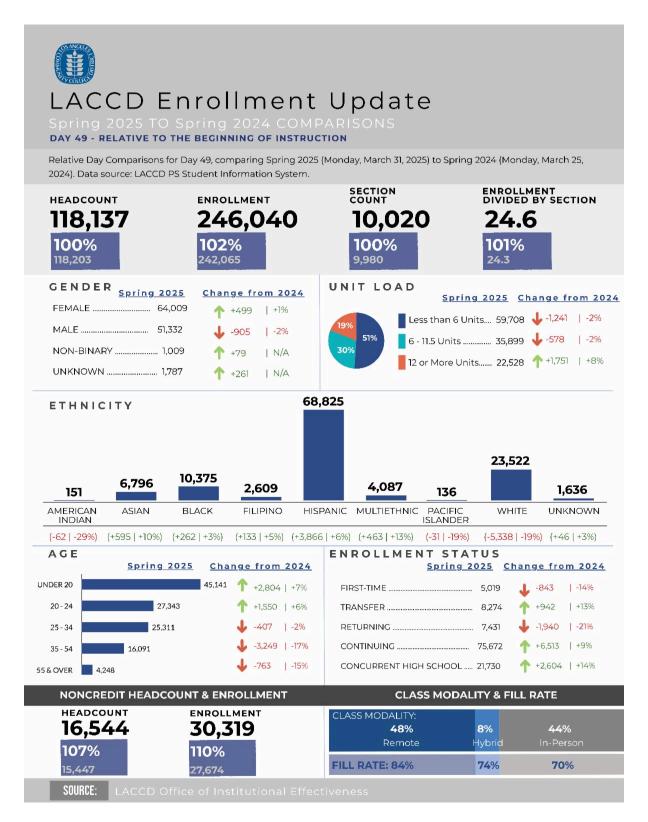




The Human Resources Division is pleased to share the April edition of our HR Newsletter. Launched in January 2025, this newsletter was created to celebrate and inform the District's greatest asset—our employees.

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Spring 2025 Enrollment Update:

Comparing Spring 2025 to Spring 2024 as day 49 of the semester, districtwide, student credit headcount is unchanged and enrollment is up by 2%, class offerings are unchanged, and enrollment per section is up by 1%. Increases are observed for younger student age groups (+7% for the under age 20 group, +6% for the 20-24 age group), while older students have declined (-2% for the 25-34 age group, -17% for the 35-54 age group, and -15% for the 55+ age group). Additionally, increases are observed for Asian students (+10%), Hispanic students (+6%), Black students (+3%), while White students show a decline (-19%). Compared to Spring 2024, a 9% increase in continuing students is observed along with a 14% increase in concurrent high school students, and a 13% increase in transfer students. In contrast, first-

time students and returning students have shown declines (by -14% and -21%, respectively). An increase in full-time students is also observed (+8%), while less than full-time students have declined (-2% for both the Under 6 Units and 6-11.5 Units groups). Noncredit headcount increased by +7% (from 15,447 to 16,544) and enrollment increased by +10% (from 27,674 to 30,319). Modality of classes is 48% remote, 44% in-person, and 8% hybrid. Remote classes have the highest fill rate (84%) followed by hybrid (74%) and in-person classes (70%).

<u>View the LACCD Spring 2025 Enrollment Update PDF version</u>

LACCD In the News

At community colleges, online classes remain popular years after pandemic

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LACCD to Add Student Housing

LA Business Journal

Leigh Sata

School Construction News

<u>Supervisor Hilda L. Solis Honors Four Outstanding Women in Celebration of Women's History</u> Month

LA Post

LACCD to Add Student Housing

Philanthropy News Digest

LAUSD passes resolution to expand college access through dual enrollment

Beverly Press

LACCD to address student housing crisis

American Association of Community Colleges

An L.A. City Council member is launching a nonprofit. Ethics experts have questions

Los Angeles Times

LACCD Trustee Sara Hernandez announces run for state Senate

Los Angeles Daily News

Job hunting is awful. California believes its 'Career Passport' can change that

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<u>Antigone</u>

NoHo Arts District

<u>Design & Media Arts Students at LATTC to Get a Dedicated Space by 2027</u>

What Now Los Angeles

Black students in LA have highest absenteeism rates

Spectrum News

Why California must champion community college bachelor's degrees

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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.

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