

DATES TO KNOW

MONDAY, OCTOBER 15

Los Angeles Mayor Tony Antonio Villaraigosa and LACCD Chancellor Mark Drummond will be on campus to celebrate the work the campus and WorkSource/WorkForce are doing together. A press conference will be held at 1:45pm. The campus is invited to attend the event on the quad.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Chancellor Mark Drummond will be on campus again for his annual visit to meet and discuss campus issues and give us a first-hand update on what is happening at the district.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION GALA

The annual LACC Foundation Gala will take place at the Globe Theatre at Universal Hollywood 6pm Reception & Silent Auction 7pm Dinner & Program. All proceeds from the event benefit student scholarships. Tickets are \$250 for additional information please contact the LACC Foundation Office at (323) 953-4011.

Students may still enroll for
Fall Late Start Classes

Veteran's Day --- Mon, Nov 12

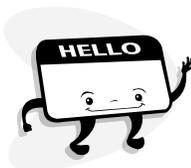


Welcome to the first in a series of bi-weekly updates to the campus community to inform everyone about the many issues that affect our college. I encourage you to post these updates in your offices and classrooms to share with students and individuals interested in Los Angeles City College. These updates are posted on the President's Page. Visit the Faculty & Staff section of the campus website at www.LACityCollege.edu.

Thank You!

Thanks to faculty and staff for getting the Fall semester off to a successful start. Enrollment is strong. Students were provided with great service in those first days. Already, we have held our first transfer and career fairs of the academic year as well as a club fair. Constitution Day was particularly well attended and provided valuable new information and reminders to students about our Nation's constitution and its impact historically and today.

Conference Information



Communities of Practice: Moving Toward Equity in Student Outcomes is a half-day workshop sponsored by the Center for Urban Education. It will be held on October 16, from 8:30am -12:00pm, at the Hyatt Regency, Long Beach.

The goal of the meeting is to teach how university-based teams can examine institutional data to identify areas of inequitable student success. Workshop attendees will learn how to use the principles, tools, and processes of organizational learning to define and solve problems of inequity in educational outcomes.

For additional workshop details and registration information visit:

http://www.usc.edu/dept/education/CUE/CUE_Workshop_Advertisement.pdf

California Summit: Empower Change The American Democracy Institute (ADI) cordially invites the students and faculty of the Los Angeles Community College District to register for the American Democracy Institute's California Summit: *Empower Change* on November 3, 2007 at the UCLA Royce Hall. This is a **FREE** event, but all participants must register in advance at <http://www.empowerchange.org/page/s/californiasummit> to get a ticket.

ADI is a new national non-partisan 501 © (3) organization. For more information visit

<http://www.americandemocracyinstitute.org/>

The Summit will feature:

- A dynamic keynote presentation in the morning of high profile and inspiring speakers;
- A lunchtime Festival featuring food, music, chance for young people to network with peers and representatives and leaders from diverse set of national and local organizations, and browse volunteer, internship, and employment opportunities available through the participating organizations;
- Afternoon workshops that highlight important issues and provide skill-building and further networking opportunities; and
- An exciting evening party featuring live performers co-hosted by Going.com for these young people to have fun, meet new people and network.

We also have a contest to select three young people to share the stage with our keynote speakers to give speeches at the plenary session before the entire audience.

CONGRATULATIONS!

VOLLEYBALL & CROSS COUNTRY:

Congratulations! to the Lady Cubs for their outstanding work in Volleyball and Cross Country.

For full schedule, see <http://Athletics.LACityCollege.edu>

Volleyball:

Oct 10 vs Mt SAC @ LACC 7:30PM
 Oct 12 vs Cerritos @ Cerritos 7:30PM
 Oct 17 vs Pasadena @ LACC 7:30PM
 Oct 19 vs Long Beach @ LB 6:00PM

Cross Country:

Oct 12 @ Mt SAC 10:00 AM

The California Summit: *Empower Change* has been formally endorsed by many other respected non-partisan organizations, as-of-this-writing, including: ACLU of Southern California, California Common Cause, California League of Conservation Voters Education Fund, California Student Equity Coalition, California Student Sustainability Coalition, Defenders of Wildlife, League of Women Voters of California, Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, New America Foundation, Power 106/Movin' 93.9FM, Roosevelt Institution, and Transformative Action Institute. There are several other organizations that we are awaiting decisions on, and we are greatly interested in the endorsement of the Los Angeles Community College Board.

F.Y.I.

The Institute for Higher Education Leadership & Policy

Has released a new report *Beyond the Open Door: Increasing Student Success in the California Community Colleges*. This report provides detailed analyses of factors related to student success, connects those factors to state and institutional policies, and offers recommendations for policy reforms. It includes a qualitative analysis of the CCC assessment and placement process. A copy of the report can be found at the following link:

http://www.csus.edu/ihe/PDFs/R_Beyond_Open_Door_08-07.pdf

Charles R. Drew University School of Nursing Named After Assemblyman Mervyn M.

Dymally During a special intermission of the recent Jazz Concert at Drew, Dr. Susan Kelly, president of Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, announced the naming of the Nursing School – the new name is Mervyn M. Dymally School of Nursing at Charles R. Drew University.

2007 Community College Legislative Wrap-Up



Late into the early hours of the morning on Wednesday, September 12, 2007, both houses of the California State Legislature finished their work on the first year of the 2007-08 legislative session. However, they technically will not adjourn until September 14, since the Senate and Assembly only recessed from Wednesday morning until Friday in observance of the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah.

Because of the glut of bills that are now crowding his desk, the Governor has until October 14—30 days from the adjournment of session—to either sign or veto legislation approved in the waning days of session. Any measures that are not signed or vetoed by this deadline still become law as though they had been signed.

Despite the adjournment of the 2007-08 regular session, many major issues facing California still remain unresolved. Some have suggested that the prolonged delay in approving the State Budget distracted from the Legislature's work. Others have speculated that term-limit politics and a negative reaction to the Governor's post-partisanship message also contributed to the lackluster legislative session. Still others blame it on the lackluster economy.

Listed below is a summary of key community college bills that have passed both houses, are enrolled, and await the Governor's signature or veto.

AB 194 (Committee on Budget) Budget Act of 2007

Among other budget related items, AB 194 would amend and supplement the Budget Act of 2007 by appropriating \$33.1 million for Basic Skills, the amount that was vetoed in the Budget Act. AB 194 requires the Chancellor's Office to work with the Department of Finance and the Legislative Analyst to develop annual accountability measures for this program. Status: Governor's Desk

AB 314 (Soto: D-Pomona) CalWORKs: Welfare-to-Work Activities This bill would authorize monitored study time to be included as a welfare-to-work activity. Monitored study time includes time related to approved hours spent in the classroom, laboratory, or other educational activities. Status: Governor's Desk

AB 483 (Salas, D-Chula Vista) Community Colleges: Contracting Study—Economic and Workforce Development Program Evaluation This bill would authorize the Board of Governors to conduct a study on contracting limits, and would eliminate an unnecessary evaluation report of the Economic and Workforce Development Program required by current statute. Status: Vetoed

AB 598 (Committee on Education): Career-Technical Education This bill would authorize a community college or apprentice training instructor to teach a career-technical education course in a subject that is not a core academic subject on a high school campus; authorize a high school pupil to take an apprenticeship, job training, or community college career-technical education course after regular school hours for credit; and authorize a school district to bring in professionals as guest lecturers for career-technical education courses. Status: Governor's Desk

AB 668 (Portantino, D-Pasadena) Student Financial Aid

This bill enacts the California Community College Student Federal and State Financial Aid Opportunity Act and requires the California Community College Chancellor's Office to help colleges increase participation in financial aid programs by developing information for students to make them aware of financial aid options. Status: Governor's Desk

AB 900 (Solorio, D-Santa Ana) Prison Construction

This bill authorizes prison construction bonds, and includes the Chancellor's Office as a participant on a panel to help find ways to reduce recidivism by increasing rehabilitation opportunities. Status: Signed by Governor, Chapter 7 statutes of 2007.

AB 1168 (Jones, D-Sacramento) Social Security Numbers

This bill would declare legislative intent that all local agencies redact all digits of any social security number contained in records before disclosing them to the public. It also would require the Office of Privacy Protection in the Department of Consumer Affairs to establish a task force of 15 members to conduct a review of the use by all public and private colleges and universities of social security numbers in order to recommend practices to minimize the collection, use, storage, and retention of social security numbers. Status: Governor's Desk

AB 1368 (Mullin, D-S. San Francisco) Capital Facilities Bonds

This bill would authorize each district to issue notes in anticipation of the sale of bonds that mature within a period not to exceed five years, rather than one year. Status: Governor's Desk

AB 1548 (Solorio, D-Santa Ana) College Textbooks

This bill establishes the College Textbook Transparency Act, which requires publishers and bookstores to disclose specified information. AB 1548 also requires faculty and other employees to follow specified practices in the adoption and purchase of textbooks. Status: Governor's Desk

AB 1559 (Berryhill, R-Modesto) Community College Registered Nursing Programs

If a college's nursing program is impacted, AB 1559 specifies criteria of the multicriteria screening process to evaluate applicants for admission to nursing programs that a community college may use to reduce attrition. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 18 (Perata, D-Oakland) Public Works: Labor Compliance

This bill would add the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006 as a source of funds for a public works project that would require an awarding body to initiate and enforce, or contract with a third party to enforce, a labor compliance program. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 45 (Perata, D-Oakland) Bureau of Private Postsecondary Education

This bill extends limited state oversight of private postsecondary schools from February 1, 2008 to July 1, 2008. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 139 (Scott, D-Pasadena) Nursing Education

This bill is "clean-up" legislation following SB 1309 (Chapter 837/2006) that supports associate degree nursing programs. This bill authorizes the use of multicriteria screening measures to reduce attrition. This bill also would allow districts to employ part-time clinical nursing faculty teaching 60% or more of the hours of a full-time instructor for up to four semesters or six quarters within any three consecutive academic years between July 1, 2007, and June 30, 2014; and require these districts to provide data to the System Office regarding the number of faculty members hired under this section and the ratio of full-time to part-time faculty for these districts in each of the three academic years prior to the operation of this section, and for each academic year for which faculty are hired under this subdivision. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 166 (Negrete McLeod, D-Chino) Emergency Preparedness: Community College Districts

This bill requires the Chancellor's Office to work in consultation with the Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the Office of Homeland Security, to develop emergency preparedness standards and guidelines to assist community college districts. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 272 (Runner, R-Antelope Valley) Armed Forces Service—Priority Enrollment

This bill requires community colleges to grant priority for registration for enrollment to members of the Armed Forces of the United States for any academic term attended within two years of leaving active duty. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 614 (Simitian, D-Palo Alto) Design-Build Contracts

This bill expands authority for using design-build contracts to all community colleges for contracts that exceed \$2.5 million to January 1, 2014 (instead of the \$10 million floor in current statute). Status: Governor's Desk

SB 832 (Corbett, D-San Leandro) College Textbooks

This bill creates the College Textbook Affordability Act, and requires textbook publishers to make available to prospective purchasers specified information, including a list of all substantive differences or changes made between the current edition and the most recent previous edition of the textbook for each new edition of a product. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 854 (Ridley-Thomas, D-Los Angeles) Student Voter Registration

This bill requires every community college and California State University campus to enable students to elect to receive voter registration forms when registering for classes if the college operates an automated class registration system. Status: Governor's Desk

SB 964 (Romero, D-Los Angeles) Open Meetings: Brown Act

This bill would prohibit a majority of members of a legislative body (including a community college board of trustees) from using a series of communications of any kind, directly or through intermediaries, to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of that board. Status: Governor's Desk

You can view these bills online at www.leginfo.ca.gov.

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