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Accreditation Status Reaffirmed for All Nine Los Angeles Community Colleges

LOS ANGELES—The Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) has reaffirmed the accreditation status of all nine colleges within the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD). The ACCJC conducted a comprehensive review of each individual college and the district office as part of its accreditation process. The accreditation status for each college runs through the remainder of the accreditation cycle to 2023.

“The clean bill of health that we received from the ACCJC reflects the progress we have made by strategically investing in our instructional programs, new campus facilities, and new technology resources,” said Sydney Kamlager-Dove, President of LACCD’s Board of Trustees. “By holding ourselves to high standards for institutional excellence, we are able to ensure the best educational outcomes for our students.”

In 2016, following a week-long series to each college and District Office that involved over 100 educators from California and Hawaii, the ACCJC issued a set of recommendations for improvement and/or compliance with accrediting standards.

“We embraced the ACCJC’s recommendations and worked expeditiously to address every issue raised by the Commission,” said Mike Fong, Vice President of the Board of Trustees. “We also took this opportunity to go above and beyond the evaluation criteria to determine how we could better serve our colleges and our students.”

The accreditation process both ensures and encourages institutional quality and effectiveness. The full accreditation reports for each college are available to the public and will be posted on each college’s website.

“The accreditation commission serves as a partner in our ongoing efforts to improve our structures, processes, and programs,” said Trustee Steve Veres, Chair of LACCD’s Institutional Effectiveness and Student Success Committee. “Ultimately, this process is about creating the best possible learning environment for our students to achieve their educational goals.”

The Los Angeles Community College District is fully committed to meeting the high standards of the Accrediting Commission and view the accreditation process as an opportunity to affirm what is going well and as an opportunity to improve.

“The accreditation process is integral to maintaining high levels of instructional quality and public trust,” said LACCD Chancellor Francisco Rodriguez, Ph.D. “Accreditation also ensures that our students have access to financial aid, veterans benefits, and transfer opportunities. I want to thank our dedicated faculty and staff across all of our nine colleges who devote every day to promoting the success and welfare of our students.”

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About the Los Angeles Community College District

The Los Angeles Community College District, the nation's largest community college district, serves one-quarter million students a year in more than 36 cities in Los Angeles County at its nine colleges. The District covers nearly 900 square miles and has educated and trained the region's diverse workforce since 1969.

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