



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



LAVC Welcomes Karen Daar as its New Vice President of Academic Affairs

Karen Daar will officially begin her duties as LAVC's Vice President of Academic Affairs on Monday, July 30. As the LAVC's Chief Instructional Officer (CIO), she will be responsible for managing the operations of the Office of Academic Affairs. In addition, she will serve as the college's Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO), co-chair of the Educational Planning Committee (EPC), and chair of Chair & Directors. Before joining LAVC, Karen was the dean of academic affairs at East Los Angeles College, where she served as the Curriculum Dean, chaired the Educational Planning Committee, and acted as the college's Accreditation Officer. Prior to that, she spent eight years as a Professor of Anthropology, while serving as Curriculum Chair and Vice President of the Academic Senate. Karen holds a B.A. degree in Anthropology from California State University, Northridge and an M.A. degree in Anthropology from the University of New Mexico. Her office is located in Academic Affairs (Administration 102) and she can be reached at (818) 947-2378.



Introducing a Newly Redesigned Open Classes List for Fall 2012

The Office of Academic Affairs recently redesigned the Open Classes list that it posts online. This Open Classes list, which is updated daily, allows students to see which classes have open seats, the dates/times/location of those classes, and whether enrollment is by add slip only or is only open for Honors/TAP students. This update was made to help make it easier for students to understand which classes have available seats, and to limit the confusion on classes that have certain enrollment restrictions. To view the newly revised Open Classes list, visit the Class Schedules page at <http://www.lavc.edu/schedules.html>.



Student Services to Remain in Temporary Locations Until October 2012

Due to construction issues, Admissions & Records, Counseling, Financial Aid, Assessment Center, Services for Students with Disabilities, Career/Transfer Center, Associated Student Union, EOPS, Upward Bound, SSS/TRiO, Outreach & Recruitment and the Vice President of Student Services Office will stay in their temporary locations until October 8, 2012. The following Student Services offices will continue to operate in the following locations from now-October 8:

- Admissions & Records, Counseling, Career/Transfer Center, Associated Student Union, and Outreach & Recruitment are located in the Administration Building;
- Financial Aid is located in the Financial Aid Bungalow (west of the North Gymnasium);
- Services for Students with Disabilities is located in Campus Center 100;
- EOPS and Upward Bound are located in Campus Center 102; and
- The Office of the VP of Student Services, the Assessment Center and SSS/TRiO Program are located in the Lion's Den (in the Cafeteria Building).



Attention LAVC Graduates! LAVC is Seeking Your Feedback in its 2012 Graduation Exit Survey

LAVC would like to hear from its recent graduates and students who have transferred to a four-year institution on their experience at Valley College and their academic achievements. It is asking those graduates to provide feedback in its Graduation Exit survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LAVCGradExitSurvey2012>, which will help LAVC improve services for its current and future students. If you have any questions about this survey, please contact the LAVC Research Office at research@lavc.edu.



Attention New Parents! The Family Resource Center has a Free Baby Clothes Exchange for Newborns to Size 3

The LAVC Family Resource Center offers a free baby clothes exchange (newborns to size 3) for the community in the new Family Resource Center located in the Child Development and Family Complex. New parents are encouraged to bring their clean, gently used (e.g. in good condition) baby clothes and trade them for other gently-used baby clothes. Donations of clean and gently used baby clothes to be used in the exchange are also welcomed. In addition, the Family Resource Center also offers other services and resources for new parents. For more information, contact the Family Resource Center at (818) 778-5612 or visit www.lavc.edu/child_development/frc.html.



Want to Know the Latest on Campus Construction? Visit LAVC's Parking & Construction Updates Web Page

LAVC regularly posts announcements about upcoming and current construction projects that the campus should be made aware of on the LAVC Parking & Construction Updates Web page at

www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html. This Web page, which is part of the Revitalizing Valley College Web site, provides the most up-to-date information from Yang Management, the college's construction project management team. In addition, there are links to information about Valley College's \$626 million renovation and building project that is funded through voter supported Proposition A and AA, and Measure J. To learn more, visit www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/index.html.



Got News to Share? Let the LAVC PR Office Help You Publicize It!

The LAVC Public Relations Office can assist LAVC departments, programs and services with promoting news and events to the campus community and beyond. It can help with posting College Bulletin announcements, messages on the college's electronic marquee, calendar listings on LAVC's online calendar, announcements on the LAVC homepage, and announcements on LAVC's Facebook and Twitter pages. Simply fill out a PR Request Form (available online at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html) for your event or news item, and email it to news@lavc.edu. In addition, the Public Relations Office can help with the creation of Facebook pages, and the college's Web designer can help update and design Web pages for departments and programs! For more information, visit the PR Office Web site at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html.

Additional news and events are posted online at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/.

Announcements & Events for Faculty/Staff

Check Out the Commencement Ceremony Photos Now on Display in the Administration Building. Photos from the recent 2012 Commencement Ceremony have been posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Building. The collage of photos, which are located in the hallway outside the Personnel and Payroll offices, showcases the diverse group of students who earned an associate's degree or certificate in the 2011-2012 academic year. There are also photos of faculty members who participated.

Attention Faculty! Nominate a Colleague for the "Distinguished Professor Award". The Academic Senate of Los Angeles Valley College is pleased to announce the creation of the Distinguished Professor Award. In order to nominate a colleague for this award, he/she must have demonstrated excellence in the areas of instruction or non-instruction or extraordinary scholastic or creative contribution(s) to Los Angeles Valley College. In addition, this faculty member must be a full-time Professor at Los Angeles Valley College at the time of the nomination. The nomination period will begin on May 1, 2012, and conclude on August 1, 2012. For the nomination form

and/or additional information regarding the Distinguished Professor Award, please contact Kathy Snider at (818) 947-2834 (campus voice-mail) or sniderke@lavc.edu (campus e-mail).

Want to be Featured on KVCM as a “Professor of the Week” This Fall? KVCM, LAVC’s radio station, is looking for faculty members who are interested in being featured in a new radio segment called “Professor of the Week”. Faculty members who are interested in being featured as a “Professor of the Week” must submit their bio, a list of 10 important questions and/or topics you want to discuss on the radio, and their phone number and email address to KVCM@lavc.edu. Advanced students from Professor Beaton’s Broadcasting 10 class will interview LAVC instructors, and discuss various subjects, careers, and hobbies in an effort for the campus radio station to appeal to a broader campus-based listenership. The featured faculty members will be chosen at random. This new segment will begin airing on weeknights at 9 p.m. during the Fall 2012 semester.

Attention Adjunct Faculty—Don’t Miss the Adjunct Faculty Orientation on August 18. Title V & Professional Development will hold a “Fall into Fall: Adjunct Faculty Orientation” for new adjunct faculty members on August 18 from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon in the Professional Development Center located in the Faculty/Staff Resource Center – Library & Academic Resource Center, Room 200. This orientation session will answer your questions about college processes, resources, and where to get what you need to help your students succeed! Connect with your colleagues and see the new Faculty/Staff Resource Center. Please RSVP by August 13 to (818) 947-2712 or profdev@lavc.edu.

Save the Date—TechFest 2012 is August 20-22. The LAVC Professional Development Center will be offering a three-day TechFest 2012 from August 20-22. These workshops will help faculty and staff improve their skill in using technology. More details regarding TechFest will be available later this summer.

Mark Your Calendar!—LAVC Opening Day is August 23. The LAVC Professional Development Center reminds all faculty that Opening Day 2012 will be held on Thursday, August 23. Additional information will be provided at a later date.

Want the Latest News on LAVC’s Construction and Parking Updates? Information on construction projects that impact the college community are regularly posted on the LAVC’s ReVitalizing Valley College Web Site. Check out the Construction and Parking Updates link on the LAVC Web site, or visit www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html.

Activities this Week

The following is a list of selected campus event and meetings that are scheduled to take place at LAVC. Please contact the listed department/contact person for more detailed information. A complete list of campus activities is posted on the calendar at www.lavc.edu.

Symbol Key:  For Students;  For Faculty/Staff;  Arts/Music;  Athletics;  Deadlines

Sunday, July 29

Monday, July 30

Tuesday, July 31

 *Job Training Orientation sponsored by LAVC Job Training @ 10 am- 4 pm (Cafeteria Conference Room) – Contact: LAVC Job Training (818) 947-2941*

Wednesday, August 1

Thursday, August 2

Friday, August 3

Project Grad Summer Institute Graduation sponsored by LAVC Academic Affairs @ 8 am- 4 pm (Monarch Hall) – Contact: Nona Matatova (818) 947-2622

Self-Help Valley Group for Adults with Epilepsy sponsored by Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles @ 7- 9 pm (Faculty Lounge); Parking: Lot B – Contact: Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles (310) 670-2870

Saturday, August 4

Vision Statement

Los Angeles Valley College serves the community as a leader in instructional excellence, facilitating the success of its diverse students, developing critical thinkers and life-long learners, and contributing to the economic and cultural vitality of the San Fernando Valley and beyond.

Mission Statement

Los Angeles Valley College is a comprehensive community college located in the center of the San Fernando Valley. The College serves the community by providing transfer, degree, career-technical, foundational, transitional and continuing education programs in an attractive and accessible learning environment that fosters student success. Embedded in these programs are the greater goals of critical thinking and life-long learning which are necessary for success in the workplace and for advancing one's education, personal development and quality of life.

To read the entire Mission Statement, visit www.lavc.edu/vision-mission/

The LAVC College Bulletin is distributed to the campus community every Wednesday for the following week's activities and events. A PDF version of the College Bulletin is also posted at <http://www.lavc.edu/bulletin> every Friday.

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