



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



LAVC CLOSED FEBRUARY 12-15 FOR PRESIDENTS' DAY

LAVC will be closed from Friday, February 12-Monday, February 16 in observance of the Presidents' Day holidays. The college will resume its normal hours of operation on Tuesday, February 16. Please note: Due to the holiday closure, Saturday classes for the Spring 2016 semester will begin on Saturday, February 20. For a complete

list of campus holidays and other important academic dates and deadlines, visit the [LAVC Calendar of Events](#).



LAVC'S INFANT/TODDLER & CREATIVE ACTIVITIES PLAYGROUPS NOW ENROLLING THROUGH COMMUNITY SERVICES!

The LAVC Family Resource Center is accepting enrollments for its Infant and Toddler Playgroups (for newborn-30 months) and a Creative Activities Playgroup (for 2.5-3.5 years old) during the Spring 2016 semester. Classes are open to the

community, and enrollment is through the LAVC Community Services Office. The Infant/Toddler playgroups offer infants and toddlers (birth through 30 months) opportunities for play and socialization. The playgroups focus on open-ended, child-initiated activities, and parents will be able to meet other parents and have fun! Two sessions will be offered in Spring 2016; one playgroup meets on Mondays and Wednesdays (February 17-June 2) from 2:30-4 p.m., and the other on Tuesdays and Thursdays (February 16-June 2) from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. The Creative Activities Playgroup meets offers transitional toddlers (2.5-3.5 years) with opportunities for open-ended art activities with an emphasis on preschool readiness. The playgroup will be offered on Tuesdays (February 23-May 31) from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Scholarships may be available for LAVC students. [Register online](#) through the [LAVC Community Services Web site](#). Space is limited! For more information, visit the [LAVC Family Resource Center Web page](#).



NEED TO TAKE THE HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALANCY TEST? LAVC OFFERS HISET TEST AND PRACTICE TESTS; REGISTER TODAY!

The LAVC Specialized Testing Center in conjunction with the CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids) Office is now accepting registrations for the official High School Equivalency Test (or HiSET®). It will offer the paper-based on Friday-Saturday, February 26-27; the last day to register is February 17 in Bungalow 14. In addition, the computer-based test is available by appointment only, and practice testing is available every Friday in Bungalow 14. LAVC is an official HiSET® Testing Site. The

HiSET® is the new alternative to the GED; the CA State Board of Education approved the HiSET® for individuals to earn a California High School Equivalency Certificate. To be eligible to take the HiSET®, you must be a California resident, be 18 years or older, have a valid government issued identification, and not be currently enrolled in high school. The HiSET® paper-based test is held monthly on a Friday and Saturday (participants must attend both days for each session). The next paper-based test will be offered on February 26 and 27; the registration deadline is 7 business days before the test date. The computer-based test is available by appointment only. The fee for the full test is \$150.00 and additional fees may apply (non-refundable). Space is limited and pre-registration is required. The HiSET® practice test will give you an idea of how well you may score on the official HiSET® test. The practice test is offered every Friday; registration is accepted on the day of the practice test. Practice testing is also offered by appointment. The fee for the test is \$10.00 (non-refundable). For more information on HiSET® Official and Practice Testing, including registration information and all upcoming test and practice test dates and times, visit the [LAVC HiSET Test Web page](#).



GO MONARCHS—RECENT WINS FOR BASEBALL, SOFTBALL, AND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL; MONARCH ATHLETIC CENTER OPENS

The LAVC Athletics Program congratulates Baseball on its back-to-back wins over Pierce; Dr. Endrijonas threw the ceremonial first pitch at its first pre-season game. Congratulations are also in order to Softball for beating El Camino Compton in 5 innings, and to Women's Basketball with its recent win over Bakersfield. In addition, LAVC has recently opened its new Monarch Athletic Center, which

includes two classrooms, a free weights room, locker rooms, coaches office, locker rooms, and equipment rooms. Classes are being held in the building for the Spring semester. The following is an update on our Monarch Athletic teams:

- The [Men's Basketball](#) team suffered two losses to Santa Monica (75-78) and Bakerfield (71-76). It will play at home against College of the Canyons on February 17 at 7 p.m. and then Glendale on February 20 at 5 p.m.; both games will be played in the Competition Gym in the South Gym.
- [Women's Basketball](#) took home a loss to Santa Monica (64-70) but followed up with a win against Bakerfield (61-50). Next up, the Lady Monarchs will host its "Teacher Appreciation Night" on February 17 at its 5 p.m. game against College of the Canyons, and then its "Sophomore Night" on February 20 at its 3 p.m. match up against Glendale; both games will be played in the South Gym's Competition Gym.
- Women's [Softball](#) lost to Saddleback (1-6) and then had a comeback with its 8-inning home win over El Camino Compton (24-1). The team will play Long Beach on February 17 at 3 p.m. at the new Softball field, and then go on the road against Allen Hancock on February 19.
- [Baseball](#) recently played Pierce College for a three-part series and won back-to-back games (3-2 and 13-19) before losing its final match (10-12). It then lost at home to Santa Ana (13-19). It has next week off before its plays again on February 26.

Pictured: LAVC President Dr. Erika Endrijonas delivers the ceremonial first pitch before Thursday's pre-season home opener against Pierce College on LAVC's new Baseball field (Photo by Dale Beck). The LAVC Athletics Department's Monarch Athletics program comprises of 10 intercollegiate athletic teams. The Men's Football, Women's Soccer, and Men and Women's Water Polo teams play every fall. Spring team sports include Men's Baseball, Men's and Women's Basketball, Women's Softball, and Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving. For more information about Monarch Athletics, visit the [LAVC Athletics Department Web page](#).

LAVC CHILD DEVELOPMENT PROFESSORS INVITED TO SPEAK AT EARLY CHILDHOOD STEM CONFERENCE



Dr. Elmida Baghdaserians, chair of the LAVC Child Development Department, and Dr. Veronica Getskow, instructor in the Child Development Department, were invited to make a presentation at the Early Childhood Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (ECSTEM) Conference on Friday, February 5 in Pasadena, California. The topic of their presentation was "Why Reggio", which introduced the philosophy of Reggio Emilia Early Childhood Education programs (Reggio) in Italy and its

connection to STEM. In addition, they discussed the role of the teacher as a facilitator and provider, how to see

the environment as the third teacher for children's learning, and how empowering children to be creative investigators of our society by learning by doing and scaffolding.

The ECSTEM Conference is organized by the Children's Center at Caltech in collaboration with THINK Together to promote and increase awareness of the importance of introducing STEM education in early childhood (birth through eight years).



A WARM WELCOME TO ARMINE GALUKYAN IN THE LAVC PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

LAVC has hired Armine Galukyan as an executive assistant in the President's Office. She started at Valley College on January 19. As Dr. Erika Endrijonas' executive assistant, she will manage the operations of the President's Office and is the primary contact between the campus and the District office. In addition, she handles room requests for the President's Conference Room in Admin 2, and will

help with planning and executing campus-wide events including the Employee Service Recognition Awards (a.k.a. ice cream social), Commencement, and the Holiday Party. She will work with Ilene Sutter, senior secretary, in supporting the needs of the campus. Prior to arriving at Valley College, Armine worked as an administrative secretary in the Employer-Employee Relations Office of LACCD's Human Resource Division. She brings with her a breath of knowledge both at the District and at the college-level. She has also worked at East LA College as a senior secretary in the Student Activities Office, in the LACCD Business Services Office as an office assistant, and in multiple assignments at Pierce College. Armine, who previously took classes at LAVC, is excited to be back at Valley. She is looking forward to working with everyone and be a part of the Valley team. She graduated from Pierce with her associate's degree, and holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and a Master's in Public Administration from CSUN. Armine is located in the President's Office in Admin 1, and she can be reached at (818) 947-2321 or galukya@lavc.edu.



LAVC PR OFFICE IS TEMPORARILY CLOSING; EARLY DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY 21-MARCH 12 PR REQUESTS

The LAVC Public Relations (PR) Office oversees the college's internal and external communications, media relations, campus construction special events, and emergency notifications to students, faculty, and staff. Please note: The PR Office will be closed from February 24-March 2. Department or programs that require promotional assistance from the PR Office for activities being held between February 21-

March 12 will need to submit their PR Request by Tuesday, February 16. The PR Office can provide LAVC departments, programs and services with [promotional assistance](#) for on-campus events and news. It publishes a weekly internal newsletter (called the [College Bulletin](#)), and maintains the [campus news and information](#) on the college Web site, an [online college calendar of events](#), and the college's electronic marquees. The office performs [media relations](#) for the college, including issuing [press releases](#), responding to reporter inquiries, providing faculty and staff with help when the media calls, and assisting with media events at the college. It also manages the college's official social media sites (such as [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#)), and assists college departments and programs with creating social media sites for their department, program or service. In addition, the Public Relations Office oversees usage of the [college logo](#) [only accessible from on campus], maintains the [LAVC Graphic Standards and Style Guide](#) [only accessible from on campus], and the college's photo archive. For more information or to submit a PR Request, visit the [LAVC PR Office Web Page](#).

Additional news and events are posted online at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/index/News-Blog.aspx.

Please Announce to All Students:

Faculty, please share the following important announcements with your students:

- [Need to Buy Your Parking Permit? Looking for Food? Need to Buy Your Textbooks?](#) The LAVC Monarch Store (bookstore) and Business Office are offering extended hours of operation at the beginning of the semester. Purchase or rent your textbooks from the Monarch Bookstore, and pay your fees and purchase a Spring 2016 parking permit in the Business Office. Food services are available at the food truck on campus.
- [Improve Your Grades with Free Tutoring from Valley College.](#) Did you know that free tutoring in writing, math, accounting, anthropology, chemistry, computer science, economics, French, music, physics, psychology, sociology, and statistics 101 is available for Valley College students? Visit the LAVC Writing Center, LAVC Math Lab and/or LAVC General Tutoring Center on the second floor of the Library and Academic Resource Center.
- [Free Workshops to Improve Writing, Math and Study Skills from Valley College.](#) LAVC's Academic Resource Center offers free workshops to help students improve their grades. Writing workshops are offered on Wednesdays at 1 p.m. and Saturdays at 10 a.m., study skills workshops are offered on Mondays and Tuesday at 1 p.m., and Math 110 workshops are offered on Fridays at 10 a.m. All workshops are held in LARC 212.
- [Want to Get Off Academic Probation? Find Out How at the Probation 2 Workshop.](#) Learn how to get off second-semester academic probation and get back into good standing at the Probation 2 workshop. Workshops will be offered on February 16 at 4 p.m., February 17 at 4 p.m., and February 18 at 5:30 p.m. in the Career/Transfer Center.
- [Trying to Decide Your Major or Career? Come to the Undecided Major Workshop.](#) Get help exploring your major or career options at the "Undecided Major" workshop February 17 at 10 a.m. in the Career/Transfer Center.
- [Planning to Transfer to UCLA? Make an Appointment to Meet with the UCLA Peer Mentor.](#) The UCLA Peer Mentor will be on-campus for 20-minute one-on-one appointments with students to answer their questions about transferring to UCLA on February 17 between 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Career/Transfer Center.
- [Not Sure Where to Start in Order to Transfer to a College or University? Attend the "Transfer 101" Workshop.](#) Interested in transferring to a 4-year college or university, but don't know where to start? Get the information you need to successfully transfer at the "Transfer 101" Workshop on February 17 at 12 p.m. in the Career/Transfer Center.
- [Know What to Do After You've Applied to a UC, CSU or USC? Don't Miss the "What's Next" Workshop.](#) Come to the "What's Next Workshop" to find out what you still need to do after your application has been submitted to a UC or CSU campus or to USC on February 18 at 12 p.m. in the Career/Transfer Center.
- [Applying to a Private University? Come to the Common Application Workshop.](#) If you're planning to apply to a private university, come learn how to fill out your admissions application at the Common Application Workshop on February 18 at 3:30 p.m. at the Career/Transfer Center.
- [Attention Students—Last Day to Add a Class and/or Challenge Prerequisites for Spring 2016 is February 19.](#) LAVC Admission & Records will be accepting instructor add permits from students to add or audit a class for the Spring 2016 semester until February 19. In addition, it is the last day to challenge prerequisite is February 19.
- [Want to Earn College Credit for Your Job/Internship? Last Chance to Enroll in Spring 2016 Cooperative Education!](#) If you're working or interning during in the Spring 2016 semester, you may qualify to earn up to 4 units of college credit for hours completed in your work or internship through LAVC Cooperative Education. Apply today!

- [Don't Forget! Spring 2016 Saturday Classes Begin February 20.](#) Saturday classes for the Spring 2016 Semester will begin on February 20. Seats may still be available in classes, so students who wish to add a specific class should go the first day of class and request an add permit from the instructor.
- [ASU Elections will be April 19-20; ASU Officer Applications Due March 30.](#) Want to run for student government? The ASU Elections for the 2016-2017 term will be held on April 19-20 in Monarch Hall. Students interested in running for office must submit their application by March 30 in the Office of Student Life (2nd Floor of the Student Services Center).
- [Scholarship Applications Now Available at the LAVC Foundation!](#) The LAVC Foundation offers LAVC Foundation Scholarships and it is now accepting applications from qualified students. Any interested student should visit the Foundation Office in Admin 3 to find out which applications he/she qualifies for, and be prepared to provide his/her GPA, number of units completed, units enrolled this semester, and area of study.

Announcements for Faculty/Staff

[Attention Faculty/Staff! Don't Forget to Update Your Information in the LAVC Online Directory!](#) LAVC faculty and staff who have found that their work contact information is inaccurate, incomplete or missing on the online LAVC Phone/Email Directory, should contact the LAVC Administrative Services Office.

Calendar of Events

The following is a list of selected campus events 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 online LAVC calendar at www.lavc.edu/calendar/.

LAVC Calendar of Events for February 14-20, 2016

Sunday, February 14

All day President's Day (Campus Closed)
Calendar: Holidays

Monday, February 15

All day President's Day (Campus Closed)
Calendar: Holidays

Tuesday, February 16

1pm - 2:30pm "Time Management & Note Taking" Workshop (part of the Spring 2016 "Free Study Skills Workshops" Series) sponsored by the LAVC Academic Resource Center

Where: Library and Academic Resource Center 212

Contact: LAVC Academic Resource Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/tutor/index.aspx>

Calendar: Student Events

1pm - 5pm ASU Executive Council Meeting sponsored by the LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Campus Center 104

Contact: LAVC Associated Student Union, (818) 778-5516, <http://www.lavc.edu/ASU/index.html>

Calendar: Student Events

1:30pm - 3pm (IEC) LAVC Institutional Effectiveness Council

Where: Administration 2, President's Conference Room, LAVC, 5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen,

CA, United States

Description: <http://www.lavc.edu/iec/index.aspx>

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4pm - 5:30pm "Probation 2 Workshop" sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

Wednesday, February 17

10am - 11:30am "Undecided Major Workshop" sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

10am - 2pm UCLA Peer Mentor sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

12pm - 1:30pm "Transfer 101" Workshop sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

1pm - 2:30pm "Plagiarism: What can be considered a plagiarism?" Workshop (part of Spring 2016 "Start the Semester Strong: Strategies for Success" Series) sponsored by the LAVC Academic Resource Center

Where: Library and Academic Resource Center 212

Contact: LAVC Academic Resource Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/tutor/index.aspx>

Calendar: Student Events

1pm - 2pm Grants Committee (LAVC)

Where: Child Development Family Center (CDFC), FRC, LAVC, Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA, United States

Description: <http://www.lavc.edu/grantscommittee/index.aspx>

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2:30pm - 4pm (Tech) LAVC Technology Committee Meeting

Where: Allied Health & Sciences 310, Los Angeles Valley College,, Allied Health 3rd Floor Conference Room, 5800 Fulton Avenue, Valley Glen, CA, United States

Description: Contact: Grants Committee, <http://www.lavc.edu/grantscommittee/index.html>

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3pm - 3pm LAVC Softball Game vs. Long Beach City College sponsored by LAVC Athletics

Where: Softball Field

Contact: LAVC Athletics - Softball, <http://www.lavc.edu/athletics/softball/schedule.aspx>

Calendar: Athletic Events

4pm - 5:30pm "Probation 2 Workshop" sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

5pm - 5pm LAVC Women's Basketball Home Game vs. College of the Canyons sponsored by the LAVC Athletics Department

Where: South Gymnasium (Competition Gym)

Contact: LAVC Athletics - Women's Basketball Team,

<http://www.lavc.edu/athletics/basketballwomens/index.aspx>

Calendar: Athletic Events

7pm - 7pm LAVC Men's Basketball Home Game vs. College of the Canyons sponsored by the LAVC Athletics Department

Where: South Gymnasium (Competition Gym)

Contact: LAVC Athletics - Men's Basketball Team, <http://www.lavc.edu/athletics/basketball/index.aspx>

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Thursday, February 18

12pm - 1:30pm "What's Next Workshop" sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

1pm - 3pm LAVC ASU Inter Club Council (ICC) Meeting sponsored by the LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Campus Center 104

Contact: LAVC Associated Student Union, (818) 778-5516, <http://www.lavc.edu/ASU/index.html>

Calendar: Student Events

3:30pm - 5pm "Common Application" Workshop sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

5:30pm - 7pm "Probation 2 Workshop" sponsored by the LAVC Career/Transfer Center (CTC)

Where: Student Services Annex (Career/Transfer Center)

Contact: LAVC Career/Transfer Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/transfer/>

Calendar: Student Events

Friday, February 19

All day Spring Semester 2016 - Last Day to Add or Audit (by instructor permit only)

Calendar: Academic Dates & Deadlines

All day Spring Semester 2016 - Last Day to Challenge Prerequisites

Calendar: Academic Dates & Deadlines

9am - 12pm HiSET Practice Test sponsored by the LAVC CalWORKs (California Work Opportunities and Responsibility to Kids) Office

Where: Bungalow 14

Contact: LAVC CalWORKs Office, (818) 947-2976, <http://www.lavc.edu/calworks/hiset.aspx>; Cost: \$10 (non-refundable)

Calendar: Community Events

10am - 11:30am "Math 110 Workshop" (part of Spring 2016 Math Workshop Series) sponsored by the LAVC Academic Resource Center

Where: Library and Academic Resource Center 212

Contact: LAVC Academic Resource Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/tutor/index.aspx>

Calendar: Student Events

Saturday, February 20

All day Spring Semester 2016 - Saturday Classes Begin

Calendar: Academic Dates & Deadlines

10am - 11:30am "Critical Reading: 3 Pass Approach and Dialectics" Workshop (part of Spring 2016 "Start the Semester Strong: Strategies for Success" Series) sponsored by the LAVC Academic Resource Center

Where: Library and Academic Resource Center 212

Contact: LAVC Academic Resource Center, <http://www.lavc.edu/tutor/index.aspx>

Calendar: Student Events

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Where: South Gymnasium (Competition Gym)

Contact: LAVC Athletics - Women's Basketball Team,
<http://www.lavc.edu/athletics/basketballwomens/index.aspx>

Calendar: Athletic Events

5pm - 5pm LAVC Men's Basketball Home Game vs. Glendale College sponsored by the LAVC Athletics Department

Where: South Gymnasium (Competition Gym)

Contact: LAVC Athletics - Men's Basketball Team, <http://www.lavc.edu/athletics/basketball/index.aspx>

Calendar: Athletic Events

MISSION STATEMENT

Los Angeles Valley College serves as a leader in student success, with pathways for certificates, degrees, transfer, and continuing education. We enable students to advance their education, personal development, and quality of life, empowering them to be productive and engaged members of the global community.

VISION STATEMENT

Los Angeles Valley College inspires, educates, and enriches our diverse community, developing critical and creative thinkers and lifelong learners.

For the LAVC Mission and Vision Statements and Core Values, visit www.lavc.edu/vision-mission/

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