



# Los Angeles Valley College

## LAVC College Bulletin July 12-25, 2015

### This Issue's News & Events



#### **ACCJC ANNOUNCES THAT LAVC IS NOW FULLY REACCREDITED**

*The Accrediting Commission for Junior and Community Colleges (ACCJC) announced on Tuesday, June 29 that Los Angeles Valley College has been removed from warning and it has fully reaffirmed the college's accredited status. This action took place following the commission's meeting on June 3-5, 2015.*

The commission noted that the college had addressed its remaining recommendation from its last comprehensive report by establishing financial controls to "ensure long-term financial stability". The ACCJC had placed the college on warning in June 2013, which required LAVC to address eight college and one Los Angeles Community College District recommendation. In Spring 2015, the college submitted a follow-up report, and had an accreditation visit where the visiting team submitted a report of its findings to the Commission. Accreditation is a voluntary peer review process that assists colleges to improve the quality of education and the effectiveness of its processes. LAVC will undergo its next comprehensive review by the ACCJC in Spring 2016. For more information, visit the [LAVC Accreditation Web page](#).



#### **LAST CHANCE TO APPLY FOR THE EOPS/CARE AND GUARDIAN SCHOLARS PROGRAM!**

*The LAVC Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) Office and the Guardian Scholars foster youth program is accepting new students for the Fall 2015 semester. Applications will be accepted until Friday, July 17 at 12 p.m. in the EOPS/CARE Office on the second floor of the Student Services Center.* EOPS provides eligible students who come from populations that have historically experienced economic and educational challenges with resources and services to help them succeed. It provides academic, career and personal counseling, one-on-one tutoring, textbook

vouchers, workshops, priority registration, progress monitoring and other services to help increase access, retention and goal completion of students. The Guardian Scholars is a new foster youth program that provides support for current and former foster youth attending Valley College. For more information, visit the [LAVC EOPS Web site](#).



## **HAVE YOU HEARD? ACTRESS KRISTY MCNICHOL PROMOTES LAVC IN PEOPLE MAGAZINE**

*People Magazine*, in its July 6 issue, published a "Why I Care" story on former actress Kristy McNichol. In the article, Kristy talks about her love of singing and her music classes at Valley College. She shares how music can help kids "not to take the wrong path and to keep coming back to school". She advocated support for the [LAVC Foundation](#), which provides student scholarships and supports various campus programs and projects, including the LAVC Music Department. Kristy, who is a former child actor who starred in the TV series *Family* and the sitcom *Empty Nest*, wanted to use her "voice in a positive way." The LAVC Foundation thanks Kristy for her support, and for championing LAVC to the world!



## **LAVC'S WELCOME FAIR FOR NEW STUDENTS IS AUGUST 19; REGISTRATION NOW OPEN**

*LAVC will offer its annual Welcome Fair for new students on Wednesday, August 19 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in Monarch Hall in Campus Center; registration is now being accepted.* Welcome Fair, which is organized by the LAVC Student Services Office, marks the official beginning of your career here at LAVC. New students who attend will learn the tips and tricks on getting ready for school and making the best of their Monarch experience. Space is limited; the last day to register is August 12!



## **NEED TO TAKE THE HiSET®? LAVC IS AN OFFICIAL HiSET TESTING SITE**

*The LAVC CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids) Office is accepting registrations for the HiSET® (High School Equivalency Test). The paper-based test will be offered on Friday-Saturday, August 21-22 and the computer-based test will be offered by appointment only. It also offers the HiSET practice tests on selected Fridays and by appointment.* 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 will be held on Friday-Saturday, August 21 and 22 (must attend both days for each session); register by August 12 in Bungalow 14. 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, which will give you an idea of how well you will score on the official HiSET testing, are offered at 9 a.m. on designated Fridays (July 17, 24, 31, August 7, 14, 21, September 4, 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30) in Bungalow 14; check-in at 8:45 a.m. The practice test is also available by appointment. Dates are subject to change without notice. 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 CalWORKs Web page](#).



## **LOOKING FOR A JOB? CHECK OUT THE LAVC ONLINE JOB BOARD**

LAVC Cooperative Education/Job Resource Center has partnered with College Central Network to offer an online LAVC Job Board for students, alumni and area employers. This job board includes vital online job search resources such as an exclusive LAVC Job Board, Career Portfolio & Resume Builders, Job Central™ & Intern Central, Job Central™ Podcasts, and more. For more information, visit the LAVC Job Board Web Page at <http://www.collegecentral.com/lavc/>.



## [ARE YOU FOLLOWING @LAVCPREZ ON TWITTER?](#)

*Dr. Erika Endrijonas, LAVC college president, is staying connected to students, faculty, staff and the community-at-large through social media.* You can now find out what's going on with our College President, and learn more about what's happening at LA Valley College by following her on Twitter ([@LAVCPrez](#)).



## [GOT NEWS TO SHARE? LAVC'S PR OFFICE CAN PROVIDE PUBLICITY ASSISTANCE](#)

*The LAVC Public Relations (PR) Office can assist LAVC departments, programs and services with promoting news and events to the campus community and the general public.* It can help with posting announcements in the weekly College Bulletin e-newsletter, on the college's electronic marquees, on LAVC's online calendar of events, on the LAVC Campus News Web page, and on LAVC's Facebook and Twitter pages. In addition, the PR Office can assist faculty and staff with the creation of Facebook pages for college departments and programs. Simply fill out a [PR Request Form](#) for your event

or news item, and email the completed form by the request deadline to [news@lavc.edu](mailto:news@lavc.edu). Please note: The LAVC PR Office is unable to fulfill requests from organizations not directly affiliated with or sponsored by Los Angeles Valley College. Requests to update college Web pages should be sent directly to [webmaster@lavc.edu](mailto:webmaster@lavc.edu); the LAVC Information Technology Department now manages the college Web site. For more information on how to submit a request to the PR Office, visit the [LAVC Public Relations Office Web page](#).

Additional news and events are posted online at [www.lavc.edu/campusnews/index/News-Blog.aspx](http://www.lavc.edu/campusnews/index/News-Blog.aspx).

## LAVC in the News



July 1, 2015

### **Los Angeles Valley College gets the accreditation all-clear**

LAVC, whose budget was once millions in the red, has had the cloud of an accreditation sanction lifted. The Valley Glen community college, warned by the state accreditation agency two years ago, has righted its financial ship, according to officials. The clearing of its sanction was [posted Monday](#) by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges. To read the entire article, visit <http://www.dailynews.com/social-affairs/20150701/los-angeles-valley-college-gets-the-accreditation-all-clear>.



June 25, 2015

### **Kristy McNichol Steps Back into the Spotlight – in a College Choir!**

People Magazine recently published a story on Kristy McNichol, and she talks about why she supports the LAVC Music Department through the LAVC Foundation. In the article, which was published in People Magazine's July 6 issue, Kristy talks about her love of singing and her music classes at Valley College. To read the online version of the article, visit <http://www.people.com/article/kristy-mcnichol-sings-college-choir-why-i-care>.

# Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- [Free Workshops on “Writing Tutoring” And “Test-Taking Strategies” at the LAVC Academic Resource Center.](#) The LAVC Academic Resource Center will be offering two “Writing Tutoring” workshops on Tuesday, July 14, and two “Test-Taking Strategies” workshops on Wednesday, July 15; each workshop will be offered from 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1:30-3 p.m. in LARC 212. No need to attend both workshop sessions offered on the same day; the same material will be covered. The “Writing Tutoring” workshop will offer hands-on tutoring with your writing assignment. Bring your work in progress assignment, and get one-on-one assistance. The “Test-Taking Strategies” workshop will teach you successful strategies to help you ace your final examinations! You must bring your LAVC student ID card in order to be able to attend the workshops. For more information, contact Scott Weigand in the LAVC Academic Resource Center at (818) 947-2811.
- [Want Better Grades? Final Week of Free Walk-In Tutoring And Workshops for Summer Session 2015.](#) The LAVC Academic Resource Center can offer assistance with any Summer classes including Math, English, Chemistry, Music, Accounting, Spanish, Sociology, and many more! The Math Tutoring Lab, Writing Center, and General Tutoring, which are on the second floor of the Library and Academic Resource Center (LARC), are open in the daytime, evenings, Fridays and Saturdays during Summer Session 2015. There will also be free workshops offered during the summer for to help students manage their time, take better notes, improve your study skills, and have a successful summer session at Valley! In addition, the Computer Commons in LARC 234 has 100 computers available for student use, and the Library on the first floor of LARC offers library materials and services for students. You must present your student I.D. (Monarch Card) to utilize these services. For more information, visit the [LAVC Academic Resources and Tutoring Services Web page.](#)
- [Are You Hungry? On-Campus Food Services Available During Summer Session 2015.](#) Food will be available for purchase at several locations on campus during Summer Session 2015. Food services will be available at a food truck in Monarch Square, at the LAVC Monarch Store (Bookstore) and at vending machines on campus. Between June 15-July 16, food services will be available at the following locations:
  - o The All Services Catering (ASC) food truck located in Monarch Square is open Monday-Thursday from 7 a.m.-2 p.m.
  - o [LAVC Monarch Store](#) is open from Monday-Thursday from 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
  - o Vending machines are located throughout campus, and are open all the time.To find the location of the food truck and LAVC Monarch Store/Bookstore, view the [LAVC Campus Map.](#) For more information regarding food services on campus, contact Raul Gonzalez in Administrative Services at (818) 947-2606.
- [Don’t Miss Your Chance to Apply for the EOPS/CARE and the Guardian Scholars Program!](#) The LAVC Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) Office and the Guardian Scholars foster youth program is accepting new students for the Fall 2015 semester. Applications will be accepted until Friday, July 17 at 12 p.m. in the EOPS/CARE Office on the second floor of the Student Services Center. For more information, visit the [LAVC EOPS Web page.](#)
- [Looking for an Open Class? Check the Fall 2015 Open Classes List!](#) The LAVC Academic Affairs Office has posted an open classes listing for Fall Semester 2015 on the [LAVC Schedule of Classes Web Page.](#) This regularly updated list notes all the Fall Semester 2015 class sections with available seats. Please note: The open classes list information is not live, therefore some class sections may be closed by the time a student registers for the class. For more information, visit the “Open Classes List” under the Fall Semester 2015 on the [LAVC Schedule of Classes Web Page.](#)

## Announcements for Faculty/Staff

**[Get the Latest Information on Campus Construction! Visit the LAVC Construction & Parking Updates Web Page.](#)** Los Angeles Valley College regularly posts information on construction projects that impact the campus on the LAVC's ReVitalizing Valley College Web Site. In addition, the campus sends out Communication Update emails to faculty and staff when construction projects will be impacting the campus community. For the latest information on how construction is impacting the campus and parking, please visit the [Construction and Parking Updates Web page](#), or click on the "Construction Updates" button on the college homepage.

**[Faculty/Staff—Is Your Information Up-To-Date in the LAVC Phone & Email Directory?](#)** The LAVC Administrative Services Office is asking department chairs and all faculty to review their departmental and faculty contact information on the online LAVC Phone/Email Directory. If an employee finds that his/her information is inaccurate or missing, he/she should send the following information to his/her department chair or supervisor, who upon verification and approval will send the information to Arlene Stein in Administrative Services at [steinar@lavc.edu](mailto:steinar@lavc.edu):

- (1) employee's full name,
- (2) nickname (if applicable),
- (3) title,
- (4) department,
- (5) building location with room number
- (6) LAVC phone number or voice mail extension,
- (7) fax number,
- (8) LAVC email address, &
- (9) secondary phone number or email address (if applicable)

Arlene will notify the employee's supervisor when the information has been updated online.

If you have any questions, contact Arlene Stein at [steinar@lavc.edu](mailto:steinar@lavc.edu) or by calling extension 2336.

## Activities this Week

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/](http://www.lavc.edu/calendar/).

### LAVC Calendar of Events for July 12-25, 2015

**Sunday, July 12**

**Monday, July 13**

**Tuesday, July 14**

**10:30am - 12pm "Writing Tutoring" Workshop (part of the Summer of Success Workshop Series) sponsored by the LAVC Academic Resource Center**

**Where:** Library and Academic Resource Center 212

**Contact:** LAVC Academic Resource Center, Scott Weigand, (818) 947-2811,

<http://www.lavc.edu/tutor.html>

*Calendar: Student Events*

**1:30pm - 3pm "Writing Tutoring" Workshop (part of the Summer of Success Workshop Series) sponsored by the LAVC Academic Resource Center**

**Where:** Library and Academic Resource Center 212

**Contact:** LAVC Academic Resource Center, Scott Weigand, (818) 947-2811,

<http://www.lavc.edu/tutor.html>

*Calendar: Student Events*

### Wednesday, July 15

**10:30am - 12pm "Test-Taking Strategies" Workshop (part of the Summer of Success Workshop Series) sponsored by the LAVC Academic Resource Center**

**Where:** Library and Academic Resource Center 212

**Contact:** LAVC Academic Resource Center, Scott Weigand, (818) 947-2811,

<http://www.lavc.edu/tutor.html>

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**Contact:** LAVC Academic Resource Center, Scott Weigand, (818) 947-2811,

<http://www.lavc.edu/tutor.html>

*Calendar: Student Events*

### Thursday, July 16

### Friday, July 17

**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*

**12pm - 5pm HiSET Paper-Based Test (Part 1 of 2) 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: \$150 and additional fees may apply (non-refundable); Pre-registration required

*Calendar: Community Events*

### Saturday, July 18

**8:30am - 2pm HiSET Paper-Based Test (Part 2 of 2) 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: \$150 and additional fees may apply (non-refundable); Pre-registration required

*Calendar: Community Events*

### Sunday, July 19

### Monday, July 20

### Tuesday, July 21

### Wednesday, July 22

**10:30am - 12pm LACCD Personnel Commission Monthly Visit organized by LAVC Student Services**

**Where:** Campus Center 104

**Contact:** LAVC Student Services, (818) 947-2543

*Calendar: Other Events - Facility Rentals*

**12:30pm - 1:30pm AFT Staff Guild Chapter Meeting**

**Where:** Campus Center, Fireside Room

**Contact:** Cyndi Maddren, [maddrect@lavc.edu](mailto:maddrect@lavc.edu)

*Calendar: Campus Meetings*

**Thursday, July 23**

**Friday, July 24**

**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*

**Saturday, July 25**

**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/](http://www.lavc.edu/vision-mission/)

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