

LAVC College Bulletin February 7-13, 2010

News & Events at LAVC



Spring 2010 Semester Begins February 8

Day and evening classes for the Spring 2010 Semester will begin on Monday, February 8; the first day for Saturday classes is Saturday, February 20. If students want to register for classes, pay fees and see a counselor, they should go to Walk-In Registration in the Campus Center. Walk-In Registration is available until Monday, February 23 (closed February 12-15) and is open on Mondays-Thursdays from 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Fridays from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. To view the Spring 2010 Class Schedule and a schedule of important Spring 2010 dates and deadlines, visit http://www.lavc.edu/schedules.html.



Textbook Buyback and Extended Hours at the LAVC Bookstore

The LAVC Bookstore will hold a Winter 2010 textbook buyback from February 8-11 and will have extended hours during the first two weeks of the Spring semester. All Winter 2010 textbooks are eligible for buyback (it doesn't matter where they were purchased); textbooks must be complete with no water damage. The Bookstore will have extended hours from February 6-18, and during that time it will be

Monday-Thursdays from 7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; it will be closed from Friday, February 12-Monday, February 15 for the Presidents' Day holiday. The Bookstore will resume its normal hours of operation on Friday, February 19 (with the exception of its special Saturday hours on February 20). For more information or to confirm its hours of operation, contact the LAVC Bookstore at (818) 947-2313.



February 10 is the Financial Aid & Scholarship Awareness Event

LAVC will be present a Financial Aid & Scholarship Awareness Event on Wednesday, February 10 from 12-2 p.m. in Monarch Square. Students can find out if they might be eligible for federal and/or state grants and loans (Cal Grants, Board of Governor Fee Waivers, and Federal Pell Grants), part-time employment (Federal Work-Study), and scholarships to help cover the cost of school. A light lunch and small gift will be provided while supplies last. The event is sponsored by the Academic Faculty Senate, ASU and Financial Aid. To view the event flyer, visit

http://www.lavc.edu/defaultdocs/FA%20Awareness%20Day%20Flyer%202010%20Final.pdf. For more information, contact Financial Aid at (818) 947-2412.



LAVC Closed on February 12-15 (and No Classes on February 16)

LAVC will be closed from Friday, February 12-Monday, February 15 in observance of the Presidents' Day holiday. Classes will not be in session on Tuesday, February 16, but a majority of college offices will be open. Please note: Only faculty/counselors/librarians on "C" basis in the Spring 2010 Semester will not be working on Tuesday, February 16; all other employees are scheduled to work that day. All college offices will reopen and classes will resume to normal hours of operation on Wednesday, February 17.



Want to Study in Paris? Don't Miss the Information Session for Summer

in Paris Program

The LAVC Study Abroad Program will hold an information session for its Summer in Paris program on Saturday, February 13 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Foreign Language Building, Room

102. Participants will learn about the month-long study program with the European Studies Association (ESA) from July 1-31, 2010. This program is open to students and members of the community. For more information, contact Dominique Merrill at merrildl@lavc.edu or (818) 947-2380, or visit www.lavc.edu/paris.



Welcome to Aaron Weatherby, LAVC's New IT Manager

The college will welcome Michael Weatherby, LAVC's new manager of college information system, and his first day will be Monday, February 8. He will be responsible for the management of the college entire informational technology system. He has held three previous positions as an IT Manager, and is a graduate of USC. Welcome Aaron!



TAP Honor Students Selected to Present at the HTCC Student

Research Conference in March

Five TAP (Transfer Alliance Program) honor students from LAVC have been selected to be presenters at the HTCC (Honors Transfer Council of California) Student Research Conference at the University of California, Irvine on March 6. This is the first time the college has participated in this conference for honor students from around the state, and all five LAVC TAP students who submitted a proposal application were selected. The following LAVC students will be presenting (and their topic): John Henry Evans ("The 9/11 Attack: From Collision to Collusion"), Gina Nalbandian ("Chromosome #12"), Celika Saito ("Plastic Marine Debris in Our Ocean"), Mary Garcia ("Designing a Backyard Wildlife Habitat and Its Benefits"), and Christian Alvez ("The Invisible Environment: Personal and Cultural Histories of Ecological Stewardship"). Congratulations!

Additional news items are posted at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/index.html.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- Are You Trying to Add a Class? Want to Speak to a Counselor? Need to Pay Your Fees? Then Come to Spring 2010 Walk-In Registration. The Admissions & Records, Counseling, Business Office and Financial Aid offices will be able to assist students with registering for classes, seeing a counselor, and paying your fees in Monarch Hall and the Fireside Room from February 2-22 (except February 12-15). Spring 2010 Walk-In Registration will be open Monday-

Thursday from 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., and Saturday (February 6 and 20) from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. For more information, contact Admissions & Records Office at (818) 947-2553.

- **Get Money by Selling Your Winter Session Textbooks!** The LAVC Bookstore will be buying back Winter 2010 textbooks from students from February 8-11. All Winter 2010 textbooks are eligible for buyback (it doesn't matter where they were purchased); textbooks must be complete with no water damage. To sell your books, just go to the Textbook Buyback entrance to the left of the main bookstore entrance. For more info, call (818) 947-2717.
- Need to buy your books? LAVC Bookstore will have Extended Hours. From February 6-18, the LAVC Bookstore will have extended hours of operation from Monday-Thursdays from 7:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; it will be closed from Friday, February 12-Monday, February 15 for the Presidents' Day holiday. The Bookstore will resume its normal hours of operation on Friday, February 19 (with the exception of its special Saturday hours on February 20). For more information or to confirm its hours of operation, contact the LAVC Bookstore at (818) 947-2313.
- Want Money for School? Don't Miss the Financial Aid & Scholarship Awareness Event! Come find out if you are eligible for grants, scholarships, part-time employment or loans at the Financial Aid & Scholarship Awareness Event on Wednesday, February 10 from 12-2 p.m. in Monarch Square. A free lunch and gift will be provided while supplies last! For more info, contact Financial Aid at (818) 947-2412.
- Come Learn How You Can Spend Your Summer In Paris...and Earn College Credit! The LAVC Study Away Program will hold an information meeting for its "Summer in Paris" program on Saturday, February 13 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Foreign Language Building, Room 102. Come learn about the month-long study program with the European Studies Association (ESA) from July 1-31, 2010. Questions? Contact Dominique Merrill at (818) 947-2380 or merrildl@lavc.edu, or visit www.lavc.edu/paris.
- Attention Students! Do You Want to Becoming the Next Student Trustee? If you are interested in becoming the next LACCD Student Trustee, please pick-up an application in Campus Center, Room 100-A or Campus Center, Room 102. Deadline to submit all required paperwork is March 15, 2010 at 4 p.m. Questions? Contact the ASU Office at (818) 778-5516.
- Want to Know How You Can Get A Metro Transit Pass for Only \$15? LACCD in partnership with the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority (Metro) is offering special \$15 Institutional Transit Access Pass (I-TAP) Metro Passes to LAVC students. Save money and reduce carbon emissions by taking public transportation. LAVC students who are enrolled in 12 or more units in a semester will be eligible for this special \$15 Metro pass. This I-TAP pass can be used 24/7 for 6 months, and can be purchased at the LAVC Business Office. For more information, contact the Business Office at (818) 947-2318.
- Looking for Free Money for School? Apply today for a Cal Grant! The deadline to apply for a Cal Grant is March 2, 2010. In order to be eligible for a Cal Grant, you must apply for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and submitting your GPA Verification to the California Student Aid Commission by the deadline. For more information and assistance with completing the FAFSA, contact the LAVC Financial Aid Office at (818) 947-2412 or financialaid@lavc.edu.
- Reminder---LAVC is a Smoking Restricted Campus. Smoking is prohibited on campus except in designated smoking areas. Please view the campus map for the locations of the "designated smoking areas" at www.lavc.edu. To read the Smoking Policy (on page 6 of the 2009-2010 Catalog), visit www.lavc.edu/catalog/.

- The Lion's Den will be closed during the Spring 2010 semester. If you have questions, please contact the ASU Office at (818) 778-5516.
- Want to Learn More About Your Future Career? Sign Up for the Groundhog Job Shadow Day! The LAVC Career/Transfer Center in collaboration with Junior Achievement will offer its "Annual Groundhog Job Shadow Program" in the Spring 2010 semester. This program will give you first-hand practical experience in your desired career field by providing you with an opportunity to be matched with and to interview a working professional. To participate, interested students must attend one of the following hour-long mandatory orientations in the Career/Transfer Center: February 25 at 1 p.m., March 4 at 1 p.m. or 5:30 p.m., or March 11 at 1 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. For more information, contact Clive Gordon at (818) 947-5576.

Announcements for Faculty & Staff

LACCD's New Travel Mileage Rate. The LACCD Board of Trustees has approved the standard mileage rate of .50 cents per mile for authorized travel effective January 1, 2010. Please keep this in mind when submitting mileage expense and travel expense claims. Questions? Contact Arlene Stein at (818) 947-2339.

Save the Date—Valley Symphony Orchestra Concert on February 20. The Valley Symphony Orchestra will present a "Chamber Music Concert" on Saturday, February 20 at 8 p.m. in the Music Recital Hall. This annual chamber music concert will feature a more intimate performance from a number of Valley Symphony Orchestra members. Tickets are \$25 for general admission, and \$15 for students/seniors. For more information, contact (818) 947-2346 or visit www.valleysymphony.org.

Mark Your Calendars—New Art Gallery Exhibition Opens February 25. The LAVC Art Gallery will be presenting a new exhibition entitled "No Laughing Matter: Art and Humor in Southern California (a Modest Sampling)" from February 25-April 15. An artist's reception and program will be held on Wednesday, February 24 at 7 p.m. in the LAVC Art Gallery. This show is a sampling of works that use such potentially droll approaches, from artists who make humor the central theme of their work, to those who only occasionally decide to tickle our funny bone. Sixteen artists (some emerging, some veterans), are represented including Michael Arata, Walter Askin, Merwin Belin, Stephen Berkman, Jim Eller, Walter Gabrielson, Doug Harvey, Richard Pettibone, Pierre Picot, Erika Rothenberg, Ilene Segalove, Mahara Sinclaire, Dave Smith, Masami Teraoka, Jeffrey Vallance, and William Wegman. For general Art Gallery information, contact (818) 778-5536.

LAVC Astronomy Group's Upcoming Event. Executive Director of the Center for Inquiry-Los Angeles James Underdown will be speaking with the LAVC Astronomy Group on the 2012 Myth at the LAVC Planetarium on Sunday, February 28 at 7:45 p.m. This hour long lecture illustrated with slides is free and open to the public. Underdown has been executive director of the Center For Inquiry-Los Angeles since 1999, and has written for the Skeptical Inquirer and Free Inquiry magazines. For more information, contact the LAVC Planetarium at (818) 947-2335.

Activities this Week

Please contact the listed department/contact person for more detailed information. A complete list of campus events is posted on the calendar at www.lavc.edu. For a schedule of campus committee meetings, visit www.lavc.edu/committees.html.

Sunday, February 7

Winter Session 2010 - Session ends

Spring Semester 2010 - Internet Registration for continuing students (by appointment)

Spring Semester 2010 - Internet Registration for new and returning students (by appointment)

Spring Semester 2010 - Residency Determination Date

Spring Semester 2010 - Filing period for Spring 2010 Graduation Petition

Community Services Winter/Spring 2010 Registration (Online). www.lavc.edu/communityed

Monday, February 8

Spring Semester 2010 - Day and evening classes begin

Spring Semester 2010 - First day to petition for Pass/No-Pass

Spring Semester 2010 - Registration by Instructor Permit only

Spring Semester 2010 - Filing period for Spring 2010 Graduation Petition

Spring Semester 2010 - Walk in Registration @ 8 am- 8 pm (Campus Center) - Contact: Admissions and Records (818) 947-2553

Community Services Winter/Spring 2010 Registration (Online or in person). www.lavc.edu/communityed

LA Metro Information Booth sponsored by the Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority @ 10 am- 2 pm (Sidewalk between Bookstore & Monarch Hall) - Contact: Todd Mitsuhata (213) 922-5656

Tuesday, February 9

Spring Semester 2010 - Registration by Instructor Permit only

Spring Semester 2010 - Filing period for Spring 2010 Graduation Petition

Spring Semester 2010 - Walk in Registration @ 8 am- 8 pm (Campus Center) - Contact: Admissions and Records (818) 947-2553

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Wednesday, February 10

Spring Semester 2010 - Registration by Instructor Permit only

Spring Semester 2010 - Filing period for Spring 2010 Graduation Petition

Spring Semester 2010 - Walk in Registration @ 8 am- 8 pm (Campus Center) - Contact: Admissions and Records (818) 947-2553

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Financial Aid & Scholarship Awareness Event sponsored by the LAVC Financial Aid Office @ 12 noon- 2 pm (Monarch Hall Patio) - Contact: Financial Aid Office (818) 947-2412 View Flyer (PDF)

Thursday, February 11

Spring Semester 2010 - Registration by Instructor Permit only

Spring Semester 2010 - Filing period for Spring 2010 Graduation Petition

Spring Semester 2010 - Walk in Registration @ 8 am- 8 pm (Campus Center) - Contact: Admissions and Records (818) 947-2553

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Friday, February 12

Campus Closed for President's Day

Community Services Winter/Spring 2010 Registration (Online). www.lavc.edu/communityed

Saturday, February 13

Campus Closed for President's Day

Community Services Winter/Spring 2010 Registration (Online). www.lavc.edu/communityed

Summer in Paris Study Program Information Meeting sponsored by LAVC Study Away @ 11 am- 1 pm (Foreign Language 102) – Contact: Dominique Merrill (818) 947-2380 merrildl@lavc.edu www.lavc.edu/paris

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.

For the complete mission statement, visit http://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 is also posted on the LAVC Web site every Friday.

To submit a request to post news items/events in the College Bulletin, post a message on the campus marquee and/or for other kinds of public relations assistance, please submit a PR Request Form, which is available at http://www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html

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