



Los Angeles Valley College

LAVC College Bulletin September 2-8, 2012

This Issue's News & Events



LAVC Closed on September 3 for the Labor Day Holiday

LA Valley College will be closed on Monday, September 3 in observance of the Labor Day holiday. Campus offices and services will be closed that day, and classes will not be in session. The college will resume its normal hours of operations on Tuesday, September 4. For a complete list of holidays and academic deadlines, visit www.lavc.edu/calendar/index.html.



LAVC's Cooperative Education Now Accepting Applications for the Fall 2012

The LAVC Cooperative Education Office is offering LAVC students the opportunity to earn college credit for their work experience in the Fall 2012 semester. Applications for the Fall 2012 Cooperative Education Program are now being accepted; the last day to receive an add card is Friday, September 7. To be eligible, the student must be working/interning during the Fall semester (students who are self-employed, temps, substitutes, informal childcare providers or homecare providers are not eligible). In addition, they must be enrolled in and complete one other additional class. To enroll, students must download and complete the application packet on the Cooperative Education Web page, and make an appointment to meet with the Cooperative Education Director. Add slips will only be given upon approval of the application packet. For more information, visit the Cooperative Education Web page at www.lavc.edu/cooped.



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 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.



Bill Wallis Receives the Inaugural Distinguished Professor Award from the LAVC Academic Senate

The Academic Senate at Los Angeles Valley College (LAVC) recently presented its 2012 Distinguished Professor Award to Professor of English Bill Wallis. This is the inaugural year of the award, and LAVC faculty members were asked to nominate colleagues that met the following criteria: 1) are a full-time professor at Valley College at the time of nomination, and 2) have demonstrated excellence in at least two of the following areas: instruction, non-instruction, and extraordinary scholastic or creative contributions to the college. The other nominees for the award included Bernie Christian, Gary Honjio, Marla O'Connell, Karen Roy, Diedra Stark and Joanne Waddell. Dr. Wallis has taught at LAVC for 22 years in diverse subjects such as English, History, Jewish Studies and Journalism. He is currently the Vice-Chairman of the English Department, and has written numerous publications including biographies, essays, fiction and non-fiction, memoirs and verse. Dr. Wallis is also active on the campus in a variety of committees and events. In his personal life, Dr. Wallis performs as an actor and singer, and one of his special interests is the poet Emily Dickinson. Congratulations!



LAVC Welcomes Six New Faculty Members this Year

LAVC welcomes the following six new full-time faculty members: Erika Brockmann (Biology), Minna Ng (Psychology), Cheryl Pearson (Respiratory Therapy), Preethamol Puthiakunnel (Nursing), Jennifer Read (Theater Arts) and Joyce Romero (Counseling). These individuals have already started teaching or working during the Fall semester, and were formally introduced to the faculty at Opening Day 2012. Welcome!



Steven Castillo Named the Acting Chair of the Mathematics Department

Steven Castillo, assistant professor of Mathematics, is the new Acting Department Chair for LAVC's Mathematics Department; he will officially begin his new assignment on September 1. In addition, Adam Littig is the new Vice Chair of the department. As acting department chair, Steven will be responsible for the scheduling classes for the department, overseeing the department's budget, coordinating SLO assessment for the department, reviewing prerequisite challenge requests, and dealing with departmental issues. Previously, Steven was the Vice Chair of the Department from 2007-2012, and served as department chair three years prior to that. Congratulations!



Yovanna Campos Moves to Upward Bound as its New Program Office Assistant

The LAVC Upward Bound Program welcomes Yovanna Campos as its new Program Office Assistant. Yovanna, who was formerly the Office Assistant in the Administrative Services Office, will be starting in her new position on September 4. She will be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Upward Bound Program, help the program follow the proper procedures according to grant guidelines, and spend time with Upward Bound students in the area high schools. The Upward Bound Program, which recently received a second 5-year cycle funding for the program, is part of the Student Services area at LAVC under the direction of Vice President of Student Services Florentino Manzano. Congratulations!



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 the 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 assist with designing and updating Web pages for departments and programs! For more information, visit the PR Office Web page at www.lavc.edu/campusnews/pr.html.

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

LAVC in the News



August 2012

Summer Academies Prosper at Los Angeles Valley College

The Valley Economic Alliance Web site featured a story on LAVC's successful Manufacturing Academy, LA Fellows Program, and the Microsoft Academy programs that took place on campus over the summer. More than 60 individuals participated in one of the three academies, which were all designed to create or enhance the much needed skills demanded by today's employers. To read the entire story, visit <http://thevalley.net/communities/news/summer-academies-prosper-los-angeles-valley-college>.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- **Want College Credit for Your Job or Internship? Apply for the Cooperative Education Program Today—Deadline to Add is September 7.** The LAVC Cooperative Education Department is now accepting applications for Fall 2012. You can earn college credit for your work experience in the Fall 2012 Semester by enrolling in the Cooperative Education Program. The deadline to add Cooperative Education for Fall 2012 is Friday, September 7th. To be eligible, you must be working/interning during the Fall semester (self-employed, temps, substitutes, informal childcare providers or homecare providers are not eligible). In addition, you will need to be enrolled in and complete one other additional class. Instructions on how to enroll are posted on the Cooperative Education Web page at www.lavc.edu/cooped.
- **Did You Know? The Last Day to Add a Class is September 7.** The LAVC Admissions Office reminds all students that the last day to add a class is Friday, September 7. Late adds will not be permitted. After September 7, you will not be able to add, transfer or change the basis of grading to audit. If you received a signed add card from an instructor, you will need to bring it to the Admissions Office located in the Administration Building on or before the September 7 deadline. For the hours of operation of the Admissions Office visit <http://www.lavc.edu/admissions/index.html>.
- **Don't Forget—September 7 is the Last Day to Drop Classes Without Fees or Receiving a "W".** The last day to drop a class in person without incurring fees and without receiving a "W" is Friday, September 7. You may be able to drop a class over the internet using the LACCD Student Information System until Sunday, September 9. For a complete list of academic dates and deadlines, visit www.lavc.edu/calendar/index.html.
- **Want to Avoid Long Lines to Buy Your Books? Order Your Textbooks Online from the LAVC Bookstore.** The LAVC Bookstore is now accepting textbook orders online from students. Simply log onto www.lavcbookstore.com, select the textbooks you need, and then choose to have them shipped or available for pick up in the LAVC Bookstore. For more information on online textbook ordering, contact Mary John at (818) 947-2717 or johnms@lavc.edu.
- **Don't Get a Parking Ticket! Park in Student Lots and Remember to Buy Your Fall Semester Parking Pass.** The LAVC Business Office is now selling Fall 2012 Semester parking passes to students. If you don't want to buy a semester parking permit, you can choose to purchase daily passes at the parking permit pay stations located in Parking Lot A and D. Vehicles parking on campus will be required to have a valid parking permit by September 10. The LAVC Sheriff's Office will begin issuing parking citations for vehicles that do not display a parking permit starting the third week of school. To buy your semester parking permit, visit the Business Office located on the northeast corner of Campus Drive and Hatteras Street. For more information regarding parking on campus, visit www.lavc.edu/sheriff/parking.html.
- **Want to Earn Up to \$13.25 Per Hour? Project GRAD at LAVC is Hiring Tutors!** LAVC in partnership with Project GRAD LA is hiring tutors for the following LAUSD Schools: Pacoima, San Fernando, Maclay, and Olive Vista Middle Schools, and San Fernando High School. Tutors will earn between \$11.04-\$13.25 per hour. To be eligible to be a tutor, you must be a full-time college student (at least 12 units) with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Applications are available in the Office of Academic Affairs in the Administration Building, Room 101, or by contacting Nona Matatova, project director, at (818) 947-2622.
- **Worried about Being Accepted to a UC Campus in Fall 2013? Get a UC Transfer Agreement Guarantee (TAG).** LAVC students are eligible to receive guaranteed enrollment at selected University of California (UC) campuses if they participate in the Transfer Agreement Guarantee (TAG) Program. The TAG submission period is September 1-30. Come learn how you can apply for a TAG at one of the following orientation workshops at the LARC (Library & Academic Resource Center) 200: September 11 from 10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m., September 13 from 5:30-7 p.m., September 20 from 10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m., September 25 from 2-3:30 p.m. and September 27 from 5:30-7 p.m. For more information, visit the Career/Transfer Center in Administration 126 or call (818) 947-2646.

Announcements & Events for Faculty/Staff

Attention Faculty—Notice of Application Period for Advancement in Rank. The application period for advancement in academic rank for Spring of 2013 will begin on Monday, September 3, 2012 at 9 a.m., and conclude on Friday, October 12, 2012 at 12 noon. Specifically, applications for advancement in rank will be available beginning on Monday, September 3, 2012 at 9 a.m. and conclude on Friday, September 28, 2012 at 12 noon. The final date to return an application for advancement in rank will be Friday, October 12, 2012 at 12:00 noon. Applicants must inquire into this process on an individual basis; group or department requests will not be honored. Interested parties are encouraged to contact Kathy Snider, Chair of the Academic Rank Committee, at sniderke@lavc.edu. *Applications are not available on-line.* The necessary forms, including a letter of instruction, will be forwarded to the applicant upon request. Please include your full name, discipline/field/department; campus e-mail; and, a telephone number where you may be reached and what rank you are applying for when requesting an application. This information will assist in processing your application for advancement in rank as promptly as possible.

Is Your Contact Information Up-to-Date on the LAVC Phone & Email Directory? The LAVC Administrative Services Office can assist faculty, staff and administrators with updating or adding information on the online LAVC phone/email directory at www.lavc.edu/directory. If an employee finds that his/her information is inaccurate or missing, please send the following information to your department chair or supervisor, who upon verification and approval will send the information to Arlene Stein in Administrative Services at (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 your supervisor when the information has been updated online. If you have any questions, contact Arlene Stein at steinar@lavc.edu or by calling extension 2336.

Do Your Part to Maintain Our Beautiful Campus—Help Us Keep LAVC Clean! LAVC would like to remind the campus community to remember to take that extra step to make our campus better—Don't litter, pick up trash on the floor that someone has left, let Maintenance & Operations know if something needs to be fixed or cleaned, and report suspicious activity to the College Sheriff. If you see something that requires fixing or needs to be cleaned up, submit a Work & Service order by visiting <http://www.lavc.edu/facultystaff.html>. If you notice people vandalizing or stealing campus property, report them immediately to the LAVC Sheriff's Station at (818) 947-2911.

Find Out What's Going On at LAVC—Check Out the Online LAVC Calendar of Events. LAVC has an online Calendar of Events that provides information regarding upcoming events, meetings, and activities on campus. You can search by type of event (such as "Faculty/Staff events", "student events", "LAVC meetings", and "academic dates/deadlines") or view what's going on that week, or each month. To view the updated LAVC Calendar of Events visit www.lavc.edu/calendar/index.html.

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.

Attention Faculty—Want to be Featured on KVCM as a "Professor of the Week" This Fall? LAVC's radio station, KVCM, is looking for faculty members who are interested in being featured in a new radio segment called "Professor of the Week". If you're interested in being featured as a "Professor of the Week", please submit your bio, a list of 10 important questions and/or topics you want to discuss on the radio, and your phone number and email address to KVCM@lavc.edu. The featured faculty members will be chosen at random. 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. This new segment will begin airing on weeknights at 9 p.m. during the Fall 2012 semester.

Save the Date—LAVC's Library & Academic Resource Center Dedication Ceremony. LAVC will be holding a dedication ceremony for our new Library & Academic Resource Center on Thursday, October 18 from 12:30-2 p.m. An invitation will be emailed to the campus in mid-September.

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/calendar/.

LAVC Calendar of Events for September 2-8, 2012

Sunday, September 2

Monday, September 3

Campus Closed for Labor Day
Calendar: Holidays

Tuesday, September 4

11am - 2pm LAVC Student Show 2012 sponsored by LAVC Art Gallery

Where: Art Gallery

Contact: Art Gallery (818) 778-5536 <http://lavc.edu/arts/artgallery.html>

Calendar: Arts/Music

1pm - 3pm ASU Finance Committee Meeting sponsored by LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Campus Center 104

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

Calendar: Student Events

1:30pm - 3pm IEC Meeting

Where: President's Conference Room

Contact: Josh Miller millerje@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/iec/index.html>

Calendar: Meetings

3pm - 5pm ASU Executive Committee Meeting sponsored by LAVC Associated Student Union (ASU)

Where: Campus Center 104

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

Calendar: Student Events

6pm - 9pm LAVC Student Show 2012 sponsored by LAVC Art Gallery

Where: Art Gallery

Contact: Art Gallery (818) 778-5536 <http://lavc.edu/arts/artgallery.html>

Calendar: Arts/Music

Wednesday, September 5

11am - 2pm LAVC Student Show 2012 sponsored by LAVC Art Gallery

Where: Art Gallery

Contact: Art Gallery (818) 778-5536 <http://lavc.edu/arts/artgallery.html>

Calendar: Arts/Music

3:30pm - 4:30pm LACCD Board of Trustees Meeting

Where: LACCD District Office - 770 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90017

Contact: LACCD Board of Trustees (213) 891-2044 http://www.laccd.edu/board_of_trustees/

Calendar: Community Events

6pm - 9pm LAVC Student Show 2012 sponsored by LAVC Art Gallery

Where: Art Gallery

Contact: Art Gallery (818) 778-5536 <http://lavc.edu/arts/artgallery.html>

Calendar: Arts/Music

Thursday, September 6

11am - 2pm LAVC Student Show 2012 sponsored by LAVC Art Gallery

Where: Art Gallery

Contact: Art Gallery (818) 778-5536 <http://lavc.edu/arts/artgallery.html>

Calendar: Arts/Music

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

Where: Campus Center 104

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

Calendar: Student Events

1pm - 2pm STARS Committee Meeting

Where: Faculty/Staff Resource Center (Library & Academic Resource Center, Room 200)

Contact: Deborah Kaye (818) 947-2569

Calendar: Meetings

1:15pm - 3pm PEPC Meeting

Where: Faculty Lounge

Contact: Rebecca Stein steinrl@lavc.edu <http://www.lavc.edu/pepc/index.html>

Calendar: Meetings

6pm - 9pm LAVC Student Show 2012 sponsored by LAVC Art Gallery

Where: Art Gallery

Contact: Art Gallery (818) 778-5536 <http://lavc.edu/arts/artgallery.html>

Calendar: Arts/Music

Fri Sep 7, 2012

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Calendar: Academic Dates & Deadlines

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Fall Semester 2012 - Last Day to Drop Classes Without Receiving a "W" in Person

Calendar: Academic Dates & Deadlines

7pm - 9pm Self-Help Valley Group for Adults with Epilepsy sponsored by Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles

Where: Faculty Lounge

Contact: Epilepsy Foundation of Greater Los Angeles (310) 670-2870

Calendar: Other Events

Saturday, September 8

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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