



Los Angeles Valley College

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This Issue's News & Events



LAVC to Hold a Fall 2013 Welcome Fair for New Students; Online Registration Begins July 8

LAVC will offer a Welcome Fair for incoming students for the Fall 2013 semester on Wednesday, August 21 from 8:30 a.m.-12 noon. Online registration for Welcome Fair will begin on Monday, July 8 at www.lavc.edu/success/welcomefair/index.html; registration closes on Tuesday, August 13. The Welcome Fair will give new students the opportunity to meet other students, faculty and staff. Participating students will be able to attend workshops on financial aid, get tips for college success, learn steps to choosing a major, and discover how to be prepared to transfer to a university. There will be fun activities, entertainment, and information on campus clubs. For more information, visit the LAVC Student Success Web page at www.lavc.edu/success/.



® LAVC to Offer the Official GED Test on July 11-13

The LAVC CalWORKs Office will offer the Official GED Test on July 11-13. The partial test will be offered on Thursday, July 11, and the full test will be offered on Friday-Saturday, July 12-13. The Official GED Test is offered every month to the community. In addition, CalWORKs offers a GED practice test on Friday mornings at 9 a.m. for a \$10 fee; not offered on the official testing date each month. Those interested in taking the practice test, must meet in Bungalow 14 at 8:50 a.m. to sign up. For more information about the GED test or the practice test, contact Margie Thomas at (818) 947-2976 or visit www.lavc.edu/calworks.



Final Week of the SGI-USA's Culture of Peace Exhibition on "Victory Over Violence/Voices for Change" Now on Display in the LAVC Library; Exhibit Ends July 11

Soka Gakkai International-USA Buddhist Association (SGI-USA) is presenting a "Culture of Peace" traveling exhibition series on the first floor of the LAVC Library & Academic Resource Center. The final

exhibition called "Victory Over Violence/Voices for Change" will be on display from June 24-July 11. The exhibition series is produced by the SGI-Nations culture of peace initiative. Each exhibit is composed of a series of colorful fabric panels which include colorful photos, informative text and inspirational quotes on various aspects of the culture of peace. The exhibit content is non-religious and non-partisan in nature and it is the continuing hope that these exhibitions will raise awareness and stimulate meaningful dialogue. The "Victory Over Violence", which is the final exhibit of a seven-part rotating exhibition series on display at LAVC during the 2012-2013 academic year, is part of a campaign that seeks, through dialogue, to raise awareness of the need to overcome violence. For more information on the Culture of Peace exhibition series, visit www.sgi-usa.org/newsandevents/exhibitions/index.php.



Associate Degree for Transfer

A Degree with a Guarantee.™

Did You Know? Community College Students Can Complete Their Associate and Bachelor's Degrees in Only 120 Units

The California Community Colleges' "I Can Afford College" is highlighting a new program called Associate Degree for Transfer, which provides community college students with guaranteed admission to the California State University system without taking wasted units that are not needed to transfer. The Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T) is a special program that makes it easier for students to transfer from a California community college to a California State University campus. Students who earn an AA-T or AS-T degree and meet the California State University minimum eligibility requirements are guaranteed admission to the California State University system. For more information, read the June 2013 "I Can Afford College" Newsletter at <http://www.benchmarkemail.com/c/v?e=3007CC&c=38572&l=3C0E490&email=2vD%2BxJ%2FzJ8DapuRnw0k0yHnlkRjLUbPe&relid=509BECE>.



U.S. Department of Education's College Affordability and Transparency Center Posts Information about College Tuition and Fees Online

The U.S. Department of Education has posted on the net price, graduation, loan default rate and typical amount borrowed by students at postsecondary institutions on its College Affordability and Transparency Center Web site. This site highlights institutions with high and low tuition and fees as well as high and low net prices (the price of attendance minus grant and scholarship aid). It also shows institutions where tuition and fees and net prices are increasing at the highest rates. The 2013 lists are based on data collected during the 2011-12 IPEDS data collection cycle, the most recent data that have undergone the full NCES data review process and that have been publicly released via the IPEDS Data Center. These lists meet requirements outlined in the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008 (HEOA). Per the HEOA, the lists are updated annually and posted by July 1. For more information, visit the LAVC Gainful Employment Web page at www.lavc.edu/research/gainfulemploymentdata/index.html#CATC.



California Community Colleges Board of Governors will present LACCD's Project MATCH with the Dr. John D. Rice Diversity and Equity Award

The California Community Colleges Board of Governors will award the Los Angeles Community College District's (LACCD) Project MATCH (Mentors Act To Change History) program with its Dr. John D. Rice Diversity and Equity Award on July 9 in Sacramento. The LACCD, which Valley College is one of its nine colleges, offers the Project MATCH program to prepare and recruit a diverse community college faculty who are sensitive to the needs of the students and community it serves. The goals of the program are to improve the diversity pool of faculty in the District and to better reflect the diversity of the community around the biggest community college district in the United States. The John W. Rice Diversity and Equity Award was established in 2001 to honor community college staff members, districts, colleges, or programs that have made the greatest contribution towards faculty and staff diversity or student equity. It is named in honor of former Board of Governors' member Dr. John W. Rice, who served on the Board from 1992-2000 and was a leader, innovator, and spokesperson for equal employment opportunity and nondiscrimination in the California community colleges. Congratulations to the LACCD and the Project MATCH program!



Got News to Share? LAVC's PR Office Offers College Departments/Programs/ Services with Publicity Assistance

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 announcements in the College Bulletin, on the college's electronic marquee, on LAVC's online calendar, on the LAVC homepage, and 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 the completed form to news@lavc.edu. In addition, the Public Relations Office can help with the creation of Facebook pages for college departments and programs. *Please note: The LAVC PR Office is unable to fulfill requests from organizations not directly affiliated with Los Angeles Valley College.* 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/.

Please Announce to All Students

The following are important campus announcements for your students:

- **Don't Forget! LAVC Summer Session 2013 Final Examinations will be Held the Last Day of Class.** Final examinations for Summer Session 2013 classes will be held on the last scheduled meeting day of a class. Please refer to the Summer Schedule of Classes for the last day of a given class. To view the Summer 2013 academic dates and deadlines, visit www.lavc.edu/schedule/LAVC_Sum13_Calendar%20REV.pdf

- **Looking for a Place to Study or Help with Your Classes? LAVC's Library, Math Lab, General Tutoring, Writing Center, Computer Commons, and CCaTT Lab will be Open this Summer.** The LAVC Library, Math Lab, General Tutoring, Writing Center, Computer Commons and the CCaTT Lab will be open during Summer Session 2013. For a list of services offered, locations, and its hours of operation, visit the Academic Resources and Tutoring Services Web page at www.lavc.edu/tutor.html.
- **Did You Know? LAVC is a Smoke Free Campus Except in New Designated Smoking Areas.** As of February 4, 2013, LAVC is a "Smoke Free Campus" except in the following four new designated smoking areas: west of the Library & Academic Resource Center (near College Road North), southwest corner of Parking Lot D (near Campus Drive and Emelita Street), between the Field House and Bungalow 78 (near Ethel Avenue), and south of the Engineering Building (near Parking Lot A). For more information, visit www.lavc.edu/campusnews/#smokefreecampus.
- **Attention Students! The LAVC Cafeteria is Closed; Food is Available in LAVC Bookstore and On-Campus Vending Machines.** The LAVC Cafeteria is currently closed, and food items will be available for purchase in the LAVC Bookstore and in vending machines on campus. The Cafeteria was closed in preparation for the upcoming demolition of the existing cafeteria building to make way for the construction of our new Monarch Center.
- **Want to Be Alerted During a Campus Emergency? Sign Up for AlertU and Get Emergency Updates on Your Cell Phone.** LAVC is offering an SMS-based emergency notification service for your mobile (cell) phone. In the event of an emergency, you will be alerted in real-time by text messaging with important security information. To sign up for AlertU, visit www.lavc.edu (click the "AlertU" button on the left hand side of the page, enter your cell phone number and click "go", and reply with a "Y" to the text you receive). To learn more, visit www.alertu.org.
- **Don't Want to Hassle with Campus Parking? Take the Orange Line to Valley College.** Los Angeles Valley College is conveniently located off the Metro's Orange Line. In addition, the campus can be reached by using the Metro Bus Lines 154, 156, 167, or 656, as well as the DASH bus's Van Nuys/Studio City line. For more information, visit www.lavc.edu/sheriff/parking.html#busrailroutes.
- **Help Keep Valley College Safe! Report a Crime Anonymously at the LAVC Sheriff's Tip Line.** The LAVC Sheriff's Department has a hotline to anonymously report a crime or other suspicious activity on campus. Callers can leave a message on the hotline at (818) 778-5678. For campus emergencies, please call (818) 947-2911.
- **Want More Info on Financial Aid? Check Out Financial Aid TV (FATV) Online!** The LAVC Financial Aid Office recently launched Financial Aid TV (FATV), an exciting new online video service for Valley College prospective and current students. Come check out the online library of short video clips (60-90 seconds) on topics such as financial aid, financial literacy, loans, grants and more in an easy-to-understand style. Visit the LA Valley College's FATV site at <http://lavc.financialaidtv.com>.
- **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 homepage, or visit www.lavc.edu/revitalizingvalley/constructionupdates.html.

Announcements for Faculty/Staff

The Faculty/Staff Resource Center (LARC 200) is Open This Summer! The Faculty/Staff Resource Center, which is located in LARC 200, will be open during the Summer. Stop by to pick up useful handouts, check out training DVDs, use a computer/printer/scanner, or talk about teaching strategies. For more information, contact the LAVC Professional Development Center at (818) 947-2712.

Learn Something New This Summer! Visit the Professional Development Center Web Site for Free Training Resources. The LAVC Professional Development Center has posted free resources for training for LAVC faculty and staff on its Web site. There are free tutorials from the Microsoft IT Academy (e.g. Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, etc), and from the Virtual Training Company (e.g. Photoshop, Dreamweaver, etc). In addition, you can download Gradekeeper to help you manage students' grades, and free educational videos for your face-to-face and online courses. To access these free resources, visit the LAVC Professional Development Center Web site at www.lavc.edu/profdev/freeresources.html.

Attention Faculty! Check Out the Free Teaching Resource on the Professional Development Web Site. The LAVC Professional Development Center has materials that you can use in your classes (rubrics, icebreakers, games, plagiarism prevention, study skills handouts, and more) as well as ideas for creating a comprehensive syllabus and the statements required to be on it. Visit the Professional Development Center Web site at www.lavc.edu/profdev/teachingres.html.

Save the Date! LAVC Opening Day is August 22. LAVC Professional Development and the Office of Academic Affairs will hold the annual Opening Day on Thursday, August 22. For more information, contact LAVC Professional Development at (818) 947-2712.

Calling All New Adjunct Faculty—Mark Your Calendars for the Adjunct Orientation on August 24! LAVC Professional Development will hold an Adjunct Orientation on Saturday, August 24. For more information, contact LAVC Professional Development at (818) 947-2712.

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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/.

LAVC Calendar of Events for July 7-13, 2013

Sunday, July 7

Monday, July 8

All day Fall 2013 Welcome Fair for New Students Online Registration sponsored by the LAVC Welcome Fair Committee and Preparing All Students for Success (PASS)

Where: Online

Contact: LAVC Student Success, www.lavc.edu/success, success@lavc.edu; Register Online at www.lavc.edu/success/welcomefair/index.html until 8/14/13

Calendar: Students Events

8am - 7pm SGI-USA Culture of Peace "Victory Over Violence/Voices of Change" Exhibit sponsored by the LAVC Academic Affairs Office and Soka Gakkai International-USA Buddhist Association (SGI-USA)

Where: Library, Library and Academic Resource Center

Contact: Academic Affairs Office (818) 947-2325

Calendar: Arts/Music Events

Tuesday, July 9

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Contact: Academic Affairs Office (818) 947-2325

Calendar: Arts/Music Events

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Thursday, July 11

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Contact: Academic Affairs Office (818) 947-2325

Calendar: Arts/Music Events

10am - 10am Official GED Testing - Partial Test sponsored by LAVC CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids)

Where: TBA

Contact: LAVC CalWORKs, Margie Thomas, (818) 947-2976, thomasmo@lavc.edu, www.lavc.edu/calworks/; Registration required

Calendar: Community Events

Friday, July 12

All day Fall 2013 Welcome Fair for New Students Online Registration sponsored by the LAVC Welcome Fair Committee and Preparing All Students for Success (PASS)

Where: Online

Contact: LAVC Student Success, www.lavc.edu/success, success@lavc.edu; Register Online at www.lavc.edu/success/welcomefair/index.html until 8/14/13

Calendar: Students Events

12pm - 12pm Official GED Testing - Full Test (1 of 2) sponsored by LAVC CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids)

Where: TBA

Contact: LAVC CalWORKs, Margie Thomas, (818) 947-2976, thomasmo@lavc.edu,
www.lavc.edu/calworks/; Registration required
Calendar: Community Events

Saturday, July 13

All day **Fall 2013 Welcome Fair for New Students Online Registration sponsored by the LAVC Welcome Fair Committee and Preparing All Students for Success (PASS)**

Where: Online

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Calendar: Students Events

8:30am - 8:30am **Official GED Testing - Full Test (2 of 2) sponsored by LAVC CalWORKs (California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids)**

Where: TBA

Contact: LAVC CalWORKs, Margie Thomas, (818) 947-2976, thomasmo@lavc.edu,
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VISION STATEMENT

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

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.

For the LAVC Mission and Vision Statements and Core Values, 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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