Los Angeles Southwest College—Student Services

ACCREDITATION VISIT & REVIEW UNDERWAY

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LASC WELCOMES ACCREDITATION TEAM

LASC is set for its comprehensive accreditation visit/review next week. From March 12-15, 2012, the campus is hosting a visiting accreditation team of twelve members from eleven different colleges around the state. They will be onsite to review our accreditation self-study and evidence.

Accreditation is a status granted to an educational institution that has been found to meet or exceed stated criteria of educational quality. Institutions voluntarily seek accreditation and it is conferred by non-governmental bodies. Every six years, member institutions of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) must undergo a comprehensive self-study to be submitted to ACCJC for reaffirmation of accreditation.

We are looking forward to hosting the ACCJC visiting team on our campus and encourage the entire LASC community to be involved in the process. This visit, will focus on our continued “march” toward the goal of having sustainable continuous quality improvement. I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and I know that your participation in the accreditation process will be critical as we progress toward an outstanding review. I would like to remind our campus community of two open forums to be held on March 13th during college hour and on March 14th at 3p.m. Dan Walden, Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO) will be providing specific information on the forums and the visit prior to March 12th.

Earlier this week, the District Budget Committee (DBC) recommended to the Chancellor approval of the first phase of a new allocation process for the District and its colleges. This new process, effective July 1, 2012, will provide approximately $1.9M additional dollars to our allocation. However, this is only a beginning and though it is a considerable boost to our allocation, it doesn't completely relieve the college of its current fiscal issues or issues we are facing with the 12-13 year.

But, IT IS a great start. The model addresses M&O needs as well as basic operational aspects of the college. There are other components that the Executive Committee of DBC will review and offer further recommendations on in the coming year including addressing year-ending balances, methodologies of determining assessments to fund district-wide operations and contingencies, providing opportunities to grow and receive growth dollars, prior college debts and organizational efficiencies. I would suspect that additional funding may become available as a result of these discussions.

Lastly, I would also like to recognize the fundraising that the football program, under the leadership of Coach Washington, has undertaken this past month. Given the challenge of raising $100K to fund half of the budget for football for the 12-13 season, to date approximately $131K has been raised. Congratulations and we look forward to a successful 12-13 season.

~ Dr. Jack E. Daniels, III, President
Scholarship Winners
Fred J. Aves Vocational Education

CONGRATULATIONS!

Seventy LASC students were awarded one thousand dollars each from the Fred J. Aves Vocational Education Fund by Dean Elmer Bugg, Ph.D. and Shirley Lockridge, at an award ceremony held on January 31, 2012.

The Fred J. Aves Vocational Education Fund was established at the California Community Foundation through Aves’ will. His goal was to give talented, low-income students the means to pursue vocational education at the technical school, trade school, community college, or university of their choice.

Aves hoped these young people would be identified and provided mentors to support them in attaining their career goals.
Congratulations to the LASC Aves Scholarship Winners!

Monte Ables
Nancy Abongwa
Kevin Adams
Chukuemka Ahumareze
Ebony Anthony
Nacoty Baker-Humphries
Logan Baughman
Cherish Bell
Charlisse Bennett
Davion Brown
Erica Brown
Lakesha Burns
Erika Cooper
Carina Cortez
Omotayo Damola
Gloria Dorsey
Clinton Dotson
Ruby Duren
Gary Easley
Kate Echereodo
Sybil Faucett
Erica Garcia
LaQuisha Gates
Laniya Hansborough
Ri’elle Harris
Amber Hemphill
Miniam Howard
Tawny Howard
Lauren Hoyd
Velda Hunter
Antoine Johnson
Lee Jones
Jamieson Juco
Grace Kim
Taryn Lavergne

Quatausha Lias
Mylissa Madison
Eucharia Maduafokwa
Jason Mahi
Patricia Martin
Karla Lagunas
Stephanie Mokolo
Ryan Montgomery
Luciano Morales
Deloris Morris
Kamlee Muschamp
Milton Nchinda
Pauletta Oliver-James
Ngozi Onwuka
Ebele Onyeanusi
Joshua Otomeowo
Nkechi Otomeowo
Bruce Pitcairn
D’Joy Robinson
April Roby
Norma Sanchez
Patrick Stewart
Rose Sumlin
Sheadya Taylor
Alisha Tramel
Geraldine Tyson
Angela Ude
Vivienne Vaughn
Danielle Walker
Ashley Washington
Chanda Williams
Emma Zepeda
Sonia Mongol
Charmaine Greer
Darnisha Verdugo
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On Line Job Search
Job Referrals

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Fridays - 8:00am to 1:00pm  Closed: Mondays
Questions? Call 323/241-5406 or 323/242-5527

~ Submitted by Shirley Lockridge
LASC Spring 2012 Transfer Fair

Thursday March 15, 2012
10:00am to 1:00pm

Student Services Building (SSB) Lobby

Over 30 Colleges & Universities will be here!
The LASC College Transfer Fair is a great opportunity for students to solidify their plan to transfer and to network with other colleges and universities! Even if students are still undecided, they should stop by to find out about their post-LASC options!

These and many more schools will join us!

For Further Information contact, The TRIO Scholars Office at (323) 241-5392, or visit SSB 229

~ submitted by Dr. Tangelia Alfred
Upward Bound is implementing a new program called the Step Up–Give Back Project. This program is a student-led leadership and peer mentoring project initiated by 12th grade students in LASC’s Upward Bound Program as a way to give back to their peers. With support from Upward Bound staff members, 12th grade Upward Bound student leaders will design and implement weekly academic enrichment activities to promote high school success and college enrollment among their 9th through 11th grade peers. Specifically, 12th grade student leaders will provide mentoring, peer tutoring, and personal success workshops to fellow students.

Under the direction of the Upward Bound Coordinator and Advisor, The Step Up-Give Back Project will provide 12th grade Upward Bound participants with opportunities to strengthen their leadership skills while positively impacting fellow Upward Bound students (9th – 11th graders). The project will have three core components: 1) Training and Leadership Opportunities for Mentors; 2) Academic Enrichment Activities for Mentees; and 3) Service Learning Opportunities for Mentors and Mentees.

Studies have shown that youth are vastly loyal to their peers and are often more receptive to the advice of a peer than they are to parents, teachers, or other authority figures.

The Project will have multiple benefits to all students. 9th through 11th graders will benefit from the positive peer engagement from outstanding achieving 12th graders who will soon be making the transition to four-year colleges and universities. 12th graders will develop a comprehensive set of life skills and tools to rely on throughout their college careers and professional life; gain increased competency and confidence in areas of leadership, public speaking, and program development, while promoting academic success; and develop an increased understanding and appreciation of the essential role that volunteerism, positive peer engagement, and civic involvement plays in the achievement of our schools and communities.

~ Submitted by Michael Harris
The Student Services Success Workshop Series will help students maximize their academic experience at LASC. Our workshops will help students get on track and stay on track at Southwest! These free workshops are designed to be interactive and informal sessions that cover strategies and techniques for student success.

All workshops are free and no RSVP is necessary to attend.

**STRESS MANAGEMENT**
Tuesday, March 13
11:15 to 12:30—Village 103

**FINANCIAL LITERACY**
Wednesday, March 14
11:00 to 12:00—SSB 208

**SECOND CHANCE (FELONY REMOVAL)**
Tuesday, March 20
11:15 to 12:30—Village 103

**READING – TEXTBOOK SKIMMING**
Wednesday, March 21
5:00 to 6:15—Village 103

**SISTER TO HERMANA (LADIES ONLY)**
Tuesday, March 27
11:00 to 12:00—Village 103

~ Submitted by Dean Patrick Jefferson
The LASC Men’s Basketball team finished the regular season as the South Coast Conference Champions. The team’s conference record was 11 wins and 2 loses. Their overall record was 21 wins and 7 loses.

5 players placed on the All Conference Team. Thurman Thomas and Jarrett Cunningham made the Honorable mention team. Robert Wade and Shannen Garner were first team selections. Ralph Williams was named the conference Most Valuable Player. He is the 8th MVP chosen from Southwest College in the last 12 years. Reggie Morris was named Coach Of The Year for the fourth time.

The State Playoffs began and ended for Southwest in a hard-fought game on Friday February 24th, at L.A. Southwest College.

~ Submitted by Reggie Morris

Thank you team for a great season!

Thank you Coach Reggie Morris for your hard work!