

LOS ANGELES SOUTHWEST COLLEGE President Search



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Virtual Public Forum with Finalist

The Los Angeles Community College District's (LACCD) Chancellor, Dr. Francisco Rodriguez, is pleased to announce that the Search Committee for Los Angeles Southwest College (LASC) President has identified finalists for the next permanent President of LASC. Chancellor Rodriguez extends his sincere thanks and appreciation to the members of the LASC President Search Committee, chaired by Dr. Luis Dorado, and comprised of members representing a cross-section of LASC stakeholders and constituencies. The District Human Resources Division worked closely with the consultant from executive search firm Community College Search Services (CCSS), in conducting this national search, which resulted in a diverse and highly qualified pool of applicants. The Search Committee has recommended the following finalists to the Chancellor for further consideration: **Dr. Lisa Cooper-Wilkins, Mr. Alton Scales, and Dr. Marsha Gable.**



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Virtual Public Forums

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Virtual Public Forums have been scheduled for **Wednesday, June 21, 2023** so that finalists can introduce themselves to the LASC community. The forums will be recorded and posted on the District and campus websites.

The virtual public forum will be live streamed at link below:

<https://laccd.zoom.us/s/89820648875>

Virtual Public Forum Schedule

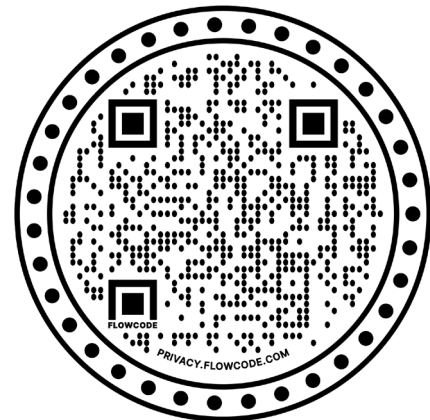
The public forum, will be moderated by CCSS search consultant Dr. Earlinda Martinez. Each candidate is scheduled to appear virtually on **Wednesday, June 21, 2023**.

Finalist Schedule:

Dr. Lisa Cooper Wilkins – 10:00 am

Mr. Alton Scales – 10:45 am

Dr. Marsha Gable – 11:30 am



Scan the QR Code above to enter the virtual public forum



Candidate Bios

Dr. Lisa Cooper Wilkins

Dr. Lisa Cooper Wilkins has served students for nearly 30-years. She has cultivated a career of service with an emphasis on access, equity, and inclusion. An Aspen Presidential Fellow and a Lakin Fellow, she is a culturally responsive leader deeply committed to the transformational power of the community college. She believes it is her responsibility to advance authentic conversations about race that will close the opportunity gaps. Currently she is Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs at CCSF; previous positions include Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Student Services at Delta College, Dean in Academic Affairs at Community College of Philadelphia, Assistant Vice President for Diversity & Community Engagement, and Interim Assistant Provost at UOP. She holds a doctorate from George Washington University. Her awards include the Education Champion Award in 2018 from the San Joaquin Pride Center and the NAACP's Medgar Evers Freedom Fighter Award in 2017.



Alton D. Scales

Alton D. Scales earned a Master's of Science in Manufacturing Engineering and a Bachelors of Science in Engineering Technology from the University of North Texas.

His titles have included President, Vice President of Academic Affairs, Assistant Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion, and Director of Enrollment Management. He has served community colleges and four-year institutions in Colorado, Pennsylvania, Kansas and Texas. He is the lead consultant for Capitol Peaks Advisors LLC a consulting firm. He has had a positive impact on the processes and systems of numerous colleges and universities as an Academic Quality Improvement Program team facilitator.

Alton's motto is "Luck is when opportunity meets preparation." That belief coupled with his experience and training from the National Coalition Building Institute provides him with the tools to serve as a consultant to four-year and two-year institutions as well as national organizations.



Dr. Marsha Gable

Dr. Marsha Gable has a deep background in community college leadership. She currently serves as Vice President of Student Services at Grossmont College. She has served as Interim President at both San Diego Miramar College and Grossmont College. Dr. Gable has led many programs and initiatives designed to close equity gaps and create a sense of validation and belonging. Dr. Gable holds an Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from San Diego State University, and a Master's degree in Sociological Practice and Bachelors degree in Social Sciences from CSU San Marcos. She is a fellow with the Wheelhouse Advancing Leaders Institute, and was selected nationally for the Aspen Rising Presidents Fellowship. Dr. Gable is a student advocate, especially students from historically marginalized communities. She values community and transparency and is committed to maintaining students at the core of her leadership and decision-making.

