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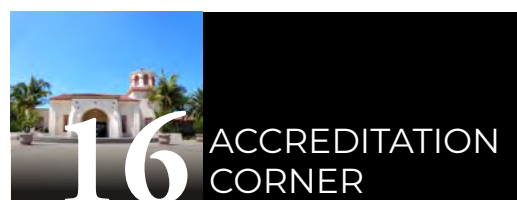
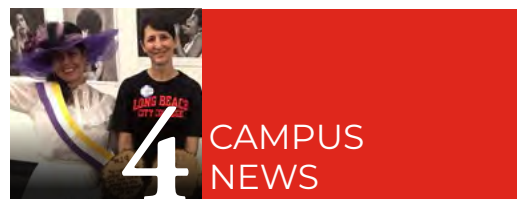
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ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER DESI HERITAGE MONTH 2020

“MANY FAMILIES. ONE COMMUNITY.”

A MESSAGE FROM THE INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT

Dear LBCC Campus Community,

It is my pleasure to return to Long Beach City College to serve as your Interim Superintendent-President. After 20 years of service at LBCC, the faculty and staff here have never ceased to amaze me with your passion, ingenuity and hard work. And you all have certainly demonstrated this to the entire region through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Congratulations, Vikings. It's hard to believe, but we have conquered a full month and a half in this new remote world. Actually, we didn't just do it, we are doing it well.

When we stop to think about this effort as a whole, we have so many people who have gone above and beyond these past few weeks. Moving 2,012 class sections doesn't happen without faculty and staff working together. Conducting 32 workshops in nine days for 1,200 faculty moving to remote instruction has certainly been a heroic effort between classified professionals, management and faculty. Raising money for our student emergency aid fund through the LBCC Foundation. Giving out 1,040 bags of food to our most vulnerable students. And cleaning, closing and securing two large campuses is not as simple as the turn of a key. With this situation, nothing is simple, but that does not stop us from rising to the challenge. Remember, Vikings are warriors after all!

The praise and admiration that the campus leadership has for all of you – faculty, classified professionals and managers/administrators – is resounding, making me very proud to return to Long Beach City College.

Although we continue to learn and teach in this new remote world, it's also nice to get a little glimpse of normalcy. This month's newsletter is an example of this. I hope that you enjoy reading about our incredible students' accomplishments and how our colleagues take care of our students and each other.

And speaking of trying to get back to normal, please save the date of June 12, 2020 for our inaugural virtual Commencement Ceremony. We are working hard to make this the best virtual Commencement ever! We know that this is an important ceremony and we want to recognize our students for their accomplishments. In addition, the Class of 2020 will also be invited to return for LBCC's 2021 Commencement Ceremony.

Even though I haven't been able to see all of you in person, I do want to thank so many of you who have welcomed me back. I love that our Viking Pride doesn't fade, and that in all of our hearts we are motivated on doing what's best for our students and for LBCC.

Keep on improvising and adapting, Vikings! You are all doing an incredible job!

Lou Anne Bynum
Interim Superintendent-President



UNPACKING OUR APID IDENTITY THROUGHOUT COLLEGE & GRADUATE SCHOOL

Tues., May 26 at 3 p.m.

Presenters:

Pryscilla Truong, Louise (Isa) Fonua, Dean Steckman, & Kathy Dong

What does it mean to be an Asian American Pacific Islander Desi student in higher education? Learn about the experiences of our panelists as they reflect how their understanding of who they are has changed over time, their unexpected challenges, and engage in a discussion about the future.

REGISTER HERE!

If you require accommodations, please contact the Disabled Students Programs & Services (DSPS) at least 72 hours prior to the event at (562) 938-4558 or (562) 938-4833 (TTY) or dsps-staff@lbcc.edu

If you require sign language interpreting services, please contact Stephanie Bonales at least 7 days prior to the event at sbonales@lbcc.edu or (562) 938-4918

VIRTUAL KEYNOTE ADDRESS NEW DATE!

Thurs., May 28 at 1 p.m.



Guest Speaker:
Congresswoman
Judy Chu

Join us for a keynote speech by Congresswoman Chu who will be discussing the rise of hate crimes against the Asian

Pacific Islander Desi community as this country faces the COVID-19 pandemic. She is the first Chinese American woman to serve in the U.S. Congress and is the Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus.

Have a question for Congresswoman Chu during the event? Email LOlmos@LBCC.edu

Keynote Live: visit www.LBCC.edu or www.YouTube.com/LongBeachCityCollege to join the livestream events.



NEVERTHELESS, WE PERSISTED:

LBCC CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Photo: LBCC History Professor Vanessa Crispin-Peralta met community member and "suffragette," Deborah Betance, at the Women's History Celebration event at the Bixby Knolls Expo.

Film screenings, an essay contest and other outreach events were scheduled throughout the month of March commemorating National Women's History Month.

LAC and PCC celebrated with kick-off events March 3 and March 11, featuring student and faculty speakers, as well as Board of Trustees members.

History Professor Vanessa Crispin-Peralta shared student works from her Women's History class and spoke with visitors at the Bixby Knolls Expo Women's History Celebration on March 6.

"Shirley Chisholm: Unbought & Unbossed" is a documentary film played in LAC's T-1200 about the

first black candidate for a major party's nomination for President and the first woman to run for the Democratic Party's nomination, and "Knock Down the House," was screened at PCC's GG-238, revolving around the campaigns of four female congressional candidates in the 2018 midterm elections.

Throughout March, students are also encouraged to submit an entry into an Essay Contest. The prompt is centered on the theme of "Nevertheless, We Persisted" in which students would choose a woman from history who contributed to equality. Prizes will be announced in April.

For more information on Women's History Month, visit to www.LBCC.edu/womenshistory.





CARING FOR LBCC'S STUDENTS IN NEED

With the closure of Long Beach City College's campuses, access to the Viking Vault (LBCC's food pantry) was also closed for students to visit.

In its place, Student Services has been leading the effort to provide non-perishable food items to LBCC's students in need through a grab-n-go distribution. Students have arrived at either campus on designated dates to pick-up their bags of food either by driving or walking up to the distribution area.

Since the first "grab-n-go" event, more than 1,040 bags of food have been given out to students.



BLACK HERITAGE MONTH

Celebrating the culmination of an event-filled Black Heritage Month were many of the members of the LBCC planning committee: (front row, left to right) Dr. Mike Muñoz, Sonia De La Torre-Iniguez, Ramon Knox, Lisa Roper, and Dr. Erainia Freeman; (second row, left to right) Cheryl Williams, Elijah Harris, guest speaker Shaquille Brewster, Jerome Hunt, Quanisha Judeh, Ama Boakyewa, Linda Olmos, Nevon Watson and Elijah Sims.

LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE & FOUNDATION RECEIVES GRANT TO ASSIST STUDENTS IN UNPAID INTERNSHIPS

Grant allows more low-income students to accept internships that provides work experience

The Long Beach City College (LBCC) Foundation and LBCC Workforce Development department recently received a \$650,000 grant and scholarship endowment for students to receive stipends while placed in unpaid internships.

More than 60 percent of LBCC students are working part-time between 10 and 30 hours a week to help pay for tuition, books, and materials. Additionally, many internships are not paid, which makes it financially infeasible for students. This situation makes it challenging for many LBCC students to commit to an internship and becomes an equity issue.

The John Apostle and Helen Apostle Foundation will provide funding for five years to provide student wages and stipends for internships as well as supporting students to become the most competitive.

“Too often, our students pass up a great internship that might provide valuable work experience and networking opportunities in lieu of a part-time job simply because they need the money,” said Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees President Vivian Malauulu. “There are many internships available that would allow students to perform work in fields relevant to their career aspirations, but they do not pay. That is a

hardship for students. Through this amazing grant, that barrier is removed. Students can now in good conscience bypass a job bagging groceries — which does pay, but probably does not cultivate the skills they will need in a particular industry — for a job that will provide them with professional work experience in their field of study.”

Through the Apostle Foundation grant, LBCC students will also be provided with Workforce Development staff support to develop their resumes and improve their job interviewing skills.

LBCC’s Workforce Development plans to begin the paid internships within the next six months.

Nonprofits and small businesses can contact LBCC’s Workforce Development at (562) 938-3248 or wfdev@LBCC.edu if they are interested in the Apostle Foundation grant to establish a paid internship for LBCC students.

The funding from the Apostle Foundation will begin this year and will provide \$130,000 per year to LBCC for the next five years. The Apostle Foundation will also establish a \$50,000 scholarship endowment to begin the LBCC Foundation’s upcoming capital campaign.

For more information about LBCC’s Workforce and Job Training program, visit www.LBCC.edu/career-center

To learn about the LBCC Foundation, visit www.LBCC.edu/LBCC-foundation

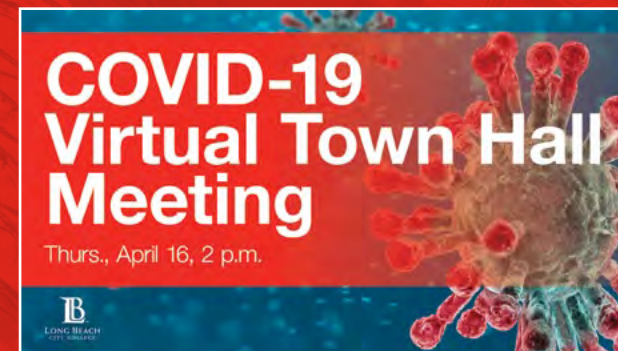
VIEW US IN ACTION! WATCH THIS MONTH’S VIDEOS



REDEMPTION FINALE
Ep. 5 - Remember the Vikings



#LBCCTogetherApart



COVID-19
Virtual Town Hall Meeting



COMMUNITY FIRESIDE CHAT



LBCC’s Interim Superintendent-President’s Message to the Community



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DRIVING THE FUTURE & HELPING DURING COVID-19:

LBCC Student Meng Yang

Long Beach City College student Meng Yang has been selected as the Automotive Student finalist for the 2020 FutureTechs Rock Awards, a national scholarship program for aspiring Career Technical Education (CTE) students who contribute to Transportation Technology and their communities.

The TechForce Foundation, which sponsors the scholarship, sought out applicants who:

- Are full of passion and grit
- Exhibit true excellent in their education and training
- Are driving the future of the automotive industry

Selected as one of nine national finalists from a pool of 125 students and 57 institutions, he will be awarded coveted items needed by every aspiring automotive technician - an Auto Zone gift card, Haynes digital software subscription for mechanics, 180 PC Duralast Master Service Set, Ford Professional Tools Set, and ASE study guides.

Throughout the COVID-19 crisis, Meng says he is “just trying to survive, working two jobs, and keeping up with classes.” One of Meng’s jobs includes spending his weekends at the Pacific Coast Campus Rapid Assessment Center as a Medical Reserve Corp member.

“Even if my contribution is small, especially compared to the medical workers there, just being a part of the effort to help my community is an honor,” he said.

For more information on LBCC's Automotive Technology program, please visit www.LBCC.edu/auto



THREE CHEERS FOR LBCC SQUAD!

The Long Beach City College cheer team recently finished their competition season with great success.

The team captured first place at Cheer Pros State Competition, qualifying them to compete and win first place at the World Cup, and took first place at U.S. Spiritleaders, the regional competition held for the first time at LBCC in February. They also took second place at Nationals, competing against schools from throughout the United States. The LBCC team missed first place by only three points.

“We really had a team of commitment and great attitudes,” said Cheer Director Diana Galias. “They were the full package, and some of the best team members I’ve ever worked with.”



PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND MARKETING WINS TRIPLE GOLD AT EDUCATIONAL ADVERTISING AWARDS

The Long Beach City College Public Affairs and Marketing Department was recently honored with multiple wins at the 35th Annual Educational Advertising Awards.

Three gold, one silver and four awards of merit were captured by the LBCC department that faced competition from more than 1,000 colleges, universities and secondary schools from all 50 states and several foreign countries.

LBCC's gold awards were earned for:

- The Campus Community Newsletter
- The new Vikings Athletic logo
- A t-shirt designed for the Viking Summer Voyage program

The LBCC website also captured a silver award along with awards of merit for the Annual Report, the "Home of the Vikings" mailer, a newspaper ad regarding two free years at LBCC and for the poster designed for a LBCC theatre production of "The Crucible."

More than 2,350 entries were received this year, making it the largest educational advertising awards competition in the country. Gold awards were granted to 294 institutions and silver awards were awarded to 201 institutions.

Judges for the Educational Advertising Awards consisted of a national panel of higher education marketers, advertising creative directors, marketing and advertising professionals and the editorial board of Higher Education Marketing Report.

Higher Education Marketing Report has been the nation's leading marketing publication for higher education marketing professionals, read by thousands of higher education marketing professionals for more than 35 years.

Members of the LBCC team include Executive Director Joshua Castellanos, Associate Director Stacey Toda, Public Relations Coordinator Camille Bolton, Video Producer Brad Cihfield, LTE Graphic Designer Marinda Martin, Video Producer Jerome Thomas, and Web Editor Mo Wright.

GOLD AWARDS



The Campus Community Newsletter



The new Vikings Athletic logo



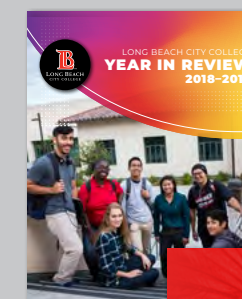
A t-shirt designed for the Viking Summer Voyage program

SILVER AWARD



The LBCC Website

AWARDS OF MERIT



Annual Report



Two Years Free Ad



Home of the Vikings Mailer



The Crucible poster

WELCOME

JOIN ME IN WELCOMING THE FOLLOWING COLLEAGUES TO THE LBCC FAMILY!

Esteban Alfaro

Program Manager Categorical,
Student Support Services

Jessica Ayoub

Associate Teacher
Child Development Center -
LAC

Karen Covarrubias

Senior Office Assistant,
English

Malcolm Elliott

Admissions & Records Tech. II
Enrollment Services

Osvaldo Lopez Gonzalez

Grounds Maintenance Worker,
Facilities

Tracy Johnson

Instructional Lab Support
Assistant,

Jennifer King

Child Care Assistant
Child Development Center -
PCC

Maureen Lem

Student Support Services Aide
DSPS

Justin Lewis

Custodian,
Facilities

Jennifer Lopez

Admissions & Records Tech. II
Enrollment Services

Buhay Malaya

Child Care Assistant
Child Development Center -
LAC

Justin Mendez

Program Manager Categorical,
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Child Care Assistant,
CDC-LAC

Nestor Ramirez

Grounds Maintenance Worker,
Facilities

Jennifer Ramos

Human Resources Manager -
Classified,
Human Resources

Kalief Washington

Program Manager Categorical,
Student Support Services

Patrick Willis

Library Assistant,
Library

Danithia Wilson

Academic Admin. Assistant
Career Technical Education

David Wong

Instructional Assistant
Advanced Transportation
Technology
Career Technical Education

CONGRATULATIONS

AND CONGRATULATIONS ON A WELL-DESERVED PROMOTION TO:

Anthony Cyr

Skilled Maintenance Worker
Facilities

Cheryl Melendez

Associated Director
10K Small Business
WEDD

Erin Murphy

Director
Special Projects
Administrative Services

*LBCC's
Inaugural*

*Virtual
Commencement
& Ceremony*

*Fri., June 12, 2020
5 p.m.*

JOIN THE CELEBRATION ONLINE!

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Accreditation Corner

By **Dr. Heather Van Volkinburg and Jennifer Holmgren**
Contributing Writers

This article is the fourth in a series of updates on the LBCC Accreditation Process.

Preparing for our comprehensive review for accreditation is in full swing this spring at LBCC! As a reminder, to maintain accreditation with the Accrediting Commission of Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), Long Beach City College must demonstrate that it meets the standards of quality set by the ACCJC. To successfully complete our Institutional Self-Evaluation Report, this spring the College established an Accreditation Committee Structure led by three appointed tri-chairs. Dr. Heather Van Volkinburg (Dean of Institutional Effectiveness and Accreditation Liaison Officer) was appointed as the Administrative tri-chair, Dr. Colin Williams (Librarian) was appointed as the Academic Senate Faculty Tri-Chair, and Ruben Amador (Lead Library Technician) was appointed as the Classified Senate Classified Tri-Chair. Congratulations to our tri-chairs on their appointments to these critical leadership roles!

As the College continues work on this process, we are highlighting each of the 13 Accreditation Standard Areas that the College is working to address in the Accreditation Corner.

In February, we highlighted Standard I.B: Assuring Academic Quality and Institutional Effectiveness.

This month, we are featuring Standard I.C: Institutional Integrity. Standard I.C focuses on ensuring the accuracy of information provided to current and prospective students, faculty, staff, and the community. For example, LBCC must ensure that our College Catalog provides students with precise, accurate, and current information on certain requirements, policies, and procedures including, but not limited to: course offerings, program requirements, program student learning outcomes, available learning resources, and available student financial aid.

LBCC publishes all of our College Catalogs on our website, including our most recent 2019-2020 College Catalog.

Dr. Heather Van Volkinburg is LBCC's Dean of Institutional Effectiveness and Accreditation Liaison Officer.

Jennifer Holmgren is LBCC's Director of Planning.

If you have any questions regarding accreditation, please contact Heather at (562) 938-4623 or hvanvolkinburg@LBCC.edu or Jennifer at (562) 938-4454 or jholmgren@LBCC.edu.

MAY / JUNE

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wed., May 27

Board of Trustees Meeting

Virtual Monthly Meeting

4:30 p.m. – closed session

5:30 p.m. – open session

www.LBCC.edu

Thurs., May 28

Asian Pacific Islander Desi

Heritage Month

1 p.m.

Virtual Keynote Speaker –

Congresswoman Judy Chu

www.LBCC.edu

Fri., June 12

LBCC's Inaugural Virtual

Commencement

5 p.m.

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For more events and information, visit LBCC.edu/calendar.

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