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Coleen Sterritt, professor in LBCC's Sculpture Program and the International Sculpture Center's 2019 Outstanding Educator Award, stands inside the sculpture studio at the Liberal Arts Campus.

To find out more about Professor Sterritt and LBCC's Sculpture Program, visit www.LBCC.edu/Sculpture.



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT

Here we go, folks... straight into the holiday season!

This is a very meaningful and fun (yet so very busy) time of year at Long Beach City College because we are NEVER short on the creative ways we celebrate things. We celebrate Halloween like nobody's business - that's for sure! I continue to be amazed at what our departments do when it comes to decorating and costuming! Even the Mother of Dragons was impressed this year!

The week after Halloween, I was addressing a room of Viking family members at our annual Alumni Hall of Fame induction dinner. To see alumni, community members, and our current student leaders all together, and hear how LBCC improved the lives of students who went on to do great things, just brings it all home. Our Associated Student Body Cabinet and the President's Ambassadors attended the event and I couldn't help but be excited for them as I know I'm looking at future Hall of Fame members! I hope faculty and staff continue to join in this meaningful honor by nominating past students who serve their communities while excelling in their careers. Nominations go out every March, and the Foundation welcomes your input in honoring our great Viking alumni!

LBCC also hosted the most amazing Latinx Hispanic Heritage Month I have ever experienced. Everything was so beautiful and educational - from the kickoff event to the Día de los Muertos closing event! Great job to everyone who pitched in to organize all of the lectures, celebrations and events. I'm looking forward to next year!

And here we are - Thanksgiving, final exams and winter break - in the blink of an eye! But as busy as we all are, I think it fuels us to know how hard all of us continue to work for our students and community. Theodore Roosevelt was absolutely right to say, "Let us remember that, as much has been given us, much will be expected from us, and that true homage comes from the heart as well as from the lips, and shows itself in deeds."

Have a wonderful and restful Thanksgiving weekend!





STUDENT TECHNOLOGY HELP DESK SUPPORTS MORE THAN 10,000 STUDENTS

STHD OPENS NEW LOCATION AT LAC

In the two years since Long Beach City College's Student Technology Help Desk (STHD) opened its digital doors, it has been growing and shaping its services to best support LBCC's students with their technology needs.

To date, the Help Desk has assisted more than 10,000 student visits via phone, email, and in-person at the Liberal Arts Campus and the Pacific Coast Campus.

Most recently the STHD upgraded their space with a welcoming walk-up location in a formerly unused corner of the 2nd floor in the L building at the Liberal Arts Campus. STHD has a newly-installed counter, seating area, and a welcoming/entertaining TV screen advertising LBCC technology opportunities such as MS Office (which is free for current LBCC students), security tips, and support.

"The L building is a perfect fit for our support," said Student Technology Help Desk Manager Laura Rantala. "It already houses LBCC's Tutoring/Supplemental Instruction Center, the Multidisciplinary Success Center, the Library, and the Academic Computing Lab. We're that extra needed puzzle piece to fully support students with their academic needs."

The new STHD location is staffed by student team members who support their peers by helping them with Canvas LMS, LBCC's new Viking Portal, and password support for incoming and current students.

The Help Desk is within the division of Instructional & Information Technology Services (IITS) & Online Learning & Educational Technology (OLET).

For more information on STHD, visit www.LBCC.edu/sthd.

CROWD REVELS IN REDEMPTION WATCH PARTY

Nearly 100 Long Beach City College students, faculty and staff enjoyed an early preview of episode 2 of LBCC's football docuseries "Redemption" during a watch party on Wed., Oct. 23.

LBCC's docuseries Redemption is now available for you to watch at www.LBCC.edu/Redemption, if you need to catch up on the first two episodes of the electrifying behind-the-scenes look into Long Beach City College's Vikings Football Team.

Meet the inspiring players, the incredible coaches, and the support crew who each play an important role as the Vikings work their way towards Redemption this season. Episode three is due out Nov. 27.



CONGRATULATIONS LBCCD

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

VICE PRESIDENT

UDUAK-JOE NTUK

The Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD) congratulated Board of Trustees Vice President Uduak-Joe Ntuk on his recent gubernatorial appointment with a reception on Wed., Oct. 23. Governor Gavin Newsom appointed Vice President Ntuk as the State Gas and Oil Supervisor in the California Department of Conservation.



LBCCD Board of Trustees Vice President Ntuk



Mike Walter congratulates Vice President Ntuk.



LBCCD Board of Trustees President Vivian Malauulu speaks during the reception for Vice President Ntuk.



LEADERSHIP MEETS FOR PRESIDENT'S TASK FORCE ON RACE, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

Second row from left: LaTonyua Harden, Starla Thomas, Alexis Redmond, Gene Durand, Dr. Kathy Scott, Suman Mudunuri, Dr. Mike Muñoz, Erin Murphy and Robert Remeta. **First row from left:** Dele Ladejobi, Dana Friez, Marlene Drinkwine, Kimberly Davis, Superintendent-President Reagan Romali, Candace Dickerson, Margaret Antonio-Palomares, Angela Fowlkes and Marc Smith. Not pictured is Tiare Hotra.

Long Beach Community College District Superintendent-President Reagan Romali, Ph.D., established the President's Task Force on Race, Equity, and Inclusion in Spring 2019 to promote cultural competence and inclusion at Long Beach City College. Approximately 100 faculty and staff responded to Superintendent-President Romali's invitation to volunteer and serve on the task force.

Planning meetings are being held in November to provide task force members the opportunity to give input on the scope of work for the task force, which will begin with a retreat in January 2020.

The task force is co-chaired by Romali and Vice President of Student Services Dr. Mike Muñoz.

In preparation, Dr. Romali, Dr. Muñoz, Executive Vice President Dr. Kathy Scott, Vice President of Business Services Marlene Drinkwine, Vice President

of Human Resources Gene Durand, as well as campus leaders representing faculty, classified staff and managers, are participating in an eight-week "Equity Institute" training series this fall.

Additionally, LBCC students will have a chance to share their experiences via the National Assessment of Collegiate Campus Climates (NACCC) survey in the near future.

The task force will be engaged in reviewing the survey results and recommending ways to address the findings, which will then be presented to the existing participatory governance bodies for implementation.

Additional task force volunteers are still welcome! Please e-mail Erin Murphy at emurphy@LBCC.edu if you are interested in participating.

LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE RECEIVES MONUMENTAL \$3 MILLION TITLE V GRANT THAT WILL IMPACT THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS

COLLEGE WILL WORK TO IMPROVE SUCCESS FOR LATINX AND LOW-INCOME STUDENTS IN STEM

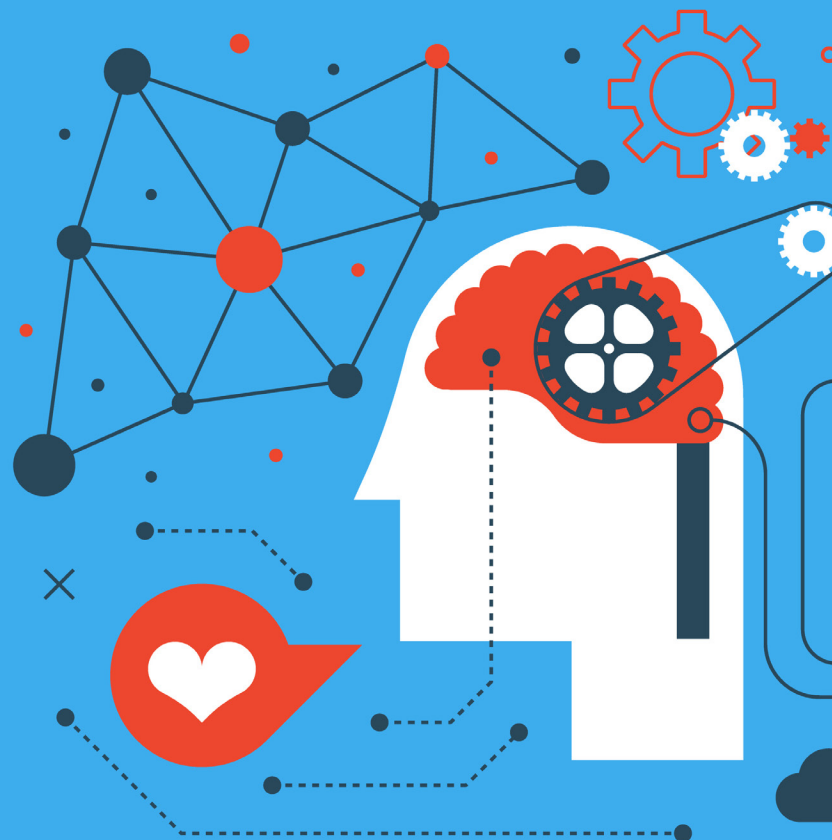
Long Beach City College received a \$3 million federal Title V grant from the U.S. Department of Education to improve student success and equitable student outcomes for Latinx and low-income students in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) fields.

LBCC will create the DESTINO: Developing Engaging STEM Through Innovative New Opportunities program which will implement strategies designed to address four goals: innovate STEM teaching strategies to support historically underrepresented student groups; ensure students are equitably welcomed into and supported in opportunities in STEM education; provide focused and integrated academic and student services support throughout the educational life cycle for STEM students; and invest in people and support structures needed for STEM transformation.

LBCC's plans for the Title V funding include:

- Hiring a team of faculty and staff for the Science Resource Center.
- Hiring a STEM counselor and academic support staff.
- Hosting a STEM-focused summer bridge program that will help local high school graduates successfully transition to LBCC.
- Hosting STEM-focused outreach events for future students, their families and the community at large.
- Conducting financial literacy workshops with the goal of reaching 480 students each year during the Title V grant.

LBCC received news about receiving the Title V grant on Aug. 22, 2019. The grant will be distributed to LBCC over the next five years.



TRICK OR TREAT

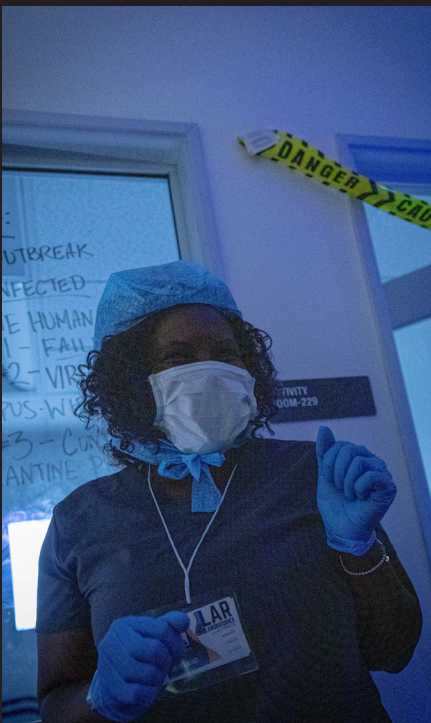
*LBCC CELEBRATES
HALLOWEEN*

Congratulations to the winners of
the LBCC 2019 Costume and Office/
Classroom Decorating Contest!



BEST OFFICE DECORATING (LAC)

Multidisciplinary Success Center (LAR)



BEST OFFICE DECORATING (PCC)

Welcome Center



BEST GROUP COSTUME (LAC)

Admissions & Records and Financial Aid



BEST GROUP COSTUME (PCC)

ESL Office 211





HONORABLE MENTIONS

Bond Management Team, Media Services/IITS, CalWORKS/EOPS



LAKEWOOD & LONG BEACH DISCOVER LBCC

Community members stopped by Long Beach City College's Discover LBCC booths at the Lakewood Center Mall and the Bixby Knolls First Fridays to learn more about the resources, degrees, and programs offered at Long Beach City College.

At the Lakewood Mall Food Truck Feast on Oct. 18, Long Beach Community College District Board of Trustees Member Dr. Virginia Baxter, Ole the Viking and LBCC Cheerleaders were on hand to greet visitors and hand out LBCC frisbees.

LBCCD Board of Trustees Vice President Uduak-Joe Ntuk spoke to many members of the community at the Bixby Knolls Business Improvement Association First Fridays at the Expo Arts Center on Nov. 1. He was joined by representatives from LBCC's Business department and the School of Social Sciences and Arts.

At both events, community members had the opportunity to win an Apple Watch courtesy of the LBCC Foundation.

Discover LBCC was organized by the LBCC Outreach team.



LBCCD Board of Trustees Member Dr. Baxter (fourth from right) with LBCC students and staff at the Lakewood Mall Food Truck Feast.



LBCCD Board of Trustees Vice President Ntuk (center) congratulates the winner of the Apple Watch at the Bixby Knolls First Fridays event.





LBCC'S COLEEN STERRITT RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL SCULPTURE CENTER AWARD

She is the first community college professor to receive the Outstanding Educator Award.

Coleen Sterritt, professor in the Sculpture Program at Long Beach City College (LBCC), received the prestigious International Sculpture Center's 2019 Outstanding Educator Award during an evening reception on Thurs., Oct. 24.

The International Sculpture Center (ISC) established the "Outstanding Educator Award"

program in 1996 to recognize individual artist-educators who have excelled at teaching sculpture in institutions of higher learning. An exemplary career combining personal studio practice and measurable academic performance resulted in the unanimous vote for Sterritt, making her the first community college faculty member to win the award.

She has been a professor and faculty coordinator of the Sculpture Program at LBCC since 1998. Sterritt's work has been exhibited throughout the United States, Japan, Spain, Kenya, and South Africa. Her



(Left to right) LBCC School of Social Sciences & Arts Dean Dr. Lisa Orr, Professor Sterritt, and the International Sculpture Center Executive Director Johannah Hutchinson.

work is held in major collections including MOCA, L.A., and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. Sterritt has received numerous awards and fellowships, including the John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Roswell Artist-in-Residence Program. Her teaching career began in 1983 and has included noted positions at California State University, Fullerton; Otis College of Art & Design; and The Claremont Graduate University.



To learn more about LBCC's Sculpture program, visit www.LBCC.edu/Sculpture.

NUESTRA IMAGEN AWARDS

LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA



DR. ROMALI NOMINATED FOR NUESTRA IMAGEN AWARD

The Honorary Nomination Committee and Board of Directors of Centro Community Hispanic Association (Centro CHA Inc.) recently informed Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan Romali that she has been nominated to receive the 2019 Excellence in Education Award at their 22nd Annual Nuestra Imagen Gala Awards.

The Nuestra Imagen Awards is an annual gala dinner and fundraiser to honor notable individuals who exemplify excellence in leadership, higher education, workforce development, and revitalizing neighborhoods, places and businesses, making Long Beach a safer, healthier and more vibrant place to live, work and play.

The Gala will be held on Wed., Dec. 11, 2019 at 6 p.m. at The Grand Long Beach, 4101 E. Willow St., Long Beach.

STUDENT EQUITY PUZZLE PIECE

By Dr. Janét Hund, Contributing Writer

As I began my doctoral program, one of the first required readings featured “grow-your-own” programs designed to recruit diverse faculty to higher education. As I have been a committed mentor in the LBCC Faculty Internship Program, our “grow-your-own” program which aims to provide a pathway to diversify the faculty ranks, I was thrilled to read an article with content so close to my heart.

Through my dissertation journey, I reviewed other literature revealing the importance faculty of color have on students, particularly success of students of color, from kindergarten through university. With naysayers around telling me that the race-ethnicity of a faculty member does not impact student success, I began to wonder what LBCC data would reveal on this topic. Hence, my dissertation topic was born: an institutional study using LBCC data to determine if same race-ethnic faculty have an impact on the successful course completions of students of color.

Performing analysis of variance (ANOVA) on 71,225 course completion records collected over a four-year period, the data analysis revealed that African-American and Latinx students experienced higher course completions when they are taught by same race-ethnic faculty members. In fact, only when African-American students were taught by an African-American faculty member did their average course completions climb to above a 2.0 (“C” letter grade). In contrast, the findings revealed that the race-ethnicity of the faculty members is not significant for the course completions of white students.

As a Hispanic Serving Institution, in order to better serve our largest race-ethnic demographic, Latinx students, this data should be considered in the faculty hiring process from recruitment through the job announcement and ultimately final hiring decisions. While nowhere do I state that only same race-ethnic faculty should teach African-American and Latinx students, the results of this research provide another puzzle piece to solve the achievement gap and to better serve our students of color, by hiring more faculty of color who mirror our student demographics.



(Left to right) Shaheen Johnson and Dr. Janét Hund.

Shortly after I defended my dissertation, LBCC hired my mentee, Shaheen Johnson, as a full-time faculty member. I was privileged to provide a pathway for Shaheen to be ready to enter the tenure-track faculty ranks and serve our students. The findings of my dissertation unveiled the significance of this hiring decision. The literature contends that faculty of color tend to employ more culturally relevant and responsive pedagogy as well as serve as positive role models for our students, and these are all factors influencing student success.

I am so happy to produce this institutional study that can impact the lives of our students and the culture of the college – as well as help us learn more about what we can do to increase student success, which is ever so important in the time of performance-based funding and our perpetual pursuit of democracy’s colleges – to realize social justice and student equity for all.

Dr. Janét Hund, LBCC Sociology Faculty, Ed.D. John Roueche Community College Leadership Program, Dissertation: Critical Race and Identity Analysis of Student Success: Effects of Race-Ethnicity and Gender of Faculty Members and Students



ANOTHER HEADLINE YEAR FOR VIKING STAFF AT JOURNALISM COMPETITION/CONFERENCE

Long Beach City College recently captured 12 awards at the Journalism Association of Community Colleges (JACC) Southern California Regional Conference.

The Viking News student newspaper won general excellence twice - in the print edition category and in the online edition category. General excellence is the top prize awarded to the top 15 percent of competitors at the regional conference.

"We're really proud of the work and effort we put into our publications," said Abel Reyes, the Viking editor in chief. "These awards represent two semesters of long hours, growth and teamwork on the part of our staff."

In addition, LBCC took home 10 individual awards.

This is a year-long competition, which includes the work of former staff members, many of whom were part of the program's largest-ever graduating class in June of 2019, and members of the current staff.

Here is the complete list of honors for LBCC at the JACC:

GENERAL EXCELLENCE

- Viking News print edition
- Viking News online edition

FIRST PLACE

- News photo, Sydney Fredericks-Selby
- Photo illustration, Andrea Ramos

THIRD PLACE

- News photo, Sydney Fredericks-Selby
- Opinion story, Sabriyya Ghanizada
- Informational graphic, Iman Palm
- Photo illustration, Cassandra Reichelt
- Magazine illustration, Alyssa Vega

FOURTH PLACE

- Magazine profile article, Anna Karkalik

HONORABLE MENTION

- Magazine photo essay, Anna Karkalik and Alyssa Vega
- Magazine layout/design, City Magazine staff

For more information on LBCC's Journalism program, visit www.LBCC.edu/Program-Journalism.

ROOT CAUSE

Ashton Amores

Everett Babcock

Rochelle Botello

Nick Cardoza

Sean Cully

Pablo Holocwan

Kristen Kee

Robert LaPorta

Evelia Magallon

Emi Mizuno

Dao Nguyen

Reinhart Selvik

Anthony Sok

Kyle Alexander

Sarah Baker

Kelly Campanella

Mariah Cool

Laura Goble

Steve Johnson

Angel King

Rodrigo Lopez

Jesus Martinez

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Jose Siminig

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NOV. 21 – DEC. 8

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Visit www.LBCC.edu/PerformingArts for show times and tickets
LBCC Studio Theatre, Building H, Liberal Arts Campus

DEC. 6

PLANETARIUM NIGHTS

7 P.M. – 8 P.M.

D-236, Liberal Arts Campus

DEC. 9

PCC PARKING STRUCTURE GROUNDBREAKING

11 A.M.

Pacific Coast Campus

DEC. 11

LBCCD BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

4:30 P.M. – CLOSED SESSION | 5:30 P.M. – OPEN SESSION

T-1100, Liberal Arts Campus

DEC. 14

CHORAL CONCERT: JOHN RUTTER'S GLORIA AND OTHER CHORAL FAVORITES

2 P.M.

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

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

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REDEMPTION:
Ep. 2 - Eye of the Storm



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