



LAS POSITAS
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The President's Monthly Report to the Board of Trustees, Campus, and Community

Dr. Dyrell Foster, Las Positas College President



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The 2022 President's Scholars



LPC President's Scholar Application is Now Open

The President's Scholars Program is a vehicle to provide the opportunity for students in our local service area to attend Las Positas College without any financial barriers. The Scholars program is a financial need-based program that is intended to promote equity by providing financial support to outstanding scholars attending Las Positas College. The program includes a full scholarship that covers tuition, fees, parking, and textbooks for two years. This comprehensive program offers outstanding opportunities for leadership, service and mentorship.

Eligibility to Apply

- Be a high senior in good academic standing with a minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA from within one of the following districts:
 - Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District
 - Dublin Unified School District
 - Castro Valley Unified School District
 - Pleasanton Unified School District
 - San Ramon Unified School District
 - Lammersville Unified School District
 - Tracy Unified School District
- Have applied for admission to Las Positas College for the fall 2023 semester
- Must plan to enroll full-time, at least 12 units, each term, while pursuing an associate degree, with the intent to transfer for a four-year college or university
- Complete the President's Scholars Application

Scan the QR code for more information and the application.



President's Scholars Program

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LLNL Science on Saturdays at LPC

Science on Saturday is a series of science lectures for middle and high school students. Each topic highlights cutting-edge research at LLNL. The 2023 Science on Saturday series, "70 Years of Science," highlights research areas ongoing at the Laboratory for the past 70 years.

This year Science on Saturday has a new home – the Las Positas College campus.



Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory



SCIENCE SATURDAY ON

Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
Academic Engagement Office

SATURDAYS • IN PERSON
February 2023 • 10 am

1 hour presentation for middle and high school students

70
Seventy Years of Science!

COLLEGE TOUR
Available following Presentations

FEB 4
Bringing Star Power to Earth
Harnessing Nuclear Fusion

FEB 11
Small Algae, Big World
Impact of Microalgae

FEB 18
Supersizing Computing
70 Years of HPC

FEB 25
3D Printing
From Imagination to Realization

Register Here

All presentations will each be an hour-long. LPC volunteers offer college campus tours after each presentation. The final session will be held on Saturday, February 25 at 10:00 AM.

Registration is required. Presentation, tours and parking are free.



NEW LOCATION

Mertes Center for the Arts (B4000) Las Positas College
3000 Campus Hill Drive, Livermore, CA 94551

education.llnl.gov

LPC Celebrates



LPC is proud to celebrate black culture with its annual Black History Month celebration series. On February 1, the Black Education Association (BEA) opened the month long celebration with the BEA Town Meeting presentation to invite the LPC community to the scheduled events for Black History Month.

The Black Education Association (BEA) is an employee development group that provides culturally reflective, responsive, and relevant programs and support to Black identified employees and students at Las Positas College. With radical love and an appreciation for diasporic diversity as core values, BEA recognizes and celebrate the full range of Black identity and sponsors events and programs to trailblaze a path to success for LPC students. The BEA leverages the participation of Black staff, faculty, and administrators to engage in work to improve college support services and policies for students of African descent and reports these activities annually to the President's office.



Some of the events that will be celebrated through the month and into the end of the academic year include BEA Talks, every Friday with faculty from LPC and Chabot College, as well as Black Scholars Family Night and Black Student Graduation. For information on future events, please visit the LPC Black Cultural Resource Center webpage or scan the QR Code.



AWARDS AND MORE AT LPC



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ACCCA Awards in Excellence to Two LPC Administrators



Each year the Association of California Community Colleges Administrators (ACCCA) recognizes individuals for their excellence and leadership in the field of community college administration. This year Dr. Kristina Whalen, Vice President of Academic Services was awarded the ACCCA Leadership Award and Dr. Nan Ho, Dean of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics was awarded the Mertes Award for Excellence in Community College Research. Awardees will be presented with their award on February 22 and 23 during the ACCCA Conference.

The ACCCA is the foremost member-supported professional organization for administrators and managers of California's community college campuses and their district offices. Comprising 73 districts and 116 colleges, the California Community Colleges make up the largest higher education system in the nation—providing a gateway to higher education for over 2.1 million students per year.

Well deserved award for both Dr. Whalen and Dr. Ho, CONGRATULATIONS!

ACCJC Accreditation Update

After careful review of Las Positas College's Institutional Self-Evaluation Report and visit by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior College (ACCJC) Peer Review Team, LPC is proud to announce that the ACCJC has reaffirmed accreditation to Las Positas College for seven years! This comes with a commendation of Standard III.B.4 (District Commendation 1) with no recommendations for Improving Institutional Effectiveness.

Job well done to the Accreditation Steering Committee and the Expanded Accreditation Steering Committee.

Accreditation Steering Committee:

- Kristina Whalen
- Carolyn Scott
- Stuart McElderry
- Tina Inzerilla
- Tim Druley
- Rajinder Samra

Expanded Accreditation Committee:

Mike Ansell	Owen Letcher	Titian Lish
Andrea Migliaccio	Angella Venjohn	Sheri Moore
Anette Raichbart	David Rodriguez	Sui Song
Nadiyah Taylor	Jin Tsubota	Heidi Ulrech
Nan Ho	Angelica Cazarez	Ann Hight
Elena Cole	Jennifer Druley	Heike Gecox
Steve Gunderson	Rajeev Chopra	



ACCREDITING COMMISSION FOR
COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES

WE INVITE YOU TO THE LAS POSITAS COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE!

Las Positas College invites you and your family to attend the LPC Open House on March 25th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM to learn about the LPC experience through interactive sessions, conversations with faculty and presentations. Information on our various programs will be available, as well as information on LPC's Guarantee Transfer to UC/CSU program, and our High School Concurrent Enrollment option.

To reserve your spot for this no cost event please scan the QR below. We hope to see you there.



LPC Mission

Las Positas College is an inclusive, learning-centered, equity-focused environment that offers educational opportunities and support for completion of students' transfer, degree, and career-technical goals while promoting lifelong learning.

College Planning Priorities

Establish a knowledge base and an appreciation for equity; create a sense of urgency about moving toward equity; institutionalize equity in decision-making, assessment, and accountability; and build capacity to resolve inequities.

Increase student success and completion through change in college practices and processes: coordinating needed academic support, removing barriers, and supporting focused professional development across the campus.

Dates to Remember

Date	Details
February 25, 2023	FINAL LLNL Science on Saturday Event
March 20, 2023	8 Week Courses Begin
March 24, 2023	President's Scholar Applications Due
March 25, 2023	LPC's Open House