

# ABOUT LACC

## Who We Are

Los Angeles City College is The City's College.

LACC has been part of the fabric of the city of Los Angeles for more than 90 years, with both UCLA and Cal State Los Angeles originating on the LACC campus. As a diverse college and a vehicle for increasing social and economic mobility for our city, LACC remains the destination for students to believe, achieve, and succeed.

Established in 1929, LACC is one of the oldest of the California Community Colleges. Located in the heart of Hollywood on 49 acres, LACC provides a dynamic innovative learning environment offering more than 100 vocational and professional programs including degrees, transfer programs, and certificates to more than 18,000 students. Our student body is one of the most diverse in the country. Students range in age from late teens to seniors and come from every ethnic group, culture, and country in the world.

Extraordinary times demand extraordinary responses. Since its opening, LACC has always risen to the challenges presented by a world undergoing rapid and confusing changes.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, we led the Los Angeles Community College District in enrollment and continued to provide an innovative and engaging learning environment offering degrees, transfer programs, and certificates to our students. We re-imagined remote education; expanded services to students in need of food, emergency financial aid, laptops, and services; and implemented initiatives to continue to fulfill our commitment in the pursuit of racial and social justice.

As The City's College, we are committed to providing a welcoming, inclusive, supportive, and accepting community where all who come feel as if they belong.

Recent accomplishments include a \$3 million, 5-year U.S. Department of Education Grant to focus on creative technology, hosting inspirational speaking events with Pulitzer Prize winning journalist Carl Bernstein and Academy Award winning actor Morgan Freeman, teaming with EON Reality to incorporate groundbreaking new technology to their virtual classroom, placing first in the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges (AMATYC) national math competition, installation of the first Nike BeTrue rainbow track in the country, teaming with UCLA Clean Energy Smart Manufacturing Innovation Institute (CESMII) to secure a location for their institute on the LACC campus, and creating a Race, Equity, and Social Justice Center.

Bond funding of approximately \$308 million is being utilized for the planning, development, and construction of improvements including a new fine arts building, theater arts building, cafeteria/foodservice area, administration building, and security improvements.

Although LACC does not provide campus housing, rentals are available in the surrounding community.

## History

One of nine college campuses of the Los Angeles Community College District, what is now LACC was originally a farm outside of Los Angeles. When the Pacific Electric Interurban Railroad connected downtown Los Angeles and Hollywood in 1909, the area began to develop rapidly. In 1914, the Los Angeles Board of Education moved the California State Normal School, a school to train teachers, from downtown Los Angeles to Vermont Avenue in Hollywood.

In 1917, UC Regent Edward A. Dickson and Ernest Carroll Moore, Director of the Normal School, began working together to lobby the State for the second University of California campus. On May 23, 1919, their efforts were rewarded when Governor William D. Stephens signed Assembly Bill 626 into law, which turned the school facilities into the Southern Branch of the University of California and added its general undergraduate program, the College of Letters and Science. The Southern Branch campus opened on September 15 of that year, offering two-year undergraduate programs to 250 Letters and Science students and 1,250 students in the Teachers College.

In need of more space, the Southern Branch of the University of California, what is today UCLA, moved to its present location in 1929 and the LA Board of Education bought the Vermont site.

On September 9, 1929, Los Angeles Junior College opened its doors for the first time with over 1,300 students and 54 teachers. It later changed its name in 1938 to Los Angeles City College.

The chief executive officers of LACC since its founding:

Dr. William H. Snyder, Director	1929-1934
Dr. Rosco C. Ingalls, Director	1934-1945
Dr. Einar W. Jacobsen, President	1946-1948
Dr. Howard S. McDonald, President	1949-1955
Dr. John Lombardi, President	1955-1966
Dr. Glenn G. Gooder, President	1966-1970
Dr. Louis Kaufman, President	1970-1973
Dr. John H. Anthony, President	1973-1977
Dr. Stelle Feuers, President	1978-1989
Dr. Edwin Young, President	1989-1991
Mr. Jose L. Robledo, President	1991-1997
Dr. Mary Spangler, President	1997-2003
Dr. Doris Givens, President (Interim)	2003-2005
Dr. Steve Maradian, President	2005-2007
Dr. Jamillah Moore, President	2007-2012
Ms. Renee Martinez, President	2012-2018
Dr. Mary Gallagher, President	2018-Present

## LACC Mission Statement

Los Angeles City College empowers students from the diverse communities it serves to achieve their educational and career goals by providing pathways to support their completion of associate degrees, certificates, transfer requirements, career and technical education, and foundational skills programs.

## Accreditation and Professional Program Approvals

Los Angeles City College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found at [accjc.org/complaint-process/](http://accjc.org/complaint-process/)

Contact information for the ACCJC:

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Western Association of Schools and Colleges  
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Novato, CA 94949  
Telephone: (415) 506-0234  
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Email: [accjc@accjc.org](mailto:accjc@accjc.org)  
Website: [accjc.org](http://accjc.org)

LACC programs are also accredited or approved by:

- The California Association for Alcohol Drug Educators (Addiction Studies): [dev.caade.org](http://dev.caade.org)
- Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association (Dental Laboratory Technician): [ada.org/en/coda](http://ada.org/en/coda)
- Certifying Board for Dietary Managers of the Association of Nutrition and Foodservice Professionals (Dietetic Service Supervisor/Certified Dietary Manager): [cbdmonline.org](http://cbdmonline.org) and [anfponline.org](http://anfponline.org)
- The California Board of Registered Nursing (Nursing): [m.ca.gov](http://m.ca.gov)
- American Bar Association (Paralegal Studies): [americanbar.org](http://americanbar.org)
- Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology (Radiologic Technology): [jrcert.org](http://jrcert.org)
- State of California, Department of Public Health (Radiologic Technology): [cdph.ca.gov](http://cdph.ca.gov)
- Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (Radiologic Technology): [jointcommission.org](http://jointcommission.org)

## Student Right-To-Know Disclosure

In compliance with the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-542), LACC makes available its completion and transfer rates to all current and prospective students.

For the fall 2016 cohort (first-time, full-time students seeking a certificate, degree, or transfer; tracked over three years):

- Completion rate: 21.72%
- Transfer rate: 6.88%

The LACC College Scorecard from the U.S. Department of Education can be found at:

[collegescorecard.ed.gov/school/?117788-Los-Angeles-City-College](http://collegescorecard.ed.gov/school/?117788-Los-Angeles-City-College)

More information about Student Right-To-Know rates and how they should be interpreted can be found at the California Community Colleges Student Right-To-Know Rate Disclosure website at [srk.cccco.edu](http://srk.cccco.edu). Additional information on LACC student outcomes can be found at the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office MIS Data Mart ([datamart.cccco.edu/](http://datamart.cccco.edu/)) and the California Community Colleges Student Success Metrics Dashboard ([calpassplus.org/LaunchBoard/Student-Success-Metrics](http://calpassplus.org/LaunchBoard/Student-Success-Metrics)).

## Academic Year

The academic year is divided into four sessions:

- Fall Semester (16 weeks, August - December)
- Winter Session (5 weeks, January - February)
- Spring Semester (16 weeks, February - June)
- Summer Session (5 week and 8 week sessions, June - August), subject to approval by the Board of Trustees

## Academic Calendar

Fall 2021 Semester: August 30 - December 19, 2021

Online Schedule Available	May 17, 2021
Registration begins	May 24, 2021

Winter 2022 Session: January 4 – February 6, 2022

Online Schedule Available	September 29, 2021
Registration begins	October 18, 2021

Spring 2022 Semester: February 7 - June 6, 2022

Online Schedule Available	October 20, 2021
Registration begins	November 8, 2021

Summer 2022 Semester: June 13 – August 28, 2022

Online Schedule Available	Check the LACC Academic Calendars website*
Registration begins	Check the LACC Academic Calendars website*

\*[lacitycollege.edu/Calendar/Academic-Calendars/Academic-Year-Calendar](http://lacitycollege.edu/Calendar/Academic-Calendars/Academic-Year-Calendar)

Dual enrollment and short-term classes with varying start and end dates may have a different calendar. For more information contact Admissions and Records at:

[lacitycollege.edu/Admissions/Admissions-Records/Department-Home](http://lacitycollege.edu/Admissions/Admissions-Records/Department-Home).

## Los Angeles County Sheriff and Campus Security Reports

The Los Angeles Community College District has a contract with the LA County Sheriff's Office to provide services for the protection of students, staff, visitors, and other persons on campus which may include bodily harm or deprivation of their property. They are also responsible for the protection of the District's buildings and property. The sheriffs will respond to a variety of personal emergencies, including emergency notification (in compliance with the privacy act), lost and found property, and police escort upon request. For further information, contact the Sheriff's Office at (323) 953-4005.

**Campus Security Reports.** Pursuant to the Cleary Act, the College's Security Reports are published at [lacitycollege.edu/Campus-Life/Campus-Safety/Campus-Emergency-Information](http://lacitycollege.edu/Campus-Life/Campus-Safety/Campus-Emergency-Information). Students may obtain a paper copy of the report upon request from the Sheriff's Office.