



LAS POSITAS

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Student Services Monthly Newsletter

January 2019

FASTPASS

Las Positas College hosted its third FastPass series from November 26 through November 29, 2018 to help new and returning students prepare for spring semester 2019. During the four day event, 102 students completed the admission application, online orientation, and registered for courses; 25 students received financial aid application assistance; 111 students took the assessment tests; and 57 students met with a Counselor to develop a student educational plan. I would like to thank Miguel Alvarez, Outreach Specialist, for leading this effort and for the many Student Services employees who provided their time and expertise to help our students matriculate to the College. Congratulations on a job well done. Our next FastPass series is scheduled for April 2019. Additional information is forthcoming.

AUTO AWARDING

The Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Funding Formula Committee (FFC) initiated discussion on the possibility of auto/proactive awarding of certificates and degrees at both Chabot College and Las Positas College. There are advantages and disadvantages to contemplate along with protocol and workload considerations. We are hopeful that DegreeWorks will facilitate our work if we decide to proceed with this initiative. Additional information is forthcoming.

ARTICULATION UPDATE

On December 4, 2018, the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District Board of Trustees approved the hiring of Craig Kutil, as the permanent Articulation Officer for Las Positas College. Craig will be moving into the Student Services & Administration Building, Room 1655 in January 2019 so that he may be in close proximity to Student Services personnel including, but not limited to, our Counselors, DegreeWorks Systems Coordinator, and Student Records Evaluators. Please join me in welcoming Craig to the Student Services & Administration Building.



IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

- **January 14th**
First Day of Spring 2019
- **January 14th - 16th**
Welcome Week Tabling
- **January 21st**
Martin Luther King
Holiday
- **January 22nd**
The Market



NEW STANDARDIZED FRIDAY BUSINESS HOURS

Effective January 2019, all major Student Services entities including, but not limited to, Admissions & Records, California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs), Counseling, Disabled Student Programs & Services (DSPS), Extended Opportunity Programs & Services (EOPS), Financial Aid, Student Health & Wellness Center, and the Veterans Resource Center will open on Fridays from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to the public. This will help standardize our availability and delivery of services to colleagues, students, and the public. Exceptions will be made for entities that only have one assigned employee or that have special business hours to accommodate other critical or vital needs of the College.

MAKERSPACE @ LPC

The Las Positas College Strong Workforce Program is spearheading the discussion on the feasibility of creating a makerspace where students can come together to build, create, imagine, explore, collaborate, learn, share, and make things for use in classes of all types. Many college and university campuses have created similar spaces and have found that they tend to be popular with students in addition to gymnasiums and libraries. An informational meeting was hosted in fall semester 2018 to help colleagues learn of the makerspace concept and a campus tour of existing makerspaces also took place. Additional information may be found online at <https://cccmaker.com/>.

WELCOME WEEK TABLING

Las Positas College Outreach Services and Las Positas College Student Government (LPCSG) will be hosting a welcome table the first three days of the spring semester 2019 from January 14 through January 16, 2019 on the Quad and in front of the Welcome Center/Student Life Office weather permitting. The informational tables will include class schedules, brochures and flyers on academic and student support services, and campus maps. If you would like to volunteer to work the welcome table or would like to request literature to be distributed, please contact Miguel Alvarez, Outreach Specialist.

PREPARING FOR SPRING SEMESTER 2019

In preparation for the start of the spring semester 2019, Student Services personnel are encouraged to review their respective webpages for accuracy; update postings on bulletin boards, display cabinets, and service windows; update brochures and flyers; and revise the content on the television monitors located throughout Student Services & Administration Building.

NEWS FROM THE TEAM

Do you have an upcoming event, a new initiative, or news that you would like to share with our Student Services team? I am happy to consider your recommendations for future issues of our newsletter. Please e-mail your information to wgarcia@laspositascollege.edu.

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