

LAS POSITAS COLLEGE CATALOG 2023 - 2024

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- Fire Service Technology

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- BA, College of St. Benedict
- MLIS, San Jose State University
- LPC Librarian

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(2002)

- BS, California State University - Chico
- MS, University of Oregon
- PhD, University of Oregon
- Chemistry

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(2001)

- BS, Armstrong Atlantic State University
- MS, Western Kentucky University, Mathematics
- MFA, University of California - Davis, Acting
- Math

B

Erick O. Bell

(2015)

- BS, California State University - East Bay
- MS, Golden Gate University
- Accounting

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(2001)

- BA, San Jose State University
- MA, San Jose State University
- PhD, University of Hawaii
- History

R. Toby Bielawski

(1999)

- BA, Smith College
- MA, Mills College
- English

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(2022)

- BS, Cornell University
- MS, University of Oregon
- PhD, University of Oregon
- Biological Sciences

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(2008)

- BA, University of California - San Diego
- MA, San Diego State University
- Mathematics

Segal M. Boaz (2016)

- BS, University of California - San Diego
- MS, Sonoma State University
- Biology

Jeremiah H. Bodnar (2007)

- AA, Saddleback College
- BA, University of California - Los Angeles
- MA, University of Chicago
- Philosophy

Jonathan D. Brickman (2006)

- BA, University of Wisconsin
- MA, San Francisco State University
- English as a Second Language

Angelo Bummer (2015)

- BA, Evergreen State College
- MA, San Francisco State University
- English

Kimberly M. Burks (2016)

- BS, San Francisco State University
- MA, Saint Mary's College
- Counseling

C

Jose D. Calderon (2016)

- AA, Evergreen Valley College
- BA, San Jose State University
- MA, California State University - San Jose
- Counselor, LPC Veterans First Program

Jill E. Carbone (2006)

- BA, University of California - Santa Cruz
- MS, University of California - Davis
- Biology

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- AA, Las Positas College
- BA, University of California - Davis
- MA, Santa Clara University
- Counseling Psychology

Rajeev Chopra (2008)

- BCOM, Guru Nanak Dev University, India
- MCOM, Kurukshetra University, India
- MS, California State University - Hayward
- Business

Daniel "Dan" G. Cearley (2017)

- BA, San Jose State University
- MA, San Francisco State University
- Anthropology

Elena C. Cole (1997)

- AA, Ohlone College
- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MA, San Francisco State University
- English

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- AA, Santa Rosa Junior College
- BS, University of California - Santa Barbara
- MSS, United States Sports Academy
- Physical Education /Swimming Coach

Andrew C. Cumbo (2016)

- BA, SUNY - Plattsburgh
- MS, Humboldt State University
- Kinesiology

D

Moh Daoud (2002)

- AS, College of San Mateo
- BS, Ecole Nationale D'Electronique, Paris
- Computer Information Systems

Jennifer Decker (2022)

- BS, California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo
- MS, University of California - Berkeley
- Engineering

Susan "Sue" DeFuniak (2018)

- BS, Humboldt State University
- MS, Humboldt State University

- Kinesiology

Gabriela I. Discua (2014)

- BA, California State University - Hayward
- MS, San Francisco State University
- Counseling

James L. Dobson (2001)

- AA, College of DuPage, Illinois
- BS, Northern Arizona University
- MA, California State University - Chico
- Speech

Richard J. Dry (1999)

- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MA, San Francisco State University
- English

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- Certificate, Cabrillo College
- AA, Gavilan College
- BS, University of California - Santa Cruz
- PhD, University of California - Santa Cruz
- Chemistry

E

Catherine "Katie" M. Eagan (2003)

- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- PhD, Boston College
- English

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- Certified Sommelier, Court of Master Sommeliers
- Coordinator, Viticulture and Winery Technology

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- BS, University of California - San Diego
- MS, San Francisco State University
- EdD, San Francisco State University
- Health

F

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- AA, Penn State University
- BS, Virginia Commonwealth University
- MBA, Golden Gate University
- Computer Information Systems

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- BS, California State University - East Bay
- MS, California State University - East Bay
- Mathematics

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- Fire Service Technology

G

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- BA, California State University - Sacramento
- MA, California State University - Sacramento
- Early Childhood Education

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- MFA, University of Alaska
- English

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- AA, Las Positas College
- BA, California State University - Hayward
- MS, California State University - Hayward
- Counseling

James Giacomazzi (2015)

- BS, University of California - Riverside
- MA, San Jose State University

- Kinesiology

Michelle C. Gonzales (2005)

- BA, Mills College
- MFA, Mills College
- English

Jennie Graham (2013)

- B.S. University of California - Davis
- MS, California State University - East Bay
- Mathematics

H

Brian J. Hagopian (2005)

- AS, Fresno City College
- BA, Ashford University
- CA Smog Instructor; ASE Master
- GM World Class; Isuzu Master Elite
- Automotive Technology

Lucas "L.W." Hasten (2004)

- BA, Brooklyn College
- MA, Columbia University
- Anthropology

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- AA, Chabot College
- BA, California State University - Hayward
- MA, California State University - Hayward
- Speech

Ann Hight (2013)

- BA, University of California - San Diego
- MA, San Jose State University
- PhD, University of California - Davis
- Physiology

Akihiko "Aki" Hirose (2015)

- BA, University of Colorado
- MA, University of Colorado
- PhD, University of California - Riverside
- Sociology

Deanna A. Horvath (2009)

- BA, California State University - East Bay
- Photography

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- AA, Chabot College
- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MA, San Jose State University
- Counseling

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- BA, San Diego State University
- MLS, University of California - Los Angeles
- LPC Librarian

I

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- AA, Chabot College
- BS, California State University - Hayward
- MLIS, San Jose State University
- PhD, Queensland University of Technology
- LPC Librarian

J

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- BA, Wesleyan University
- M. Phil, City University of New York
- PhD, City University of New York
- Political Science

Russell A. Jensen (2019)

- BS, San Francisco State University
- MS, San Francisco State University
- PhD, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

- Chemistry

K

Irena Keller (2018)

- BA, Haifa University, Israel
- MA, Haifa University, Israel
- PhD, University of California - Berkeley
- Psychology

Natalie A. Kellner (2018)

- BA, California State University - Long Beach
- MA, California State University - Chico
- Communication Studies

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- BS, Northwestern University
- Theater

William "Bill" J. Komanetsky (2015)

- BS, Washington University
- MS, California State University - Chico
- Computer Science

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- BA, Montana State University
- JD, University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law
- MA, San Francisco State University
- English, Journalism & Media Studies

Peter Kuo (2015)

- BFA, University of California - San Diego
- BFA, University of California - San Diego
- MFA, Academy of Art University
- Graphic Arts

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- BA, Humboldt State University
- BA, Humboldt State University
- MS, Humboldt State University
- Articulation Officer; Martial Arts, Mathematics

L

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- BA, Miami University
- MA, University of New Mexico
- Business

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- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MS, San Francisco State University
- LPC Counselor

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- AS, Santa Rosa Junior College
- BA, Sonoma State University
- MSW, University of California - Berkeley
- LPC Counseling

Titian Lish (2013)

- BA, San Francisco State University
- MA, San Francisco State University
- Theater Arts

M

Ruchira Majumdar (2008)

- BS, University of Calcutta, India
- MS, University of Calcutta, India
- PhD, Iowa State University
- Mathematics

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- BA, University of California - Los Angeles
- MA, University of California - Los Angeles
- Music

Julia I. McGurk (2014)

- BA, California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo
- MA, California State University - Hayward

- English as a Second Language

Ashley D. McHale (2008)

- BS, Elon University
- MS, Texas Tech University
- Mathematics

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- BA, Saint Mary's College of California
- MAS, University of California - Irvine
- Administration of Justice

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- AA, Chabot College - Valley Campus
- BS, California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo
- Materials Engineering, Welding and Advanced Manufacturing

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- BS, Saint Mary's College of California
- PhD, University of California - Irvine
- Chemistry

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- MS, California State University - Fresno
- Computer Science

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- BA, University of Texas
- MA, University of New Mexico
- Mathematics

N

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- BS, University of California - Santa Barbara
- MS, Arizona State University
- Biology

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- BA, Kansas State University
- MFA, California College of the Arts
- English

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- BS, University of California, Berkeley
- MA, University of San Francisco
- LPC Counselor

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- BA, University of California - Los Angeles
- MA, University of Southern California
- PhD, University of Southern California
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- BA, St. Mary's College
- MA, San Francisco State University
- English

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- BA, University of California - Los Angeles
- MS, California State University - Northridge
- Mathematics

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- BA, California State University - Chico
- MS, California State University - Hayward
- LPC Counselor

Thomas "Tom" M. Orf (2005)

- BA, University of Northern Colorado
- MS, University of Northern Colorado
- PhD, University of Kentucky
- Geography

Jim Ott (2013)

- AA, West Valley College
- BA, San Jose State University

- MA, San Jose State University
- EdD, St. Mary's College of California
- English

Elizabeth Owens (2015)

- AS, College of the Sequoias
- BS, California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo
- MS, University of California - Merced
- Mathematics

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Leslie L. Payne (2018)

- BA, University of California - Davis
- MA, California State University - East Bay
- English as a Second Language

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- AA, City College of San Francisco
- BS, California State University - East Bay
- MBA - California State University, East Bay
- Business

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- BA, Stanford University
- BS, Stanford University
- MS, Stanford University
- Mathematics

David J. Powers (2016)

- BS, California State University - Hayward
- MS, California State University - Hayward
- Mathematics

R

Robin Rehagen (2015)

- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MS, University of California - Los Angeles
- PhD, University of California - Los Angeles
- Physics

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- BA, San Francisco State University
- MLIS, University of Wisconsin
- Library and Information Science

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- AA, Los Medanos College
- BA, California State University - Hayward
- MA, Washington State University
- Music

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- BA, University of California - Santa Cruz
- MA, San Francisco State University
- PhD, University of Illinois at Chicago
- History

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- BA, Connecticut College
- MS, Old Dominion University
- PhD, University of Vermont
- Psychology

John D. Ruys (2006)

- BS, University of California - Davis
- MS, University of California - Davis
- PhD, University of California - Davis
- Psychology

S

Paul Sapsford (2007)

- BS, Saint Mary's University, UK
- MS, Saint Mary's College of California
- PGCE, Exeter University, UK
- Kinesiology

Michael "Mike" R. Sato (2002)

- BA, University of California - Santa Cruz
- MA, Sacramento State University
- English

Michael "Mike" J. Schwarz (2006)

- AA, Santa Rosa Junior College
- BA, University of California - Davis
- MA, University of San Diego
- PhD, Indiana University-Bloomington
- LPC Counselor

Michal I. Shuldman (2015)

- BA, Vassar College
- MA, University of California - Davis
- PhD, University of California - Berkeley
- Biology

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- BA, Kenyon College
- MA, University of Texas - Austin
- PhD, University of Texas - Austin
- Physics/Astronomy

Bhairav Singh (2015)

- BA, Princeton University
- PhD, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Mathematics

Karin S. Spirn (2005)

- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MA, University of Michigan
- PhD, University of Michigan
- English

Catherine A. Suárez (2006)

- BA, University of the Pacific
- ME, University of the Pacific
- Foreign Languages

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- AA, Las Positas College
- BA, University of California - Santa Barbara
- MA, California State University - East Bay
- English

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Nadiyah Taylor (2009)

- BA, Macalester College
- MA, Pacific Oaks College
- Early Care & Education

Sarah K. Thompson (1996)

- BA, Hamilton College
- MA, Rutgers University
- Sociology

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- BA, California State University - Hayward
- MLIS, San Jose State University
- LPC Librarian

Kimberly A. Tomlinson (2001)

- BA, University of Minnesota
- MA, Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul MN
- Religious Studies

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- BS, University of California - San Diego
- MFA, University of Pennsylvania
- ME, Stanford University
- Tutoring

Kisha E. Turner (2016)

- BA, University of California - Los Angeles
- MA, California State University - Dominguez Hills
- English

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- BA, University of Southern California
- MA, Pepperdine University

- PhD, Alliant International University
- Psychology

V

Rafael A. Valle (2014)

- BS, San Francisco State University
- MS, Capella University
- LPC Counselor

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- BS, University of Iowa
- MA, Sacramento State University
- LPC Student Interventions Counselor

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- BS, California Polytechnic State University - San Luis Obispo
- RD, San Francisco State University
- MS, California State University - Chico
- Nutrition

W

David E. Wagner (2016)

- BA, California Polytechnic University - San Luis Obispo
- BFA, California College of the Arts
- MFA, The New York Academy of Art
- Studio Art

Grazyna "Gina" Webster (2005)

- BS, Agricultural University of Warsaw, Poland
- MS, Agricultural University of Warsaw, Poland
- MS, University of California - Berkeley
- PhD, University of California - Berkeley
- Economics

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- BS, George Washington University
- MS, Capella University
- Computer Networking Technology

Elizabeth A. Wing Brooks (2016)

- BA, University of San Francisco
- MA, University of Cincinnati
- PhD, University of California - Davis
- Comparative Literature, Humanities, and Film Studies

Kristine "Kristy" W. Woods (2003)

- BS, Willamette University
- MA, California State University - Hayward
- Mathematics

Y

Ashley J. Young (2016)

- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MA, California State University - East Bay
- Mathematics

Z

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- BA, University of California - Berkeley
- MPA, University of Washington
- MA, Saint Mary's College
- LPC Counselor

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- BS, AKAD - Zurich, Switzerland
- DVM, University of Bern, Switzerland
- PhD, University of California - Davis
- Biology