## LPC's 2025-28 Student Equity Plan

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## Overview of Student Equity & Achievement (SEA) Equity Plan

- This year's submission of the SEA Plan is our campus commitment to student equity strategic planning and goals for 2025-2028
- What's new about this cycle is the heavy emphasis on narrative and qualitative feedback from each campus, particularly for disproportionately impacted student populations
- We are engaging our campus to ensure all voices have the opportunity to be included

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## Student Equity Dashboard: OVERVIEW of DI Groups

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Disproportionat	e Impact		(i)	Hist.	Base	Yr 1	Hist.	Base	Yr 1	Hist.	Base	Yr 1	Hist.	Base	Yr 1	Hist.	Base	Yr.
Primary Demographic	Primary Disaggregation	Gender (Intersectional) Dissagregation	DI Count	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
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Ethnicity	American Indian	Female	1		DI													
	Asian	All	5		DI	DI										DI	DI	DI
		Female	5	DI		DI										DI	DI	DI
	Black or African	All	9	DI	DI	DI		DI	DI	DI	DI	DI	DI					
	American	Male	1													DI		
	Hispanic	All	6				DI		DI	DI	DI	DI		DI				
		Male	4					DI					DI	DI		DI		
	White	All	1									DI						
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		Male	3					DI					DI	DI				
Foster Youth	Foster Youth	All	1												DI			
Homeless	Homeless	All	1												DI			
LGBT	LGBT	All	6				DI	DI	DI	DI					DI			DI
		Female	1												DI			
		Male	1											DI				
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#### FOCUS OF EQUITY REPORT

### **Key Milestones**

- Successful Enrollment
- Completion
- Transfer
- Persistence
- Completion of transfer-level Math & English

## **Intensive Population Focus**

- Hispanic/Latine
- Black & African American
- First Generation

Today's activity will focus on key strategies to advance equity goals for each of these.

#### CROSSWALK ACTIVITY DIRECTIONS



- 1) What is your feedback?
- 2) Are there ways we currently supporting these equity goals and/or student populations that should be called out?\*
- 3) What additional ways should we consider supporting?\*

<sup>\*</sup>Please include relevant contact information in case we have follow-up questions.

### SUCCESSFUL ENROLLMENT EQUITY GOALS. There are two related goals for Successful Enrollment:

- Goal 1: a baseline goal of eliminating disproportional impact
- Goal 2: a goal of fully closing equity gaps

SUCCESSFUL ENROLLMENT DATA									
Student		Successful Enrollment # of students	GOAL 1 Eliminate Dispr Impact		GOAL 2 Fully Close Equity Gap				
Population	students for 2022-23 (Baseline Year)	(Baseline	Needed to	Needed to Eliminate DI*	Needed to Fully Close	# of Students Needed to Fully Close Equity Gap*			
Overall Student Population	50.0%	2,778/5561	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
DI: Black or African American	36.1%	121/335	9.6%	33+	17.7%	50+			
DI: First Generation	42.8%	594/1387	6.9%	96+	9.5%	132+			

#### **KEY STRATEGIES TO ADVANCE SUCCESSFUL ENROLLMENT GOALS**

#### **Identified DI Populations:**

- Black or African American
- First Generation

#### Key strategies to address the disproportional impact will be:

- 1. Monitor & Proactive Registration Support. Pending from our previous report, regular collaboration with A&R, to monitor our registration process and reach out to Black or African American and First-Generation students who become stuck or stop out and guide them through the process. We hope to use our Ellucian products to do this and leverage our Ambassador program for outreach. Prioritization of outreach will center on all disproportionately impacted students, including First-Generation, Latinx, and Black or African American students.
- 2. Family & Student Holistic Engagement. Intentional outreach that involves the inclusion of family and promotes intergenerational learning. This includes reaching out to local high schools and adult schools to build the bridge to LPC early in students' academic journeys. Co-hosting events such as College Application Night, Financial Ald Completion Nights, etc.. We hope to find funding to offer Black Family Night again and include a First Generation event.
- 3. Peer Mentoring. Leveraging current peer to peer support as a best practice, including outreach ambassadors in strategic student facing departments, such as Admissions and Records, Financial Aid, Black Cultural Resource Center, Cultural Community Center. Existing mentorship programs on campus that directly support our disproportionately impacted student populations also include Puente's Mentor program.

#### Overall Strategy for ALL students:

- Physical Campus Structuring and Student Facing Information. There will be an intentional effort
  to better position signage on campus, with clear direction for how to find critical student resources
  on campus, including our Basic Needs mini market, Cultural Community Center, etc.
- 2. Market Student-Centered Onboarding Processes. Pending from our previous report, continue to create "how to" guides, digital, physical, audio, and video, detailing our onboarding process, with clear information about some of the sticking points and how to navigate around them. Intentionally develop these supports in a framework familiar to new students. Distribute these materials widely throughout support areas on campus. Tailored outreach will occur, especially where our disproportionately impacted students congregate or are likely to seek support, such as the Black Resource Center, the Puente Center within the Cultural Community Center, HSI (Hispanic Serving Institutions) Center, and all support areas within the 1600 Building.

#### COMPLETION EQUITY GOALS. There are two related goals for Completion:

- 1) A baseline goal of eliminating disproportional impact
- A goal of fully closing equity gaps. Achieving these incremental goals for the disproportionately impacted populations above should support the increase of equitable Completion for the overall student population.

COMPLETION DATA									
	% of Students Completed selected	# of Students Completed selected	GOAL 1 Eliminate Disp Impact	roportionate	GOAL 2 Fully Close Equity Gap				
	, ,	for 2019-20		# of Students Needed to Eliminate DI*	Needed to	# of Students Needed to Fully Close Equity Gap*			
Overall Student Population	13.9%	315/2260	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
First Generation	10.6%	67/630	2.2%	14+	4.6%	29+			
DI: Hispanic	10.8%	69/639	2%	13+	4.4%	28+			
DI: PELL Eligible no receipt (MALE)	12.1%	113/932	1%	10+	3.1%	29+			

#### **KEY STRATEGIES TO ADVANCE COMPLETION EQUITY GOALS**

#### **Identified DI Populations:**

- First Generation
- Hispanic/Latine
- PELL Eligible no receipt (male)

#### Key strategies to address the disproportional impact will be:

- 1. Navigating College Workshops. Pending from our previous report, we continue to develop and offer workshops devoted to navigating college systems as economically disadvantaged students, including offering multiple "navigating financial aid" sessions throughout the semester.
- 2. Support Student Parents. Many of our economically disadvantaged students, EDS, have to work to contribute to their households. Developing and offering support courses or workshops for EDS support ecosystems (e.g. families and caregivers). To further support our DI population of first generation, Latinx, and economically disadvantaged students, we intend to partner with departments, such as the Foundation Office, to potentially provide specific grants to offset the expense of child care, including for our Child Development Center
- 3. Proactive Economically Disadvantaged Student In-reach. Intentional effort to identify Pell eligible students and engage in outreach to encourage increased applications, thus increasing funding that should support student completion. In partnership with the Office of Financial Aid, additional outreach messages will be tailored specifically to our first generation, Latinx, and economically disadvantaged students to offer options for support with completing their Pell applications.
- **4. Near Completion In-Reach.** Proactive outreach to all students near completion in collaboration and partnership with faculty. Have campus-wide promotion "Apply now for Your Degree or Certificate"; A frames, reminding students of deadlines degree/certificates; clarifying with students they are not required to participate in commencement.
- **5. Enhanced Academic Support**: Expand proactive engagement and support for underserved students, including embedded tutoring, bilingual counseling, and targeted learning communities (Puente, HSI-funded projects).
- **6. Community Collaboration**. Strengthen partnerships with local K–12 districts, UC Merced, and other Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) to align pipelines and ease transfer. Establishing strong referral pathways; points of contacts for different processes and departments that will support students. Emphasizing connection and wraparound care.

## TRANSFER EQUITY GOALS. There are two related goals for Transfer:

- A baseline goal of eliminating disproportional impact
- 2) The goal of fully closing equity gaps

TRANSFERRED TO A FOUR-YEAR DATA										
Student Population	Transfer	Transfer	GOAL 1 Eliminate D Impact	isproportionate	GOAL 2 Fully Close Equity Gap					
·	for 2018-19 (Baseline Year)	Year)	Increase	Needed to	Needed to Fully	# of Students Needed to Fully Close Equity Gap*				
Overall Student Population	34.2%	349/1019	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A				
DI: First Generation	28.9%	69/239	1.3%	4+	7.0%	17+				
DI: Asian (All)	24.5%	60/245	7.5%	19+	12.8%	32+				
DI: Asian (Female)	20.0%	28/140	3.9%	15+	10.5%	25+				

#### **KEY STRATEGIES TO ADVANCE TRANSFER EQUITY GOALS**

#### **Identified DI Populations:**

- First Generation
- Asian (all)
- Asian (Female)

Increasing transfer rates is an ongoing focus of LPC. Our Guided Pathways work has led to program maps for every degree and certificate, and our top transfer maps are linked with our local CSU, our learning communities (both cultural and academic) have personalized tours of transfer institutions and soft handshakes when possible, to similar resources at those campuses. We recognize that transfer requires supporting students as "whole people" and needing to build community so they see themselves as transfer ready, can see how to afford to earn a bachelors, and can access and utilize resources to support their education.

#### Strategies to address the disproportional impact will be:

- 1. Increase CSEP Completion. Increase the number of students completing comprehensive Student Education Plans (CSEPs). With our new Ambassador Program, we hope to call every student who does not have a CSEP to tell them about what they are, how it can benefit them, and book them an appointment right now. Prioritization of CSEP calls will center on all disproportionately impacted students and new students who attended or registered but did not attend New Hawk's (Saturday event dedicated to orientation, abbreviated SEPs, and enrollment in first semester classes). Tailored ongoing outreach via our learning community counselors that specifically serve our DI student populations (including Movement API, Puente, Umoja) and targeted inreach to First Generation students.
- 2. Enhance Transfer Day. Lean into our Transfer Day, where more than 300 colleges come to our campus in the Fall to table in our quad. Encourage more employees to talk about transfer programs, wear transfer logo gear on transfer day.
- 3. Expand Campus Tour Opportunities. Increase the number of school-sponsored college campus tours for our Movement API, Umoja, Puente, and Mesa students. Ideally these campus tours include connecting with cultural community center and supports at the transfer institutions. Increase college visits with reps to our campus and students to transfer institutions, and specifically ask reps to bring learning and cultural community opportunities on their campus.
- 4. Increase Transfer Knowledge. Increase opportunities for students to learn about transfer agreements and transfer opportunities for financial assistance (ex: UC Blue and Gold Plan), such as through more Smart Shop presentations leading up to application deadlines, tabling to raise awareness of supports, 2 x semester drop-in Q&A sessions so students can ask questions in a manner that is non-stigmatizing. To further tailor support specifically for our DI students, we will partner to host a transfer workshop that will convene EOPS, Movement API, and our learning community students, which all include our First generation, and Asian disproportionately impacted students.

### PERSISTENCE EQUITY GOALS. There are two related goals for Persistence

- A baseline goal of eliminating disproportional impact
- The goal of fully closing equity gaps

PERSISTENCE: FIRST PRIMARY TERM TO SECONDARY TERM DATA									
	2021-22	Persistence # of	GOAL 1 Eliminate Disproportio Impact	onate	GOAL 2 Fully Close Equity Gap				
		(Baseline Year)	% of Increase Needed to Eliminate DI	# of Students Needed to Eliminate DI*		# of Students Needed to Fully Close Equity Gap*			
Overall Student Population	69.8%	1250/1792	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
DI: First Generation	60.4%	275/455	8%	37+	12.5%	57+			
DI: Hispanic (MALE)	62.7%	126/201	1.3%	3+	8%	17+			

#### **KEY STRATEGIES TO ADVANCE PERSISTENCE EQUITY GOALS**

#### **Identified DI Populations:**

- First Generation
- Hispanic/Latine (male)

Increasing persistence is an ongoing focus of LPC. After a Leading from the Middle and Classified Professionals leading the charge to be a Caring Campus, conversations about warm welcomes, soft handshakes, and holistic support of our students inside and outside the classroom have been part of grassroots efforts. We recognize that persistence requires supporting students as "whole people" and needing to build community so they feel like they belong, and are likely to know how to find resources and feel safe to ask for them.

#### Key strategies to address the disproportional impact will be:

- 1. Proactive Communications and Outreach: Pending from our previous report, continue collaborating across our district to create automatic key milestone communications, providing proactive communication as students reach pivotal moments. Examples of this include increased/streamlined communications/information for our students regarding opportunities, such as: grants, scholarships, internships, on-campus community building opportunities. Prioritization of personalized outreach will center on all disproportionately impacted students, especially from areas that specifically support our DI student populations of First Generation and Latine males (including HSI ambassadors and the Puente learning community.
- 2. Targeted Professional Development: Lean into the Caring Campus training for employees, and encourage more classified and faculty to adopt top behavioral commitments to increase student belonging and persistence and success, as identified by the Institute for Evidence-Based Change. These are behaviors that we hope to really institutionalize through professional development (such as new employee orientation, timely faculty reminders throughout the semester, and cultural and equity proven training such as Teaching Men of Color, Puente, FLEX and College Days, etc).

Professional development activities for faculty members will include having faculty look at their classroom data disaggregated by disproportionately impacted groups and discuss what we find in our own data and brainstorm about what needs/resources/supports can serve as positive engagements to increase student success and retention. These faculty professional development activities will provide opportunities for peers to support each other and have some coaching with an equity focus.

Negotiations are currently underway to reflect equity-based pedagogy to support disproportionally impacted students in our classrooms.

**3. Proactive Peer In-reach:** With our new Ambassador Program, we hope to provide mid-semester call "check-ins" of students to see how they are doing and connect them to resources. Prioritization of personalized "check-ins" will center on all disproportionately impacted students.

COMPLETE TRANSFER\_LEVEL MATH AND ENGLISH EQUITY GOALS.Regarding transfer level Math and English, there are two goals:

- 1) Baseline goal of eliminating disproportional impact
- The goal of fully closing equity gaps in Completion of Both Transfer-Level Math and English

COMPLETED BOTH TRANSFER-LEVEL MATH AND ENGLISH DATA									
	% of Students Completed Transfer- Level	# of Students Completed Transfer- Level	GOAL 1 Eliminate Dispr Impact	oportionate	GOAL 2 Fully Close Equity Gap				
	for 2022-23		Needed to	# of Students Needed to Eliminate DI*		# of Students Needed to Fully Close Equity Gap*			
Overall Student Population	27.5%	529	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A			
DI: Hispanic/Latine	23.7%	134/566	25.7%	12+	29.2%	31+			
DI:Black or African American	12.5%	7/56	19.3%	4+	28%	9+			
First Generation	18.7%	88/471	8.2%	39+	11.7%	56+			

## KEY STRATEGIES TO COMPLETE TRANSFER-LEVEL MATH AND ENGLISH EQUITY GOALS

#### **Identified DI Populations:**

- Hispanic/Latine
- Black or African American
- First Generation

Increasing completion of transfer-level English and Math has been a focus of LPC for many years, partnering with RP Group to run District-specific "Through the Gate Data". In addition to Caring Campus driving conversations about warm welcomes, soft handshakes, and holistic support of our students inside and outside the classroom, AB 1705 and SEA monies have been spent increasing academic supports in these areas, such as funding faculty communities of practice, subject specific professional development, and student support programs such as Math Jam, Concurrent Support, Reading and Writing (RAW) and tutoring.

#### Key Strategies to address the disproportional impact will be:

- 1. **Dedicated Math & English Sections:** Offer dedicated Cultural Learning Community, including Puente, Umoja, Mesa, API, sections for English, and each semester 2 Statistics and 1 Precalculus and Calculus sections in Math, with faculty trained in equity and inclusion pedagogy and embedded tutors.
- 2. Increase Student Contact Time with Faculty: Collaborate across campus to increase student engagement through activities such as increasing the number of faculty holding at least one office hour in a public campus space, such as the Black Cultural Resource Center, MESA and Puente Learning Centers, Cultural Community Center, and additional campus spaces where disproportionally impacted students are congregating, clearly encouraging students to know about academic and holistic supports around campus, and providing proactive and timely communications with their students. This will involve having professional development about leading key indicators for success, and data-driven differentiated instruction/intervention, with key strategies to address.
- 3. Integrating AI Effectively: Research and implement AI tools that help first-generation students learn better while maintaining their critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Inquiry, development, and implementation of how to integrate AI into student best practices to enhance understanding and provide support without reducing critical thinking and problem-solving, specifically to increase success and retention of our disproportionately impacted students.
- **4. Proactive Peer In-reach:** With our new Student Ambassador Program, we hope to provide mid-semester call "check-ins" of students to see how they are doing and connect them to resources as needed. Prioritization of personalized outreach will center on all disproportionately impacted students.
- 5. Collaboration with Local High Schools: Collaborate across our service area, especially to local high schools and community partners, to change the mindset of incoming students on how to transition into community college and increase utilization of our campus resources. We hope to make it more transparent where academic support is located and when, such as using a common calendar that can be easily disseminated.

#### INTENSIVE FOCUS - HISPANIC/LATINE STUDENT EQUITY ACTION PLAN

#### **Current Challenges/Barriers**

Las Positas College (LPC) data indicate that Latine/Latinx students remain one of the largest and fastest-growing populations in the college's service area, yet they continue to experience disproportionate impact (DI) across metrics such as enrollment, transfer, and degree completion. Barriers include:

- Access and Enrollment: Latine students enroll at lower-than-expected rates relative to their population share despite having the highest community college-going rate (47%)
- First-Generation and Low-Income Challenges: 76% of Latinx students are first-generation, and a large share are low-income, creating barriers related to college navigation, academic readiness, and affordability.
- Institutional Barriers: Limited culturally relevant pedagogy, inconsistent equity audits, and underrepresentation of Latine faculty and staff inhibit belonging and persistence.
- Structural Obstacles: Policies and processes (e.g., placement, counseling access, transfer pathways) are not always culturally responsive or fully integrated across Student and Academic Affairs.

#### **Action Plan for Ideal Institution**

- **1. Addressing Challenges/Barriers:** LPC's Student Equity and Achievement (SEA) Plan and Educational Master Plan (EMP) both prioritize dismantling structural barriers through:
  - Continuous evaluation of equity data and institutional practices to eliminate disproportionate impact.
  - Implementing Equity Audits at the course, program, and service level to ensure culturally responsive pedagogy.
  - Integrating anti-racist practices and culturally relevant supports across governance and instructional systems.
  - Expand the peer mentoring to include a focus on Hispanic and Latine students, including intentionally hiring student ambassadors that reflect this population.

#### 2. Specific Strategies and Success Indicators

LPC's five EMP goals drive its Latine equity action plan:

- Educational Excellence: Expand proactive engagement and support for underserved students, including embedded tutoring, bilingual counseling, and targeted learning communities (Puente, HSI-funded projects).
- Community Collaboration: Strengthen partnerships with local K–12 districts, UC Merced, and other Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs) to align pipelines and ease transfer.
- Equity and Anti-Racism: Institutionalize anti-racist training for all employees, and prioritize representation and belonging in faculty hiring and curriculum design.
- Success Metrics: Increased Latine enrollment, improved retention/persistence, higher transfer and degree completion rates, and reduced equity gaps in course success and completion of transfer-level math and English.

#### 3. Resources, Structures, and Support

- Guided Pathways Framework: Student-facing academic maps, Success Teams, and integrated Career and Academic Communities designed to ensure navigation and milestone completion.
- HSI and SEA Funding: Continued leveraging of federal HSI grants to build capacity for culturally relevant student services and academic supports.
- Institutional Committees: Student Equity and Achievement Committee, Guided Pathways Steering Committee, and IPEC for continuous improvement and resource alignment.

#### **Summary**

LPC's Latine equity plan integrates district-wide and college-specific frameworks to eliminate disproportionate impact. Its focus areas—early outreach, culturally responsive instruction, cross-departmental collaboration, and targeted support—are designed to produce measurable gains in enrollment, retention, and completion, with success defined as equity parity across all five Student Success Metrics by 2026.

#### **INTENSIVE FOCUS – BLACK & AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENT EQUITY ACTION PLAN**

#### **Current Challenges/Barriers**

Las Positas College (LPC) data indicate that Black and African American students are increasing in enrollment, yet they continue to experience disproportionate impact (DI) across metrics such as enrollment, transfer, and degree completion. Barriers include:

- Access and Enrollment: Black and African American students enroll at lower-than-expected rates relative to their population (\_\_\_%)
- First-Generation and Low-Income Challenges: \_\_\_\_% of Black and African American students are first-generation, and \_\_\_\_% are low-income, creating barriers related to college navigation, academic readiness, and affordability.
- Institutional Barriers: Limited culturally relevant pedagogy, inconsistent equity audits, and underrepresentation of Black faculty and staff inhibit belonging and persistence.
- Structural Obstacles: Policies and processes (e.g., placement, counseling access, transfer pathways) are not always culturally responsive or fully integrated across Student and Academic Affairs.
- Social Isolation: The Black and African-American student population is growing, but from a small base. This can lead to a feeling of isolation on campus and in the classroom, threatening persistence and success. This also applies to Black faculty and classified professionals. This limits demand of and visibility for professional development opportunities tailored to teaching and supporting Black students as well.

#### **Action Plan for Ideal Institution**

- **1. Addressing Challenges/Barriers:** LPC's Student Equity and Achievement (SEA) Plan and Educational Master Plan (EMP) both prioritize dismantling structural barriers through:
  - Continuous evaluation of equity data and institutional practices to eliminate disproportionate impact.
  - Implementing Equity Audits at the course, program, and service level to ensure culturally responsive pedagogy.
  - Integrating anti-racist practices and culturally relevant supports across governance and instructional systems.
  - Expand the peer mentoring to include a focus on Black and African American students, including intentionally hiring student ambassadors that reflect this population, mentoring programs such as A2mend, Sister-to-Sister, Brother-to-Brother.
  - Strengthen partnerships with local K–12 districts, CSU and UCs, and other Historically Black-Serving Institutions (HBCUs) to align pipelines and ease transfer. Potential intentional outreach to Black and African American high school students and dual enrollment

#### 2. Specific Strategies and Success Indicators

- Expand proactive engagement and support for Black and African American students, including embedded tutoring and targeted learning communities, such as Umoja.
- Outreach exploring opportunities for joining outreach opportunities at local schools, etc.
- Forward-facing visibility and representation to build a sense of belonging and encourage retention for Black or African American students. Examples include positions of leadership through LPCSG (Las Positas College Student Government) and Umoja and/or the Black Cultural Resource Center
- Host culturally relevant programs and celebrations to honor the milestones of our Black and African American students, including Black Graduation and partnership large scale programs such as One Love Festival
- Orientation/info night for BCRC sharing marketing materials with the outreach team to share the word; using student ambassadors as well

#### 3. Resources, Structures, and Support

- Existing networks: BEA (Black Education Association)
- Potentially reviving programs such as Black Family Night
- Close partnerships and collaborations with existing programs that are designed to support Black and African American student success, including Umoja, the Black Cultural Resource Center, A2mend, Brother to Brother, Sister to Sister, and ConnectUp.

#### INTENSIVE FOCUS - FIRST GENERATION STUDENT EQUITY ACTION PLAN

#### **Current Challenges/Barriers**

Las Positas College (LPC) data indicate that \_\_% of our students are First Generation students, increasing in enrollment, yet they continue to experience disproportionate impact (DI) across metrics such as enrollment, transfer, and degree completion. Barriers include:

- First-Generation and Low-Income Challenges: \_\_\_\_% First Generation students are also low-income, creating barriers related to college navigation, academic readiness, and affordability.
- Structural Obstacles: Policies and processes (e.g., placement, counseling access, transfer pathways) are not always transparent or fully integrated across Student and Academic Affairs.

#### **Action Plan for Ideal Institution**

- **1. Addressing Challenges/Barriers:** LPC's Student Equity and Achievement (SEA) Plan and Educational Master Plan (EMP) both prioritize dismantling structural barriers through:
  - Continue to celebrate and encourage First Generation students with student life events. As 76% of our LPC students are first generation, we will strategically support campus committees that already prioritize and serve our Latine student success efforts, including CLEA, the Chicano Latino Education Association, Puente, the Cultural Community Center, and the UndocuAlly taskforce.
  - Continue to ensure all new students receive an illustrated Pathway guide that
    walks them through the many opportunities and key milestones by units
    students should be completing to enhance their college experience.
  - Raise visibility of the Student Resource Guide both on our website and developing a printed version which will then be accessible in departments that receive the most student foot traffic, including Admissions and Records, Financial Aid, the Welcome Center, the Library, etc.
  - Tell the success stories of our employees and students on social media and around campus. (Short clips) Personal success stories can be the first way to reach a student. Have a visible database of who our success stories are.

#### 2. Specific Strategies and Success Indicators

- Intentionally partner with the Marketing department and the Foundation Office on a campaign to highlight First Generation employees and students. Increase the number of name tag flags and door tags that identifies employees that are First Generation.
- Professional development for faculty for students who are first generation and the nature of their need Language bias/linguistic justice training for faculty to minimize language bias and increase sense of belonging.
- SMART Shops to demystify the different semester and pathway milestones that happen outside of the classroom, such as how to use DegreeWorks, how to apply to scholarships, and other key MyPathway Checklist items.

#### 3. Resources, Structures, and Support

- Funding for SMART Shops
- What are the trends that related to our First Generation students and finding the intersections, resources, and timely proactive communications and supports we need to provide
- We need technology to know who our First Generation students are, where they are along their pathway, and contact and case management capabilities.

# Questions?



Our Student Equity & Achievement Committee meets every 3rd Thursday of the month via Zoom from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. We invite you to join us and continue to engage in this work alongside us!

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