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Electrical Technology Professor Scott Fraser (right) works on an underwater robot with his student.

To find out more about LBCC's award-winning robotics program, or about the Electrical Technology Program, visit LBCC.edu/program-electrical-technology.



MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT-PRESIDENT

Within the past months, there is no denying that LBCC definitely hits the community part as a community college. Faculty, board members, staff, managers, cabinet members and your President's Office – we are out and about showing off our wares, winning awards, talking up our programs, volunteering to help, reaching out to future students and potential partners.

Community events? We're there! Calls for volunteers? Done! Co-hosting events on campus? Check! All of this on top of being the greatest, most economical source for quality education around.

Oftentimes we can tell how active a college is within their community by how busy campus is on weekends and in the evenings. Long Beach City College is buzzing with sporting events, community practices, meetings and conferences at all times - week in and week out, Saturdays, Sundays and well beyond 5 p.m.

And the communities we serve are noticing. Our communities see that we have talented faculty (such as our very own Coleen Sterritt who recently captured a first-time honor for a community college instructor) to utilize and recognize as content experts and influencers; Leadership Long Beach just partnered with us to host an outreach event for high school seniors at PCC; the free Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program was on campus for the community to utilize; and we, in turn, head out into our representative areas to give back as well.

College and career fairs, speaking engagements, tree plantings, parades, beach clean-ups, and so much more. You and I, we are always out there sharing the good word that is Long Beach Community College and I just want to thank you and encourage you to keep up with the great work.





BREATHE EASY AT LBCC: CAMPUSES OFFICIALLY SMOKE & TOBACCO FREE

The Long Beach Community College District, in support of the California Community College Chancellor's Office and Board of Governors resolution, is officially implementing a smoke and tobacco-free policy at both campuses.

As of March 1, all use of tobacco, including cigarettes, vape, marijuana (which is already illegal to smoke in public) and chewing tobacco will be strictly prohibited and subject to citation or citation and

fine by the Campus Police Unit. All smoking in cars in Long Beach City College parking lots will also be prohibited, and previous designated smoking sections on campus will be repurposed.

LBCC is making plans to assist smokers with cessation efforts and education on the dangers of tobacco use. For resources, please visit www.LBCC.edu/no-smoking.



Jason and Lara Meintjes

DYNAMIC DUO:

A BRIGHT FUTURE AWAITS FOR LBCC COUPLE

Chances for a LBCC student to win the nation's largest undergraduate transfer scholarship were doubled this year as two students found themselves as finalists.

What makes this milestone even more unique, is the two finalists - with different majors, learning styles, interests, talents, personalities, and career goals - Jason and Lara Meintjes – are married. While it was announced last week that one of them did win the Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship, the entire Meintjes family are the victors.

Lara has become the fourth LBCC student over the past decade to capture the coveted honor.

The couple have received offers from four of the nine colleges they applied to, including an interview with Yale. And they are still waiting to hear back from four more universities.

Life has certainly changed since 2010 when the two arrived from South Africa with their young daughter in 2010, Jason and Lara literally knew one person in the city of Long Beach.

"We moved here with our suitcases and ideas to figure it all out," said Jason, a photographer who needed a back-up plan to being a rock star.

Lara, an artist seeking access to a printing press, heard that she could use one at LBCC but would have to wait for the class to be offered. It was then she decided that she might as well take a class in the meantime. But it couldn't be just any class – she wanted to take "the scariest class" she could find – public speaking.

Enter, Communications Studies Professor Analisa Ridenour. Lara talked Jason into taking the class with her to ease her fears, and the couple now refer to Ridenour as "the gateway drug to knowledge."

"Professor Ridenour gave our class no space to feel uncomfortable. There was just no fighting what she asked of us and there was no room for judgment. She just created such a great environment in so that we grew an extraordinary amount over the class," said Jason.

Lara said that she began the class terrified to speak in front of others and yet now presents at conferences, has testified for the State Assembly and often gives artist talks.

"It all goes back to her," Lara said. "Absolutely thanks to Analisa Ridenour."

The couple, married since 2007, then became committed to furthering their education at LBCC, with Jason as a math and physics major, and Lara majoring in anthropology. Studies are paramount aside from parenting their now 15-year-old daughter, volunteering and staying involved with LBCC extra-curricular activities.

"As young working parents, we have now realized that all of it is possible. This is American Dream stuff," Jason said. "Community college opened doors we didn't think existed because neither of us came from families that could afford university in South Africa."

"Long Beach has given us the grounding from wherever we go from here," Lara said. "This has been such an extraordinary time of abundance in hearing about scholarships, offers and awards, it's been a little hard to focus on Tennyson homework."



CAMPAIGN FOR COLLEGE OPPORTUNITY RECOGNIZES LBCC

The Campaign for College Opportunity recently honored the Long Beach Community College District as a 2018 Higher Education Champion for Excellence in Transfer.

The Campaign for College Opportunity recognized 12 California Community Colleges that: produced the largest number of students earning an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT); awarded ADTs as the majority of their Associate Degrees awarded; and/or despite differences in enrollment, awarded more ADTs relative to their enrollment size.

The Long Beach Community College District conferred 782 Associate Degrees for Transfer in 2016-17, representing 51 percent of all associate degrees conferred by the College. Long Beach grew ADT production by 206 from the 2015-2016 academic year, ranking it 4th among the 114 California Community Colleges in terms of ADT growth. In 2016-17, 1,109 students transferred from LBCC to the CSU system.

Since 2010 when the Campaign for College Opportunity sponsored transfer reform legislation, more than 100,000 students have earned an ADT, enabling them to earn their bachelor's degree twice as fast as other transfer students.



(Left to right) Dr. Mike Muñoz, LBCC Vice President of Student Services; Dr. Reagan Ferragamo Romali, LBCCD Superintendent-President; Vivian Malauulu, LBCCD Board of Trustees Vice President; and Uduak-Joe Ntuk, LBCCD Board of Trustees Member.

LBCC ANNOUNCES BROADCAST JOURNALIST VERONICA MIRACLE AS 2019 COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

The Long Beach Community College District is proud to announce the selection of broadcast journalist Veronica Miracle as the 2019 Commencement Speaker for the Long Beach City College graduation ceremony scheduled for Thursday, June 6, 2019.

Miracle is a general assignment reporter for ABC7 Eyewitness News, and serves as a fill-in anchor and is often the lead news reporter for the evening news broadcasts. She joined ABC7 Eyewitness News in August of 2017 after spending three years at ABC30 in Fresno as a weekend anchor and reporter.

Miracle obtained her undergraduate degree from the Murrow College of Communication at Washington State University. She studied broadcast journalism and political science. In 2018, Miracle graduated from Syracuse University with a master's degree in journalism innovation. She was born in Osaka, Japan, where most of her family lives today.

"I am humbled to take part in such a special day for the LBCC graduates," said Miracle. "It's a privilege and an honor to share my story with the 2019 graduating class. But most importantly, I look forward to working alongside these future leaders and changemakers, as they enter the workforce and make a difference in their communities."

ABC7 is the most-watched television station in Southern California. The leader in HD programming, Eyewitness News is the first television station in Southern California to broadcast news in high-definition.

The LBCC Class of 2019 Commencement Ceremony will begin at 4 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Stadium. No tickets are necessary and the public is invited to attend. For more information, go to www.LBCC.edu/Commencement.





SEEING GREEN

CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES BOARD OF GOVERNORS HONORS LBCC WITH ENERGY & SUSTAINABILITY AWARD LBCC Vice President Named 2018 Sustainability Champion

Long Beach City College was recognized by the California Community Colleges Board of Governors as a recipient of the annual Excellence in Energy and Sustainability Awards.

LBCC's Vice President of Business Services Marlene Drinkwine was selected as a 2018 Sustainability Champion. She was instrumental in creating an Integrated Energy Master Plan with the goal to meet and exceed the legislative requirements of AB 32, the California Global Warming Solutions Act.

"LBCC is one of the first community colleges in California to undertake sustainability as one of our critical features when planning for our campuses to be completely net zero by 2050," said Drinkwine.

Drinkwine credits the successful LBCC Bond Measures E and LB for enabling sustainability to be at the forefront for all construction and project planning on both the Liberal Arts and Pacific Coast Campuses.

PHOTO: Marlene Drinkwine, LBCC Vice President of Business Services (sixth from left) receives her 2018 Sustainability Champion award from the California Community College Board of Governors.

“Each new building has green features, and some were constructed to receive certification in the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) rating system for environmental quality. Our renovated buildings are updated with features that use less energy now than before their upgrades,” she added.

Established in 2012, the Energy and Sustainability Awards honor exemplary campus energy projects demonstrating excellence in annual energy cost savings, environmental sustainability and job creation.

“I’m delighted that Marlene was recognized for her outstanding leadership in making Long Beach Community College District greener and more energy efficient,” said LBCCD’s Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia. “As a Civil and Environmental Engineer, I am a firm believer that LBCCD’s sustainability work is not only helping the environment, but also a valuable teaching opportunity for our students that will pay dividends for a sustainable future.”

“Sustainability and conservation of natural resources

are top priorities at Long Beach City College,” said LBCCD Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan Ferragamo Romali. “I am pleased that our efforts, thanks to Marlene’s leadership, in sustainability have been recognized - from using reclaimed water for our drought tolerant groundcover to ensuring that our new and renovated buildings are equipped

with occupancy sensors that contribute to energy efficiency.”

“We commend these community college leaders who are improving energy and environmental sustainability on their campuses,” said California Community Colleges Board of Governors President Tom Epstein. “Achieving climate goals is a top state priority and we encourage community colleges to take aggressive action consistent with those goals.”

Former LBCC Interim Director of Facilities Medhanie Ephrem

was also recognized for his development of projects ranging from central plant optimization measures, energy management system improvements, retro-commissioning of two buildings for more energy efficient operations, and several LED lighting retrofit projects.





LBCC IS IN STEP ALONG THE (GUIDED) PATHWAY

Long Beach City College is one of 20 California Community Colleges selected to participate in the California Guided Pathways Project. The goal of the Guided Pathways Project is to help these community colleges implement an integrated, institution-wide approach to student success by creating structured educational experiences that support all students. This experience starts from point of entry to attainment of high-quality

postsecondary degrees and certificates that ultimately lead to viable careers.

“The impetus behind Guided Pathways is to help students understand more clearly what they need to do while they are here so they complete their goal as efficiently as possible,” said LBCC Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Kenna Hillman.

Guided Pathways is essentially creating a scaffolding to support the “Four Pillars” of the student experience. They are:



Explore: Creating clear curricular pathways with course sequencing that lead to employment and further education



Launch: Helping students choose and enter their pathway by informing students of what they need to accomplish each semester along the path



Navigate: Helping students stay on their path by providing them with timely feedback and support



Land: Ensuring that learning is happening with intentional outcomes.

“One way to ensure completion is to support students by promoting awareness and usage of campus resources so they accomplish activities each semester toward their educational goal,” said Hillman. “Are students having their transcripts evaluated? Are they taking advantage of tutoring and career counseling? Are they participating in the honors program and applying for scholarships? These are milestones that students reach along their journey at LBCC. We are currently creating ‘roadmaps’ that include these semester milestones. ‘Roadmaps’ will help clarify the educational pathway for students.”

The LBCC Guided Pathways task force is currently conducting a survey asking students to provide feedback on their experience while attending LBCC. Results from the survey will help to begin conversations that may lead to more student-centered design of systems.

Another element of the Guided Pathways is AB 705, the Assembly Bill requiring community college districts to ensure students complete transfer-level coursework in English and math within a one-year timeframe.

In order to implement this bill effectively for LBCC students, changes have been made in placement strategies for English, reading and math courses. Beginning in January 2019, LBCC places new students into the courses of these subjects that are one-level below, or at, transfer level. Continuing students’ math, English and reading placements have been adjusted to their appropriate levels.

Placement is now based on application data, transcripts and/or the Guided Placement Tool if there is no high school transcript history or attendance was more than 10 years prior.

To ensure that there is no disproportionate impact on student groups, faculty continues evaluate student learning and engagement through an equity-minded lens and inquiring and defining how they know students are learning. It is important to get to know students as individuals in order to learn

what barriers they might have for subject matter comprehension or in-class engagement.

“Our College has done outstanding things for small groups such as the learning communities of Umoja Scholars Program and Puente, and programs like EOPS and Leaders Across Campus peer mentoring. With Guided Pathways, we are using best practices from programs like these, such as intentional interventions

and timely feedback, and scaling them so that every student has access to support. The newly implemented Starfish Early Alert system is one such example,” said Hillman.

The task force is also changing the name from “Guided Pathways” to “Viking Pathways” in order to convey the message that every Long Beach City College employee is involved in one way or another, and that it is a shared common goal.

“Our number one job, and priority in everything that we do, is to help students succeed and graduate as a Viking!” said Hillman.

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FREE • FUN • FAMILY-FRIENDLY

CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) NIGHT

FRIDAY, MAY 17 • 4 P.M. TO 8 P.M.

LBCC's Pacific Coast Campus 1305 E. Pacific Coast Highway, Long Beach, CA 90806

Games, activities, displays and discussions from multiple areas of LBCC's CTE Department:

- See LBCC's award-winning robotics in action!
- Learn the basics of welding through virtual reality welding machines
- Play "Red Light, Green Light" with the Electrical Program's real traffic signals!
- 3D printing with Advanced Manufacturing
- Mini car show with Automotive Technology
- LBCC's Fashion program will show off their creations
- Free healthy snacks provided by the Nutrition & Dietetics Program
- Music and more!

FREE PARKING

will be located in lots 1 and 2.



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LBCC CELEBRATES RENOVATION OF OLDEST BUILDING ON LIBERAL ARTS CAMPUS

The bond-funded construction project protects history while modernizing facilities

Long Beach Community College District officials celebrated the completion of the Building P upgrade with a ribbon-cutting ceremony today, March 14, at the Long Beach City College Liberal Arts Campus.

The project overhauled the 16,016-square-foot building, which houses the English Department's Composition, Creative Writing, Journalism and Literature programs. This was the first major renovation to the 85-year-old building. Over the years, it had only received minor renovations such as roof and window replacements and the reconfiguration of classroom and office space.

The renovated building provides students and faculty with five new classrooms, one computer lab, a multi-purpose room, a digital newsroom for the Viking Newspaper, two meeting rooms and 12 offices. It has been upgraded to meet current building codes, including accessibility to disabled students, seismic structural, and fire alarm upgrades. Building P also now features upgraded audio-visual and information technology systems, including motorized screens and projectors that easily link to various devices. The courtyard is reconfigured, with a new stage built for outdoor events.

The \$12.8 million project was funded by the Measure E Bond, which has provided \$616 million for new construction, renovation and repairs at LBCC's Pacific Coast Campus and Liberal Arts Campus.

The project architect is Steinberg Architects. A&B Construction is the general contractor. The Cordoba Corporation oversees and manages all Measure E projects.

Building P historical facts:

- It was the first complete permanent building in 1935 when the Long Beach Junior College (later renamed Long Beach City College in 1946) opened what is now known as the Liberal Arts Campus.
- The designer was noted 20th century architect Kirtland Cutter. It was one of Cutter's last projects after a four-decade career designing hundreds of houses, hotels and offices in the Northwest and California.
- Early campus-wide events took place in the building's courtyard, which was the first public gathering area at the campus.
- Building P originally housed facilities for the drama and debate departments and had six different stages. Building P served as a campus space for theater and musical performances until the current auditorium was built in the mid-1950s.



(Left to right) Dr. Reagan Ferragamo Romali, LBCCD Superintendent- President; Dr. Kathy Scott, LBCC Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs; Marlene Drinkwine, LBCC Vice President of Business Services; Sunny Zia, LBCCD Board of Trustees President; and Vivian Malauulu, LBCC Board of Trustees Vice President.

The Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD) has completed another renovation of an academic building under the Measure E Bond. Building D, which houses Science programs at the Liberal Arts Campus, celebrated with a ribbon-cutting today, April 4.

All construction was completed from within, with no changes to the outside of the building. Open throughout most of the duration of construction, new laboratories for Allied Health and the Sciences, including Anatomy, Radiology, Medical Assisting and Microbiology were created.

When the Mathematics department moved from Building D to the new Building V in 2015, an entire new floor was opened up to be renovated for the Sciences.

As with all LBCC construction and renovation work, Building D access has now been improved and incorporates “green building practices” that reduces energy and water usage.

Other features of the Building D project include:

- First floor renovation of 15,000 square feet (of the 27,000 total square feet) include new classrooms and lab areas, plus paint and cosmetic updates for existing offices;
- Creation of a second microbiology classroom on the second floor that has doubled past capacity;
- New data cables throughout the entire building and audio/visual upgrades in new areas;
- Upgrades to all student and staff restrooms with water-conserving, low-flow fixtures;
- Energy efficient replacements of two rooftop HVAC units and an exhaust fan.

The total construction budget for the modernization of Building D, including design and construction, is nearly \$14.17 million. The project was being funded through the Measure E Bond, which has provided millions of dollars for new construction, renovations and repairs at LBCC’s Liberal Arts and Pacific Coast Campuses.

LBCC'S ANNUAL

SCIENCE NIGHT

Discover tons of **FREE** fun activities for the whole family!

FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019 • 4 P.M. – 8 P.M.

C and D Buildings & Lawn Area • Liberal Arts Campus
4901 E. Carson St., Long Beach • *FREE PARKING!*



Discover the human cadaver and view human bones and organs!



Check out "Microbes on Display" in our Microbiology lab!



Come dissect an owl pellet!



Learn about the Anatomy of your ear! Why do you get sea sick? Learn how microscopic structures of the ear allow you to maintain your balance and hear sound!



Chemistry demos and slime!



Play the Star Wars Escape Room!



Nursing simulation and skills labs!



Watch the Math Faculty's demo on "Mathematics of Modular Synthesis!"



New Labs Debut and plenty of LBCC faculty ready to answer your questions!

For more information, go to www.LBCC.edu.

This event was funded by ASB and the LBCC Foundation.

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LONG BEACH COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO HOST FREE CAREER EVENT FOR ALUMNI & COMMUNITY

The Long Beach Community College District Human Resources Department will host a career development event for local community members and Long Beach City College alumni, from 9 a.m. to noon, on Sat., April 27, 2019.

This event will be focused on explaining LBCC's Classified recruitment process and demystifying the merit system. Managers from various LBCC departments will be available for questions and hiring tips. The Human Resources Department hopes the event will bridge the gap in helping the local community understand the recruitment process and provide information that will allow the public to submit their best application when they apply for Classified positions at LBCC.

A Classified career involves any position that supports the operational functions of the College

in a non-academic capacity. Examples of positions include Office Assistant, Library Technician, and Financial Aid Specialist. Examples of managerial positions include: Custodial Supervisor; Program Manager, Categorical; Deputy Director, Global Trade; and more.

The event will be held at LBCC's Liberal Arts Campus, Building T, Room T-1200. The Liberal Arts Campus address is 4901 E. Carson St., Long Beach, CA 90808.

Free parking is available for the public in parking lot L and parking structure J. [Click here for a map of LBCC's Liberal Arts Campus.](#)

For more information, please contact Kevin Thomas at kthomas@LBCC.edu. To RSVP, please visit <https://discoverlbcc.eventbrite.com>.



DUAL ENROLLMENT PATHWAYS PARTNERSHIP SUCCEEDING AT JORDAN HIGH

Long Beach Community College District Trustee Uduak-Joe Ntuk (second from left standing) and Long Beach City Student Services Vice President Dr. Mike Muñoz (fifth from left standing) recently met with the students of the Early College Pathways Partnership (ECPP) program at Jordan High School. ECPP is a coordinated dual enrollment program for juniors and seniors attending Long Beach Unified School District high schools that started in 2017. The two dual enrollment courses taught at Jordan this semester are Introduction to Film Studies and beginning American Sign Language.



MAYORS CUP CYBER CHALLENGE HELD AT LBCC

Long Beach City College hosted more than 100 high school and middle school students from the Los Angeles area along with local cyber security businesses and governmental institutions for the Mayors Cup Cyber Challenge on Feb. 23. The students participated in a statewide cyber security competition along with more than 1,000 other students at 12 locations.

Students had an opportunity not only to compete, but find out more information about LBCC's **Cyber Security Program**, as well as LBCC's designation as a **National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense Education**.

One of the teams coached by LBCC Computer & Office Studies faculty member J.P. Almeda and John Craig won the middle school competition. Many thanks to Garrett Whelan and Anthony Pagan for bringing the Mayors Cup to LBCC.

In addition, more than 100 parents, teachers, local business and community members attended the event to cheer their students on. More than \$30,000 in scholarships were presented at the awards ceremony.



PRESIDENT ROMALI HONORED IN THE COMMUNITY

LBCCD Superintendent-President Reagan Ferragamo Romali, Ph.D., was recently honored by two organizations in the City of Long Beach.

Naomi Rainey, President of the Long Beach Branch NAACP, LBCC alumnae and Hall of Fame member, presented Dr. Romali with an “Inspiring & Phenomenal Women” Award for serving as an outstanding female role model.

At the Annual Mother & Daughter Conference of the Khmer Parent Association, Dr. Romali was honored as the selected keynote speaker and awarded the Indradevi Award for the inspirational example she sets. Indradevi was Queen of the Khmer Empire who was a professor of three temple schools, where she regularly educated female students.



USC HONORS LONG BEACH CITY COLLEGE VICE PRESIDENT WITH OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARD

The University of Southern California's (USC) Rossier Student Organization (RSO) has selected Long Beach City College's Vice President of Student Support Services, Dr. Mike Muñoz, for the 2019 Outstanding Faculty Member award.

In addition to serving the students of Long Beach City College, Muñoz also serves as an adjunct professor of Higher Education in the Rossier School of Education at USC. He was nominated and selected by the students for his contributions to the School.

The RSO promotes academic issues, an exchange of student ideas and for the planning of student activities for the students of the School of Education at USC.

Muñoz became the Vice President of Student Support Services at LBCC in 2018.



Muñoz was also the 2018 recipient of California State University, Long Beach's Cynthia S. Johnson Award for Mentoring. This award recognizes individuals who have made a significant impact on emerging student affairs professionals through exceptional mentoring and concern for their welfare and professional development.



2018 ROUECHE EXCELLENCE AWARD RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to the Long Beach City College employees who have been nominated for the 2018 John and Suanne Roueche Excellence Awards. These three have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to teaching excellence or leadership.

The recipients are: Jonah Lopez, Marc Smith, and Colin Williams.

LBCC FACULTY IS FIRST COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROFESSOR TO WIN INTERNATIONAL SCULPTURE CENTER'S AWARD

Coleen Sterritt was recognized with the 2019 Outstanding Educator Award

Coleen Sterritt, professor in the Sculpture Program at Long Beach City College (LBCC), has been awarded the prestigious International Sculpture Center's Outstanding Educator Award for 2019.

The International Sculpture Center (ISC) established the "Outstanding Educator Award" program in 1996 to recognize individual artist-educators who have excelled at teaching sculpture in institutions of higher learning. An exemplary career combining personal studio practice and measurable academic performance resulted in the unanimous vote for Sterritt, making her the first community college faculty member to win the award.

"The fact that past winners have only included university-level professors and that she is the first community college professor to receive this award is a true testament of Coleen's talent as an artist and as an educator," said Long Beach Community College District Superintendent-President Dr. Reagan Ferragamo Romali.

She has been a professor and faculty coordinator of the Sculpture Program at LBCC since 1998. Sterritt's work has been exhibited throughout the United States, Japan, Spain, Kenya, and South Africa. Her work is held in major collections including MOCA, L.A., and the Los Angeles County Museum



of Art. Sterritt has received numerous awards and fellowships, including John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Roswell Artist-in-Residence Program. Her teaching career began in 1983 and has included noted positions at California State University, Fullerton; Otis College of Art & Design; and The Claremont Graduate University.

Sterritt will be the subject of a feature article in the International Sculpture Center's award winning publication Sculpture magazine, as well as on the ISC website at www.sculpture.org. She will be presented with an award at an upcoming ceremony.

"Once again, the faculty at the Long Beach Community College District has shown that they are of the highest quality and recognized not just nationally, but internationally as well," said LBCCD Board of Trustees President Sunny Zia, "Our students could not be more fortunate than to learn from people like Professor Sterritt and her colleagues."



LBCC HIRES BILL HUSAK AS INTERIM ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

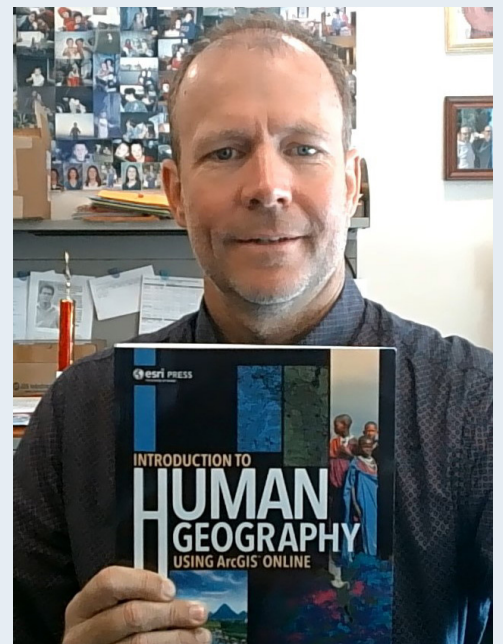
Legendary Figure in NCAA Division I Athletics known for reinvigorating Loyola Marymount University Program

The Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD) Board of Trustees approved a one-year contract at its March 27 meeting for William (Bill) Husak, Ph.D. to serve as Interim Athletic Director for Long Beach City College.

Husak enjoyed a 20-year career as Athletic Director of Loyola Marymount University (LMU) where he administered an athletics program of 21 sports, 425 student-athletes and 70 staff before retiring in 2018. During his time at LMU, the Lions won 35 of its 45 conference championships and recorded 45 of its 67 NCAA postseason appearances. Husak also facilitated the renovations of the campus' athletic facilities, and grew support staff for student athletes.

Husak joins LBCC at a momentous time for Viking Athletics as the construction for the new Kinesiology Labs and Aquatic Center will begin during his tenure.

Husak is no stranger to Long Beach. The 40-year Long Beach resident also served as the Senior Associate Athletics Director at California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) from 1993–1998, where he led the charge of development and fundraising for the Athletics program, including the construction of the City's iconic Walter Pyramid.



CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRIS CARTER

Congratulations to LBCC's Cultural Geography Professor Chris Carter whose textbook, "Introduction to Human Geography: Using ArcGIS Online", Esri Press, 2019, was just published. The new textbook can be purchased in the LBCC Bookstore and on Amazon. Chris has more than 15 years of experience teaching human geography and GIS, as well as courses on world regional geography and economic geography.



(Left to right) Jerome Thomas, Brad Crihfield, Marinda Martin, Josh Castellanos, Mo Wright, Stacey Toda, Camille Bolton and Brittany Triola

LBCC COMMUNICATIONS TEAM PICKS UP SEVERAL PUBLIC RELATIONS AWARDS

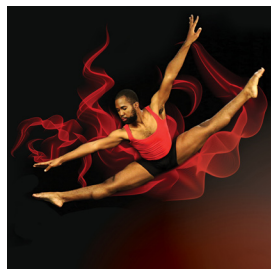
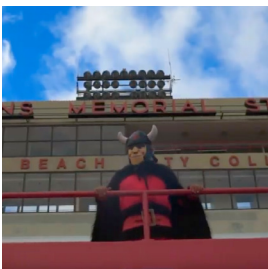
The Long Beach City College Communications Team in the Public Affairs and Marketing Department, led by Executive Director Josh Castellanos, captured a series of awards at the statewide Community College Public Relations Organization (CCPRO) conference in April.

Other members of the Communications Team include: Stacey Toda, Associate Director for Communications & Community Engagement; Camille Bolton, Public Relations Coordinator; Brad Crihfield, Media Producer; Marinda Martin, Graphic Design Specialist; Jerome Thomas, Media Producer; Brittany Triola, Communications and College Advancement Project Assistant; and Mo Wright, Web & Electronic Media Coordinator.

CCPRO is a professional development and service organization that promotes excellence in California's community college public relations departments.

The LBCC team captured several awards at this year's conference including:

- **FIRST PLACE** in the Television PSA or ad category for an **Ole the Viking Winter Session promotion**
- **FIRST PLACE** in the "manipulated photo" category of a LBCC dance student
- **SECOND PLACE** for a series of brochures about academic programs
- **THIRD PLACE** for the December issue of the **Campus Community newsletter**
- **THIRD PLACE** for **social media** management
- **THIRD PLACE** for the new athletic **Viking logo** design



APRIL/MAY

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL 26 & 27

HORTICULTURE COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR | 9 A.M. – 4 P.M.

Horticulture Garden, PCC

APRIL 27

CAREER DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP | 9 A.M. – NOON

LAC, T-1200

MINI GRAND PRIX & CHILI COOK-OFF | 10 A.M. – 2 P.M.

Pacific Coast Campus Main Lawn

MAY 2

A DAY WITH DOROTHY PITMAN HUGHES | 10:30 A.M. – 4 P.M.

Liberal Arts Campus

MAY 3

SCIENCE NIGHT | 4 – 8 P.M.

C & D Buildings, LAC Lawn

MAY 4

FYLPAA LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE 5K RUN & WALK | 10 A.M.

Veterans Stadium

MAY 9

OPEN STUDIO NIGHT | 6:30 – 8:30 P.M.

Building K, LAC

MAY 14

OUTSTANDING SENIORS LUNCHEON | 11:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.

The Grand on Willow

MAY 17

CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION NIGHT | 4 – 8 P.M.

Pacific Coast Campus

MAY 19

PRIDE PARADE | 10 A.M.

Downtown Long Beach

MAY 23

VETS CLUB MEMORIAL DAY EVENT | 11:30 A.M. – 3 P.M.

South of A Building, LAC

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