



## SAC Conference Summary

*For groups attending, a group summary is preferred.*

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Names of Attendee(s): Mary Hegarty

Conference Title: 2019 CCCAA Fall Conference

Conference Date(s): 11/6/2019 - 11/8/2019

Conference Sponsoring Organization: California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA)

**1. Summary** – What can you share with the SAC community about this conference. Provide your takeaways and the impact they will have on student success/equity.

The CCCAA Fall Conference is a meeting of all athletic directors and deans of the 100+ California Community College Athletic Programs in the state. The purpose is to discuss and take action on pending legislation, and equity/student success issues that affect student athletes.

The information provided and the collaboration with colleagues on state-wide committees directly impacts our ability to better support our student athletes academically and athletically.

Student athletes face many of the same challenges that students at other colleges across the state and country face. Currently, a topic of grave concern is food and housing insecurities and the CCCAA is working to adopt legislation to specifically address those issues.

Additional topics covered at the conference include student athlete eligibility, gender equity, compliance, facility usage, and safety and security. I am the Orange Empire Conference representative to the Gender Equity and Equity and Inclusion Committees and participated in the combined meeting.

The conference provided professional development opportunities for all professionals, including AD 101, a boot camp type of event for athletic directors that provides valuable resources and guidance to help athletic directors succeed and comply with all CCCAA and other rules and regulations. Additionally, I have been recruited to serve in state wide leadership as a Management Council member in the sport of Wrestling and Cross Country. This is a valuable opportunity to have greater impact on legislation that impacts those sports, as well as all student athletes and intercollegiate sports.

The conference provided valuable professional development and networking opportunities that will help inform my position at SAC and, in turn, benefit our student athletes, staff, and faculty. One of those opportunities included the chance to visit with several female college presidents for mentoring and guidance in navigating the world of community college athletics and community colleges, in general.

**2. How will you share what you learned in this conference?** Check one or more boxes below.

- Debrief with department and/or committee.
- Provide Professional Development workshops.
- Lead a community of practice.
- Provide other post-conference debriefing.

Other, please specify: