

SPRING 2026 CONVOCATION

SAC COMPLETES: CONTINUING TO LEAD WITH EQUITY



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HOSTED BY SAC PRESIDENT: DR. ANNEBELLE NERY

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**WELCOMING OUR
DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**



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College President
Santa Ana College



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MARVIN MARTINEZ **Chancellor**

**Rancho Santiago Community
College District**



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Board of Trustees
Vice President

**Rancho Santiago Community
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MADELINE GRANT FARSCCD President

**Rancho Santiago Community
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**DR. MARIA AGUILAR
BELTRAN**
**Academic Senate Vice
President Culture and
Engagement**
Santa Ana College



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TYLER JOHNSON **CSEA Chapter 579** **President**

**Rancho Santiago Community
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KIMBERLY A. RAMIREZ-VEGA **ASG President**

Santa Ana College



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THIS WEEK'S PD FLEX WEEK AGENDA

MONDAY
FEBRUARY 2

VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 3

CONVOCATION, LUNCH, IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 4

SENATE RETREAT, LUNCH, IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 5

SAC DIVISION & DEPARTMENT MEETINGS

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 6

MORE VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS!

PD GATEWAY:



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EMPOWERING GROWTH

ADVANCING EXPERTISE, EQUITY, AND INNOVATION IN EDUCATION

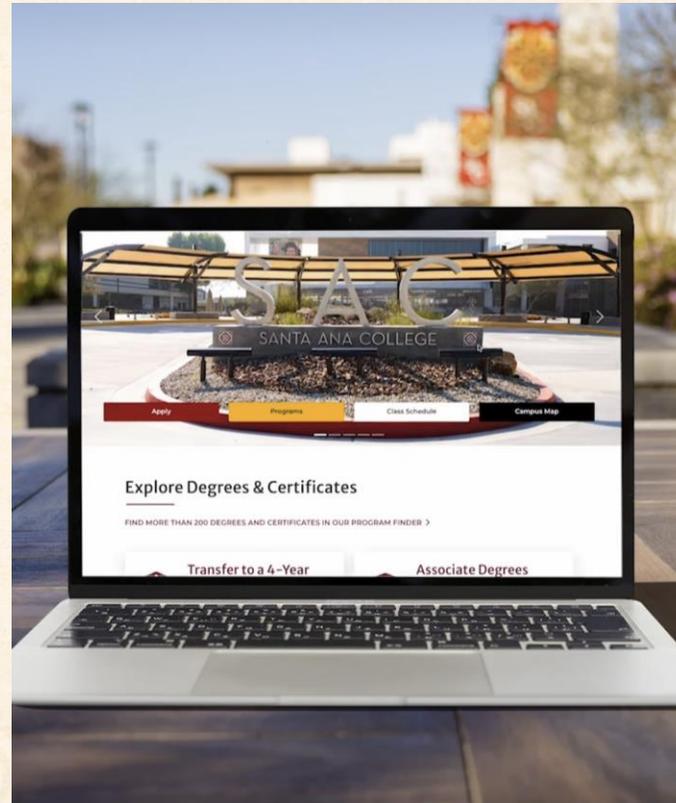


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OUR NEW WEBSITE IS LAUNCHED!



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COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATIONAL PLAN GOALS

GOAL 1

Ensure equitable access to innovative educational programs and comprehensive support services fostering student success in achieving workforce readiness, successful transfer opportunities and personal developmental goals.

GOAL 3

Cultivate equitable campus culture to support student, faculty, and staff belonging and success.

GOAL 2

Expand partnerships to optimize educational options and opportunities through innovative services and equitable practices.

GOAL 4

Strengthen supportive infrastructure that facilitates equity, a sense of belonging, and trust among faculty, staff, and students.



COMPLETION AGENDA

CONTINUES

- 1) **Increase Degrees, Certificates & Transfers** (Associates And Bachelors, Certificates In Noncredit And Credit)
- 2) **Close Equity Gaps**
- 3) **Bridge Students From Noncredit To Credit**
- 4) **Improve Integrated Planning And Shared Governance**



OUR NORTH STAR

is to double our completion rate over the next five years, reaching a completion rate of 26%.



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**CHANGING TIDES:
ADVANCING GUIDED PATHWAYS
AND STUDENT EQUITY AT WORK**



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STUDENT EQUITY PLANNING INSTITUTE CONVENING ATTENDEES

Richard Corp,

Math Equity Coordinator & Professor of
Math, Co-Chair of SEA 25-28 Writing
Team/Guided Pathways Steering
Committee Subcommittee Co-Lead
(Pillar 3/4 -Stay on the Path & Ensure
Learning)

Tanisha L. Burrus,

Director of Special Programs, Student
Success (Guided Pathways),
Co-Chair of SEA 25-28 Writing
Team/Guided Pathways Steering
Committee Co-Chair

Chantal Lamourelle,

Student Equity Coordinator
22-25 & Associate Professor, Child
Development &
Education Studies,
Member of SEA 25-28
Writing Team

Dr. Janet Cruz-Teposte,

School of Continuing Education
Academic Director
of Equity Program,
Member of SEA 25-28
Writing
Team

Claire M. Coyne,

Professor,
Geology and Earth Sciences & Academic
Senate President/
Guided Pathways
Steering Committee Co-Chair

Dr. Matthew Morin,

Dean, Academic Affairs/
Guided Pathways
Steering
Committee Voting Member

Dr. Refugio Rodriguez,

Acting Associate Dean, Career Ed/Dual
Enrollment/ Guided Pathways Steering
Subcommittee Co-Lead
(Pillar 2—Enter the Path)

Paula Kincaid,

Research Analyst

Rosa Celestino Bernal,

Adjunct Faculty, Library & School of Continuing Education



2025-2026 GUIDED PATHWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATORS/MANAGERS

**Dr. Vaniethia Hubbard,
Vice President,
Student Services**

**Dr. Jeffrey Lamb,
Vice President,
Academic Affairs**

**Dr. James Kennedy,
Vice President,
Continuing Education**

**Dr. Gregory Toya,
Dean of Student Affairs**

**Matt Morin,
Dean of Academic Affairs**

**Dr. Maria Dela Cruz,
Dean of Counseling**

**Tanisha L. Burrus,
Director of Special
Programs, Student Success
Co-Chair**

**Christina Kim Wagner,
Director of Special
Programs, Career
Development**



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2025-2026 GUIDED PATHWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE

FACULTY

Claire M. Coyne,

Academic Senate President or Designee,
Co-Chair

Chantal Lamourelle,

Student Equity Coordinator
(Fall 25')

Susan Hoang,

Faculty
Professional Development
Facilitator

Kristen Robinson,

Curriculum/Instruction Chair or
Designee

Jacqueline Margo,

OER/ZTC Coordinator (Fall 25')

Jennie Beltran,

OER/ZTC Coordinator (Spring 26')

Dr. Osiel Madrigal,

(1-2) Non-Credit
Faculty

Alejandro Moreno,

Non-Credit
Counselor

Kathy Nguyen,

(1-2) Adjunct
Faculty



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2025-2026 GUIDED PATHWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE

CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS

Daniel Cristobal,

Success Coach - Future Educators/Student
Services Coordinator CFTE- CSEA
appointee

STUDENT 25/26 APPOINTMENTS

Julian Gonzalez,

ASG Representative



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2025-2026 GUIDED PATHWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE

PILLAR 1: CLARIFY THE PATH

Vanessa Orozco-Martinez,
Student Services Coordinator -
University Transfer Center

Leo Pastrana,
Faculty Coordinator -
University Transfer Center

Dr. Maria Dela Cruz,
Dean of Counseling

PILLAR 2: ENTER THE PATH

Dr. Refugio Rodriguez,
Acting Associate Dean - Career
Education/Dual Enrollment

Dr. Gregory Toya,
Dean of Student Affairs



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2025-2026 GUIDED PATHWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE

**PILLAR 3/4: STAY ON THE PATH/
ENSURE LEARNING**

Dr. Marvin Gabut,
Director of Special Programs,
Distance Education

Chantal Lamourelle,
Child Development & Education Studies
Faculty

Richard Corp,
Math Equity Coordinator,
Math Faculty



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A Year of Impact

2025 - 2026

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4 YEARS AGO

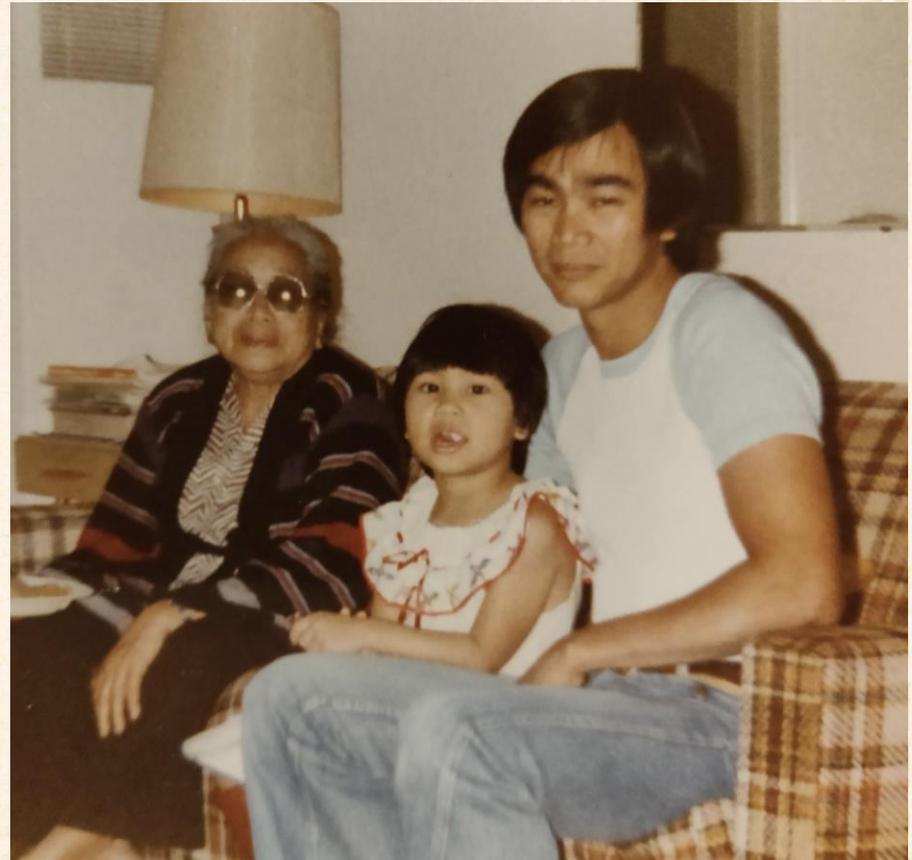


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SHARING MY STORY



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NATIONAL CLIMATE



Source: el Don, In photos: June 11 Anti-ICE Protest in Downtown, Santa Ana



LIFE AS A COLLEGE STUDENT



- **Housing Insecurity**
- **Not having Medical Insurance**
- **Food Insecurity**



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LEADING SAC FORWARD



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MEETING THE NEEDS OF OUR STUDENTS TODAY AND TOMORROW



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THE FAINBARG CHASE

THRIVE

CENTER

Santa Ana College



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STUDENT SERVICES

Dr. Vaniethia Hubbard, Vice President, Student Services



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**CELEBRATING NEW STUDENT
SERVICES TEAM MEMBERS**



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WELCOME NEW CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS!

Morgan Montoya-Miller Senior Clerk Veterans Resource Center	Saul Gonzalez Administrative Clerk Veterans Resource Center	Litzy Chevez General Office Clerk EOPS	Annsophie Pham A&R Specialist II Admissions & Records
Alyssa Hernandez Student Services Coordinator MESA Center	Eleazar Munguia Instructional Center Technician Assessment Center	Stephanie Resendiz Intermediate Clerk Counseling Center	Bianca Villegas Job Developer Career Center
Laura Mauleon A&R Specialist II Admissions & Records	Melissa De La Cruz Administrative Secretary Admissions & Records	Amber Dinh Financial Aid Technician Financial Aid	Jessica Morales Graduation Specialist Admissions & Records



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WELCOME NEW CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS!

Juan Cabrera

A&R Specialist III

Admissions & Records

Ariel Huynh

A&R Specialist III

Admissions & Records

Thien Pham

A&R Technology Specialist

Admissions & Records

Jay Nguyen

**A&R Technology
Specialist**

Admissions & Records

Vicky Ramirez

Senior Clerk

Health and Wellness

Ashley Vergara

A&R Specialist II

Admissions & Records

Karina Molina

A&R Specialist II

Admissions & Records



WELCOME NEW FACULTY!

**Jazmin Hurtado
Long-Term Substitute, Assistant
Professor/Counselor (EOPS)**



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WELCOME NEW ADMINISTRATORS!



Lorena Valencia
Associate Dean, Financial Aid



Dolores Cornejo
Director, Guardian Scholars



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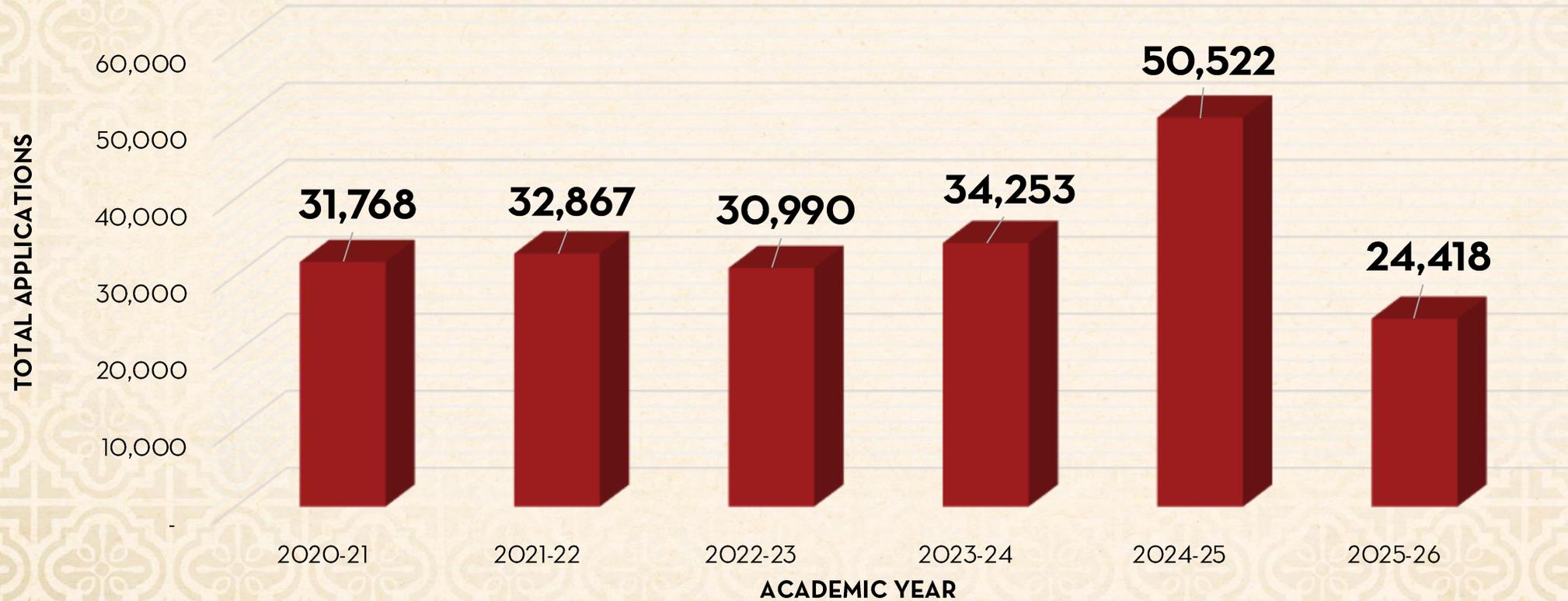
**STUDENT SERVICES
HIGHLIGHTS & ACHIEVEMENTS**



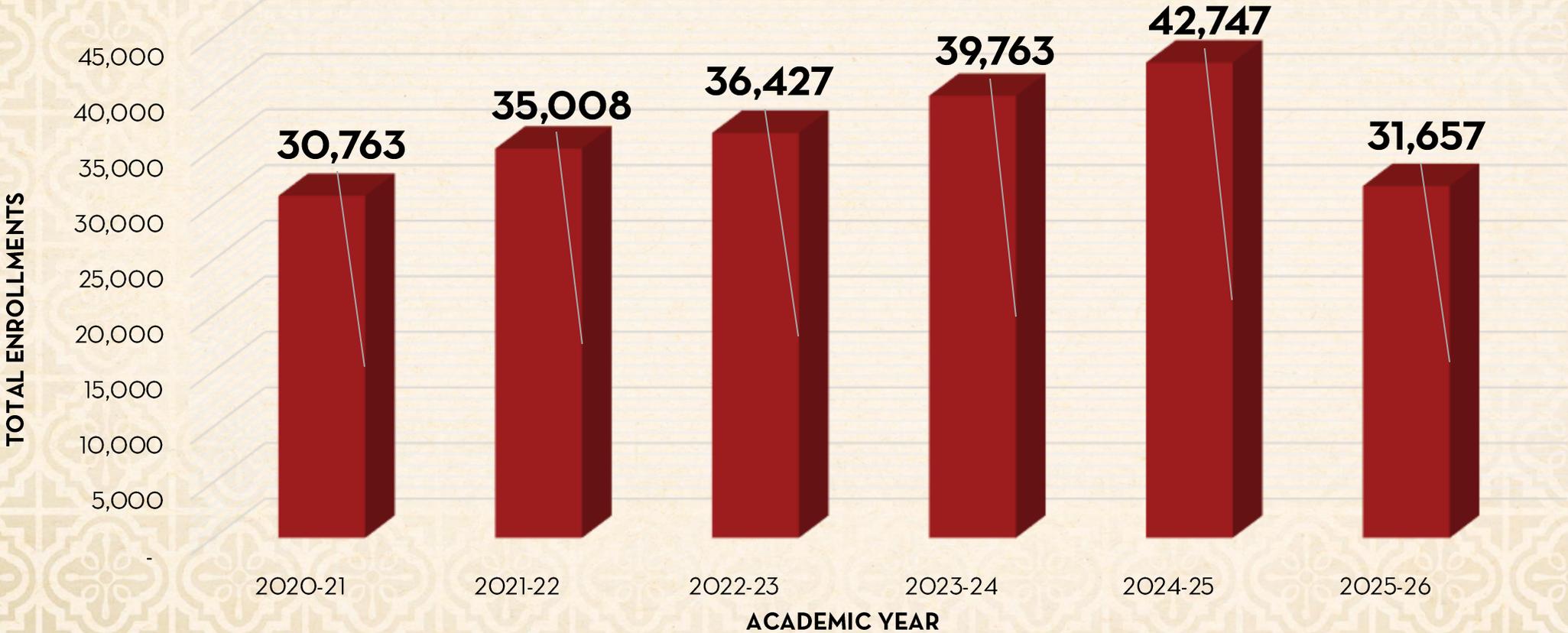
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APPLICATION PATTERNS & TRENDS



ENROLLMENT OVERVIEW & TRENDS



ENROLLMENT GROWTH STRATEGIES

- **Fall 2025 Campaign** generated an additional **28,884** enrolled units at census
- **Intersession 2026 Campaign:** generated an additional **5,979** enrolled units (1/7/26)
- **Spring 2026 Campaign:**
December 4 – February 23



ENROLLMENT SERVICES



Admissions & Records and Graduation Office

- Bachelor's Degree Program (BDP) Admissions Application (in partnership with *Kim Smith* and *Kristen Robinson*) launches Spring 2026
- **410 Degrees Auto-Awarded** in 2024-25, an **increase of 17%** from 2023-24



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124%

Increase in
Pell Recipients

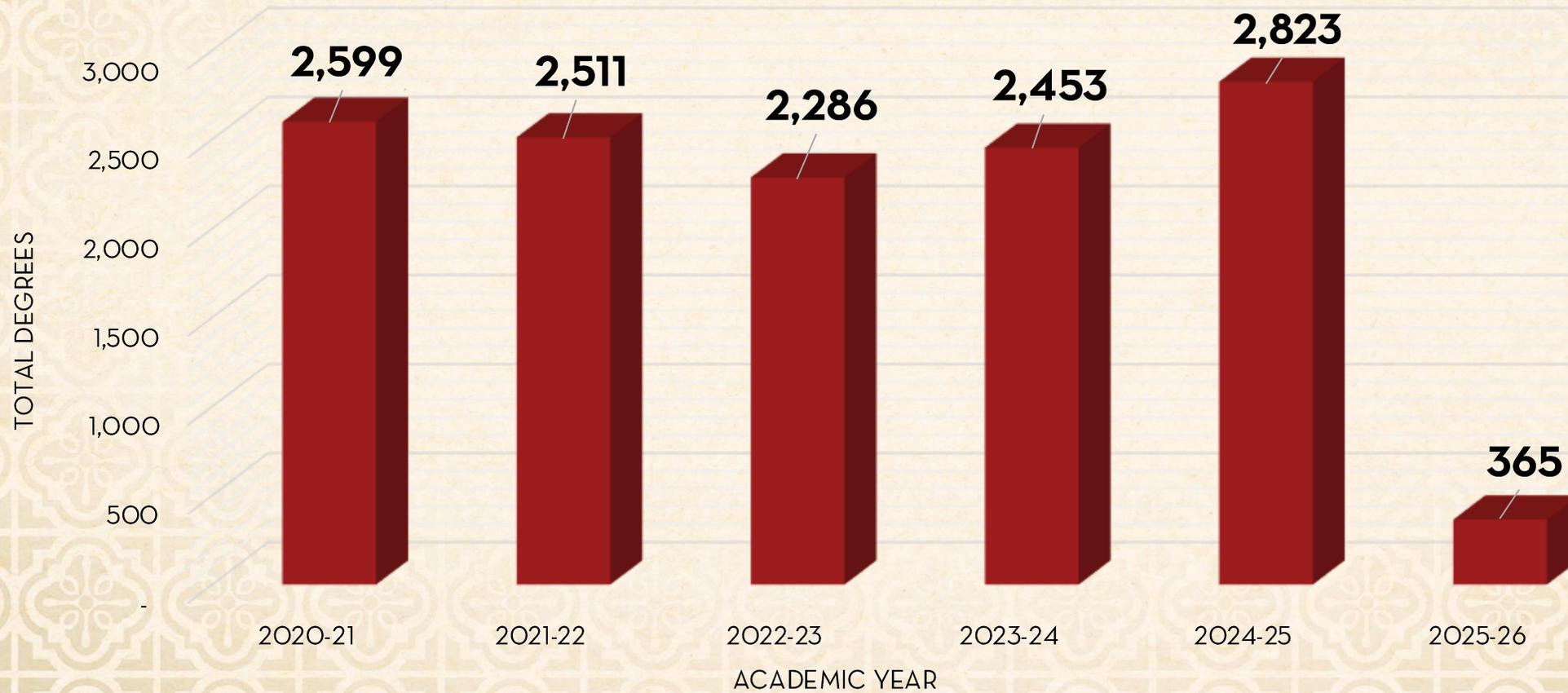
FINANCIAL AID AND JOB PLACEMENT

- FA Liaisons now serving 17 programs/departments with **over 15 workshops** in Fall 2025
- **Extended Pell applications** increased Pell recipients by 124% in Summer 2025, compared to Summer 2024
- **Federal Work Study Program** expansion now includes students with bachelor's degrees

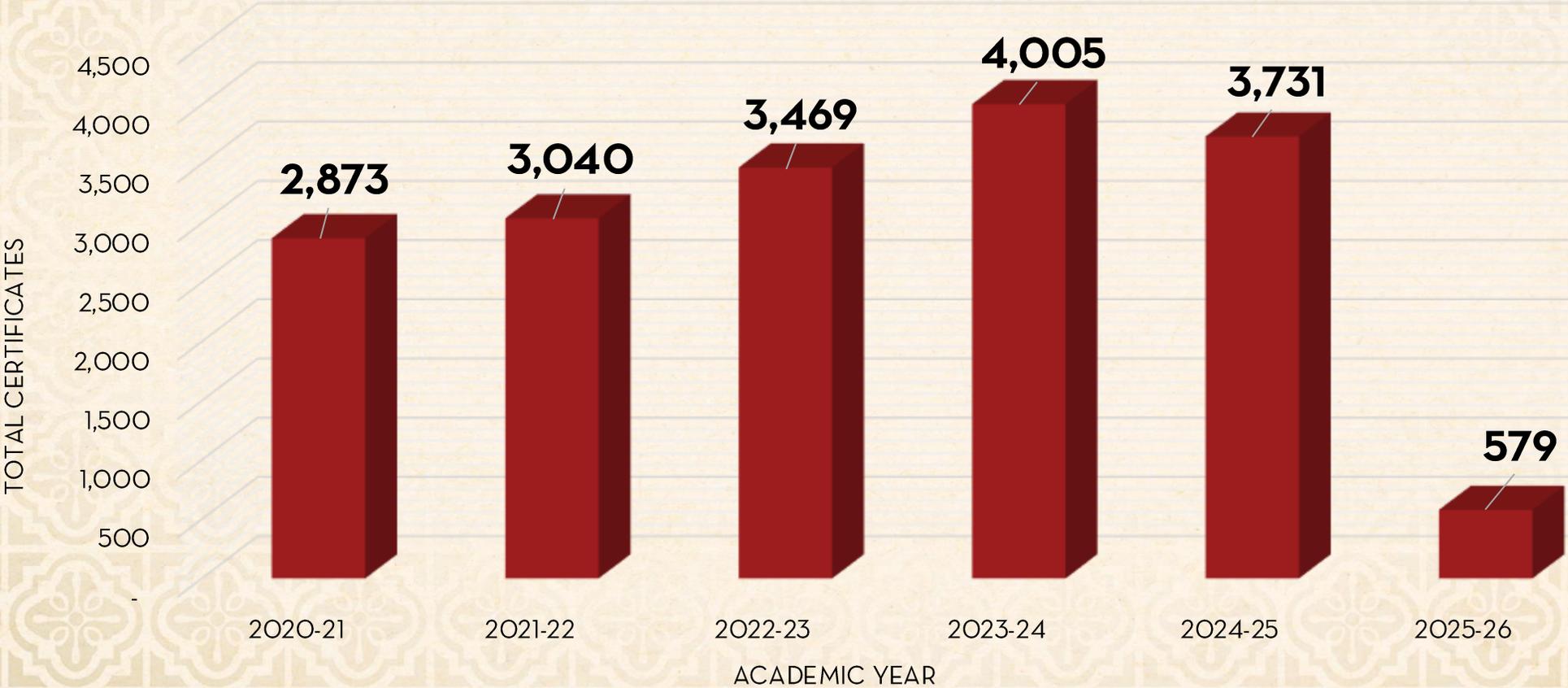


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DEGREES AWARDED



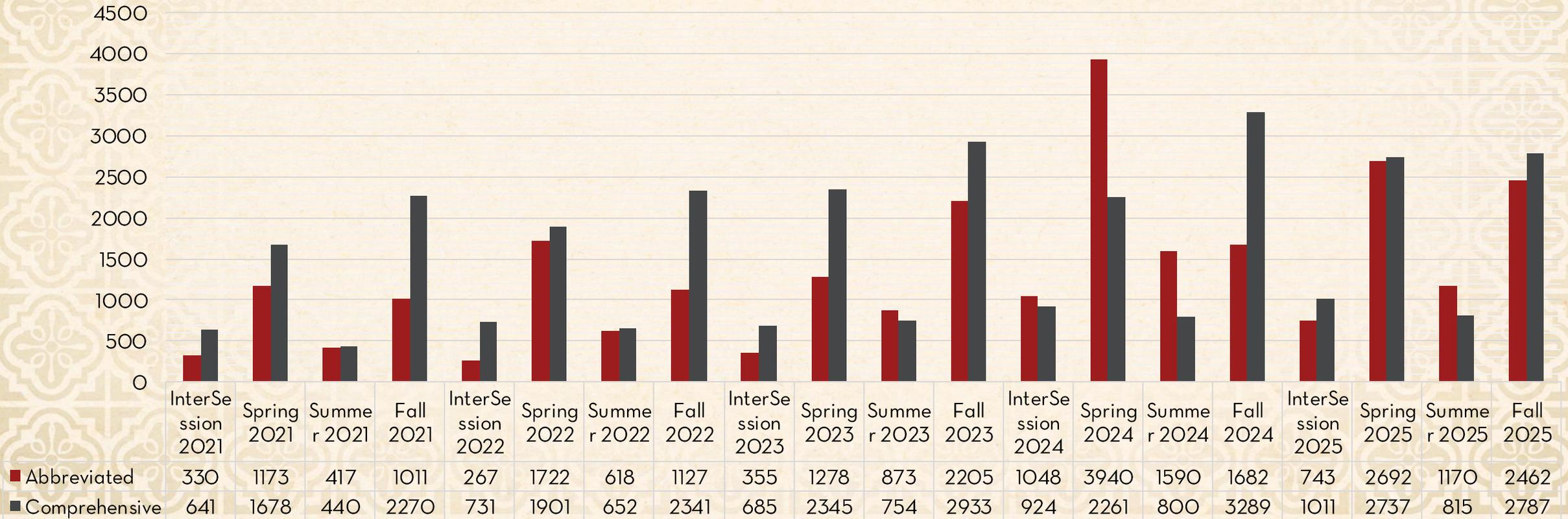
CERTIFICATES AWARDED



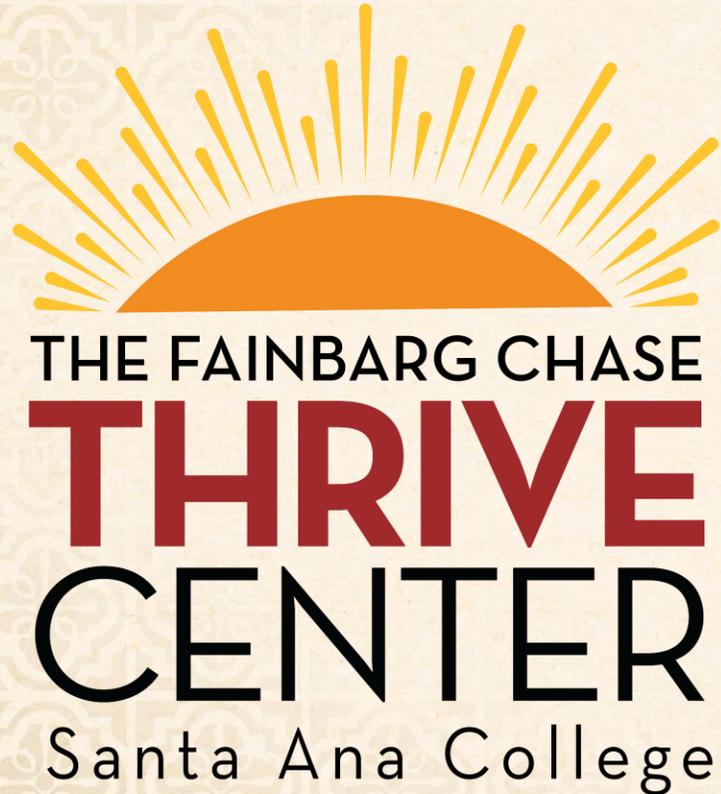
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STUDENT EDUCATIONAL PLANS COMPLETED (2021-2025)

■ Abbreviated ■ Comprehensive



FALL 2025 HIGHLIGHTS



Service Volume & Impact Indicators

- **401** Basic Needs Assistance Forms submitted
- – representing **372 unique students supported.**
- **\$25,000** delivered through the Undocu-Scholars Food Award.
- **\$100,000** in housing support distributed.
- **\$7,150** raised through donor campaign.
- **743** total gift cards distributed.



HOLIDAY SUPPORT INITIATIVES



Distributed

300 GIFT CARDS

fully funded by the
SAC Foundation President's Circle

\$7,150

Raised to fund 143 additional gift cards.



FALL 2025 HOLIDAY

30 turkeys
30 food boxes
300 gift cards

\$10,000

Awarded a Smart & Final donation
reinforcing community partnerships.



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STUDENT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY INAUGURAL COHORT - SPRING '25



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**RISING
SCHOLARS:**
Empowering
Second Chances



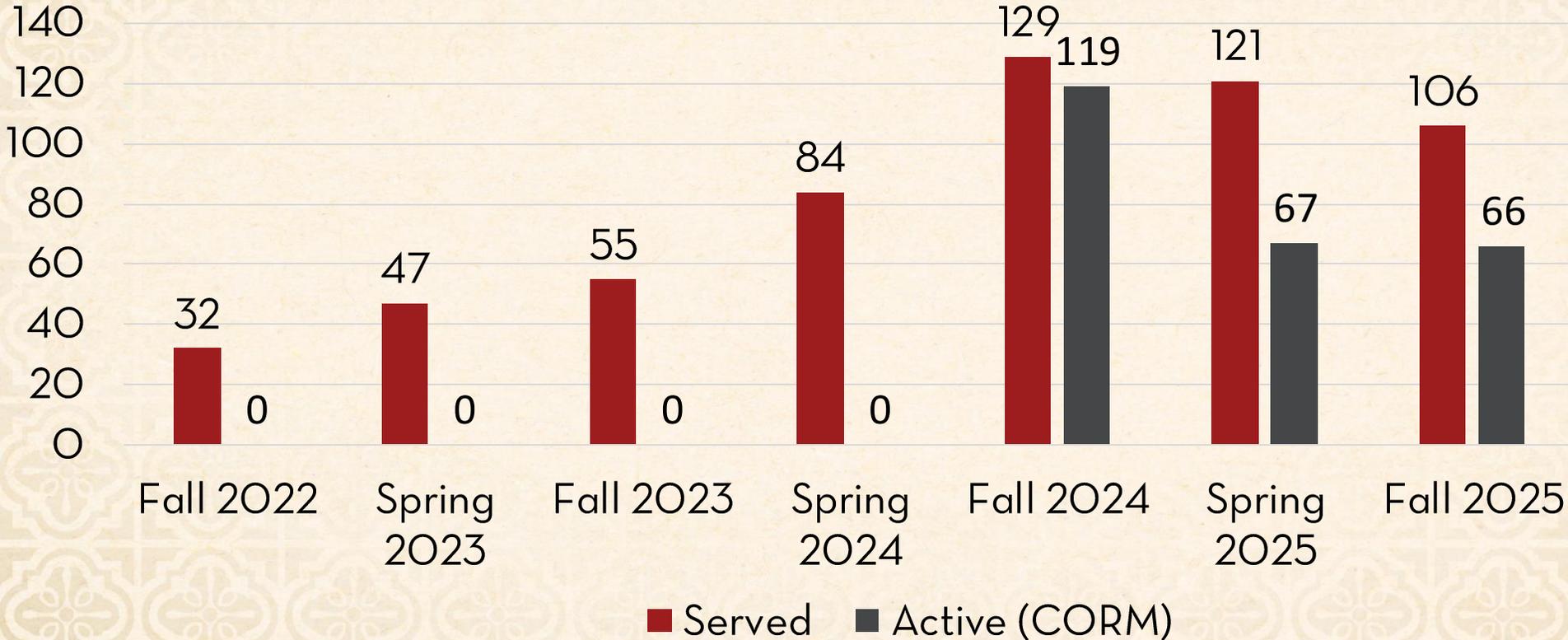
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RISING SCHOLARS: EMPOWERING SECOND CHANCES

Rising Scholars (Credit) Students



Note: Served is defined as MIS Data Reporting. Actively enrolled in classes for the term is defined as Active-CORM.



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RISING SCHOLARS

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- Welcome Back Celebration
 - Keeping It Real (Monthly) Sessions
 - Project Kinship Mindfully Exploring Substance Abuse Workshop for National Recovery Month
 - Rooted & Rising: Discovering Your Purpose, Power and People in Community College w/Jessica Jurado Workshop for Student Leadership Academy Leadership in Motion Week
 - Barrio Art: The Power of Inner-City Art for Urban Communities Workshop w/Sergio Torres
 - Scholarships 101: The Smart Way to Apply Workshop with Rising Scholars student Frank Mora
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- A graphic featuring silhouettes of three people climbing a rocky peak against a sunset background. A large red circle on the right contains the text "RISING THROUGH CHANGE" in white. A circular logo with "RISING SCHOLARS" is visible on the rock.
- Creating Safe Spaces: Supporting Distressed Students Professional Development Workshop
 - Thrive Center & Rising Scholars Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week Panel Conversation
 - Thrive Center & Rising Scholars Breaking Bread Community Meal
 - Cookies & Ugly Sweaters Holiday Party and Finals Week Event
 - Let's Celebrate End of Semester Party



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STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FOR STUDENT SUCCESS



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Strategic Compass

Strategic Priorities for Student Success

- **Goal 1:** Centering Equity in Student Success and Completion
- **Goal 2:** Addressing Barriers to Achievement
- **Goal 3:** Reimagining the Student Experience
- **Goal 4:** Creating a Sustainable Case Management Framework



Management Retreat Summer '25



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**STUDENT SERVICES
UPCOMING SPRING EVENTS**



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STUDENT LIFE & ASSOCIATED STUDENT GOVERNMENT



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COUNSELING

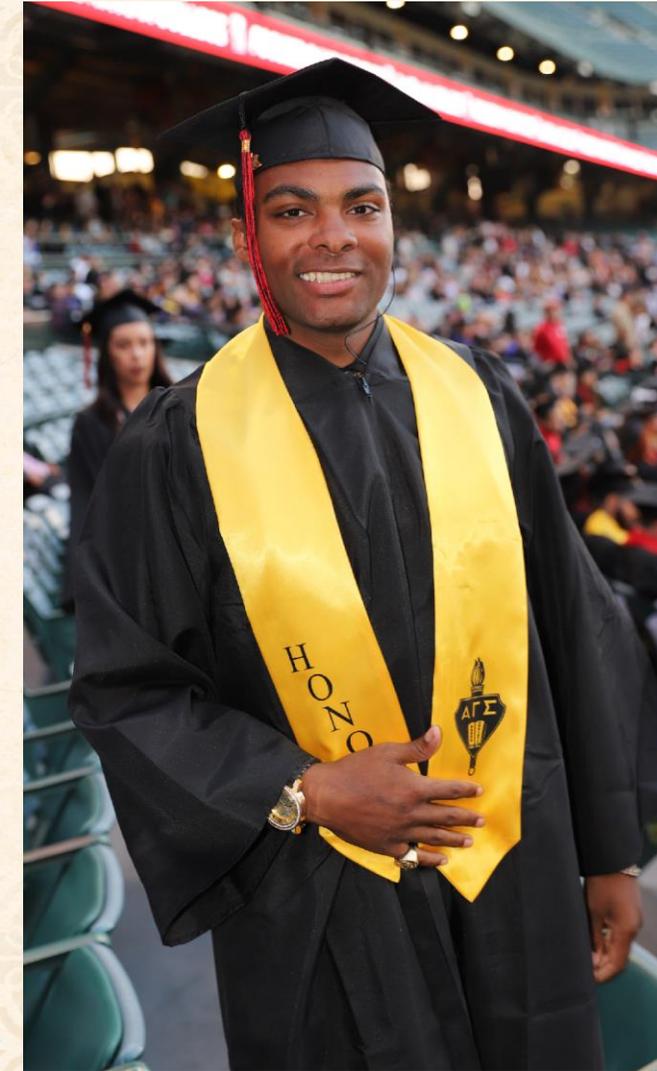
- **March 6, 2026: Promise Student Success Conference**
- **March 20, 2026: Transfer Summit**

ADMISSION & RECORDS

- **March 16, 2026: Summer and Fall 2026 Registration**

VETERANS

- **March 26, 2026: The John Acuña Veterans Resource Center Naming Ceremony and Grand Opening**



2026



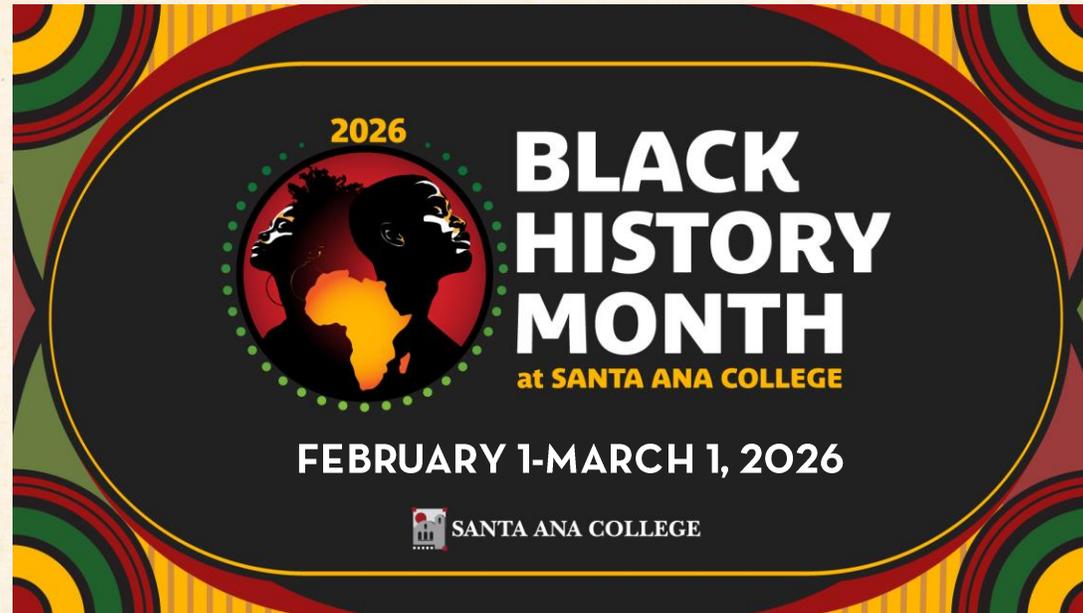
BLACK HISTORY MONTH

at SANTA ANA COLLEGE

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Black History Month - February 2026

Theme: A Century of Black History Commemorations



Celebrating the enduring legacy, cultural contributions and resilient spirit of the African American community across generations.



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KINDER CAMINATA 2026



April 3, 2026
Central Mall
Over 1,000
Kindergartners (future SAC students) will be inspired through hands-on activities, engaging demonstrations, and interactive learning zones that spark curiosity and nurture early college dreams and future career aspirations.



iSi Se Puede!

FRIDAY
APRIL 3, 2026
8 A.M. - 12 P.M.
SAC Central Mall

Event Highlights

-  CAREER DEMONSTRATIONS
-  "SI SE PUEDE!" CAMPUS MARCH
-  LUNCH AND ENTERTAINMENT



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APIDA HERITAGE MONTH

APRIL 20 - MAY 15, 2026



**FROM TRADITIONS
TO TRENDS**

**Celebrating creativity and expression across
our diverse communities, from traditions that
ground us to trends shaping our world today.**



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2026 ORANGE COUNTY JOB FAIR @ SAC



SAVE THE DATE

Thur., April 23, 2026 ♦ 11 A.M. - 2 P.M.

📍 Santa Ana College

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ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. Jeffrey Lamb, Vice President, Academic Affairs



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**NEW EMPLOYEES
FACULTY**

**Damian Durango,
Communication
Studies**

**Shanjida Raihan,
Chemistry**

**Erin Roy,
Physics/Astronomy
(One-Year FT Temp)**

**Briseyda Valencia,
Medical Assisting**

**Timothy Vu,
Criminal Justice Academies**



NEW EMPLOYEES/PROMOTIONS CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS

**Stephanie Ai,
Learning Facilitator (PT),
Learning Center**

**Yareni Amaya,
Library Clerk,
Library**

**Samantha Araiza,
Library Clerk (PT),
Library**

**Maricela Correa,
Library Technician,
Library**

**Oscar Diaz,
Learning Facilitator (PT),
Learning Center**

**Ashley Avilez,
Division Administrative
Assistant, Business Division**

**Vanessa Gaston,
Administrative Clerk (PT),
Occupational Therapy
Assistant Program**

**Jackson Josewski,
Fine Arts & Theater
Facilities Tech., Fine & Perf.
Arts Division**

**Maranda Li,
Division Administrative
Assistant, Fine & Perf. Arts
Division**

**Frank Mattison,
Video Technician (PT),
Fine & Perf. Arts
Division**



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NEW EMPLOYEES/PROMOTIONS CLASSIFIED PROFESSIONALS

**Anay Palafox,
Division Administrative
Assistant,
Fire Technology**

**Sheyla Peinder,
Student Services Specialist,
Dual Enrollment**

**Sydney Primeaux,
Fine Arts & Theater
Facilities Tech.,
Fine & Perf. Arts Division**

**Carla Reyna,
Student Services
Coordinator,
Child Development**

**Stephanie Rosa,
Instructional Assistant
(PT), Biology**

**Miriam Sandoval,
Student Services
Coordinator,
Dual Enrollment**

**Elaine Yagerlener,
Administrative Clerk
(PT),
Child Development**

**Emilio Zuniga,
Learning Facilitator (PT),
Learning Center**



NEW EMPLOYEES/PROMOTIONS MANAGERS

**Dr. Elisabeth Chavez,
Acting Director,
Dual Enrollment**

**Dr. Marvin Gabut,
Director,
Distance Education**

**Dr. Javier Galvan,
Dean, Humanities & Social
Sciences**

**Ernie Gomez,
Associate Dean, Criminal
Justice Academies**

**Mary Hegarty,
Associate Dean,
Athletics**

**Carin Jacobs,
Associate Dean,
Fine & Performing Arts**

**Dr. Vincent Plair,
Director,
Criminal Justice Academies**

**Dr. Refugio Rodriguez,
Acting Associate Dean,
Career Education & Dual
Enrollment**

**Matt Valerius,
Acting Dean, Human
Services & Technology**



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FACULTY FACILITATORS

**Christina Axtell,
Honors Transfer
Program**

**Jennie Beltran,
OER/ZTC**

**Ashly Bootman,
Dual Enrollment and
Outcomes Assessment**

**Carlos Brocatto,
Outcomes
Assessment**

**Rick Corp,
Math Equity
& SEAP**

**Suzanne Freeman,
Credit for Prior
Learning**

**Susan Hoang,
Professional
Development (Credit)**

**Jarek Janio,
Outcomes
Assessment**

**Jaki King,
Distance
Education**

**Michelle Macintyre,
Program
Mapping**

**Daniel Peraza,
Credit for Prior
Learning**

**Dr. Merari Weber,
Professional
Development
(Non-Credit)**



DEPARTMENT CHAIRS

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Library Technology/Library Services

- Jaki King
- Nicole Patch

KINESIOLOGY

- Brian Sos

COUNSELING

- Maria Aguilar Beltran
- Leo Pastrano
- Rey Robledo

STUDENT SERVICES

DSPS

- Mark Turner



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DEPARTMENT CHAIRS: BUSINESS



Accounting & Business Administration

- Mark McCallick
- Tommy Strong

Computer Science

- Hugh Nguyen
- Nicholas Quach
- Jason Sim

Global Business & Entrepreneurship

- Madeline Grant
- Gabriel Shweiri

Business Applications & Technology

- Dori Dumon
- Adam Morgan

Engineering

- Craig Takahashi

Legal Studies

- Kristen Robinson
- Kimberly Smith



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DEPARTMENT CHAIRS: FINE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Art & Photography

- Darren Hostetter
- Jacqueline Schlossman

Dance

- Heather Gillette

Fashion Design & Merch.

- Kyla Benson

Music

- Dr. Brian Kehlenbach
- John Marr

Communication Studies

- Dr. Cara Pierce
- Reyna Cummings

Digital Media

- Stephanie Clark
- Michael Taylor

Journalism & Media Studies

- Ajay Orona

Theatre Arts

- Chris Cannon
- Kevin Slay



DEPARTMENT CHAIRS: HUMAN SERVICES & TECHNOLOGY

Automotive, Diesel & Welding

- Matthew Bittner
- Greg Gonzales
- Dr. David Roper

Fire Technology

- Michael Busch
- Jennifer Meloni

Occupational Therapy Asst.

- Dawn McKenna

Child Development & Education Studies

- Michelle Kimmel
- Trudy Naman

Manufacturing Technology

- Nick Singh

Pharmacy Technology

- Carolyn Slocum

Criminal Justice

- Andy Gonis

Nutrition & Foods

- Tiffany Heremans
- Sarah Mathot

Speech Language Pathology Assistant

- Monica Zarske



DEPARTMENT CHAIRS: HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

American Sign Language

- Elizabeth Smith

English

- Christina Axtell
- Brandon Rocke

Philosophy

- Zachary Fish

Anthropology, Sociology & Women's Studies

- Alondo Campbell
- Mario Robertson

Ethnic Studies

- Rodrigo Valles

Political Science

- Philippe Andrade

Economics & Geography

- Michael Levine

History

- Megan Lange

Psychology

- Ricardo Castillo

EMLS (ESL)

- Melanie Mower

Modern Languages

- Martha Guerrero-Phlaum



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DEPARTMENT CHAIRS: SCIENCE, MATH & HEALTH SCIENCES

Biology

- Andrew Barrios
- Arjun Nair

Health Sciences (Nursing)

- Maria Davia
- Marlowe Klein

Mathematics

- Janet Lechuga
- Rachel Lui
- Justin Tolentino

Chemistry

- Jennifer McAdam
- William Nguyen

Medical Assistant

- Catherine Emley

Physical Sciences (Earth Sciences/ Geology)

- Claire Coyne



Physical Sciences (Astronomy/Physics)

- Alexander Natale

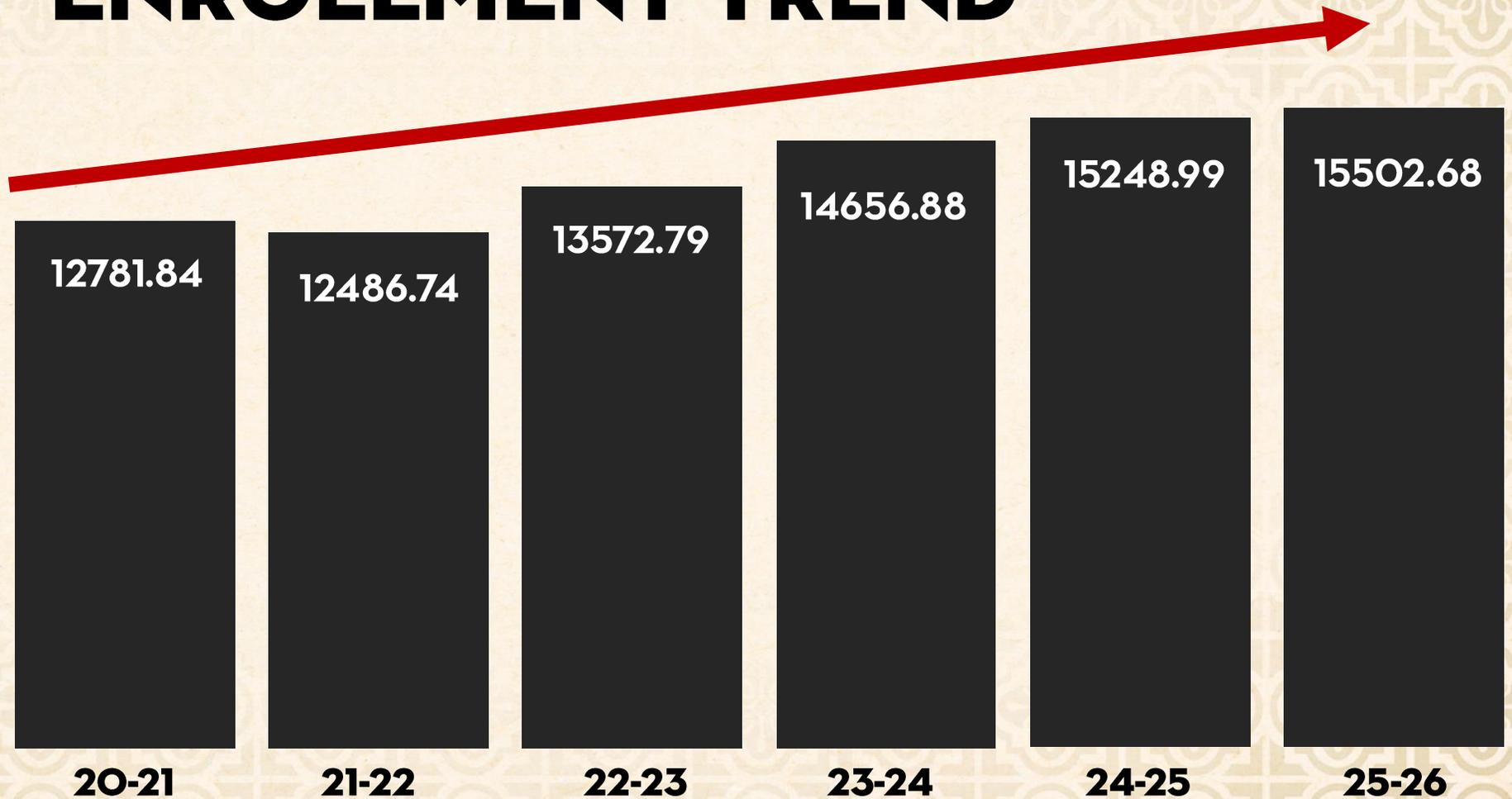


AN ACADEMIC AFFAIR



ENROLLMENT TREND

Total
FTES
24.4%



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PROVIDING ACCESS

CATEGORY	SPRING 2025	SUMMER 2025	FALL 2025	INTERSESSION 2026	TOTAL
Headcount	25,427.00	13,921.00	27,831.00	6,673.00	73,852.00
Duplicated Headcount	52,260.00	19,544.00	58,788.00	8,029.00	138,621.00
Sections	2,413.00	796.00	2,389.00	319.00	5,917.00
Units	121,150.00	46,812.00	136,193.00	10,662.50	314,817.50
Contact Hours	3,297,157.50	1,102,951.50	3,570,246.75	191,231.25	8,161,587.00
FTES	6,087.00	2,022.00	6,550.00	775.00	15,434.00



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BROAD GOALS

- Build a Flexible and Responsive Schedule
- Meeting Student Educational Needs (aka Completion Agenda)
- Expand and Enhance Internal and External Partners
- Accreditation



ONGOING PROJECTS

- **PROGRAM MAPPING**

- Leverage CurriQunet Meta and/or Program Mapper through our curriculum process to review and update program maps.

- **CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING**

- Establish a clear, faculty-driven process to validate student learning and award academic credit. Using industry standards and noncredit courses. Shorten time to completion. Implementation of platform.

- **OER/ZTC**

- Expand and enhance access for students to free and low-cost textbooks. Lessening the financial burdens/barriers for students.



ONGOING PROJECTS



- **OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT RE-BOOT**
 - Faculty has organized to create a community of practice model that honors the unique ways that learning is measured across the college.
- **BACHELORS DEGREE TASKFORCE**
 - Establish framework, supports, clear roadmap, and resources necessary to increase student access to our affordable bachelors' degrees - current and future.
- **APPRENTICESHIP EXPANSION**
 - Clear the path and remove roadblocks for faculty to evaluate the possibilities and impact of apprenticeships. Recommend support and resources.



ONGOING PROJECTS

- **FIRE TECHNOLOGY CENTER STATUS**

- Apply for official status.

- **DISTRICT ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TASKFORCE**

- Partner with Academic Senates at SAC and SCC to develop a District-level plan for the appropriate and informed use of AI for faculty, staff, and students. Focus for Academic Affairs is the “Teaching and Learning” pillar.

- **ENROLLMENT DASHBOARDS**

- Continue to collaborate with Research to develop impactful data dashboards. Improve existing dashboards plus Target Setting tool, a bottom-up approach to building our schedule.



ONGOING PROJECTS

- **NON-CREDIT TO CREDIT PATHWAY**
 - Transitions Dashboard
 - Facilities Use
 - Academic Program Bridge
 - High School Dual Enrollment
 - Credit for Prior Learning for NCR



ONGOING PROJECTS

- **CBA TASKFORCE**
 - **Department Creation**
 - **Extensive Preparation Courses/Labs**
 - **Intensive Composition Courses**
 - **Faculty Lead Position Process**

Human RESOURCES
RANCHO SANTIAGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT



ONGOING PROJECTS

- **INMATE EDUCATION**
 - **“Justice and Rehabilitation Education”**
 - **Small beginnings but big dreams**
- **SUPPORTING STUDENT ENTREPRENEURSHIP**



SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

Faculty Hires for 2026/27

- 1. Accounting**
- 2. Astronomy**
- 3. Business Applications & Technology**
- 4. Dance**
- 5. Earth Science/Geology**
- 6. Fire Technology/Wellness Coordinator**
- 7. Geography**
- 8. Nursing**



SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE **LEADING THE WAY IN BACHELORS DEGREES ACROSS** **CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES**

Occupational Studies

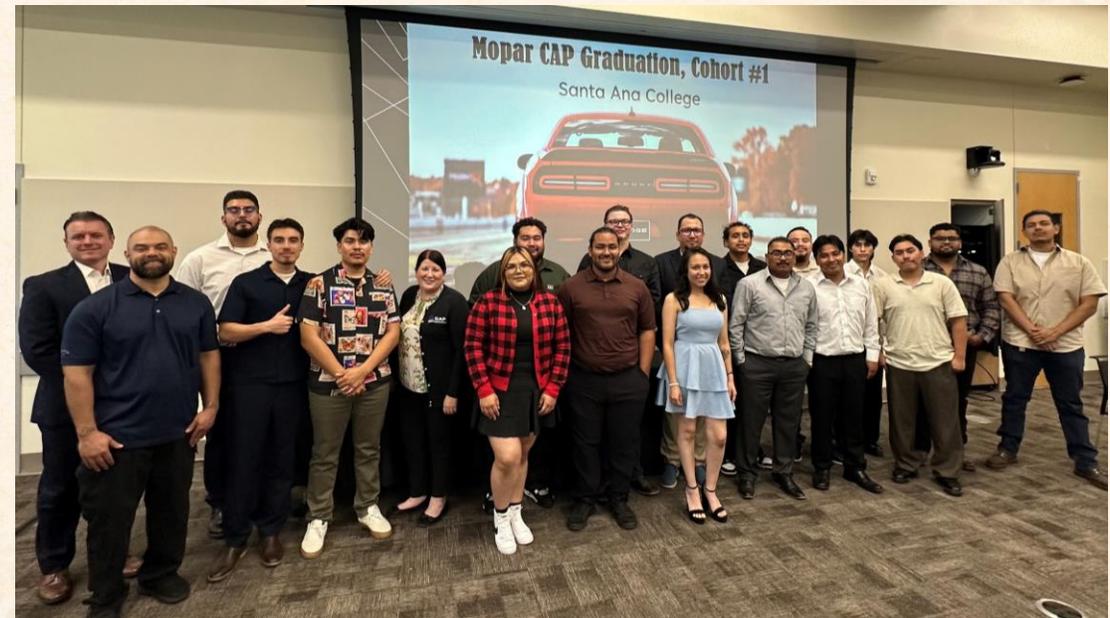
Launched Fall 2017

Paralegal Studies

Launched Fall 2025

Automotive Technology

Arriving Fall 2026



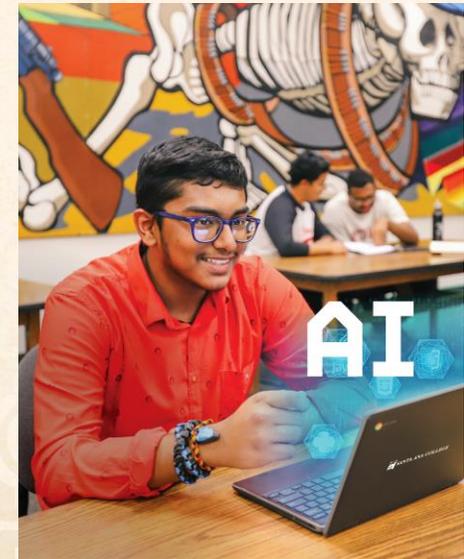
SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

BACHELORS DEGREE PROGRAM - LOOKING AHEAD!

Fire and Emergency Services Leadership

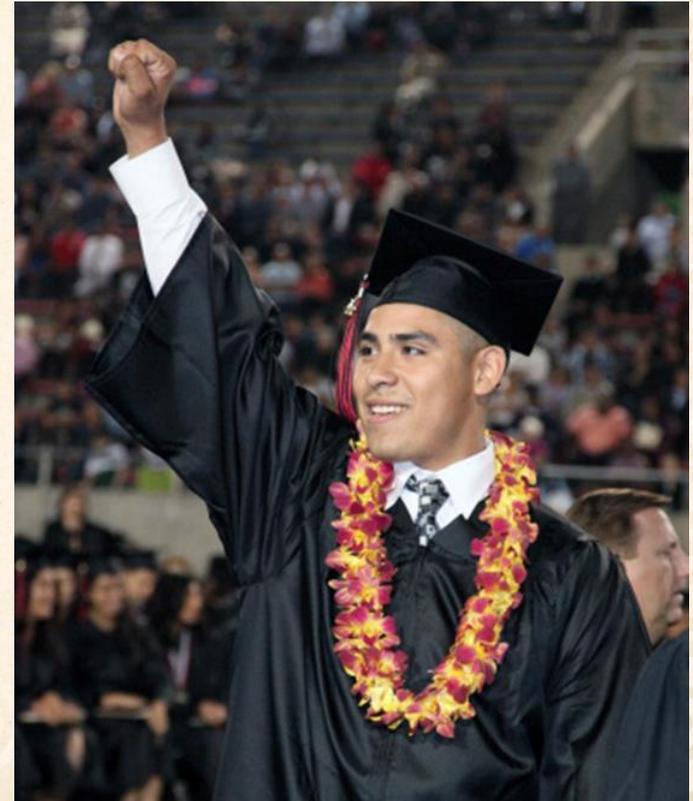
Public Safety Management

Artificial Intelligence for Business



SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

- **Curriculum/CIC Success**
 - KUDOS to Kristen Robinson and Danny Peraza for their CIC Leadership and focused efforts on CalGETC and Common Course Numbering!



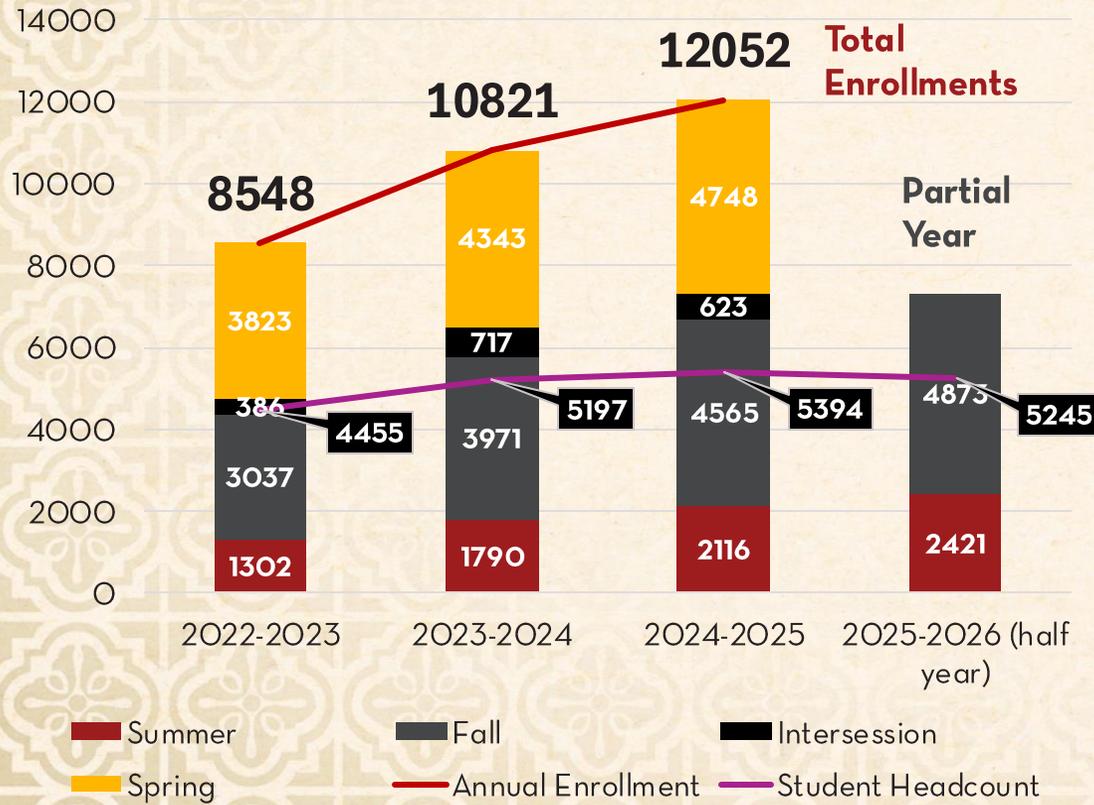
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SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

GROWTH AND FACULTY

LEADERSHIP IN DUAL ENROLLMENT

Dual Enrollment



Faculty Advisory Workgroup

First point of review for K-12-college partnership agreements, processes, and forms; identifies faculty-driven professional development needs for dual enrollment.

FARSCCD Labor Contract Dual Enrollment Subcommittee

Standing faculty-administrator collaborative dedicated to drafting, reviewing, and refining contract language related to dual enrollment.

Dual Enrollment Faculty Lead

Lead faculty role serving as the faculty voice within the Dual Enrollment Office and primary point of contact for instructional faculty teaching dual enrollment.



SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

BUSINESS

Launch of ACCT O15: Education and Financial Pathways in Spring 2026, supporting the Prison Education Initiative at the Theo Lacey Facility.

Expansion of Dual Enrollment partnerships, including a new collaboration with Magnolia Science Academy, offering **ENGR 100A: Introduction to Engineering** in Spring 2026.

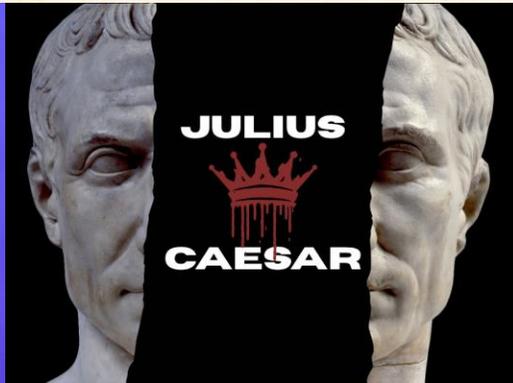
Finalization of an **Articulation Agreement with Missouri Western State University**, strengthening transfer pathways for our students.



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SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

FINE & PERFORMING ARTS



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SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES

The Grand Opening of the ***Kathy Patterson Honors Center*** was celebrated on November 4th.



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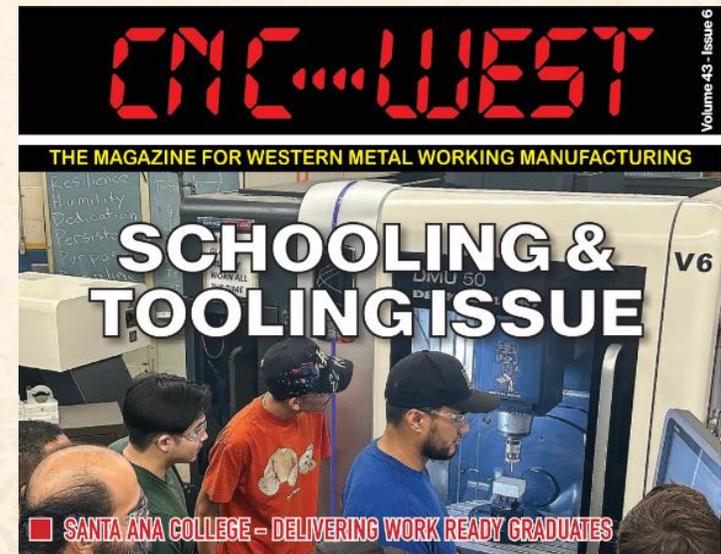


SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE HUMAN SERVICES & TECHNOLOGY

The first cohort of SAC's **Automotive Technology Mopar Career Automotive Program** (CAP) graduated in Summer 2025. Launched in partnership with Mopar, the parts, service, and customer care division of Stellantis (the parent company of Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram, Fiat, and Alfa Romeo), the program equips students with both a college degree and in-demand Mopar certification in diagnostics, maintenance, and repair of modern vehicle systems.

The Child Development and Education Studies department received a second **\$1.5 million CAI Implementation Grant** to launch a new Bilingual Educator Apprenticeship Program (BEAP), which will begin in Spring 2026 with 20 apprentices.

The Manufacturing Technology department received a **\$250,000 Workforce Development Grant** by the Orange County Community Foundation in February 2025 and was recently highlighted in CNC West magazine for its advanced manufacturing training programs.



SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

KINESIOLOGY

Fall Sports

Men's basketball currently 14-1 overall record and ranked 10th in the state.
Women's basketball 12-4 overall record and ranked 21st in the state.
Both teams are starting the Orange Empire Conference play.

Facilities

Pool is well underway as well as the football field.
The weight pavilion is getting a complete renovation that will maximize classroom space and provide compressive strength training facility.
Updates to the baseball and softball fields' windscreens and backstop pads are completed.

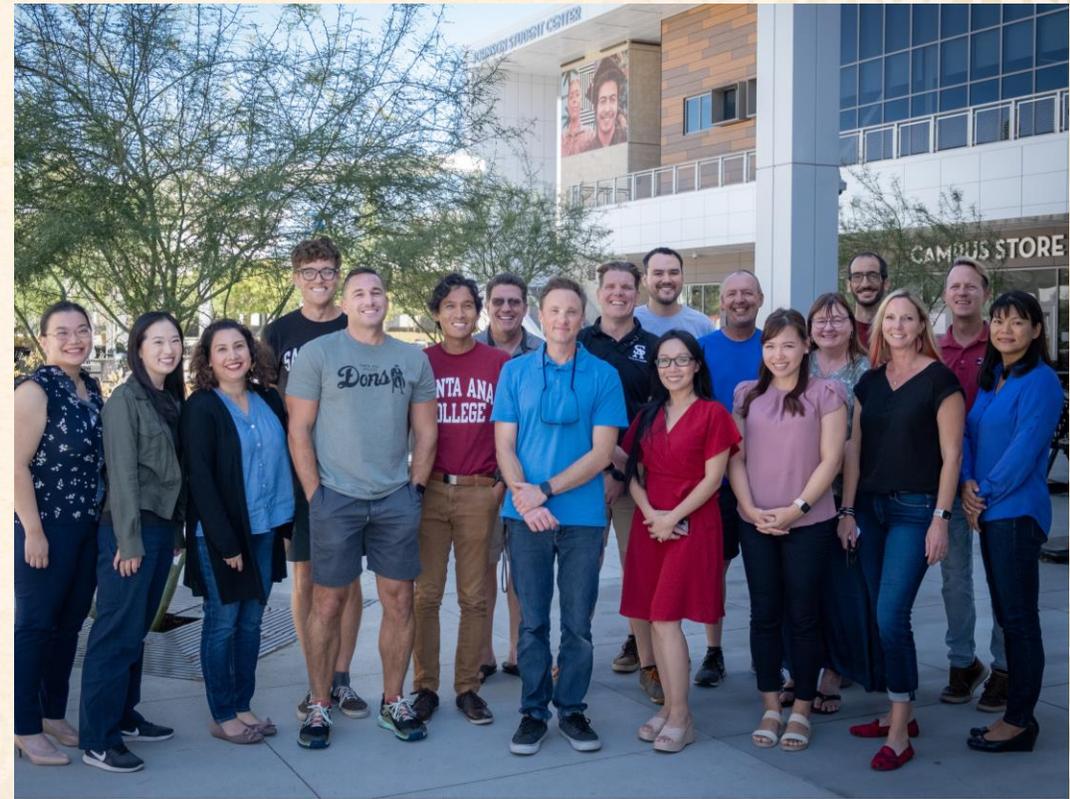


SOME THINGS TO CELEBRATE

SCIENCE, MATH & HEALTH SCIENCES

*Peer Success Coaches are student employees who provide guidance, mentorship, help with academic strategies, and motivational support to fellow students. While Peer Success Coaches do not serve as tutors, they are well acquainted with campus resources, support services, and institutional processes, enabling them to effectively assist students in navigating the college environment. During the Fall 2025 semester, Peer Success Coaches were embedded into multiple math courses. Early data indicates that courses supported by **Peer Success Coaches had a 98% retention rate, 9% higher than courses without.***

*On Friday, February 6, the Nursing Program will welcome a 6th grade cohort from Newport-Mesa USD for an immersive and inspiring experience, “A Day in the Life of a Nurse.” **Our SAC student nurses will serve as mentors and guides**—sharing their journeys, demonstrating skills, and helping these young learners envision themselves in healthcare careers.*



AN ACADEMIC AFFAIR



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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Eden Andom, Director, Administrative Services

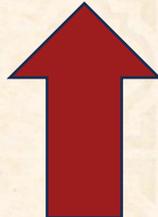


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CAMPUS BUDGET & ACCOUNTING

Apportionment Revenue



49% Increase from
FY 2021-22

**BIG THINGS ARE
HAPPENING!**



THE CAMPUS STORE

The Campus Store continues to employ student workers who gain hands-on experience in retail business operations while supporting students and staff. These students are amazing, hardworking individuals who help meet the needs of our campus community.

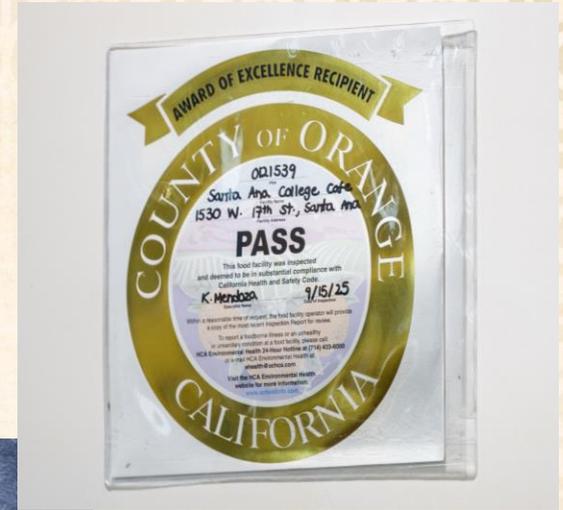


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UPDATES

SAC CAFÉ

The Café continues in its hard work and growth. The team has worked hard to maintain and protect the Café space and ensure it is efficient and clean. The Orange County Health Department inspected and recognized the Café with a Gold Award of Excellence.



STUDENT BUSINESS OFFICE

The Student Business Office is working closely with the Orange County Transit Authority (OCTA) for students to start using the WAVE, a new bus pass product. The change will assist riders and make the process easier and more convenient.



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NEW M&O TEAM MEMBERS



**Joanne
Mejia**

Facilities
Coordinator



**Dan
Do**

HVAC
Mechanic



**Quang
Vu**

HVAC
Mechanic



**Carlos
Pulido**

Skilled
Maintenance
Worker



**Chris
Avila**

Skilled
Maintenance
Worker



**Alonso
Favela**

Grounds/
Utility
Worker



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NEW ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STAFF



Karen Retana
Administrative Clerk



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CLASSIFIED AND MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



“Embrace your fear. Do something that scares you and reframe failure as learning.”



“I feel motivated to explore and discover my dream.”

Second Annual Classified Professional's Retreat

- Over 80 Classified Professionals attended!
- The majority of our attendees rated the event quality as excellent and reported feeling inspired to pursue new career goals.



“I realized that no matter my age I can still finish things that I have started.”

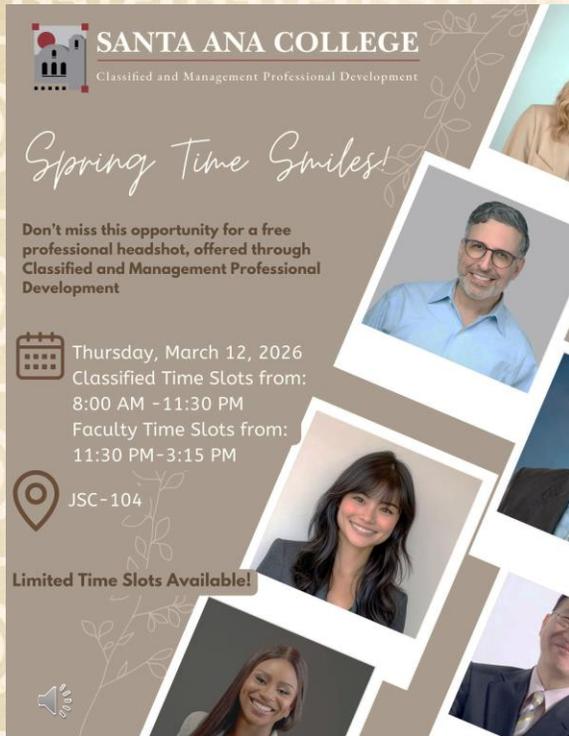


“I love hearing about others history and how they achieved their dream career.”



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CLASSIFIED AND MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



SANTA ANA COLLEGE
Classified and Management Professional Development

Spring Time Smiles!

Don't miss this opportunity for a free professional headshot, offered through Classified and Management Professional Development

Thursday, March 12, 2026
Classified Time Slots from:
8:00 AM - 11:30 PM
Faculty Time Slots from:
11:30 PM - 3:15 PM

JSC-104

Limited Time Slots Available!

Four professional headshots of staff members are displayed in a collage style.



2026 SPRING SERIES

Administrative Services 101 Series
Your guide to essential campus processes, compliance, and resources-one topic at a time

Auxiliary Services
March 18 | 10-11:30 a.m.

- Auxiliary Services Introduction
- Account Building
- Accounting Processes

JENNIE ADAMS
Director
Auxiliary Services

Maintenance and Operations
April 15 | 10-11:30 a.m.

- Facilities Modification Request
- Maintenance Request
- Facilities Reservation Request

Featuring Guest:

JOANNE MEJIA
Facilities Coordinator

SHANNON KAVENEY
Director
Physical Plant/Facilities

The flyer features a decorative border with red, orange, and black circular patterns.

Upcoming PD Opportunities:

• March 12

Professional Headshots

• March 18

Admin. 101 "Auxiliary Services"

• April 15

Admin. 101 "Maintenance and Operations"

• May 17-23

Classified School Employee Week



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CONTINUING EDUCATION

Dr. James Kennedy, Vice President, Continuing Education



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Program Review Goals



- 1** Increase student access, retention and completion rates through proactive support systems and re-engagement initiatives that address the diverse needs of adult students.
- 2** Enhance the overall student experience across all aspects of our institution by fostering a culture of responsive, respectful, and supportive service.
- 3** Increase transition rates by developing clear pathways, providing targeted support services, and strengthening partnerships to help students move seamlessly into credit programs at SAC.
- 4** Address barriers within institutional processes that may negatively impact noncredit students.
- 5** Achieve Center Status for Remington Education Center to expand access and comprehensive services for adult learners across northern Orange County.



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Expanding Access

	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023	2023/2024	2024/2025
FTES	4,136	4,324	5,247.57	6,310.32	7,262
Unduplicated Headcount	16,626	16,442	20,728	25,164	29,731
Total Sections	1,407	1,609	1,849	2,194	2,510



The historic CCCCCO Benchmark for FTES/FTEF: **17.5**
SAC SCE Fall FTES/FTEF: **22.6**

= GREAT EFFICIENCY!



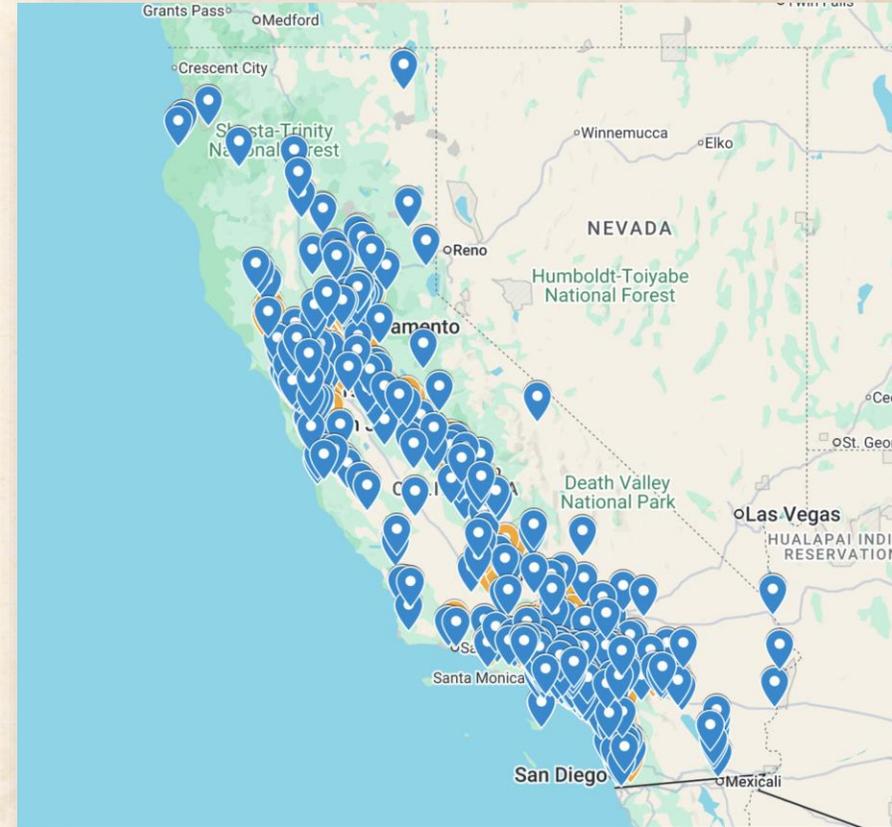
Our Reach



We have students in 879 zip codes and 59 cities!

Top Five Cities Served:

- Santa Ana - 8,583 students (45.4%)
- Garden Grove - 2,150 students (11.4%)
- Orange - 1,643 students (8.7%)
- Anaheim - 1,477 students (7.8%)
- Fountain Valley - 1,098 students (5.8%)



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Thank You, Faculty!

- **350+** Continuing Education faculty
- **273** OTC-certified across all programs
- **248** courses with DE addendums
- Teaching at **58** community locations
- **8,000+** on-campus students each semester
- **12** dedicated faculty/staff providing hope and education in correctional facilities



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Supporting Our Students



Targeted Support	Community Partnerships	Business Partnerships
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 10,000+ Welcome Center Visits• 13,817 Students receiving basic needs services• 14,113 Counseling Appointments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Second Harvest Food Bank• Families Together of Orange County• Coastline Beauty College• United Domestic Workers• Goodwill of Orange County• Lincoln Education Center• French Park• SAUSD	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chedraui• Northgate Markets• Southern California Gas Company• Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA)• Orange/Los Angeles Building Trades Council/Apprenticeship Readiness Fund• Hoag Hospital - Newport Beach• Hoag Orthopedic Institute



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Welcome to the Continuing Education Team!

New Hires - Classified Professionals

Maria Cardenas - Admissions & Records Senior	Adriana Morales: Support Services Assistant	Yuri Huerta - Administrative Clerk
Kathy Chavarria: Administrative Clerk	Lianne Nguyen: HS & Comm Outreach Specialist	Johana Mendoza - Instructional Assistant
Andrea Cristobal: Student Services Coordinator	Maria Osuna: HS & Comm Outreach Specialist	Tanya Olivares - Instructional Assistant
Patricia Garcia: Administrative Clerk	Ivonne Pittman: Student Services Coordinator	Yesenia Ortiz - Instructional Assistant
Sara Garcia: Division Administrative Assistant	Marielena Zamudio: Student Services Specialist	Cindy Rabadan - Student Services Specialist
Omar Gardea: Administrative Clerk	Michael Zuniga: Curriculum Specialist	Kaye Regalado - Instructional Assistant
Jenny (Guangjie) Ge: Student Services Coordinator	Chrystal Aguilar - Counseling Assistant	Noel Reynolds - Instructional Assistant
Virginia Guillen: Administrative Clerk	Yelckin Brenes Martinez - Student Services Specialist	Jennifer Tran - A&R Specialist I
Norma Leon - Administrative Clerk	Edward Cruz - Instructional Assistant	
Vanessa Maldonado: HS & Comm Outreach Specialist	Jeannine Grijalva - Instructional Assistant	



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Faculty New Hires

Molly Colunga
Adult Secondary Education

Fleur Fong
Older Adults Program

Asher Kuny
Vocational Career Education,
Culinary Art and Hospitality

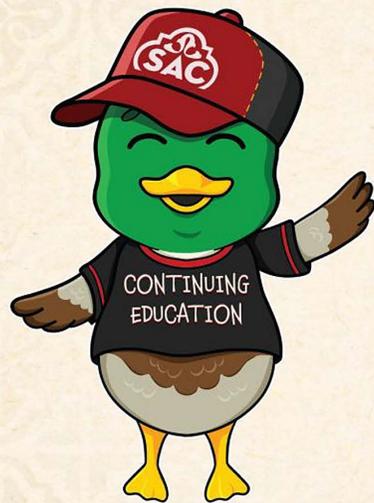
Administrative New Hire

Janet Cruz-Teposte
Director, Special Programs

Welcome to the Continuing Education Team!



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A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR DISTINGUISHED GUESTS & THE CONVOCATION PLANNING TEAM

From 12:00 to 1:00 pm, join us for Lunch in the Small Gym, W-107.

Make sure you checked in and received your wristband.

Please note, the wristband is required for lunch.

