



Berkeley City College Welcomes ACCJC's External Evaluation Team

Berkeley City College Self Evaluation: ACCJC External Evaluation Team Visit—March 9-12, 2015



Ms. Renee Martinez, Team Chair, is President of Los Angeles City College (LACC). In August of 2012, Ms. Martinez was appointed Interim President at LA City College by the Chancellor of Los Angeles Community College District. In July 2013, she became LACC's 16th permanent president. She has worked in community college education for more than 36 years and notes that she feels a responsibility to set an example as a leader to all students attending community colleges, especially female students. She supports her staff and encourages them to be independent in their work environment, to further their education and to provide good customer service to all needing their assistance. Her responsibilities include managing all college departments, faculty, and staff as well as overseeing the college budget, student success, and student support services. Her principal responsibility is to provide the vision, leadership, and strategic direction to ensure that LACC achieves the goals set forth by Los Angeles Community College District.



Dr. Daniel Walden, Team Assistant, is Vice President of Academic Affairs at Los Angeles City College (LACC). He has many years of direct administrative experience, as a dean of academic affairs, dean of institutional effectiveness, and vice president of academic affairs. In addition, he has served as the administrator charged with facilitating campus planning (including program review), facilitating the SLO process, and overseeing the Office of Institutional Research and as an Accreditation Liaison Officer (ALO). Over the past 13 years, he has worked to improve effectiveness in serving under-prepared students coming from socioeconomically depressed areas. He holds a Ph.D. in Education with a focus in Higher Education Administration from Claremont Graduate University.

Faculty Representatives



Dr. Linda Lopez Chaparro is a Psychology instructor at Oxnard College. She teaches a wide range of courses in Psychology and developed a Certificate of Proficiency in Community Mental Health in collaboration with the Ventura County Behavioral Health Department. Dr. Chaparro is a graduate of California State University, Northridge, holds a master's degree from UC Berkeley, and earned her Ph.D. from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.



Dr. Howard Irvin is Dean of Student Development and Matriculation at San Diego Miramar College. Dr. Irvin's extensive background in California's community college system includes over 18 years' experience in administrative and faculty positions. He has served on four visiting team site visits for ACCJC/WASC. Dr. Irvin holds a Ph.D. in Human Organizational Systems from Fielding Graduate University, and two master's degrees, one in Counseling from San Diego State University and the other in Human Development, also from Fielding.



Dr. Pamela Kersey, Ed.D., MSN, RN is Chief Instructional Officer and Dean at Copper Mountain College in Joshua Tree, CA. Prior to her role in Joshua Tree she was a Nursing Professor and the Assistant Director of the Nursing Program at San Diego City College. She earned her Ed.D. from San Diego State University's Community College Leadership Program and earned Master of Science and Bachelor of Science degrees in Nursing from California State University Dominguez Hills.



Professor Lisa Marchand is Professor of English as a Second Language (ESL) at Consumnes River College, Sacramento. Professor Marchand has been Academic Senate President, chaired committees, led SLO development and curriculum alignment, and edited accreditation self-studies. She has also been an adjunct ASL teacher, classified employee, and community college student. Her education includes a B.A. in Communication Studies from California State University, Sacramento; and M.A. in Linguistics from UC Davis.



Dr. Marie Mestas is Associate Professor of Library Science at San Bernardino Valley College. She joined San Bernardino Valley College as a librarian in 1991 and then served for 16 years as library dean. A 2013 re-organization eliminated the library dean's position and Dr. Mestas rejoined the faculty. She also teaches as an adjunct in the college's Library Technology associate's degree and certificate program. Dr. Mestas earned an M.L.I.S. degree in Library and Information Science from UCLA's School of Library and Information Science and a Ph.D. from Capella University.



Mr. Charles Sasaki is Dean of Arts and Sciences at Kapiolani Community College in Honolulu, HI. As Dean of Arts and Sciences at Kapiolani Community College, Mr. Sasaki collaborates with over 200 faculty who teach courses for university transfer, general education, STEM, and New Media Arts. He has served as a Chief Diversity Officer, in senior leadership roles in Student Affairs, and as an Ethnic Studies faculty member. Mr. Sasaki is a former Fulbright Scholar with a particular interest in the success of minority, first-generation, and economically disadvantaged students.



Dr. John Sciacca is Dean of the Health Sciences Division at Cypress College. Dr. Sciacca has worked in a variety of positions in higher education for over 30 years. He is an experienced evaluation team member for ACCJC as well as for numerous public health education programs. He holds a master's degree in Health Care Administration from Central Michigan University; and Ph.D. in Health Education from Purdue University.



Dr. Daniel Wanner is a Professor of Music and Accreditation Co-Chair at Los Angeles City College (LACC), where he has taught since 2001. Dr. Wanner has taught full-time in the music department at Los Angeles City College since 2002. He served as music department chair for nine years and as the chair of department chairs for seven years. He is currently the faculty co-chair of the college's accreditation efforts. Dr. Wanner received his M.A. degree in Music and Doctorate of Musical Arts degree in Composition from Columbia University in New York City.

Administrative Representatives



Mr. Laurence Frank is President of Los Angeles Trade and Technical College. Mr. Frank has been a pastor, union, then community and political organizer, and attorney, faculty leader, deputy mayor and now president of Los Angeles Trade-Technical College. As Deputy Mayor of Los Angeles, he oversaw workforce development and external labor relations. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa and Magna Cum Laude from St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York with a bachelor's degree in Religious Studies. In 1990, he received a J.D. degree from the UCLA School of Law.



Mr. Edralin Maduli is Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services of the West Valley-Mission Community College District in Saratoga, CA. He has served as the Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services for the West Valley Mission Community College District since April 2009. Mr. Maduli is responsible for the district's finances, information systems, public safety, maintenance operations, facility renovation/construction, and general services. Previously, he served as the Assistant Superintendent/Vice President at Cuesta College and Vice President at Las Positas College. Before accepting his community college administrative posts, he served in the United States Air Force, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Other Representatives



Dr. Kayleigh Carabajal is Vice Chancellor of Educational Planning and Services at the Yuba Community College District in Marysville, CA. Dr. Carabajal has served as chief instructional officer and institutional researcher at Lassen College in Susanville, CA. Her experience also includes service in various academic and student service positions from culinary arts instructor and academic advisor to Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Research at Central New Mexico Community College.



Ms. Myra Cruz is a Trustee for the San Jose/Evergreen Community College District in San Jose, CA. She holds a bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Puerto Rico and a master's degree in Education from San José State University. Ms. Cruz serves as faculty and Academic Senate President at De Anza College. She has been a Trustee for the San Jose/Evergreen Community College District since 2009 and a Board President for S.I.R.E.N., an immigrant organization.