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Region VI

NEWSLETTER



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MONTHLY FEATURES

Active Colleges

Delegates of Region VI

Region VI currently has 6 out of the 9 colleges active! Here are the names of our delegates and their respective colleges!

1. **Allan Hancock College** → Coming Soon!
2. **Antelope Valley** → **Steve Benitez** (He/Him)
3. **College of Canyons** → Coming Soon!
4. **Cuesta College** → Coming Soon!
5. **Moorpark College** → **Judah Robinson** (He/Him)
6. **Oxnard College** → **Kaye Placio** (She/Her)
7. **Santa Barbara City College** → **Bryan Wong** (He/Him)
8. **Taft College** → **Saul Acosta** (He/Him)
9. **Ventura College** → **Jesse M Martinez** (He/Him)

"You are not lucky to be here. The world needs your perspective. They are lucky to have you."

Antonio Tijerino

Officer Introduction

Marcos Garcia-Razo (Ventura College)

He/Him (RADRegionVI@ssccc.org)

Marcos is pursuing an associate's degree in Computer Network Systems Engineering and is planning to transfer to Grand Canyon University for a master's degree in Cyber Security. He is committed to working with both individuals and businesses to ensure their data and privacy are secure through training and awareness of current vulnerabilities. By understanding where students remain vulnerable, he aims to protect individual rights and raise public awareness about the issues affecting them as students and as a community. Marcos is fascinated by emerging technologies and enjoys staying up-to-date on the latest developments in AI and computer technology



Marcos Garcia-Razo
(he/him/his)

Hispanic Heritage Month

Region VI Supports our Hispanic-identifying students

LAD Highlight — Karina Arteaga

This year, Region VI takes immense pride in the fact that **every member of our executive board proudly identifies with their Hispanic heritage**. Our cultural backgrounds aren't just a facet of our personal lives; they form an essential and inseparable part of the foundation for the work we undertake in serving students within the California Community College system.

Region VI LAD Karina shares her perspective on her time with SSCCC and the importance of heritage months: "One of the most empowering parts of being a part of SSCCC has been seeing student leaders from across the state, all with various backgrounds, working together to fight for a better tomorrow for our peers. Additionally, it has been very fulfilling being surrounded by strong leaders with similar cultural backgrounds, as it builds a community and allows us to uplift and learn from each other."

Link to full article [here!](#)

Additional Resources:

5 Hispanic Leaders Who Changed Labor History

Source: U.S. Department of Labor

Discover the impactful stories of five Hispanic labor leaders who shaped the history of labor movements in the United States. From Cesar Chavez's non-violent activism to Emma Tenayuca's historic pecan shellers' strike, these leaders have left an indelible mark on fair working conditions. **This article is available in both English and Spanish.**



Source: U.S.
Department of Labor



Res. 640:

Latino

*Students in
STEM Fields*

Source:
Congress
.gov

ASCCC Latinx Caucus

The Latinx Caucus advocates for Latinx student success in California Community Colleges within the ASCCC.



Source: asccc.org

Event Calendar

Below are some additional resources on October month-long observances and upcoming events.

National Disability Employment Month

In honor of National Disability Employment Month, we are recognizing and commemorating the resilience and contributions of disabled individuals in the American workforce, both regionally and statewide. This year's NDEAM theme is **"Advancing Access and Equity."** This is an opportune time to review the policies of your SBA's and CCC campus to ensure they convey a commitment to an inclusive workplace culture. Below are some resources to explore and discover the rich history of the disability movement, as well as ways you can contribute to and engage with the discussion!

Meetings

Upcoming Delegate Assembly

TBD (@ssccc_regionvi for updates!)

Upcoming Special Election for Vacant Region VI Treasurer Position

TBD (@ssccc_regionvi for updates!)

Upcoming Region VI Meeting

TBD (@ssccc_regionvi for updates!)

NDEAM website: 

Workplace Disability Etiquette Resources: 

Disability History: 



LGBTQIA+ History Month Event Highlight

Ventura College: Drag-O-Ween Comedy Fundraiser



"Drag-O-Ween is a fundraiser dedicated to establishing a scholarship fund to support students who are pursuing careers in LGBTQ+ activism or who have made contributions to unifying and amplifying queer voices in our community. Come dressed in your most fabulous attire to celebrate diversity, inclusion, and love!

Drag performers, Samara Paris Sin and Ruthless Envy will be joined by celebrity actor/comedian from Mean Girls, Daniel Franzese. Presented by the ASVC and VC Foundation."

Event Sponsors:



Date: OCTOBER 24, 2023



6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Location: Ventura College



VC Performing Arts Center



UPCOMING EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE

ADVOCACY ACADEMY

Riverside Convention Center

December 1-3, 2023

What to Look Forward to:

Don't miss the chance to register your Student Body Association (SBA) for this enriching experience—an incredible opportunity to participate in the first annual Advocacy Academy hosted by the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC). This transformative event will be held at the Riverside Convention Center in downtown Riverside from December 1 to December 3, 2023. The Advocacy Academy is designed to empower students by equipping them with essential skills for advocating change on their campuses and in their communities.

Important Dates:

Please note these important registration dates:

- Regular Registration: September 23 to October 31, 2023
- Late Registration: November 1 to November 24, 2023



Link for more information on Advocacy Academy and a link to submit a proposal!

Call for Proposals

The SSCCC Advocacy Academy is now accepting proposals from potential workshop session presenters. Join us in shaping our inaugural event, centered around the theme "From Campus to Capitol and Every Step in Between."

Proposals are due no later than October 20th, 2023. Be part of this enriching experience!

SOCIAL MEDIA SPOTLIGHT



@cougar_aso — Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month with the Cougars 🐾

credit: Taft College

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*Note: All Region VI internal committees are still being established and are not currently holding meetings.