

Welcome to Fall 2017!

August 2017

Opening Day Newsletter

Items of Interest:

- * In its ranking of U.S. community colleges, College Choice identified LMC as #6 on the list of "50 Best Community Colleges for 2016-17"! The rankings were based on data compiled from several sources, and LMC was one of only four California community colleges recognized.
- * A record-setting 476 graduates proudly walked the stage during our 2017 Commencement Ceremony — that's a 5.3% increase from 2016 (452 students), almost 14% more than 2015 (419 students), about 36% more than 2014 (349 students), and approximately 57% more than 2013 (303 students)!



- * Join us for the Fall Focused Flex workshop, *Game of Plans — Integrating the Planning Kingdoms of LMC*: Wednesday, August 9, 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Community Room [L-109].
- * The first 2017-18 College Assembly will be held on September 18 at 3:00 p.m. in the Community Room [L-109].

Colleagues,

Welcome to the new academic year! I look forward to seeing you at Opening Day on Thursday, August 10. Once again, the schedule for morning activities will continue our effort to foster opportunities for broader involvement, particularly for our classified professionals. The optional "Meet & Greet" continental breakfast will be served in the Music Building at 8:00 a.m., followed by the All-College Meeting (8:30 -10:00 a.m.) in the Recital Hall. Offices and service departments at the Pittsburg Campus will not open to the public until 10:00 a.m. that morning.

As has been our tradition for Fall Opening Day, we will use the occasion to acknowledge our LMC employees – full and part-time faculty, permanent and temporary classified professionals, and managers – who do incredible work and make extraordinary efforts on behalf of our students. During the program, close to 40 employees will be recognized for their years of service to the College and District. We will also welcome and introduce the newest permanent members of the LMC family. In addition, we will have an opportunity to be greeted by Chancellor Fred Wood, who is excited about beginning his first full academic year with the District.

Please take a moment to review the "Welcome Back"/Flex Week schedule listed on the back of this newsletter. Our colleagues have put tremendous thought and effort into developing these activities, and I encourage you to attend and be engaged in these sessions. Of particular note this year, as we examine the College's integrated planning processes, is the August 9th Focused Flex workshop entitled "Game of Plans: Integrating the Planning Kingdoms of LMC." This *Game-of-Thrones*-inspired experience will feature interactive discussions, collaborative activities, and even fun and games — all designed to help us work together, streamline our current planning cycles and processes, and move us toward integrating all our planning "kingdoms" (e.g. Student Equity, 3SP, Basic Skills, Technology, Facilities, Enrollment, etc.). If you haven't already signed up for any of these Flex activities, you can do so via InSite (see back page for details).

As the new academic term begins, I thank you for your continuing contributions on behalf of our students and our community. Your dedication, determination, and delivery of instruction and services is unsurpassed — and it's the reason LMC continues to be recognized among the top-rated community colleges.

Have a wonderful 2017-18, and I'll see you at Opening Day!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob Kratochvil".

Bob Kratochvil, Ed.D.
President



Fall 2017
“Monday Meeting” Calendar
 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

August 14	Departmental/Project Meetings [↗] (First full week of classes)
August 21	Academic Senate
August 28	TBD*
September 4	HOLIDAY (Labor Day)
September 11	Academic Senate
September 18	College Assembly/ Spotlight on Success [◇]
September 25	Academic Senate
October 2	TBD*
October 9	Academic Senate
October 16	TBD*
October 23	College Assembly/ Spotlight on Success [◇]
October 30	TBD*
November 6	Academic Senate
November 13	TBD*
November 20	Academic Senate
November 27	College Assembly/ Spotlight on Success [◇]
December 4	Academic Senate
December 11	Annual Holiday Reception (Finals 12/9 - 12/15)
December 18	NO MEETING (Instruction ends 12/15)

Monday Meetings will be held in the Community Room (L-109), unless otherwise specified.

Classified Senate meetings, which are not reflected on this calendar, are held on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of each month, from 3:05 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

[↗]This date may be used by the College community for unit/inter-department/project meetings.

[◇]These sessions are available for members of the College community to present info and “stories of success” about programs/departments/units, initiatives, partnerships, etc.

*These “TBD” time slots may be needed for the Educational Master Plan (EMP) process, which is under development. If they are not utilized for the EMP, these sessions will be available for departmental/project meetings.

Please note that, during the course of the semester, meetings may be designated as “management-called” (based on a presentation/dialogue topic of institutional importance).

“Welcome Back” Week
Schedule-at-a-Glance

Please register in advance via InSite for all Flex activities.

The full schedule of activities is available at the link below:

<https://insite.4cd.edu/workshops/Default.aspx?campus=lmc>

Monday, August 7 — Variable Flex Activities

Tuesday, August 8 — Optional Flex Activities

Wednesday, August 9 — Focused Flex Day & Optional Flex Activities

Game of Plans — Integrating the Planning Kingdoms of LMC

8:30 AM - 3:00 PM ~ Community Room [L-109]

This Game-of-Thrones-inspired, interactive session is designed to help our College community work together toward streamlining current planning cycles and processes. The Community Room will be transformed into the continents of Westeros and Essos, as we move towards integration of all the planning “Kingdoms” of LMC (e.g. institutional planning, Student Equity, 3SP, Basic Skills, Technology, Facilities, Enrollment, etc...). The day will feature engaging discussions, data updates, collaborative activities, a progress check on the 2014-19 Strategic Plan, a little friendly competition, and a lot of fun.

Afternoon/Evening ~ Optional Flex Activities

Thursday, August 10 — Opening Day (Mandatory Flex) & Department Meetings

8:00 - 8:30 AM Breakfast Meet & Greet (optional) ~ Music Building

8:30 - 10:00 AM All-College Meeting ~ Recital Hall [MU3-720]

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM All-Faculty Meeting ~ Recital Hall [MU3-720]

⇒ Mandatory for full-time instructors; part-time instructors welcome to attend.

Afternoon ~ Department Meetings

Friday, August 11 — Fall semester begins

Enrollment Snapshot: Fall-to-Fall & Summer-to-Summer Comparisons

LOS MEDANOS COLLEGE	FALL			SUMMER		
	<i>(11 days prior to start of term)</i>			<i>(62 days after start of term)</i>		
	2017	2016	Change (+/-)	2017	2016	Change (+/-)
FTEs*	3,110.15	3,086.04	+24.11 (+0.8%)	638.37	667.86	-29.49 (-4.4%)
FTEF*	222.30	226.30	-4.00 (-1.8%)	43.10	45.40	-2.30 (-5.1%)
Headcount	7,809	7,644	+165 (+2.2%)	3,328	3,494	-166 (-4.8%)
# of Sections	937	900	+37 (+4.1%)	195	201	-6 (-3.0%)
Productivity*	13.99	13.64	+0.35 (+2.6%)	14.81	14.71	+0.10 (+0.7%)

*Does not include off-site education positive attendance