

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

In April, the IVC Marketing and Communications team attended the Community College Public Relations Organization (CCPRO) Conference in San Diego.

The team explored current and emerging trends in marketing, communications, and public relations across community colleges.

Highlighting the team's creativity and impact, the college was also recognized with two awards:

- *Silver for the Imperial Valley College newsletter*
- *Bronze for the Nursing Commencement program*



ACADEMIC SERVICES

First Annual Ethnic Studies Institute

- The First Annual Ethnic Studies Institute was held on May 3rd, 2025.
- The event reflected our shared commitment to equity, cultural understanding, and transformative education.



ACADEMIC SERVICES

Celebrating ZTC in the CCC Summit at College of the Canyons

- Open Educational Resources (OER) Coordinator Cerise Myers and Alternative Media Specialist Jeremy Wyatt attended the second annual "Celebrating ZTC in the CCC" summit at College of the Canyons on May 9th.
- The event focused on facilitating and increasing Zero Textbook Cost options for students and faculty.



ACADEMIC SERVICES

Career Services Center



- On Tuesday, May 20th, the Career Services Center Team collaborated with various agencies to present a Lunch & Learn session for employers. The focus of the event was "Breaking Barriers: Disability Inclusion."



- On Wednesday, May 21st, the Career Services Center hosted a specialized career fair focused on the Automotive, Diesel, and Welding industries. Students from these majors were invited to attend and engage in networking opportunities with potential employers.

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Learning To Lead



- On May 2nd, IVC Learning to Lead in partnership with University of Arizona to host the 2025 Agri-STEM Field Day.



SALTON SEA CONFERENCE

The Pacific Institute, in collaboration with Los Amigos de la Comunidad, hosted the **Imperial Valley Salton Sea Conference on May 9, 2025, at Imperial Valley College.**

- Focused on the environmental, health, and community topics tied to the Salton Sea.
- Brought together researchers, advocates, and local voices to discuss challenges and opportunities for the Salton Sea.



ACADEMIC SERVICES & EQUITY

On May 14, 2025, the Student Affairs hosted the annual **Binational Recognition Ceremony at CETYS Universidad, Mexicali**. Over 60 students of mixed status families were able to celebrate their academic accomplishments with their family.

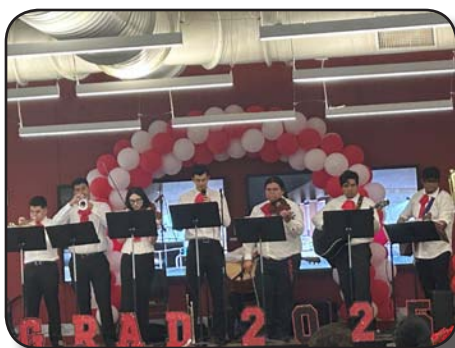


ACADEMIC SERVICES & EQUITY



DSPS End of Year Ceremony

136 Graduates, IVC DSPS Alumni Speakers
Community Partners: ICOE, SDSU, DOR, ICBH
Dr. Hope Davis Mariachi Ensemble Class



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STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Student Equity and Achievement ESL Festival



On **May 12, 2025**, **130 students** attended the **ESL Festival** held at the College Center. The event was a great success, with students enjoying various fun activities, earning rewards, and celebrating their hard work and progress in learning English.

STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Student Equity and Achievement PROMISE PROGRAM



The PROMISE Program has been actively visiting high schools across the Imperial Valley to invite and encourage students to join the program. As of May 19, the team has visited:

- Calexico High School
- Southwest High School
- Imperial High School
- Central Union High School

Over 719 students have applied for the PROMISE Program, reflecting a strong interest in the opportunities it offers.

STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Student Equity and Achievement RESILIENT SCHOLARS PROGRAM



On May 20, 2025, the Resilient Scholars Program, in collaboration with the Student Health Center and NextUP, hosted a successful Stress-Free Day at the College Center, **attracting over 120 students**. Activities included arts and crafts, food, and snacks, providing a relaxing environment to de-stress and recharge.

STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Student Equity and Achievement MOVES

M.O.V.E.S. (Mobile Outreach Vehicle Engagement) program is actively engaging with the Imperial Valley community to encourage enrollment at IVC. Recent outreach events include:

April 30, 2025: The team visited the Seeley School Gym, providing information and resources to prospective students.

May 7, 2025: In collaboration with the Women's Improvement Club, IVC hosted a "Learning and Lotería" event in Calexico.





STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Student Equity and Achievement UDW and Leading From the Middle Cohort

On **May 19, 2025**, the SEA hosted a successful **ESL/Adult Learners Registration Event with United Domestic Workers (UDW)** from 3:00 to 6:00 PM at the Library.

This event provided valuable information and assistance to community members interested in enrolling at IVC.

STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Student Affairs

- On May 1, 2025, the Student Affairs Office collaborated with SDSU Calexico and the Donnelly's Center and hosted the annual **Lavender Graduation**.
- On May 6, 2025, the Student Affairs Office collaborated with the ASG in hosting the annual **AAPI Heritage month**. There were over 80 people in attendance including IVC's own retirees!
- On May 19, 2025, the Student Affairs hosted the annual **Gradfest!** There were over 200 graduates in attendance. They were able to decorate their cap mortarboards and celebrate before graduation!



STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY



Student Health Center

- The IVC Student Health Center, in collaboration with IVC Campus Safety and Parking Control hosted an event for **Alcohol and Drug Abuse Awareness on April 30th, 2025**. An estimate of 90 students received resources from different local agencies.
- The IVC Student Health Center kicked off May Mental Health Awareness Month with a **Mental Health Awareness: Panel and Career Day**. Over 100 students received resources from local community agencies.
- The Student Health Center encourages the campus community to **wear green every Wednesday in the month of May for Mental Health Awareness**.

STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Student Support Services TRiO



- Student Support Services (SSS) hosted its annual Graduation Banquet, celebrating the achievements of our graduating students.
- Over 100 students and relatives attended the Banquet held at the IVC College Center on May 15.
- The SSS Club attended the WESTOP Student Leadership Conference at Cal Poly Pomona.



STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

EOPS/CARE/Next Up

This spring, EOPS/CARE/NextUp hosted a series of events to support student engagement, academic success, and university transition:

- **Registration Event (April):** 62+ students received hands-on support with class planning.
- **"I'm Transferring to University" Celebration (April):** 45 students honored as they prepare to transition to four-year universities.
- **CARE Parents Appreciation Lunch (May):** 43 student-parents celebrated with lunch and a flower-arranging activity.
- **University Tour (March):** 48 students visited UCLA, UCSB, LMU, an other campuses to explore transfer opportunities.
- **EOP SDSU Summit (April):** 3 students attended a leadership and transfer-focused summit.



STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Admissions and Records

- On 05/16/2025 met with Baja California Secretary of Education Delegate at Mexicali, Ismael Ontiveros, as well as Yara Amparo Lopez, the Director of Indigenous and Inclusive Education for the Secretary of Education in Baja California (PROBEM).
- Clarified requirements for Mexican Nationals to join IVC's via **AB91**, paving path to connect students with U.S. Consulate to obtain commuter student visa.
- Serviced over 300 applications pending manual review, streamlining time to on board with IVC.



STUDENT SERVICES & EQUITY

Counseling/CalWORKS

- Dr. Vikki Carr and Lillian Finnell attended the **CalWORKs Association Training Institute (ATI) 2025** Changing Families, Changing Futures: The Power of Parents from April 28 – May 1, 2025, in Sacramento, CA.



HUMAN RESOURCES

Congratulations to Johanna Fisher Associate Vice President for Human Resources

Johanna Fisher is now officially certified as a **SEAC Labor Relations Professional** after successfully completing the School Employees Association of California (SEAC) Labor Relations Professional Certification and the SEAC District Negotiators Certification Program.

Her achievement reflects a strong commitment to excellence in labor relations and effective negotiation practices in support of the District's mission.



HUMAN RESOURCES



ASIAN/PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

The Human Resources Department proudly participated in the AAPI Heritage Month celebration held on Saturday, May 17th. This event honored the rich cultural contributions of Asian American and Pacific Islander communities. HR joined campus and community partners in supporting the celebration, providing outreach materials and engaging with attendees to promote inclusivity, cultural awareness, and employment opportunities. HR's presence reflected our ongoing commitment to equity, diversity, and community engagement at Imperial Valley College.

EVENTS

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 22: Retirees & Years of Service • May 23: Math Festival • May 28: PuenteFied Ceremony • May 29: Mental Health & Foster Youth Talent Show • May 26: IVC Stage Band Concert • May 30: Foster Youth Summit • May 30: ASG Spring Awards Banquet • May 30: EOPS/CARE/Next Up Ceremony | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 30: Program Certificate Ceremony • Jun. 04: LVN to RN Pinning Ceremony • Jun. 05: Inside Out Ceremony • Jun. 05: Police Academy Graduation Ceremony • Jun. 06: Food Distribution • Jun. 07: Commencement 2025 • Jun. 11- 13: Energy Summit • Jun. 12: Foster Youth Graduation Ceremony |
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LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Nursing

AB 1400 (Soria): Community College Baccalaureate Degrees in Nursing

Authorizes 15 community college districts to establish a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing program. Requires participating colleges to have a nationally accredited ADN program. Requires the Chancellor's Office to give priority to districts in underserved nursing areas and to districts where the service area includes communities with persistent poverty. The pilot program would sunset in 2035.

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee – Suspense File

Position: **SUPPORT**

Student Services

AB 90 (Jackson): Overnight student parking

Requires the governing board of each community college district to create a plan to establish an overnight parking program with 50 parking spots per community college. The governing board must vote on the plan annually until it is approved.

Concerns:

- Implementing this measure would result in ongoing costs of \$600,000 per campus, or nearly \$70 million systemwide.
- We believe resources would be better utilized toward the advancement and expansion of long-term solutions, such as stable student housing and expanded financial aid services.
- For short-term housing solutions, we believe resources would be better utilized to fund current short-term housing solutions offered by colleges.

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee - Suspense File

Position: **OPPOSE**



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LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

SB 644 (Blakespear): Political Reform Act of 1974: contribution limits

Effective January 1, 2027, this bill would apply statewide campaign contribution limits to candidates for community college district boards. It would also:

- Allow community college district boards to adopt more restrictive contribution limits by resolution.
- Preserve any contribution limits adopted before January 1, 2027.
- Permit districts to establish enforcement standards and penalties for violations.
- Clarify that the FPPC will not enforce contribution limits set by community college districts but must issue implementation guidelines.

Location: Senate Appropriations Committee – Suspense File

