ASCCC Delegate Report

Academic Senate Regular Meeting
October 28, 2026, at 3:30-5:00 PM

ASCCC Updates

- Resolutions Office Hours - October 30th from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00. a.m.
- Fall Plenary, November 5 –7th
- More events on the events page for upcoming events.

The Post-Area Meeting Resolutions Packet was released. The Pre-Plenary Resolution packet will come out this week. Refer to the ASCCC Resolutions Process webpage for more information.

Legislative Updates

Community College League of California (CCLC) Government Relations groups provided an update on recent events: PowerPoint and Recording

The CCCCO provided the Chaptered Legislation and Guidance 2026 Report. Below is a summary of Tier 1 Legislation:

- AB 1552 (JACKSON): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: CIVIC ENGAGEMENT: RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT
    - This bill requires the Chancellors of the California State University (CSU) and California Community Colleges to, and requests the President of the University of California (UC) to, before the commencement of the 2028–29 academic year and in consultation with each of their respective academic senates, report to the Legislature regarding recommendations on how to facilitate greater knowledge of American democracy and meaningful civic engagement opportunities for students on campuses, and any necessary support from the Legislature to achieve those recommendations. This bill includes a sunset date of January 1, 2033
- AB 1728 (ALANIS): COMMUNITY COLLEGES: COMMON COURSE NUMBERING SYSTEM: CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION PUBLIC SAFETY COURSES
    - This bill requires the California Community Colleges, by December 31, 2027, to develop and submit to the Legislature an implementation and funding plan to establish a common course numbering and alignment system for career technical education public safety courses that is focused on regional, agency-compliant, and professional standards,
- AB 1871 (FONG): PUPIL INSTRUCTION: DUAL ENROLLMENT: COLLEGE AND CAREER ACCESS PATHWAYS PARTNERSHIPS
    - Community college districts should review and update existing CCAP partnership agreements, local procedures, and student enrollment processes to ensure compliance with the changes to the program.

- AB 2660 (ALVAREZ): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: INTERSEGMENTAL PARTNERSHIPS: STEM EDUCATION
    - Community colleges should work with CSU and UC partners to conduct targeted recruitment and advising to eligible STEM students, including developing one-week informational workshops, conducting recruitment activities, and sharing information about the Cal-Bridge Undergraduate Program application process and available research opportunities.
- AB 2694 (ALVAREZ)/SB 960 (CABALDON): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: COMMUNITY COLLEGES: STATEWIDE BACCALAUREATE DEGREE PROGRAM
    - Beginning January 1, 2028, there will be more requirements and documentation as well as a tiered priority approach for establishing new BDPs.
- AB 1920 (M GONZÁLEZ): COMMUNITY COLLEGES: CALIFORNIA COLLEGE PROMISE: FEE WAIVER ELIGIBILITY
    - Colleges should ensure that local enrollment, financial aid, and student information system processes appropriately distinguish between certificates that represent completion of a pathway leading to an associate degree and credentials that may otherwise affect California College Promise eligibility.
- AB 2251 (C RODRIGUEZ): STUDENT FINANCIAL AID: CAL GRANT PROGRAM: COST OF ATTENDANCE
    - Colleges should review and update their existing cost of attendance policies, financial aid procedures, and student-facing materials to ensure compliance with the new requirements before the start of the 2027–28 academic year.
- AB 2766 (AHRENS): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: STUDENT HOUSING: FOSTER YOUTH AND HOMELESS YOUTH
    - All colleges with student housing should review and update their housing application, priority eligibility, and payment procedures to implement the new requirements for eligible current and former foster and/or homeless youth.
- AB 2392 (FONG): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: GENERATIVE ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE SYSTEMS: PROCUREMENT STANDARDS: TRAINING
    - The first step required under AB 2392 is for public postsecondary institutions to convene a workgroup to develop procurement standards and to issue recommendations on applicable training.
- AB 2504 (BAUER-KAHAN): COMMUNITY COLLEGES: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: PILOT PROGRAM
    - Establish the Future of Creative Industries Pilot Program, which will support workers in California’s creative and entertainment industries who have been, or are at risk of being, displaced by generative artificial intelligence with 10 CCCs to pilot it.
- AB 395 (GABRIEL): HOLIDAYS

    - Community college district governing boards, in concert with CIOs, should make reasonable efforts to avoid scheduling meetings and institutional events on religious (such as Muslim, Jewish, and Hindu) holidays.
- AB 2017 (HANEY): STATE HOLIDAYS: EID
    - This bill requires local district agreement. Each district must make the determination of whether to observe Eid al-Fitr and/or Eid al-Adha and should make any adjustments to collective bargaining agreements with labor organizations, as necessary. Colleges are expected to continue reporting their academic calendars as part of their annual MIS data submissions.
- SB 1394 (GONZALEZ): STATE HOLIDAYS: CESAR CHAVEZ DAY: FARMWORKERS DAY
    - Colleges that formerly observed Cesar Chavez Day, in consultation with CIOs and bargaining units, will need to update their academic calendars and contracts to reflect the elimination of Cesar Chavez Day, name change to Farmworkers Day, and date chang
- AB 1669 (PACHECO): STUDENT HEALTH: MEDICAL LEAVES OF ABSENCE: MENTAL HEALTH
    - Colleges should review and update existing leave of absence policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the new medical leave of absence requirements by the 2027–28 academic year.
- AB 1985 (IRWIN): STUDENT HEALTH: ATHLETIC COACHES AND TRAINERS: MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING
    - College HR departments, in consultation with athletic departments, should make all coaches, assistant coaches, and athletic trainers impacted by this bill, including volunteers, aware of this new training requirement and establish procedures to ensure they complete the required training by July 1, 2028, and every two years after.
- AB 2121 (BERMAN): COMMUNITY COLLEGES: CURRENT EXPENSE OF EDUCATION: EXCLUSIONS.
    - The purpose of this bill is to provide community college districts with temporary flexibility to exclude, as part of its current expense of education calculation, any unrestricted general fund expenditures on student support functions previously supported through federal discretionary grants that have been terminated, nonrenewed, or defunded due to federal action on or after September 10, 2025.
- AB 1784 (PELLERIN): POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: NONDISCRIMINATION: PREGNANCY OR PREGNANCY-RELATED ISSUES.
    - Colleges should review existing policies and procedures addressing pregnancy discrimination, reasonable accommodations, and student leaves of absence to ensure compliance with the new requirements. Colleges should provide reasonable accommodations to students experiencing pregnancy or pregnancy-related conditions, in consultation with the student and based on the student's individual needs.

- AB 2203 (TANGIPA): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: PRIORITY REGISTRATION: VETERANS AND DEPENDENTS OF VETERANS: FEDERAL GI BILL
    - Districts should update their priority registration policies and procedures to include students who are recipients of the CalVet fee waiver or federal GI Bill benefits beginning with the 2028–29 academic year.
- SB 892 (GROVE): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: PRIORITY REGISTRATION: MEMBERS AND FORMER MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES AND STATE GUARD.
    - Districts should update their priority registration policies and procedures to ensure eligible current and former members of the United States Armed Forces and California State Guard receive priority registration without regard to the date of separation from active duty or the length of time they have previously used the benefit.
- SB 1255 (REYES): POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: DESIGNATION OF CALIFORNIA HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTIONS.
    - Community colleges interested in obtaining the Designation of California HSI should review the eligibility requirements and application criteria established by the Chancellor's Office of the California State University, as the HSI managing entity. The Designation of the California HSI initial and renewal application is voluntary and awarded for five academic years, as specified.
- SB 1328 (CERVANTES): PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION: EQUITY IN HIGHER EDUCATION ACT: CAMPUS CONTACT.
    - Colleges should identify each branch campus, satellite location, or other non-main campus site that meets the definition established by the bill and determine the appropriate employee to serve as the confidential LGBTQ+ point of contac
- AB 2206 (FONG): TEACHER CREDENTIALING: COMMUNITY COLLEGE BACCALAUREATE DEGREES.
    - The purpose of this bill is to clarify that community colleges may not serve as teacher preparation institutions and recommend candidates for teaching credential
- AB 2466 (FONG): STRONG WORKFORCE PROGRAM: WORK-BASED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES: REGIONAL CONSORTIA
    - This bill requires the Chancellor's Office, no later than June 30, 2027, to revise any policies, regulations and guidance necessary to provide students, employers, or both with work-based learning opportunities that may be directly supported with funds appropriated directly to regional consortia, or to a community college district, as specified.

CCCCO Updates

The following memos have been released this month:

- Data Science Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC)(PDF)
- Student Support Block Grant Allocations and Guidance (PDF)

- Advancing Equitable STEM Pathways: Validation and Extension Guidance (AB 1705) (PDF)
- UC Merced Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) Initiative (PDF)
- Statewide Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) Agreement with Arizona State University (PDF)

The following changes were made to Title 5:

- Effective November 7, 2026 – Distance Education (PDF) to Amend: 55200, 55204, 55210
- Effective November 4, 2026 – California Postsecondary Education Commission Reference Removal (PDF) to Amend: 55181

The following Title 5 Chances have been proposed:

- 15-Day Regulatory Text – Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) Program (PDF)
- 15-Day Regulatory Text – Standardized Attendance Accounting Cleanup (PDF)

ACCJC Updates

The Impact of New Federal Regulations on American Higher Education Institutions (Including Yours) Thursday, Webinar, November 12 from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Resources

ASCCC Legislative Tracker
Faculty Association of California Community Colleges (FACCC) Legislative Tracker
Community College League of California (CCLC) Legislative Tracker
State Relations page on the Chancellor's Office website

Respectfully submitted,

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