

## President's Report to College Council

Sonya Christian. April 16, 2020

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### Spring 2020 Enrollment:

The February 5 enrollment update from Institutional Research shows:

- Enrollment at BC for spring 2020 is **3.8% higher** than the same time last spring which is a **269.0 FTES increase** this fall over last fall.

Bakersfield College	Point-in-Time Comparison <sup>1</sup>			
	Spring - Census Week			
	Spring 2019	Spring 2020	Diff	% Chg
Current Headcount	20,894	23,096	2,202	10.5%
Duplicated Enrollments	58,421	60,014	1,593	2.7%
Waitlisted Enrollments <sup>2</sup>	202	465	263	130.2%
<b>Current FTES<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>7,074.0</b>	<b>7,343.0</b>	<b>269.0</b>	<b>3.8%</b>
Workload (FTEF)	503.4	508.7	5.3	1.0%
FTES/FTEF <sup>4</sup>	14.1	14.4	0.4	2.7%
Active Sections	2,430	2,539	109	4.5%

- Enrollment districtwide for spring 2020 is **2.2% higher** than the same time last spring which is a **213.8 FTES increase** this fall over last fall.

Kern Community College District	Point-in-Time Comparison <sup>1</sup>			
	Spring - Census Week			
	Spring 2019	Spring 2020	Diff	% Chg
Current Headcount	29,156	31,860	2,704	9.3%
Duplicated Enrollments	81,001	83,458	2,457	3.0%
Waitlisted Enrollments <sup>2</sup>	286	514	228	79.7%
<b>Current FTES<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>9,887.4</b>	<b>10,101.2</b>	<b>213.8</b>	<b>2.2%</b>
Workload (FTEF)	721.8	725.2	3.4	0.5%
FTES/FTEF <sup>4</sup>	13.7	13.9	0.2	1.7%
Active Sections	3,412	3,557	145	4.2%

### BC Faculty Offer Words of Wisdom to Community

Two BC faculty published Community Voices pieces in the Bakersfield Californian that capture the spirit of our faculty: a commitment to community and a deep care for the other. See attached for the articles.

- [Help your community in small ways](#) – Jeff Newby, History (April 7)
- [Surviving the Pandemic](#) – David Riess, Sociology (March 31)

## Incremental Reopening of the Physical Campus

The Executive Team has started putting into place plans for an *incremental opening* of our physical campuses starting mid-May. The priority will be on instruction, particularly those “hard to convert” courses that need to be completed in Spring 2020. Please note the language of “incremental opening.” The only way to fight a virus is to develop immunity and by mid-May we will not have the immunity necessary to prevent a significant second wave of the pandemic. Therefore, it will be essential to rigorously and consistently practice physical distancing during any incremental opening of activities on campus.

The first priority will be for those courses that are required to meet face-to-face to complete the spring semester. The next priority will be for courses that start in June, including summer school. We will continue to support most functions being performed remotely, with limited, essential functions back on the physical campuses. We will continue reduce to a minimum having employees and students physically on campus. See attached for a document that details two potential options for fall 2020 schedules to keep students on path toward completion while adhering to social distancing guidelines by the CDC and Governor Newsom.

### BC EXECUTIVE TEAM



*Vice Presidents – Billie Jo Rice, Zav Dadabhoy, Mike Giacomini  
with President Sonya Christian*

## Back to College Initiative: History 18B

Bakersfield College is premiering a show, “Our California Story: Community Stories and Digital Preservation in the San Joaquin Valley,” airing Sundays is supplemental to Professor Oliver Rosales’ History 18B course that is a part of BC’s Back to College program. This is an opportunity to strengthen the region’s understanding of Central Valley history while building an archive of that rich history. This program will encourage viewers to find ways to share their personal and family histories and participate in contributing to BC’s digital archives collection.



Students enrolled in the class will interview family and community members and will submit those stories to the archive. It is important to preserve and share these stories, family documents, and photographs for posterity.

This is an opportunity for viewers to learn more about Central Valley history and become a part of developing the story of this region. If you have photographs, family documents, or stories to share, tune in and participate. The 30-minute program will air at 12pm on CW Bakersfield (17.2 Digital) (Channel 12 & 1012 HD on Spectrum cable; Channel 16 & 1016 ATT U-verse).

## BC Establishes a Laptop Loan Program with Support of Bynum Donation

In response to student survey data that indicated high student need for technology as Bakersfield College moved instruction online, BC has developed a laptop loan program with a generous donation from Greg and Mary Bynum.

This is a very difficult time for our students who are working to stay in class and focused on their goals despite mass upheaval to their daily routines. The generosity of Greg and Mary Bynum will ensure our students stay on their educational path toward creating a better life for themselves, their families, and our communities. This is the kind of hope our students need right now.



Students will need only to complete a very simple, low barrier, online application they can access from their cell phones to provide basic contact information. The *BC Laptop Loaner to Learn* application can be found at <https://www.bakersfieldcollege.edu/pantry>.

Be sure to see attached for [KGET's coverage](#) and the [Californian's coverage](#) of this story.



### President's whereabouts:

- April 3: Central Valley Higher Ed Consortium CEO COVID-19 Update
- April 6, 7, 13, 14: Hosted daily President's All-Campus Virtual Seminar Series
- April 7: Facilitator for CCLC's weekly CEO Responding to COVID-19 Webinar
- April 8: CCCCCO Weekly COVID-19 Update Webinar

### Some dates to calendar:

- April 20: President's All-Campus Virtual Seminar Series: Community Leaders
- April 22: President's All-Campus Virtual Seminar Series: Faculty & Staff