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Mayor of Los Angeles Eric Garcetti and Dean of Students Ludi Villegas-Vidal at the LAMC Veterans Day Ceremony Luncheon. Visit the following link to read about the recent Veterans Day Ceremony that was held on campus and view the video slideshow: <http://www.lamission.edu/news/default.aspx#206>
Photo by Adrian Gonzalez.

EOP&S/CARE Transitional Program Workshop Great Success

At the statewide CCCEOPS Conference that was held in San Diego during the week of October 19, 2015, Director Ludi Villegas-Vidal and Counselor Linda Marie Avalos-Njie presented the EOP&S/CARE Transitional Program Workshop to their colleagues. This pilot program was created by Dean Villegas-Vidal and has shown remarkable increased graduation and transfer rates for Mission College since 2013. The transitional program assists students who are exited from EOP&S/CARE when they have reached the 70-unit state mandated limit. Some students do not complete their academic goal within the 70-unit limit due to a myriad of reasons including changing their major, not being able to get the classes they need, and serious economic and family responsibilities. These students, who are so close to graduating and or transferring to a university, are invited to receive vital

academic counseling that is funded by another program on campus. The new counselor captures the students exited by EOP&S/CARE and provides a safety net for them. Ms. Villegas-Vidal emphasized during her presentation that counseling is the lifeblood of EOP&S/CARE and that a highly dedicated counselor who follows up with the students is critical for success of the transitional program. A video shown at the workshop featured data analysis of the transitional program by Llanet Martin, PhD. In the video, Dr. Martin stated the impressive success rates of the EOP&S/CARE Transitional Program that has helped students complete their goals, which in turn increased the graduation and transfer rates for LAMC. The transitional program was well received by the directors and counselors who participated in the workshop. It is hoped that other colleges will adopt the EOP&S/CARE Transitional Program that ultimately could increase student completion rates throughout the state.

Student Progress Reports

Progress reports provide information to students as to how they are doing in their classes. Faculty members complete the progress reports and may include comments or requests for tutoring if needed. Counselors in turn review the progress reports when meeting with students.

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LAMC Awarded CAFYES Grant

Thanks to the hard work and diligence of Director Ludi Villegas-Vidal, Los Angeles Mission College was awarded the Cooperating Agencies Foster Youth Educational Support (CAFYES) grant. This grant is administered under the EOP&S/CARE program and will commence in the Spring 2016 semester. CAFYES will provide additional benefits for qualified foster students including counseling, book and supply grants, tutoring, and childcare.

Students must meet the following criteria to qualify for CAFYES:

- under age 25
- and enrolled in at least 12 units

If you believe you qualify, please contact the EOP&S/CARE Office for more information.

Dean Villegas-Vidal will attend a formal training for CAFYES in Sacramento in early December.

Personal Growth and Success Workshops for EOP&S/CARE Students

EOP&S/CARE will be offering the following workshops to assist students with their education, personal growth, and success in their future careers:

- How to Apply to EOP&S at the University
- Continuing Higher Education after B.A.
- How to Apply to Medical School/Law
- Business Etiquette
- Successful Interviews
- Dressing for Success
- Finishing Strong and Starting Smart

Honors Ceremony Reminder Late Response Forms

The Honors Ceremony will be held on Friday, December 11, 2015, in the Campus Center at 10:00 AM. Honor students were mailed invitations in October. If you did not return your Response Form by the November 25 deadline, please immediately contact the Student Services Office at 818.364.7766 and let the staff know that you would like to attend the ceremony. If you reach the voice message, clearly state your name, SID number, and phone number. The office staff will try to accommodate your late request. This ceremony recognizes students who earned honors for the Spring 2015 semester. See the EOP&S/CARE October Newsletter for more information:

<http://www.lamission.edu/eops/docs/EOPS%20Newsletter%20for%20Oct%202015.docx..pdf>

Priority Registration Reminder for Spring 2016

Priority registration is an enormous benefit that allows EOP&S/CARE students to register for their classes early so that they can follow their Student Educational Plan (SEP). Be wise and take advantage of this important benefit! Please contact EOP&S/CARE for more information.

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