March 21, 2019

Greetings Colleagues,

We are pleased to welcome you to the eighth California Community Colleges Veterans Summit. This Summit is a collaborative effort between the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office, the Foundation for California Community Colleges, and the Faculty Association of California Community Colleges.

With an estimated 1.6 million veterans residing in California, our state’s veteran population is the largest in the nation. Many veterans returning from service will look to one of the 115 California Community Colleges as the most accessible and affordable options available for continued economic and social mobility. In fact, approximately 80,000 veterans and active duty service members attend a California Community College each year. Student veterans are an essential component of our colleges and we recognize the value of their life experiences as they enhance the diversity of our student body.

California Community Colleges provide academic and career training for returning veterans and increasingly assist with the adjustment some face when transitioning to life after military service, and particularly after combat deployment. Fortunately, many of our colleges recognized this need long ago and expanded support services to help veterans successfully integrate into civilian and college life. It is our hope that information gathered over the next two days will be informative and helpful as you return to campus and continue the task of incorporating veterans’ services into your college’s Guided Pathways framework. Improving educational outcomes, completion rates, and closing achievement gaps for our student veterans is a responsibility the California Community Colleges, the nation’s largest system of higher education, proudly accepts.

We are once again pleased to welcome our colleagues from the California State University and University of California who are committed to deepening partnerships to better serve our students. We are also appreciative of the California Department of Veterans Affairs and many veterans services organizations who helped us develop the 2019 program.

We know conversations that begin at the Veterans Summit continue on campuses throughout the state. We appreciate your participation and your continued commitment to creating a welcoming environment for student veterans. Thank you for joining us.

Sincerely,

ELOY ORTIZ OAKLEY
Chancellor,
California Community Colleges

KEETHA MILLS
President and CEO,
Foundation for California Community Colleges

ADAM WETSMAN
President,
Faculty Association of California Community Colleges
THURSDAY, MARCH 21

7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
REGISTRATION  
San Carlos Ballroom Foyer

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.  
BUFFET BREAKFAST  
San Carlos Ballroom Foyer

8:30 – 11:00 a.m.  
PRECONFERENCE  
Monterey Convention Center  
- Veterans Counselor Training (Steinbeck 1)  
- State of the California Community College Veteran Student and What Defines a Veteran Resource Center (Steinbeck 2)  
- VET NET Ally (Steinbeck 3)

11:15 – 11:45 a.m.  
WELCOME AND INFORMATION  
San Carlos Ballroom  
- Everett Alvarez High School NJROTC  
- Congressman Jimmy Panetta | Serves California’s 20th District  
- Nancy Montgomery | Master of Ceremonies

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.  
LUNCH  
San Carlos Ballroom  
SB 1071 Panel Discussion (12:15-12:45 p.m.)

1:00 – 1:45 p.m.  
KEYNOTE SPEAKER — ELOY ORTIZ OAKLEY  
San Carlos Ballroom  
Chancellor, California Community Colleges  
Introduction by Keetha Mills, President and CEO, Foundation for California Community Colleges

2:00 – 3:15 p.m.  
BREAKOUT SESSIONS I  
Colton  
- Department of Veterans Affairs Debt Management  
- MIS Reporting for Banner Schools  
Steinbeck 1  
- The “Top Ten Things Student Veterans Would Like Faculty to Know”  
Steinbeck 2  
- Department of Veterans Affairs Update and Q&A  
Steinbeck 3
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3:30 – 4:45 p.m.  BREAKOUT SESSIONS II
  Colton  •  Educational Technologies for Service Connected Student Veterans
  Steinbeck 1  •  Providing Veterans Credit for Prior Learning
  Steinbeck 2  •  Veterans to Energy Careers – Empowering Student Veterans
  Steinbeck 3  •  Department of Veterans Affairs Update and Q&A

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.  RECEPTION
San Carlos Ballroom Foyer

6:00 – 7:30 p.m.  DINNER
San Carlos Ballroom  Featuring the Del Monte Brass Band

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Since World War II, the School of General Studies has served veterans who interrupted their education to serve their country. Like these military service women and men, most students at GS have, for personal or professional reasons, interrupted their education, never attended college, or can only attend part-time. They bring a wealth of life experience to the classroom, and contribute in a unique way to the diversity and cultural richness of the University.

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The Land of the Free Foundation is committed to celebrating the men and women of the Armed Forces of the United States, past, present and future. The foundation will support programs that help our armed service personnel and their families and will ensure that the commitment of our nation’s heroes will never be taken for granted and that all Americans recognize, because of the sacrifices of our armed service personnel, we will always live in the “Land of the Free”.

CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES VETERANS SUMMIT
FRIDAY, MARCH 22

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San Carlos Ballroom Foyer

8:30 – 8:40 a.m.  **WELCOME AND INFORMATION**
San Carlos Ballroom  
**DR. MANUEL BACA, PH.D.** — President of the governing board of the Mt. San Antonio Community College District and Chair of the Board of Directors for the Foundation for California Community Colleges

8:40 – 9:10 a.m.  **CaIVET UPDATE**

9:15 – 10:00 a.m.  **COL. TODD LYONS**
Associate Dean of Research | Naval Postgraduate School  
*Breaking the Ivory Tower – Student-centered Learning for the Cognitive Age*

10:15 – 11:30 a.m.  **BREAKOUT SESSIONS III**
Colton  
- **Providing Veterans Credit for Prior Learning**
- **Operation Surf – The Restorative Power of the Ocean**
Steinbeck 1  
- **Student Veteran Technology Intern Panel**
Steinbeck 2  
- **9 Line/VASS Program**
Steinbeck 3

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.  **LUNCH**
San Carlos Ballroom

12:45 – 1:30 p.m.  **DR. BARBARA ILLOWSKY, PH.D.**
San Carlos Ballroom  
*Going Past the GI Bill: Why Open Educational Resources are Everyone’s Responsibility*

1:45 – 3:00 p.m.  **BREAKOUT SESSIONS IV**
Steinbeck 1  
- **MIS Reporting for Banner Schools**
Steinbeck 2  
- **Student Veteran Technology Intern Panel**
Steinbeck 3  
- **9 Line/VASS Program**

3:00 p.m.  **CONCLUSION**
THURSDAY 8:30—11:00 A.M. | MONTEREY CONVENTION CENTER

Veterans Counselor Training

**Room: Steinbeck 1**

Learn from expert veterans counselors, connect with vital resources you need in your toolkit to serve prior service members, gain exposure to current VA educational benefits, and network with peers in the field. This professional development opportunity is intended to train counselors as well as expose staff and graduate school candidates to the field of professional certified community college veterans counseling.

**Presented By:** Terence Nelson, VETS Program Coordinator, Veterans Counselor, Saddleback College
Daniel Avegalio, Program Director, Student Retention and Completion, Sierra College
Kolin Williams, Counselor, Saddleback College

State of the California Community College Veteran Student and What Defines a Veterans Resource Center

**Room: Steinbeck 2**

This session will provide data and evidence collected at our 115 community colleges about the status of our veterans in the Community College system. We will then define the best practices and deficits we found during our observations of our Veteran Resource Centers and provide best practice guidelines/procedures and operational information to build an excellent Veterans Resource Center at your college. There will be takeaways, handouts and each participant will receive the Innovation Grant book prepared with the details of the grant research completed over the last year about our current status of our Veteran Resource Centers and Veteran’s needs.

**Presented By:** Nancy Montgomery, Assistant Dean Health, Wellness and Veterans, Irvine Valley College
Todd Steffan, Veterans Coordinator, Las Positas College
Patricia D’Orange-Martin, M.S., Coordinator, Veterans Services, Pasadena City College

VET NET Ally

**Room: Steinbeck 3**

Because the transition from military life to life on a college campus can be difficult, student veterans can feel uncomfortable and even unwelcome. The VET NET Ally program was created to educate faculty and staff about the unique needs and concerns of military service members and veterans studying in colleges and universities. Learn how to create an environment they will perceive as safe, welcoming, and appropriate. Learn about resources on and off campus that are useful to meet the needs of student veterans and active duty military service members. Participants will receive a decal to display in their workspace to show they are “Allies” to student veterans.

**Presented By:** Marshall W. Thomas, Ed.D. Director, Veterans Affairs, The California State University Office of the Chancellor
THURSDAY 2:00—3:15 P.M. — SESSION I

Department of Veterans Affairs Debt Management

Room: Colton

This presentation covers reasons how debts for Post 9/11 GI Bill tuition are created for schools, the collection process, the Treasury Offset Program, and a variety of other topics to help school officials navigate the debt repayment or dispute process.

Presented By: Jamie Jones, Assistant Chief of Treasury, Department of Veterans Affairs

MIS Reporting for Banner Schools

Room: Steinbeck 1

Using VTEA Survey, forms in Banner and Argos, Solano Community College Veterans Affairs Center has developed a process that accurately reports MIS data for SG01 Student Military Status and SG02 Student Military Dependent Status. This session will cover the process.

Presented By: Amy Kennedy, Veterans Affairs Coordinator, Solano Community College

Originally a brass quintet, Del Monte Brass has evolved into an all-instrument music ensemble, primarily catering to the Monterey military community. Its members include students and staff of the Naval Postgraduate School and Defense Language Institute, active duty and retired military service members, military spouses, and friends of the Monterey military community. Del Monte Brass’s regular performances include NPS graduation ceremonies, military balls, and official military ceremonies. It is proud of its military and non-military musician membership, as this ensures a creative balance of longevity of traditions with fresh new ideas to provide the best entertainment for any and all audiences.
BREAKOUT SESSIONS

THURSDAY 2:00—3:15 P.M. — SESSION I CONTINUED

The "Top Ten Things Student Veterans Would Like Faculty to Know"

Room: Steinbeck 2

Professional development out of the Rochester Institute of Technology aims to increase campus knowledge of the impacts of hearing loss in the classroom, unique experiences of the student veteran transition to college, and components of military culture that influence student success. Campuses across the country are working hard to create holistic support for student veterans, and the top ten list provides universal design practices that can be integrated on any campus and in every classroom, aiding our student veterans and all students in their academic pathways. California Community Colleges were the host sites for focus groups and an online survey which were used to develop the top ten list. The presentation is for faculty, staff, and administration as we encourage interdepartmental collaboration. This presentation is a follow-up to our 2017 Vet Summit presentation “Strengthening the Bridge Between Veterans Services and DSPS”; we continue the discussion by sharing how our top ten list can be used to bridge campus services and programs.

Presented By: Donna Lange, PI and Center Director, Rochester Institute of Technology
Terence Nelson, VETS Program Coordinator/Veterans Counselor, Saddleback College
Mike Sauter, Alternative Media Specialist, Saddleback College
Hira Paulin, Project Good to Go Specialist, National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester Institute of Technology

Department of Veterans Affairs Update and Q&A

Room: Steinbeck 3

This session will provide an overview of the audit and compliance process as well as updates on a number of items including the Forever GI, Colmery Act, and VA-Once. There will also be a question and answer period about these topics and any other topics related to the VA.

Presented By: Michael Marks, Chief Education Liaison Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs
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Educational Technologies for Service Connected Student Veterans

**Room:** Colton

Student veterans are dealing with a lot of learning obstacles as they transition from military to civilian to student life. A service connected disability can add another layer to a student veteran’s transition and college success. Educational technologies have been very effective in helping students understand their learning styles and bridge the gap from struggle to success. They have assisted students battling with learning issues, memory, hearing loss, and physical disabilities for decades, and they are within reach of student veterans with service connected disability ratings.

The stigma associated with a service connected disability can be tough to overcome, stopping student veterans from walking into DSPS and asking for assistance. Educational technologies can be the carrot they need to walk through the doors. A demonstration of various educational technologies will take place to address learning styles, attention, memory, reading textbooks, and hearing loss.

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Providing Veterans Credit for Prior Learning

**Room:** Steinbeck 1

Providing veterans credit for prior learning is imperative for our system, the state, and the country. While the American Council on Education provides some recommendations, a faculty-driven solution at the college level is needed to identify, articulate, and record each course-to-course articulation. Norco College has developed a Military Articulation Platform (MAP) that enables faculty to easily compare military courses and occupational specialties with specific courses. Part of a Region 9 collaborative project, this session provides an overview and demo of this impressive platform.

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Pedro Camos, System Architect, Norco College

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Veterans to Energy Careers - Empowering Student Veterans

**Room:** Steinbeck 2

Our VTEC program ensures student veterans’ success through professional development and internships with our partners in DoD and private sector companies. This session will inform community colleges about the internship opportunities available to their campuses through our VTEC program.

**Presented By:** Josh Loop, Technical Program Manager, CSU San Marcos

Sin “Shin Ae” Kook, Communication and Outreach Manager, CSU San Marcos
BREAKOUT SESSIONS

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Operation Surf - The Restorative Power of the Ocean

**Room: Steinbeck 1**

Operation Surf provides results-driven, nature-based programs advocating the restorative power of the ocean and surfing as a form of wellness for injured bodies, minds, and souls. Their work inspires wounded veterans and active-duty military to seek wellness in all aspects of their lives and provides the necessary resources to continue this mindset indefinitely. During this session, you will learn about the nature-based therapy that Operation Surf provides to participants and the wellness approach utilized to encourage veterans to live their best life.

**Presented By:** Van Curaza, Founder/Director, Operation Surf  
Amanda Curaza, Executive Director, Operation Surf  
Melissa Ceresa, VRC Director, West Valley College

Student Veteran Technology Intern Panel

**Room: Steinbeck 2**

This panel will consist of four recent veteran graduates who will share their experiences on military transition, the importance of a Veterans Resource Center, academic experiences at a community college, and experiences as interns and now in their current jobs.

**Moderated By:** Randolph E. Pico, Engineering Directorate Senior Superintendent, Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

9 Line/VASS Program

**Room: Steinbeck 3**

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CHANCELLOR ELOY ORTIZ OAKLEY

Eloy Ortiz Oakley has served as chancellor of the California Community Colleges since December 2016. He is also a University of California regent, serving a ten-year term that began in 2014. Before he became chancellor, he served as superintendent and president of the Long Beach Community College District (LBCCD). He also previously served as LBCCD’s executive vice president of administrative services and vice president of administrative services. He was vice president of college services at Oxnard College from 2001 to 2002 and an assistant vice president at Keenan and Associates from 1999 to 2001.

In addition to serving on the PPIC Higher Education Center Advisory Council, he is a board member of the California Chamber of Commerce, the College Futures Foundation, and the Los Angeles 2024 Olympic Advisory Committee. He served in the US Army and earned both his MBA and bachelor’s degrees from the University of California, Irvine.

COL. TODD LYONS

Colonel Lyons teaches Innovation Leadership at the Naval Postgraduate School with Dr. Peter Denning, where they mentor students in moving their ideas from concept to sustained adoption. As the Associate Dean of Research, he connects researchers across the range of academic disciplines with communities of practice in the Navy and Marine Corps.

Colonel Lyons was previously commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps on 21 December 1989. In 2003, Major Lyons deployed with First Marine Expeditionary Force (1 MEF) in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom as the 1 MEF G-2 Foreign Area Officer. From 2003 to 2006, Major Lyons served as the Marine Attaché in Israel with specific responsibilities in the West Bank and Gaza to support the Middle East Peace Process. In July 2008, he deployed to Iraq as the 1 MEF Foreign Area Officer in Anbar Province. Colonel Lyons has also served as the Marine and Naval Attaché in Oman from 2011 to 2014. He then served as the Chief of Operations for the Defense Attaché Service from July 2014 to July 2016.

Colonel Lyons earned a MA with honors in National Security Affairs from the Naval Postgraduate School in 2000 and was the Honor Graduate from the Israeli National Defense College in 2007.
KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

BARBARA ILLOWSKY, PH.D.

Dr. Barbara Illowsky is currently the first OER & Innovation Fellow at the Michelson 20MM Foundation. She is spending the year advocating for and assisting California’s public higher education in adopting Open Educational Resources. She is considered an international leader and expert in OER and was awarded the international 2013 Educator ACE Award by the Open Education Consortium. Barbara co-authored one of the very first open textbooks, called “Introductory Statistics,” published by OpenStax. It is used at over 600 colleges and universities. She also co-authored “Introductory Business Statistics” and “Collaborative Statistics,” all open textbooks.

Barbara has been a Professor of Mathematics and Statistics at De Anza College since 1989. Most importantly, Barbara is extremely proud to be the mother of Captain Matthew Illowsky, a current U.S.A.F. Test Pilot who has over 3000 combat hours over Afghanistan and Iraq.
CONGRESSMAN JIMMY PANETTA

Congressman Jimmy Panetta is dedicated to public service and proudly serves California's 20th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. His district includes Monterey and San Benito Counties, and parts of Santa Cruz and Santa Clara Counties. First elected in 2016, he is serving his second term in Congress. He currently serves on the House Committee on Ways and Means, the House Committee on Budget, and the House Committee on Agriculture.

Having grown up on the central coast of California, Congressman Panetta understands the importance of giving back to the community and country that gave him and his family so much. He was instilled with a sense of public service and its importance to our democracy, and has made sure that his work is reflective of the values of the people who entrusted him to be their voice in our nation's capital.

During his time in Congress, he has fought for immigration reform, the continued protection of our pristine coastline and environment, affordable and accessible health care, to ensure that our agriculture industry and its farmers and farmworkers are taken care of, to reduce gun violence, for our military installations which are an integral part in our community and our country's national security, and for our veterans to receive the benefits that they were promised and deserve. Through policy implementation in Congress and service to constituents, he remains committed to being that bridge for the people of the Central Coast to the federal government and its resources.

NANCY MONTGOMERY

Nancy L. Montgomery is a Registered Nurse with a master's degree in Nursing Education and is currently the Assistant Dean of Health, Wellness and Veterans' Services at Irvine Valley College. She helped raise the health standards and believes in holistic healthcare for underserved populations by acquiring over $5 million in grants for underserved children and veterans programs. Nancy is a past board member of BeAware Breast Cancer, Health Services Association California Community Colleges, Veterans Representative for the Chancellor's Office Advisory Group on Student Mental Health, past President of Region 8 Veterans Consortium, and current Region Rep for the Chancellors Office Veterans/Health.

Work includes developing and designing Veterans Resource Centers, implementation of a suicide prevention program/binder for staff caring for veterans at the college level, and researching and writing articles/programs to address veteran needs. She received the 2016 National NAVPA Distinguished Service Award for work with veterans. In 2017 she received the President’s Award at Irvine Valley College for outstanding work with veterans and grants, and in 2018 she received the Outstanding Administrator Award at Irvine Valley College. In 2016/17 and 2018 Nancy wrote the proposal and advocated by taking over 500 veterans to the California State Legislature to fund $15 million dollars for Veteran Resource Centers in the California Community Colleges. She recently wrote an Innovation Grant for $2 million dollars to collect baseline data on community college veterans, establish policies and protocols for best practices, and advocate for increased funding for VRCs throughout the state.
Keetha Mills is President and CEO of the Foundation for California Community Colleges. Since her appointment in 2012, the Foundation has significantly increased available resources to total over $50 million in annual support of the California Community Colleges and its students. Under her leadership, the Foundation has expanded overall impact through the development and delivery of more than 40 mission-aligned programs and services across five areas of impact: student success, workforce development, equity, community impact, and system support. Inspired to further this success, the Foundation has launched an ambitious goal to double its impact over the next decade, with Mills challenging her team to create innovative solutions and forge valuable partnerships that will continue to drive annual increases in resources brought in by the Foundation to benefit the California Community Colleges.

Mills' professional background includes over 20 years of experience in executive leadership, finance, accounting, and operations, which she leverages to lead the nonprofit through a business-centric lens. Credited to her focus on operational discipline, the Foundation continues to achieve strategic year-after-year growth, resulting in an expanded portfolio of resources, services, and specialized programs that increase opportunity and improve outcomes for more than 2.1 million students across all 115 community colleges.

Manuel Baca’s professional experience includes holding faculty and administrative (executive level) positions within the California State University and California Community Colleges systems. Baca is currently president of the governing board of the Mt. San Antonio Community College District and has, in addition, served on several statewide commissions and committees. He is a member of the Advisory Committee for Wheelhouse, the Center for Community College Leadership and Research at the University of California, Davis. Baca served on the California Community Colleges Board of Governors from 2009 to 2015; this included two terms as president from 2013 to 2015. He is currently professor of political science emeritus at Rio Hondo College where he previously served on the Academic Senate Executive Committee.

Baca’s military service with the United States Marine Corps includes having served a tour of duty in Vietnam and earned an honorable discharge as a non-commissioned officer. Long active in veterans’ affairs, he is co-founder of the California Community Colleges Veterans Annual Summit. Within the San Gabriel Valley and the greater Los Angeles area, Baca serves or has previously served as a member of numerous community-based and civic organizations.
### SPECIAL THANKS

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