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COMMUNITY COLLEGE DAILY

The Obama administration is continuing to promote the registered apprenticeship model as a critical job training program, especially among industries not traditionally known for offering them.

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SAVE THE DATE FOR PASI

The AACC [Presidents Academy Summer Institute \(PASI\)](#), a professional development program for CEOs and presidents of member community colleges, will take place in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, July 16–19.



96TH ANNUAL AACC CONVENTION

Don't forget to register for the

POLICY and ADVOCACY

1. REGISTER FOR AACC'S FEDERAL POLICY WEBINAR

Join the AACC government relations team on Wednesday, February 3, at 3:00 p.m. (ET), for a free federal policy webinar. Get a briefing on the latest news about federal funding, Higher Education Act and Perkins CTE reauthorizations, the America's College Promise proposal, and more. [Register today](#).
AACC Contact: [Jim Hermes](#)

2. OBAMA PROPOSES NEW PELL GRANT INVESTMENTS

The Obama administration released a [fact sheet](#) with details about two new Pell Grant proposals. In addition to supporting year-round Pell, President Obama is calling for an "on-track Pell bonus" for those students who take 15 credits per semester. More specifics will be provided in the president's upcoming FY 2017 budget blueprint scheduled for release on February 9. Get more details in [Community College Daily](#).
AACC Contact: [David Baime](#)

PROGRAM INITIATIVES

3. AACC CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

AACC honors the significant contributions and achievements that Black Americans have made in U.S. and world history. We are interested in learning what our colleges are doing to celebrate Black History Month. Please share what your campus is doing by e-mailing [Kevin Christian](#), AACC's senior program associate for diversity, inclusion, and equity.
AACC Contact: [Kevin Christian](#)

NEWS and SOCIAL NETWORKING

4. "ELIGIBLE COLLEGES NAMED FOR 2017 ASPEN PRIZE"

The Aspen Institute College Excellence Program has named the 150 U.S. community colleges eligible to compete for the 2017 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence and \$1 million in prize funds. Learn more in [Community College Daily](#).
AACC Contact: [Matthew Dembicki](#)

5. "A READINESS PROGRAM TO KEEP STUDENTS ON TRACK"

The Blue Meets Green plan in Michigan reaches students sooner to encourage college and career paths. Read about it in the [21st Century Center](#).
AACC Contact: [Martha Parham](#)

RESOURCES

6. GET NSF GUIDANCE ON FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT OF ATE GRANTS

Experts from the National Science Foundation (NSF) will address important information concerning financial management and grant management for ATE grant recipients and share key contacts during an upcoming webinar. The focus will be on financial accounting issues and problems often seen in monitoring visits such as participant support, time and effort accounting, sub-awardees, record keeping, changes in scope, overload, and use of consultants. The webinar will be held February 10, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. (ET). [Register online](#).

96th AACC Annual Convention. We'll see you in Chicago, Illinois, April 9–12.



AACC Contact: [Ellen Hause](#)

7. RESOURCES FROM UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX

Through its growing work within local communities and academic partnerships with many AACC members, University of Phoenix offers a full scope of resources for students, faculty, and staff. Educational cohorts, redesigned transfer pathways, professional development offerings, and a new doctoral program—EdD in Higher Education Administration—are some of the ways the university strives to be a true engagement partner with community colleges. [Learn more](#) about the available resources.

AACC Contact: [Martha Parham](#)

EVENTS and SERVICES

8. HAIL & FAREWELL

The Hail & Farewell Luncheon is an opportunity to wish a fond farewell to retiring CEOs as well as hail new and 25-year CEOs. If you or a CEO that you know fit into one of the categories that AACC is honoring, [let us know](#) by February 29 at 4:00 p.m. (ET). The 2016 program will occur April 10 in Chicago, Illinois, at the AACC Annual Convention.

AACC Contact: [Angel Royal](#)

9. NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR THE WALTER G. BUMPUS LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

Nominations are being accepted for the National Council on Student Development's [Walter G. Bumpus Leadership Institute](#), which will be held in Houston, Texas, June 9–11, 2016. The institute is designed to nurture participants for career advancement in student development. Using the *Reclaiming the American Dream* report as the foundation, the institute will provide an opportunity for participants to share ideas, engage in critical discourse, and learn from each other while preparing to meet the challenges facing student development professionals. Deadline to [submit nominations](#): March 30, 2016.

AACC Contact: [Tammy Reichelt](#)

OPPORTUNITIES FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

10. NCBA A 2016 DISSERTATION OF THE YEAR AWARD COMPETITION

The National Council on Black American Affairs (NCBAA)—Northeast Region [Dissertation of the Year Award](#) will recognize an individual whose doctoral dissertation aligns with the mission of NCBAA, contributes to the literature on community colleges, and/or makes a substantial contribution to policy, procedures, and practice that has an impact on black students, faculty, staff, and administrators. Deadline to apply: February 12, 2016.

AACC Contact: [Kevin Christian](#)

11. CONFERENCE FOR DIVERSITY PROFESSIONALS

The National Association of Diversity Officers in Higher Education invites community colleges representatives to attend its [2016 annual conference](#). The theme is "Charting a Roadmap for Diversity in a Changing Landscape." The conference will bring together diversity and education professionals, March 14–16, in San Francisco, California.

AACC Contact: [Kevin Christian](#)

12. HOW ARE YOU SERVING LATINO STUDENTS?

Examples of *Excelencia* is a national effort to recognize programs with evidence-based practices that increase Latino student success in higher education. [Nominate a program](#) you think is accelerating Latino student success. Programs recognized through Examples of *Excelencia* are disseminated to others interested in serving Latino students. The deadline to submit nominations is April 4, 2016.

AACC Contact: [Jolanta \(J.J.\) Juszkiwicz](#)

13. NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

[TravelNursing.org](#) is offering a \$1,000 scholarship eligible to nursing students enrolled full-time in an accredited institution. Deadline to apply: May 17, 2016.

AACC Contact: [Roxanne Fulcher](#)

14. SAVE THE DATE FOR NCIA CHIEF ACADEMIC OFFICER WORKSHOP

The National Council of Instructional Administrators (NCIA) will host its 2016 [Chief Academic Officer Workshop](#) July 15–16, 2016, at Southeast Community College in Lincoln, Nebraska. This year's workshop theme, "The Insight You Need to Navigate Upward," will provide panel discussion with current community college presidents and chief academic officers, personal coaching from The Pauly Group, and sessions focused on preparing to be a CAO. For more information [contact NCIA](#).

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