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# NEWSLETTER

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A high school dropout earns an accelerated associate degree in business and plans to continue his education.

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## AACC 2016 FACT SHEET

Learn more about community colleges and the students they serve with the latest [Fact Sheet](#) from AACC.

## JOBS

## HEA UPDATE

The House Committee on Education and the Workforce has approved five higher education bills on a bipartisan basis. The approved bills address various pieces of the Higher Education Act (HEA).

## POLICY and ADVOCACY

### 1. HOUSE COMMITTEE RELEASES PERKINS REAUTHORIZATION BILL

The House Committee on Education and the Workforce has [released bipartisan legislation](#) to reauthorize the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act. Dubbed the "Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act," the bill is expected to be formally introduced after the House returns to session on July 5 and approved by the committee before the House adjourns for its summer recess. Further analysis will be available soon on the [AACC website](#).

AACC Contact: [Jim Hermes](#)

## GRANTS and PARTNERSHIPS

### 2. APPLY FOR TECHHIRE INITIATIVE

The White House is extending an invitation to community colleges to apply for President Obama's TechHire initiative, designed to provide rapid training for high-paying tech jobs in in-demand industries. Learn more on [AACC's website](#), and complete [this form](#) by July 15.

AACC Contact: [David Baime](#)

## NEWS and SOCIAL NETWORKING

### 3. "STUDENT SUCCESS CALLS FOR 'BIG PICTURE THINKING'"

Community colleges can help more low-income students succeed academically and rise out of poverty into self-sustaining careers by forming cross-sector partnerships with K-12 schools, universities, and employers, according to an Aspen Institute report. Learn more in [Community College Daily](#).

AACC Contact: [Matthew Dembicki](#)

### 4. "MANAGING A CRISIS"

Whether it's a tragedy or campus controversy, how you communicate is critical to navigating the situation. Learn more in the June/July digital [Community College Journal](#). All staff at AACC member institutions have access to the digital Journal with a [simple log-in](#).

AACC Contact: [Tabitha Whissemore](#)

## RESOURCES

### 5. INCREASING LATINO COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

Authored by ACT, in collaboration with *Excelencia* in Education, a [new brief](#) offers recommendations for policy and practice that policymakers and educational institutions can implement to increase Latino college and career readiness.

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## EVENTS and SERVICES

### 6. SAVE THE DATE FOR WDI

AACC's [Workforce Development Institute 2017](#) (WDI) will take place January 25–28 in Newport Beach, California. WDI continues to be a pre-eminent opportunity for in-depth exchanges and networking for economic and workforce leaders at community colleges and their partners. The WDI 2017 theme is "Inspiring Innovation."

Find out how this affects you.



AACC Contact: [Jen Worth](#)

## OPPORTUNITIES FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

### 7. GRANTS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES, FOREIGN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION

The U.S. Department of Education's Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language (UISFL) Program [provides grants](#) for planning, developing, and carrying out programs to strengthen and improve U.S. undergraduate instruction in international studies and foreign languages. Competitive preference points are given to proposals from community colleges (singularly or as part of a consortium). Deadline: July 22, 2016. AACC Contact: [Wayne Wheeler](#)

### 8. BELLEVUE COLLEGE TO HOST CONFERENCE ON ADULTS WITH COGNITIVE DISABILITIES

Bellevue College in Washington offers an associate degree program for adults with cognitive disabilities. October 5–6, the college will [host a conference](#) for college administrators that are interested in working with this diverse student population. This conference will provide experiences that will demonstrate an in-depth knowledge about occupational and life skills, leading to the creation of an action plan for support, funding, and structure. For more information, e-mail [Marci Muhlestein](#). AACC Contact: [Kevin Christian](#)

### 9. THOMAS LAKIN INSTITUTE 2016

The National Council on Black American Affairs and its Presidents' Roundtable will host its annual [Thomas Lakin Institute](#), October 23–28, 2016, in St. Paul, Minnesota. The institute provides a personal and professional development experience for selected individuals who have demonstrated a potential for expanded leadership roles in their current or future responsibilities within community colleges. For additional information and an application, contact [Kirk Nooks](#). AACC Contact: [Kevin Christian](#)

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