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Community colleges in New Jersey and Michigan successfully reformed their policies on developmental education placement, and as a result, are seeing fewer students in remedial courses and higher completion rates.

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ADVOCATES IN ACTION

AACC is launching a new forum in Washington, DC, June 12–13. Community college leaders will be gathering in the nation's capital to advance the community college federal agenda at a critical time. Join us for Advocates in Action.



DATAPOINTS

POLICY and ADVOCACY

1. BUDGET DEAL REINSTATES YEAR-ROUND PELL

In a major victory for community colleges and their students, the FY 2017 omnibus appropriations bill released this week by Congress reinstates year-round Pell Grants beginning with the 2017-18 award year. Restoration of year-round Pell has been a top AACC priority since its elimination in FY 2011. The omnibus bill funds federal agencies through September 30. Starting July 1, the maximum Pell Grant increases to \$5,920. Learn more about the appropriations bill here. Voting on the bill is expected later this week. In the meantime, we encourage you to show your support of year-round Pell by joining the national social media campaign #PellYes and telling your legislators that you support access to higher education.

AACC Contact: David Baime

PROGRAM INITIATIVES

2. SERVE ON AN AACC COMMISSION

If you want to get more involved on the national level, sign up to join one of nine commissions. CEOs, vice presidents/vice chancellors, associate/assistant vice presidents/vice chancellors, and provosts from AACC member colleges are eligible to apply. Appointments range from 1 to 3 years. Commissions meet twice a year, and have access to information on the latest trends and issues affecting community colleges. Sign up today. The deadline for applying for a commission appointment is May 5.

AACC Contact: Angel Royal

3. BE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Let us spotlight your college on our website! The Community College Spotlight offers member colleges an opportunity to have their institution featured on the home page of the AACC website. This is a free member benefit.

AACC Contact: Tina Henry-Barrus

4. AACC LEADERSHIP TRAINING

The next AACC John E. Roueche Future Leaders Institute, or Roueche-FLI, will take place June 25–28, 2017, in Washington, DC. It's aimed at mid-level community college administrators who look to be leaders in their current positions or are ready to move into a higher level of leadership. Funding is available to help cover the cost of the institute. AACC's Future Presidents Institute (FPI) is also taking place June 25–28. It's designed for senior leaders aspiring to the community college presidency.

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NEWS and SOCIAL NETWORKING

5. "EARLY CHALLENGES, SUCCESSES ON GUIDED PATHWAYS"

Community colleges engaged in creating guided pathways for students are facing some expected challenges—from difficult conversations with faculty, to improving career counseling—but the changes are yielding results, even early on in their efforts. Read about it in *CC Daily*.

AACC Contact: Matthew Dembicki

6. "THE RISE OF DUAL ENROLLMENT"

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Student parents attending public two-year institutions comprise 45% (about 2.1 million) of all student-parent enrollments—an increase of 9% from 2004 to 2012. Learn more in DataPoints.







Featured in the April/May Community College Journal: Making dual enrollment work for everyone. Read it in the digital edition. AACC member institutions have access to the digital Journal with a simple log-in.

AACC Contact: Tabitha Whissemore

7. "BRINGING CONVENIENCE TO TESTING"

More flexible testing services at a Minnesota college help students get ahead on their own time. Learn more at the 21st Century Center.

AACC Contact: Tabitha Whissemore

RESOURCES

8. AACC JOB BOARD

Have you visited AACC's job board? The job board has expanded search functionality and a great new look and feel. AACC member institutions can post jobs for just \$255 by using the coupon code: Members2016. AACC Contact: Tina Henry-Barrus

9. HUNGRY AND HOMELESS

A report from ACCT and the Wisconsin HOPE Lab presents findings from a survey conducted of basic needs insecurity among community college students. The study found that two in three students are food insecure and about half are housing insecure. Read the report online.

AACC Contact: Martha Parham

EVENTS and SERVICES

10. PRESIDENTS ACADEMY SUMMER INSTITUTE

The AACC Presidents Academy Summer Institute (PASI) is an annual professional development program for CEOs and presidents of member community colleges, providing intensive focus on current challenges, emerging trends, and opportunities unique to that position. The 2017 institute will be held in New York City, July 22–25. Register now.

AACC Contact: Angel Royal

OPPORTUNITIES FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

11. IT'S NCIA COMPETITION SEASON

The National Council of Instructional Administrators (NCIA) has announced two national competitions. Recognize and celebrate the exceptional work of your chief academic officer: nominate her/him for the Chief Academic Officer of the Year or the Emerging Chief Academic Officer. Submissions also are being accepted for NCIA's Exemplary Initiative in Student Access, Persistence and Completion. Application deadline for both competitions is May 15, 2017. Questions? Contact Katherine Wesley at NCIA.

AACC Contact: Tammy Reichelt

12. COMMUNITY COLLEGE SERVICE LEARNING CONFERENCE 2017

Red Rocks Community College will host a 2017 Service Learning Conference, May 18–19 in Lakewood, Colorado. This dynamic conference is an opportunity for community college faculty and staff to learn about best practices and initiatives in the field of service learning and community engagement. For more information, email service.learning@rrcc.edu.

AACC Contact: Kevin Christian

13. SHARE YOUR PROMISING PRACTICES WITH NCCHC

The National Community College Hispanic Council (NCCHC) invites community colleges to share knowledge, expertise, and promising practices by submitting a proposal for presentation at the 2017 Leadership Symposium, being held September 21–23 in Miami, Florida. The symposium will be hosted by Miami Dade College. Deadline to submit: June 15.

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