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NEWSLETTER

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COMMUNITY COLLEGE DAILY

With enrollment climbing, the architecture and drafting technology program at a Texas college is running out of room.

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PRE-CONVENTION SESSIONS

Get a jump on the AACC Convention and gain new leadership skills by attending a [pre-convention session](#).

JOBS

Have you visited AACC's new and improved [job board](#)? The new 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.



POLICY and ADVOCACY

1. COMMUNITY COLLEGE AGENDA FOR THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION

As the new administration of President-elect Donald J. Trump develops its higher education policies, AACC presents [its vision](#) of how the federal government can help community colleges fulfill their mission of building a stronger America by providing high-quality education and related programs.

AACC Contact: [David Baime](#)

PROGRAM INITIATIVES

2. APPLY FOR NSF'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE INNOVATION CHALLENGE

AACC is partnering with the National Science Foundation (NSF) on its third annual [Community College Innovation Challenge](#) (CCIC) competition. The CCIC asks community college students, working with a faculty mentor and an industry partner, to craft innovative STEM-based solutions for real-world problems in the categories of Maker-to-Manufacturer; Energy and the Environment; and Security Technologies. Ten community colleges will be selected as finalists and receive travel expenses to attend an Innovation Boot Camp in June. The top two teams receive cash prizes. Deadline to apply: February 15, 2017.

AACC Contact: [Ellen Hause](#)

GRANTS and PARTNERSHIPS

3. NSF ANNOUNCES NEW FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

NSF has announced [\\$7.5 million in funding](#) to support projects under the "Inclusion across the Nation of Communities of Learners of Underrepresented Discoverers in Engineering and Science" (NSF INCLUDES) initiative. NSF INCLUDES aims to strengthen the U.S. STEM workforce through improving collaborative efforts, increasing participation, and ensuring contributions of individuals from groups that have traditionally been underrepresented and underserved in the STEM enterprise. Deadline for proposals: February 14, 2017.

AACC Contact: [Ellen Hause](#)

NEWS and SOCIAL NETWORKING

4. "FALL ENROLLMENTS DIP AGAIN"

Overall fall 2016 postsecondary education enrollments fell by more than 270,000 students—a 1.4 percent dip—according to new estimates from the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) Research Center. Get more information in [Community College Daily](#).

AACC Contact: [Matthew Dembicki](#)

5. "NOT FADE AWAY"

How do you sustain program when grant funding ends? Find out how some colleges are doing it in the December/January digital [Community College Journal](#). AACC member institutions have access to the digital [Journal](#) with a [simple log-in](#).

AACC Contact: [Tabitha Whissemore](#)

6. "PAID INTERNSHIPS ARE COMING TO LOW-INCOME STUDENTS"

The Career Ready Internship Grant will help two-year colleges provide paid internships for students. Read about it at the [21st Century Center](#).

AACC Contact: [Tabitha Whissemore](#)

RESOURCES

7. AACC'S LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WEBINAR

AACC hosted a webinar about the new policy landscape and status of key legislation on December 13. You can view the [slides online](#).

AACC Contact: [Laurie Quarles](#)

EVENTS and SERVICES

8. REGISTER FOR THE AACC ANNUAL CONVENTION

Early-bird rates end January 27, so [register now](#) for the 97th Annual [AACC Annual Convention](#). This year's event will be held in New Orleans, Louisiana, April 22–25.

AACC Contact: [Angel Royal](#)

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