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# NEWSLETTER

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## COMMUNITY COLLEGE DAILY

National Science Foundation (NSF) officials want to see more community college educators apply for NSF funding. Two future funding opportunities will include work at the "human technology frontier" and the pilot networks of organizations that facilitate inclusion of diverse populations in STEM.

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## AACC INTERNATIONAL TOOLKIT

Download and print the [AACC International Education Toolkit](#). This free resource contains case studies of innovative and promising practices at community colleges, talking points about the importance of global education, and a fact sheet.

## POLICY and ADVOCACY

### 1. SAY #PELLEYES TO YEAR-ROUND PELL

Now is the time to tell your Congressional representatives to reinstate year-round Pell grants. AACC has developed [resources](#) to help you do this.

AACC Contact: [David Baime](#)

### 2. FAFSA RENEWAL E-MAIL CAMPAIGN

The Federal Student Aid office of the U.S. Department of Education, has typically provided FAFSA renewal reminder e-mails to eligible students in January–February of each year. With the changes to the 2017–18 FAFSA, the office will conduct two separate FAFSA email campaigns: October–December 2016, and January 2017. [Click here](#) for more information.

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## PROGRAM INITIATIVES

### 3. DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR THE AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

The AACC [Awards of Excellence](#) nomination deadline has been extended to November 30. Submit nominations in the following categories: Advancing Diversity, Community College Safety Planning and Leadership, Exemplary CEO/Board, Faculty Innovation, Outstanding College/Corporate Partnership, and Student Success. Winners will be announced at the AACC Annual Convention.

AACC Contact: [Angel Royal](#)

## NEWS and SOCIAL NETWORKING

### 4. "SOLVING PROBLEMS IN A TECHNOLOGY-RICH WORLD"

In the digital economy, people are not rewarded for what they know, but for what they can do with what they know. That's what Andreas Schleicher has concluded from analyzing voluminous international data. And numeracy skills are the best predictor of individuals' productivity. Learn more in [Community College Daily](#).

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### 5. "HELP WITH A HEAVY LIFT"

State Student Success Centers are supporting community colleges in many ways - and creating guided pathways is one. Read about it in the October/November 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](#)

### 6. "HEALTH CARE TRAINING MOVES CLOSER TO HOME"

For some students, college selection comes down to location, location, location. But what happens if the program you want to study isn't offered at that location? One college is adding allied health training to a satellite campus. Get the information at the [21st Century Center](#).

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## RESOURCES

## AACC JOB BOARD

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.



### 7. 150 AND COUNTING

The College Promise Campaign just issued its first [annual report](#). Since its inception, the College Promise Campaign has witnessed a tremendous growth in the number of Promise programs. About 85 of the more than 150 Promise programs across the country are locally based. The College Promise Campaign is not only working to expand the number of Promise programs, but also to look at what's needed to sustain these programs. The campaign has been working with a researcher at the University of Pennsylvania to develop a [database](#) about the Promise programs.

AACC Contact: [Martha Parham](#)

### 8. DO YOU HAVE A DIVERSITY PLAN?

AACC will offer a [free webinar](#) on Monday, November 14, 3:00–4:15 p.m. (ET). The topic is Creating a 21st Century Strategic Diversity Plan for Your Community College. Register and get more information [online](#).

AACC Contact: [Kevin Christian](#)

## EVENTS and SERVICES

### 9. REGISTER FOR THE AACC ANNUAL CONVENTION

Registration is now open for the [97th Annual AACC Convention](#). Don't miss out on one of the largest and most dynamic gatherings of educational leaders. The theme is "Community Colleges: America's North Star." Join us in New Orleans, Louisiana, April 22–25, 2017. Early-bird registration ends January 27.

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### 10. WDI INSPIRES INNOVATION

Register now for the 2017 [Workforce Development Institute](#) (WDI). WDI is a pre-eminent opportunity for in-depth exchanges and networking for economic and workforce leaders at community colleges and their partners. It will be held January 25–28 in Newport Beach, California.

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## OPPORTUNITIES FROM OTHER COLLEGES

### 11. ASPEN PRESIDENTIAL FELLOWSHIP

The [Aspen Presidential Fellowship for Community College Excellence](#) aims to develop a cadre of exceptional leaders who can transform community colleges to achieve higher levels of student success, while maintaining broad access. The year-long fellowship includes three on-campus residential seminars plus structured mentoring for applied learning and strategic planning at home institutions. Application materials for the 2017-18 class are due by December 23, 2016.

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### 12. SCHOLARSHIPS SUPPORT STUDY ABROAD

The application for the [2017 Boren Awards](#) is now open. Boren Awards fund U.S. undergraduate and graduate language study and research abroad in world regions critical to U.S. national interests. The Boren Scholarships provide up to \$20,000 for undergraduate students for language-focused study abroad. Informational [webinars](#) are being held to help applicants. Deadline to apply: February 9, 2017.

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