Policy and Advocacy

1. SEMINAL EVENT: WHITE HOUSE SUMMIT ON COMMUNITY COLLEGES
The Oct. 5, 2010, White House Summit on Community Colleges, chaired by Dr. Jill Biden, will bring together leaders from two-year colleges, businesses, philanthropic organizations and federal and state governments to discuss the key role that community colleges play in meeting higher education and workforce needs. Never before has a U.S. president focused such attention on community colleges. Stay tuned to White House Web site to keep apprised of this monumental event.
AACC Contact: Norma Kent

2. ADVOCATE FOR COMMUNITY COLLEGES IN WASHINGTON, DC
Interested in participating in policy discussions at the federal level? Want to meet with more high-level officials and key Congressional staff? Then register now for AACC's 2010 Washington Institute, Nov. 7–9, 2010. An intensive program designed for community college senior administrators who want an insider's view of how federal higher education policy is formulated, this year's institute will provide a timely analysis of the 2010 Congressional elections as well as a review of recent legislation and the future funding landscape for community colleges.
AACC Contacts: Katharine Carter and Laurie Quarles

Program Initiatives

3. NEW FRANK LANZA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP TO BENEFIT HEALTH-CARE STUDENTS
AACC and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, with the generous support of METI and L-3 Communications, Inc., have launched the Frank Lanza Memorial Scholarship Program. This initiative is designed to recognize the academic and leadership accomplishments of students enrolled in registered nursing, respiratory care or emergency medical service programs offered by regionally accredited community colleges. Up to 25 scholarships of $1,000 each will be awarded for the 2011 academic year. The scholarships will target part-time, full-time and international students who have completed 50 percent of their course work leading toward achieving an associate degree and who have a demonstrable financial need (certificate students are not eligible to apply). Candidates do not have to be members of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society to apply. Completed applications must be submitted online no later than midnight, Oct. 15, 2010. For more information about the Frank Lanza Memorial Scholarship, contact Phi Theta Kappa via e-mail or phone (601-987-5741).
AACC Contact: Carolina Zumarán-Jones

4. HEISKELL AWARD FOCUSES ON INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS EDUCATION
Internationalizing the Community College Campus: Special Focus on Internationalizing International
Business Education is an Andrew Heiskell award created to recognize institutions that provide innovative programs and services, including study abroad, to make international opportunities accessible to community college students. Institute of International Education and AACC members are eligible to apply. AACC strongly encourages member colleges to nominate their programs for the award. The winners of this award will be recognized at a workshop in Houston on Feb. 4, 2011, focusing on internationalization at community colleges. The deadline for submission is Oct. 15, 2010.

AACC Contact: Michael Allen

5. FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE (SIR) PROGRAM
The SIR program brings visiting scholars and professionals from abroad to lecture at U.S. colleges and universities for one semester or one academic year. The SIR application deadline is Oct. 15, 2010. An archived webinar on how community colleges can further internationalize their campuses by hosting a Fulbright scholar is also available.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen

6. 2011 SENATOR PAUL SIMON AWARDS COMPETITION IS NOW OPEN
AACC strongly encourages you to nominate your college and be recognized for your internationalization efforts. The Simon Award for Comprehensive Internationalization will recognize up to five institutions for overall excellence in internationalization efforts as evidenced in practices, structures, philosophies and policies. The Simon Spotlight Award will be presented to up to three campuses with specific innovative international programs or initiatives. Winners will be nationally recognized, interviewed and profiled in Internationalizing the Campus: Profiles of Success at Colleges and Universities. The deadline for submission is Nov. 30, 2010.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen

7. DO YOU OFFER GEOSPATIAL COURSES? NSF WANTS TO KNOW
The National Geospatial Center of Excellence (GeoTech Center), funded by NSF, is conducting a survey of colleges to determine how many offer courses focused on Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Global Positioning Systems (GPS), remote sensing, surveying or other mobile technologies. Current research indicates that there are about 450 community and technical colleges offering geospatial technology classes. If you want to be counted among those colleges offering geospatial courses, complete an 11-question survey online. For more information, contact the GeoTech Center.
AACC Contact: Carolyn Teich

News and Social Networking

8. COLLEGES SEEK NEW WAYS TO CUT COSTS
As enrollments continue to increase and public funding continues to decrease, many community colleges are looking at innovative cost-cutting measures, according to an article in the Community College Times.
AACC Contact: Matthew Dembicki

9. FROM THE WALL STREET JOURNAL
Community colleges get their few moments in the White House limelight next week when President Barack Obama and the vice president's wife, Dr. Jill Biden, convene a community college summit. It's
another step toward giving the institutions a bit more of the respect they deserve.
AACC Contact: Sarah Lawler

Grants and Partnerships

**10. GRANT REVIEWERS SOUGHT BY ED AND DOL**
The U.S. Department of Education, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, is urgently seeking expert reviewers for upcoming grant competitions. The department is specifically looking for experts in Open Education Resources, online learning and hybrid online or on-site course delivery systems. If you qualify to evaluate competitive proposals in these areas of delivery, sign up on the [DOL Web site](#), or contact Hal Plotkin.

AACC Contact: Norma Kent

**11. GRANTS FOR PARTNERSHIPS WITH THE BROADER MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA**
Higher Education for Development (HED), in cooperation with the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Agency for International Development and the U.S. Department of Education anticipates making up to 10 awards of up to $60,000 each for a six-month period of performance to support the planning for partnerships between U.S. community colleges and community and technical colleges in the Broader Middle East and North Africa (BMENA). Red Rocks Community College, Highline Community College, Gateway Technical College and Muscatine Community College received BMENA awards earlier this year that ranged between $100,000 and $150,000 each for 18-month partnerships with community and technical colleges in the BMENA region. Application deadline is Oct. 18, 2010. For more information, visit the [HED Web site](#).

AACC Contact: Michael Allen

**12. UK–US HIGHER EDUCATION PARTNERSHIPS**
The [British Council](#) recently launched a $500,000 fund to develop new strategic links between British and U.S. higher education institutions. Up to 20 projects will be funded with up to £20,000 in seed money to help establish collaborations between new partners, expand cooperation between existing partners or pilot UK–US collaborations with third countries, such as India and China. Applications will be developed in partnership between institutions, but submitted by the UK institution partner. Application is Oct. 31, 2010.

AACC Contact: Michael Allen

**13. APPLY BY OCT. 15 FOR NEA**
NEA Foundation provides $5,000 grants to improve the academic achievement of students in U.S. public schools and public higher education institutions in any subject area. For more information, visit the [NEA Student Achievement Grants Web site](#). NEA Learning and Leadership Grants support public school teachers, public education support professionals, and faculty and staff in public institutions of higher education. For more information, visit the [NEA Learning and Leadership Grants Web site](#).

AACC Contact: Michael Allen

**New Resources**
14. FREE PLUS 50 INITIATIVE WEBINARS IN OCTOBER
Community colleges are vital institutions that meet the evolving needs of their communities. As society faces a massive demographic shift with the aging of the baby boom generation, community colleges are called upon to meet the needs of this age cohort. Colleges nationwide are creating programs that support the plus 50 population in reaching their learning, career, and volunteering goals. The AACC Plus 50 Initiative will host two free webinars Oct.14 and Oct. 28 to support community colleges developing programming for plus 50 students. To register, contact Mary Sue Vickers.
AACC Contact: Mary Sue Vickers

Events and Services

15. COME TO NEW ORLEANS FOR THE MOST IMPORTANT COMMUNITY COLLEGE EVENT OF 2011
Register online for AACC's 91st Annual Convention, April 9–12, 2011, in New Orleans. You can't afford to miss this premier opportunity to visit one of America's most beloved cities while you also reconnect and network with your colleagues and knowledge and skills from professionals with expertise in education, business, industry and government. And by registering well before Jan. 14, 2011, you can save money and guarantee your accommodations.
AACC Contact: Delinda Frazier

16. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE ONLINE REGISTRATION OPENS
The annual Workforce Development Institute (WDI 2011), "Keeping America Working," convenes Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2010, in Newport Beach, CA. Make your plans to come early for outstanding preconference sessions and a fireside chat and, stay through the extraordinary super general session and forums on Saturday. Register for WDI 2011 online now.
AACC Contact: Carolyn Teich

17. NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR WORKFORCE EDUCATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE
"The New American Idol: Community Colleges Take the National Stage," Oct. 16–19, 2010, in Washington, D.C., provides attendees with great networking opportunities and over 75 workshops and roundtables focusing on student success, integrated basic skills, sustainability and going green, partnerships between nonprofits and community colleges, funding sources and grant writing. Keynote speakers include Donna Brazile, Thomas Bailey, Gail Mellow, Frank Chung, Jane Oates and Robert Templin. For more information, visit the NCWE Conference Web site.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen

18. SEMINARS FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATORS
Fulbright International Education Administrators (IEA) Program seminars are designed to introduce participants to the society, culture and higher education systems in Germany, India, Japan or Korea through campus visits, meetings with foreign colleagues and government officials, attendance at cultural events and briefings on education. Participants gain new perspective on the need to internationalize U.S. campuses and insight into how it can be done. For more information, visit the

19. WORLD CONGRESS CONVENES IN NOVEMBER
The World Federation of Colleges and Polytechnics' 2010 World Congress, Nov. 14–15, 2010, in Birmingham, England, hosted by the Association of Colleges (AOC), provides the opportunity to engage in professional development activities with international colleagues. AOC's annual conference will commence on Nov. 16, directly following the World Congress. AACC encourages you to consider one or both of these exciting events for yourself and others at your college. The World Congress Board of Directors has expressed a specific desire to include U.S. community colleges in its agenda. For more information, visit the World Congress Web site.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen

20. MEXICAN ASSOCIATION FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE
"Leadership in Internationalization: A Shared Commitment," Nov. 10–12, 2010, in Manzanillo, Colima, Mexico, will provide an opportunity to network and discuss the internationalization trends, national policies, the curriculum and the role of educators. For more information, visit the AMPEI conference Web site. Registration deadline is Oct. 30, 2010.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen

21. CALL FOR PROPOSALS: CCCID 2011 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
"Workforce Training In Higher Education: A Catalyst for Development," Feb. 26–March 1, 2011, in Orlando, Florida, will capture and analyze what is occurring globally. The main plenary panel will include experts from India, Thailand, China, Vietnam, Georgia, Dominican Republic, Albania, Jordan and elsewhere to discuss the development of community colleges in their countries and the role U.S. community colleges have played and can continue to play in their development. AACC encourages member colleges to submit conference proposals. For more information, visit the CCID Web site. Proposal deadline is Nov. 12, 2010.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen

22. INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK
This year's event will take place Nov. 15–19, 2010, and is jointly sponsored by the U.S. Departments of State and Education. AACC encourages its member community colleges to organize and host events in celebration on their respective campuses. For ideas, visit the IEW Web site. If your college has planned activities, please forward information to Wayne Wheeler.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen

23. TPS ENROLLMENT PERIOD FOR HAITIANS EXTENDED
The U.S. Citizen and Immigration Service has announced that the enrollment period for Haitian nationals seeking temporary protected status (TPS) has been extended for six additional months, through Jan. 18, 2011. For more information, visit the TPS enrollment Web site.
AACC Contact: Michael Allen