

## Facts

**President** Doris P. Givens, Ph.D.  
**Founded** 1969  
**Location** 9000 Overland Avenue  
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### Enrollment

Fall & Spring, 2004-05 16,521  
 Full Time Equivalent Student (FTES) 6,483

### Student Profile

**Gender** 64% Female  
 36% Male  
  
**Age** 8% Under 19  
 38% between 20 and 24  
 29% between 25 and 34  
 21% between 35 and 54  
 5% over the age of 55  
  
**Ethnicity** 46% African American  
 9% Asian/Pacific Islander  
 29% Hispanic  
 12% White  
 3% Other  
  
**Study Load** 41.0% less than 6 units  
 38.2% 6 to 11.5 units  
 20.8% 12 or more units

### Faculty and Staff

Full time faculty 110  
 Part time faculty 300+  
 Administrators 10  
 Staff 138

### Student Progress & Achievement (2004-05)

Source: <http://research.laccd.edu>

**Basic Skills Success Rate** 63%  
**General Course Success Rate** 63%  
 Retention 82%  
**Persistence (Fall to Spring)** 68%  
**Associate Degrees Awarded** 342  
**Certificates Completed** 292  
**Total College Transfers** 246  
 UC Transfers 42  
 CSU Transfers 174

### Budget by Activity (2004-05)

Source: Final Budget 2005-2006, LACCD

Instruction 13,470,062  
 Instructional Support 1,178,022  
 Other Instruction Services 1,288,323  
 Student Services 2,575,663  
 Maintenance & Operation 3,434,115  
 Institutional Support 2,269,653  
 Other 494,022  
**Total** \$24,711,861  
**Expenditure per Enrollment:** \$1,496  
**Expenditure per FTES:** \$3,812

## Milestones

### Academic Senate

The Academic Senate crafted and ratified West's Collegial Consultation policy, Program Viability process and institutional student learning outcomes. The Senate approved two new academic programs (Drug and Alcohol Studies and Hospitality Management) and sponsored the 2006 Leadership Retreat.

### Accreditation:

West completed its 6-year accreditation review process in March 2006, the culmination of a short and intense period of self-reflection and evaluation. The accreditation team noted that West was re-energized by this process.

### College Organizational Re-alignment

Responding to West's budgetary priorities, the College is re-organizing to create a more efficient and effective organizational structure. Measures implemented include downsizing of non-vital operations, a hiring freeze to save costs and the development of a two vice president organizational model.

### Facilities Improvements

Accomplishments include campus lighting to enhance public safety, renovation of the Winlock Conference Room and College theatre, signage designed for programmatic and visual function, and an increased focus on the physical condition of the campus.

### Faculty Hiring

The hiring process for four positions identified through a faculty-driven prioritization process was approved.

### Office of the President

Reorganization of the Office of the President through downsizing and the formation of the Office of Institutional Effectiveness gives the executive office the ability to develop and implement cross-organizational, campus-wide initiatives. Current projects include the student success initiative, redesigning the College's website, improving campus communication and developing West's research plan.

### Participatory Governance

West Los Angeles College's Collegial Consultation policy and effective governance structure were ratified in November. The newly formed College Council is leading West in implementing its new governance structure.

### Program Viability and Review

West's first program viability process, coupled with newly revamped Program Review and Planning processes, has been implemented, giving West the ability to use planning to drive the budget.

### Proposition A/AA Construction

In April, the College acquired a strategic property that will allow for the construction phase to begin utilizing \$178 million in Proposition A/AA funding. The first new construction is scheduled to begin in August, 2006.

### Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)

Capping a three year development process, the Academic Senate approved West's nine institutional SLOs in November. West is implementing SLOs at the unit, program and course level.

### Student Success Initiative

Working from the Chancellor's Initiative, West is aligning resources across the College to increase student success. Combining recent focus-group research, strategic enrollment management and existing outreach programs, partnerships among academic, administrative and student services units have been formed to create and execute a marketing and recruitment effort aimed at high school students.

### West Think Tank

Creating a more responsive and responsible organization is the function of the campus "Think Tank" sessions, where all members of the campus community address the question, "How do we make the college a better place?" Results include improved campus lighting, College social events, development of an online campus calendar and improved communication within the College.