

The Luna Light

"The People's College"

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Vision Statement: "New Mexico's Premier Community College: Preparing Students for Success"

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LCC and HU sign STEM MOU

Luna Community College and Highlands University signed a memorandum of understanding that established a collaborative articulation between the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Programs of both schools.

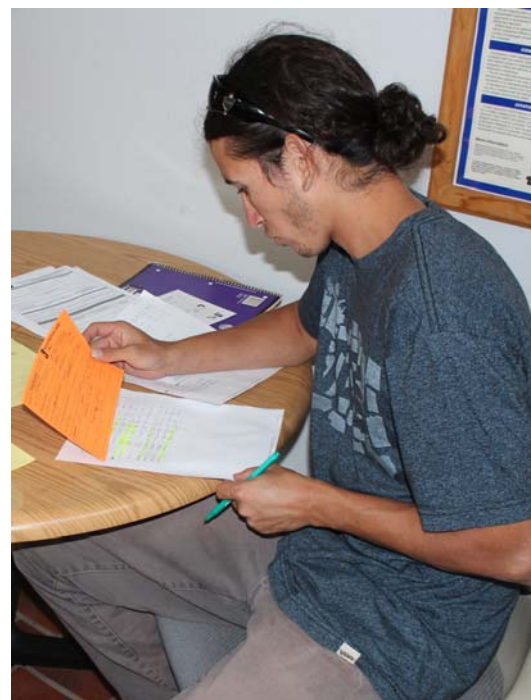
One of the goals is to increase the number of graduates from northeastern New Mexico in the STEM area.

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LCC President Dr. Pete Campos (middle) and NMHU President Dr. Jim Fries (second from the left) signed a STEM MOU on Monday.

Luna Community College Board Chairman Abelino Montoya addresses LCC employees during Tuesday's employee orientation. Over 120 employees attended orientation. As part of the orientation, employees learned about policy overviews and the college's self-study. The Higher Learning Commission will visit LCC in mid-October.



Aaron Marcus Thomas, a sophomore vocational technical studies major from Anaheim, Calif. looks over his schedule at the LCC Student Support Services Building. Thomas says that he will emphasize his studies on welding. "I'm definitely benefiting from the classes I'm taking here at Luna Community College," said Thomas.

**The last day to add classes
is Monday, Aug. 25.**



Fitness & Wellness

Kickboxing & Step Combo



Aug. 18 - Dec. 5, 2014 (M-W) 12:00p -- 12:50p



- Cardiovascular machines
- Cardio-conditioning equipment
- Free weights
- Boxing equipment
- Exercise balls
- Toning & abdominal equipment
- Wellness staff available

Last day to enroll, August 25th
(LCC Registrar's Office)

Regular Fees: \$ 41 -- Senior Fees: \$ 28
Approx. \$10/month Approx. \$7/month

Step, Kick, Punch & Jam!

Registrar's Office 505-454-5314

Wellness Center 505-425-8767

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Phi Theta Kappa seeking school supplies for Luna CC students

Hello everyone and welcome back to a new academic year.

On behalf of LCC Phi Theta Kappa's continued Commit to Complete Initiative, I would like to invite and encourage everyone to participate in a School Supplies Drive for our LCC students who may be financially unable to purchase school supplies to begin the semester with the appropriate tools.

LCC Phi Theta Kappa officers and members have started the drive and will continue through the first two weeks of the semester. Anyone interested in donating college school supplies can bring their item(s) to a drop box that will be located in Kayleen Encinias' office where she will disseminate the supplies to our students as needed. If you forget to bring your donation or wish to donate at a later time, please take your item donations to Kayleen by Friday, Aug. 29. Students in need of school

supplies can be referred to Kayleen for assistance. Kayleen is located in the Administration Building and can be contacted by calling ext. 1014.

Thank you in advance for supporting Phi Theta Kappa's ongoing Commit to Complete Initiative and for helping our LCC students begin the semester with the proper tools in hand. If you have questions, concerns or ideas related to this initiative or College Completion, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes for a wonderful and prosperous fall semester,

Cindy Armijo
Beta Mu Nu Chapter Advisor
Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society
Department of Humanities



Cindy Armijo is pictured here with LCC President Dr. Pete Campos.



Recently retired LCC Springer Satellite Director Louise Portillos receives a plaque from LCC Board of Trustees. Pictured (l-r) are Ernie Chavez, Board Secretary Dan Romero, Tony Valdez, David Gutierrez, Portillos, Board Chair Abelino Montoya Jr., Frankie Teno and Board Vice-Chairman Kenny Medina.

In an effort to improve our readership, we are asking employees and students to submit e-mail addresses of anyone interested in receiving The Luna Light to jgallegos@luna.edu. Thank you.

STEM MOU...

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“This agreement as well as others is another bridge that is built,” said LCC President Dr. Pete Campos. “We’re reaching out to our students more so than ever. Our students have great expectations from each and everyone of us.”

As part of the agreement, priorities are the further development of integrated programs of study and support services in STEM disciplines at institution, leading to student completion of an associate of science or an associate of applied science degree from Luna Community College and a bachelor of science or bachelor of arts in a STEM discipline from Highlands University. In addition, the intent of the understanding will enable both institutions to efficiently provide course offerings to a larger and more diverse set of students in the region.

“We are making a meaningful difference in people’s lives,” said Dr. Campos. “Student success will be at the forefront.”

As part of the agreement, a STEM paired-degree option provides students with an integrated, seamless curricula and system of services leading to an AS or AAS degree at Luna Community College and eventually a BS or BA at Highlands University. Students will be advised to follow defined programs of study. Students in the paired-degree option can exclusively enroll at one institution or concurrently at both during a semester. Certain courses identified in the Luna Community College/Highlands University Transfer Guide may be taken from either institution. Students are urged to visit the STEM department of both schools for more detailed information.

Notes: Also pictured in the front page are: Highlands University Academic Vice-President Dr. Teresita Aguilar, LCC Vice-President for Instruction Dr. Vidal Martinez and his son Ethan Martinez.

NEED HELP NAVIGATING YOUR ONLINE CLASSES?



Then you need to attend

Blackboard Student Trainings

10:00am & 2:00pm

- Tuesday, August 19, 2014**
- Wednesday, August 20, 2014**
- Thursday, August 28, 2014**



All trainings will be held in the Student Online Learning Lab

Student Services Building Room 204

For more information please call 505-454-5331

*** Times and Dates subject to change due to weather conditions and/or work schedule changes.**



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Luna Community College will be going through an on-site re-accreditation visit at the campus on October 13-15, 2014. A team of evaluators will be conducting a comprehensive evaluation.

We encourage 3rd party comments regarding Luna Community College practices, procedures, and/or policies.

All comments should be sent directly to:

Mr. Lloyd Hammonds, Team Chair
lloyd.hammonds@coconino.edu

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“ Computers are incredibly fast, accurate and stupid; humans are incredibly slow, inaccurate and brilliant; together they are powerful beyond imagination”

~Albert Einstein~



LCC Computer Science Program Fall 2014 Course Offerings:

CS105 Introduction to Computer Science

****CS112** Introduction to Operating Systems

****CS220 A+** Essentials w/ Practical Applications

CS140 Computer Science I

****CS261** Network Concepts I

VGD106 Script Writing and Storyboarding

****** Prepares students for Certification

School of Business

Fall 2014

Web Design

Desktop Publishing

Classes start August 18, 2014

For more information contact:

Amanda Lucero

Office Manager

505.454.2557

alucero@luna.edu

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Fall 2014 Online Courses

ACCT 200E	4	Accounting Principles I	M-W	5:30-7:10	D. Gutierrez
ACCT 201E	4	Accounting Principles II	T-R	1:00-2:50	D. Gutierrez
BUS 105E	3	Introduction to Business	T	5:30-8:20	E. Ortega
CSA 150E	1	Computer Fundamentals	S	5:30-9:20	B. Lobato
CSA 150E	2	Computer Fundamentals	R	5:30-0:20	D. Gutierrez
CSA 150E	2	Computer Fundamentals	T	5:30-0:20	D. Gutierrez
MGMT 207E	1	Principles of Management	W	5:30-8:20	E. Ortega
MKT 201E	1	Principles of Marketing	R	5:30-8:20	E. Ortega

REGISTER NOW

For more information contact

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A group of Luna Community College employees took time to take a photo after orientation last week. Luna Community College wants to wish all students a great fall semester.

Self-study

By Dr. Pete Campos/LCC President

When you Google what is a self-study, the wording that appears is clear and concise. An understandable description that appropriately describes the meaning of a self-study is listed at www.asha.org/self-study/. I give credit to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association for its narrative that describes this introspective procedure. A “self-study is a procedure whereby an education program describes, evaluates, and subsequently improves the quality of its efforts. Self-assessment involves the identification of a program’s strengths and limitations and the delineation of the steps necessary to correct those limitations. Self-study requires a commitment to change rather than to maintaining the status quo.

Through the self-study procedure, a program conducts a systemic and thorough examination of all its components in light of its stated mission. Such an evaluation allows a program to determine the success it is having in accomplishing its self-established goals and objectives through careful evaluation of input obtained from individuals and groups directly and indirectly involved with the program.

Self-study is a process that should be ongoing. Active and continuous involvement in self-study reflects a commitment to the concept of providing students with a quality educational experience.” This general description is a good start for us to reflect upon as we prepare to improve upon the quality of our educational services.

My commitment, I hope you will join me, is to establish a permanent self-study depository that will house all evidence documents relevant to our annual self-evaluation and strategic plans to move forward. By doing this, we will have accurate annual data that will be preserved and used on an ongoing basis to improve the quality of our programs, operations, and facilities.

When we evaluate our college from an objective perspective, implement best practices to improve our educational offerings, and collaborate with each other to produce meaningful outcomes; students become the benefactors of a good education and well-prepared participants in making this world a better place.

The movie is captured in my mind of the journey we have embarked upon to develop a self-study document that thus far has the

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West Las Vegas Pre-K Program



Applications for the
2014-2015

School Year

Are NOW Being Accepted

Your child MUST be 4 years old BEFORE
September 1, 2014.

Applications & Information
available at

Luis E. Armijo Elementary School
(505) 426-2661

Please bring Birth Certificate and Proof of Income
(Income does **NOT** determine eligibility)

Executive
Office
Manager
SherylAnn
Yara started
working at
Luna Community Col-
lege recently.
Yara officially
started on
Friday, Aug.
1.



Weekly Activities

Monday, August 18, 2014

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Snow
Cones/ Student Government
Game room (Business 116)
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. El Centro
Presentation (Springer)

Tuesday, August 19, 2014

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. SMCDC
Public Safety Seminar (LRC
Lecture Hall)
11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Popcorn
at the Access Center (Student
Services)

Wednesday, August 20, 2014

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. SMCDC
Public Safety Seminar (LRC
Lecture Hall)
5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Registra-
tion Block Party (Main Cam-
pus)

Thursday, August 21, 2014

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. SMCDC
Public Safety Seminar (LRC
Lecture Hall)

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Wel-
come Back BBQ with Guest
Speaker Dr. Fidel Trujillo

Friday, August 22, 2014

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. SMCDC
Public Safety Seminar (LRC
Lecture Hall)

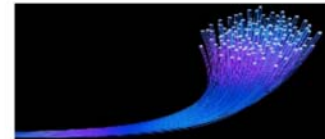
11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Meet the
Rough Riders Baseball/Softball
Teams (MEC)

Saturday, August 23, 2014

7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. CNA
Testing (Allied Health NO-7 &
MO-11)



Electronics Engineering Technology Program



Fall 2014 Course Offerings

ELEC101 Electronics Circuits/DC

ELEC202 Telecommunications Electronics

SMET101 Introduction to Science, Math & Engineering Technology

SMET105 Computer Use for Technology

SMET117 Introduction to Engineering

Self-study...

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footprint of over 50 combined LCC student leaders, faculty, staff, administrators, and Board of Trustees. The entire reaffirmation of accreditation process will include more Luna Community College employees and many community members.

Our evidenced based self-study has not been done by just one author or writer. Rather, it includes the contributions of many authors and writers. While this approach has been tough to achieve and the self-study has undergone 12 revisions, it is a genuine reflection of the input, styles, approaches, and diversity of our Luna Community College family.

I will always cherish the countless special times this process created among us. Sleepless nights, evidence hunts, and watching a strategic process and self-study document evolve into our story have been well worth the effort. Words will never describe how preliminary self-study process discussions with Maria Helena Paiz would lead to a self-study document owned by so many.

Thank you Maria (September 14, 1974 – April 16, 2014) for the remarkable imprint you left on LCC's self-study. It is because of your positive and unselfish example in life that we dedicate the 2014 Luna Community College self-study in your memory. "Vaya con Dios."



Luna Community College members of the self-study team (pictured clockwise) Larry Paiz, Debbie Trujillo, Lorraine Martinez and Rick Jaramillo met to submit the Luna Community College Self-Study to the Higher Learning Commission Friday afternoon. The hard work of many committed to the success of LCC is represented in the document.

YOUR VOICE YOUR SCHOOL
JOIN YOUR STUDENT GOVERNMENT

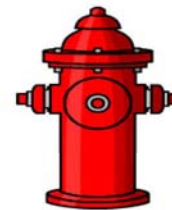
GET PAID TO BE A LEADER!



NOMINATIONS OPEN
AUGUST 25TH—SEPTEMBER 5TH

"BECOME PART OF THE GREAT CHANGES HAPPENING AT LCC!"
For more information, visit www.luna.edu/student_government/ or contact SG Advisors, Dawna Ortega-Gallegos & Amanda Ortiz at studentgovernment@luna.edu.

Be Part of the Team!



LCC Fire Science Program

Fall 2014 Course Offerings

FS118: Principles of Emergency Services
FS205E: Firefighter Strategy/Tactics (DL)
FS214: Fire Protection Systems

Luna Community College students, faculty, staff and community, a Rough Rider Meal Card is available. The Rough Rider Meal Card can be purchased at the LCC Fiscal Office. For more information, call LCC Food Services Manager Paul Sandoval at 505/454-2581.

Fall class schedules are available and can be picked up at local businesses and throughout the LCC service area.

2014 LCC Foundation Golf Classic



Northern Insurance—Team members are: Phil Wolff, PJ Wolff, Gail Wolff and Elmer Alcon.



Community First Bank—Team members are: Abelino Montoya, Jack Romero, Dan Romero and Dr. Pete Campos.

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NMHU—Team members are: Brandon Mason, Jason Craig, Jim Deisler and Craig Snow.



PNM Foundation—Team members are: Carl Trujillo, Mike D’Antonio, Matthew Jaramillo and David Carr.



Wilson & Company A: Team members are: Phillip Sitges, J.J. Trujillo, Paul Pena and John Montoya.



Wilson & Company B: Team members are: Nick Trujillo, Ben Maynes, Bobby Quintana and Mark Romero.



New Mexicare A—Team members are: James Whitney, Nate Romero, Phil Aragon and Russell Sanford.



New Mexicare B—Team members are: Jose Campos, Dan Flores, Robert Cordova and Lester Lamb.



State Farm Rosemarie Montoya—Team members are: Henry Valdez, Richard Flores, Eddie Chavez and Randy Saavedra.



Southwest Capital Bank A—Team members are: Emilio Valdeles, Gilbert Vallejos, Jonathan Madrid and Gary Vaisa.



Southwest Capital Bank B—Team members are: Sam Hillis, Erwin Baca, David Vigil and Ted Madrid.



Hands Engineering—Team members are: David Sul-lens, Javier Ortega, Antonio Ortega and Jim Hands.



Vigil's Premier Signs: Team members are: Charles Trujillo, Lawrence Vigil, Burt Bazan and Aaron Archuleta.

Thank you to everyone that helped contribute to the success of the 2014 Luna Community College Golf Classic.

A deer ran through the first hole at around 10 a.m. during Saturday's Luna Community College's Golf Classic.



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“Creating a Pathway to Success in High-Demand Programs”

3RD QUARTER IET MEETING

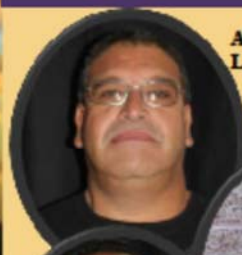
On July 15, 2014 the Internal Evaluation Team quarterly meeting was held in the Distance Learning Services Faculty Lab to hear a presentation from John Montoya Project Manager representing Wilson & Company architectural Firm. At this meeting, many community members attended who represented businesses throughout the community as well as the outlining community. They were as follows:

LCC faculty, staff, and administration along with community members met to give their comments on the upcoming construction project as well as the timeline of Year 2 initiatives.



Pictured above are LCC faculty, staff and administration along with community members Vince Howell, Roger Gonzales, Karen Pettine, Dr. Luis Ortiz and Lawrence Vigil.

Auto Technologies Training Continues



Anthony Baca
LCC Collision Repair Instructor



Eugene Sandoval
LCC Auto Technology Instructor



Paul Espinoza
LCC Auto Collision Instructor

Auto Collision online course faculty training will continue throughout the fall semester. Anthony Baca, Paul Espinoza and Gene Sandoval have been preparing for their automotive classes with one hybrid class Automotive Fundamentals and three Lecture Capture, which are: Metal Working, Shop Management and Collision Repair II. Throughout the summer, they have had intense training which began in April and continues until the end of September. Larry Paiz has trained the three faculty members weekly and they are well on their way to piloting the classes for the year. Congratulations Paul, Gene and Anthony!

Title V Staff

Lorraine Martinez, Director • Veronica Jerna, Activity Director • Tiffany Young, Office Manager
Susan Olson-Smith, SimLab Supervisor • Larry Paiz, Instructional Designer

Back to school at LCC students eager, parking lots full



Luna Community College began its 2014-15 school year on the right foot on Monday, Aug. 18. Pictured clockwise are LCC President Dr. Pete Campos talking to new students Hallie Sankovich and Jackie Mathews at 8 a.m. on Monday. Both Sankovich and Mathews are from Newbury Park, Calif.; students line up to get their paperwork ready for the new semester and the parking lots were full in front of the administration building early Monday morning.

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Welcome Back Week

August 18-22, 2014

Monday August 18th

Sno Cone Social at Student Government Gameroom
11:00am - 4:00pm

Tuesday August 19th

Popcorn at the Student Services Access Center
11:00am - 2:00pm

Wednesday August 20th

REGISTRATION BLOCK PARTY

(Pizza, Drinks, Music, Games, Etc.)
5:00pm - 9:00pm

Between Student Services and Administration Buildings

Thursday August 21st

Guest Speaker - Dr Fidel Trujillo
11:00am - 11:30am

BBO at the Rough Rider Grill
11:30am - 1:00pm

Friday August 22nd

Watermelon Bust

Come and meet the Rough Riders Baseball/Softball Teams
at the Multi-purpose Education Center from 12:30pm-2:00pm

