



President's Update

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PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

- Imperial Valley College was featured in "The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education Magazine" as one of the nation's Top 25 Community Colleges for Hispanics.
- IVC Ranked in the following category:
 - Granting the Most AA Degrees to Hispanics - #17
- **Thank you to all IVC employees and to the Board of Trustees for your contribution to student success!**



SOURCE: Department of Education - NCES/IPEDS Database 2018-2019 Academic Year

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- Superintendent/President Dr. Martha Garcia held a President's Hour on March 30, 2021.
- The focus of the event was to give students an opportunity to ask questions and discuss their concerns regarding returning to campus for face-to-face instruction during Fall 2021.
- About 300 students and employees participated.

PRESIDENT'S HOUR
with IVC Superintendent/President Dr. Martha Garcia

Tuesday, March 30, 2021
5:15 p.m. • Via Zoom
<https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/93163733291>

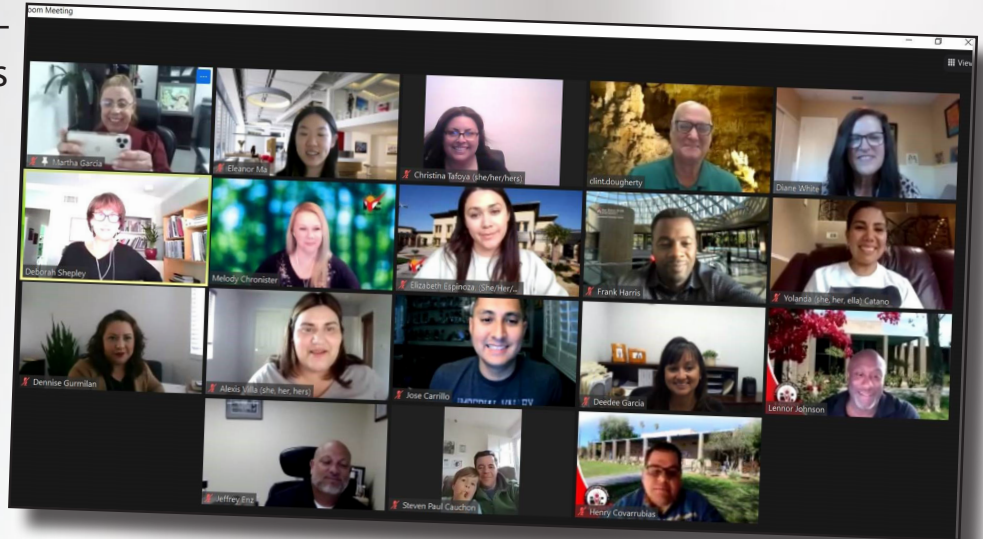
Please join your IVC President Dr. Martha Garcia for an opportunity to meet and discuss with her your questions and concerns about **returning to campus for face-to-face instruction during Fall 2021.**

We want to hear from you, our students!

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- On March 22, 2021, The California Community Colleges Institutional Effectiveness Partnership Resource Team (PRT) met with various constituents on campus which included President's Cabinet, Academic Senate, College Council and Strategic Educational Master Planning Committee.



The Area of Focus is –

- Standards I.B.7, I.B.9, College Recommendation 2: In order to meet the standard the Commission requires the college to improve the evaluation of processes and systems that are currently in place, and ensure they are more systematic and routine.



ACADEMIC SERVICES

New FORD Partnership

This partnership with the IVC Auto Tech Program will provide:

- Access to Ford Motor Company technician training modules.
- Ford recognized automotive certifications for students.
- Ford instructional equipment donations to the automotive program.
- Ford representative(s) for the Automotive Advisory Committee.





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IVC IRS/VITA Program

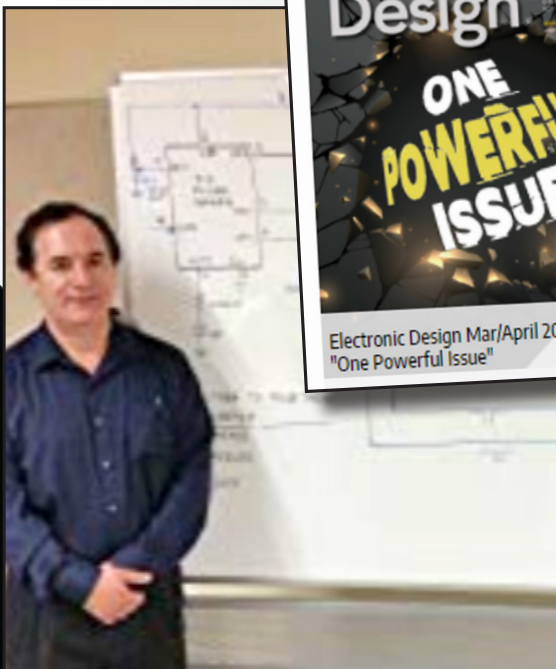
- Students offer free bilingual tax service to our community.
- Students apply knowledge and experience learned in BUS 108 - Tax Preparation course after obtaining their IRS/VITA certifications.
- Students are kept up to date with current tax laws and last minute changes in order to serve our clients better.
- Students improve communication, professionalism, and self-confidence while serving our clients.



ACADEMIC SERVICES

- Part-time IVC electronics instructor, Ricardo Jimenez has been published in the March/April 2021 edition of Electronic Design magazine.
- The article titled, "Microcontroller Delivers High-Precision Frequencies," describes taking time-based generators to another level with the idea of a programmable interface microcontroller that can generate highly precise frequencies from 1 hertz to 4 megahertz.

Congratulations Ricardo!



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What is HyFlex?

HyFlex classes combine elements of both online and classroom-based learning – they take hybrid courses to a new level of flexibility.

This gives students the freedom to study when and where they want to based on their own needs, desires, and preferences.

Students can choose to take the class online, in the classroom, or both.

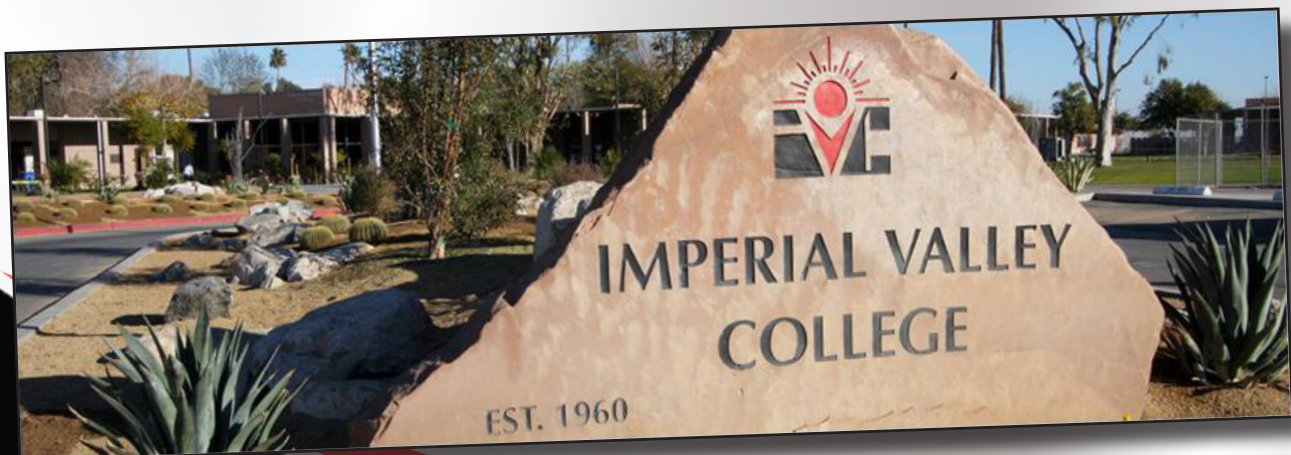
Course material is offered in traditional and online formats.

Students can choose how they attend courses weekly, which can resolve many scheduling conflicts.

SOURCES: TECHPULSEHE.WORDPRESS.COM | EDUCAUSE.EDU

- The Distance Ed Committee has convened a spring task force to establish local definitions and prepare for new distance education modalities.
- The task force is addressing **HyFlex** (hybrid-flexible) among other new progressive teaching methods.
- **HyFlex** allows students the flexibility to choose both face-to-face and online learning with on-ground classes that also stream in a video conferencing platform like Zoom.

<https://higheredpraxis.substack.com/p/cetl-tip-hyflex-hybrid-flexible-blended>



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STUDENT SERVICES

Drive-Thru Food Distributions

- On March 25, 2021, Food Distribution took place
 - Served over 160 Households (a total of 657 people).
- On April 14, 2021 Food Distribution took place.
 - Served 180 Households (a total 776 people).
- During the past (2) distributions 340 households were served, **a total of 1,433 people.**
- Highlights – Received a donation from Trustee Taylor for our IVC Kitchen Grab N' Go Program. We would like to thank him for his donation and commitment to students.
- Weekly Basic Needs Distributions take place every Tuesday from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. by appointment. (Technology, Food Items, Hygiene Kits, and Lending Library).



IVC Kitchen Drive-Thru Food Distribution
 Wednesday, April 14, 2021,
 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm

180 supply spots available for students and their households.

-First Come/First Serve
-Distribution will be in Parking lot K
-Face masks required
-Food will be placed in the trunk or backseat for contactless

Unable to attend due to lack of transportation?
 Please call 760-370-6966 to speak to a Food Bank representative about finding a distribution site closer to you

No Registration Required




STATE UPDATE

AB 1377 (McCarty) Community College Student Housing

This bill establishes a revolving loan fund in which the California Community Colleges, California State University, and the University of California can access to build affordable student housing. It would also create a continuous appropriation towards the fund in which the State Treasurer can utilize as security for issuing bonds.

SB 234 (Weiner) Transition Aged Youth Housing Program

This measure provides grants to local governments and non-profits that provide transitional housing for individuals under 26 who are former foster youth experiencing homelessness. These grants can be utilized for the capital development programs to build emergency shelters, transitional housing, or permanent supportive housing.

SB 290 (Skinner) Density Bonus Law: qualifications for incentives or concessions: student housing for lower-income students

Current law requires cities and counties to grant a density bonus when an applicant for a housing development of five or more units agrees to construct a student housing development that will set aside at least 20% of the total units for lower-income students. SB 290 would provide further incentive housing for lower-income students by making such a development eligible for one incentive or concession.

Legislation to expand access to academic programs:

AB 927 (Medina) Community College Baccalaureate Degree Programs

This bill would remove the current sunset date on the California community college baccalaureate degree program and would expand eligibility so that all community colleges could participate.

AB 102 (Holden) College and Career Access Pathways: Dual Enrollment Expansion

This bill would make the College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP) program permanent and permit community college districts to enter into CCAP programs with County Offices of Education.

STATE UPDATE CONTINUED

Legislation to attempt to simplify and expand access to the state's Cal Grant program:

AB 1456 (Medina) Cal Grant Reform

This bill would consolidate the current state financial aid funding streams into two programs – one for two-year students and the other for four-year students – and expand the number of eligible students. The proposed award for community college students would focus on access costs while the four-year award would be tied to tuition at the UC and CSU.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES



- Virtual Retirees and Years of Service Celebration, Tuesday, May 25, 2021
- Virtual Upward Bound Graduation, Thursday, May 27, 2021
- Virtual Commencement Ceremony, Saturday, June 12, 2021
- On-Campus Commencement Ceremony Car Parade, Saturday, June 12, 2021

