## Town Meeting



September 2022

### Welcome



### Personally or Professionally:

- What are you excited about?
- What are you proud of?
- Is there anything you want to brag about?

Welcome & Announcements	President Foster
LatinX Save the Date	Rafael Valle, Puente Counselor/Instructor
All – Steinway Gala	Amy Mattern, Dean A&H Kenneth Cooper, Executive Director LPC Foundation
Textbook Adoption	Dr. Kristina Whalen, VP Academic Services
LPSG Update and Introductions	Lara Wiedemeier, LPCSG President
Classified Senate Update	Jean O'Neil-Opipari, Classified Senate President
Academic Senate Update	Dr. Tracey Coleman, Academic Senate President
Guided Pathways Phase 1 Activities	Kristy Woods, Guided Pathways Academic Faculty Coordinator
College Strategic Priorities	President Foster
Introduction to Counseling	Counseling Team
Q&A Session (time permitting)	





Join us both virtually and in-person from September 15th to October 15th

- La Bienvenida
- LPC Library Display
- Caras de Las Positas
- Taco Tuesday
- Mi Familia Militar
- Career Panel: To Infinity and Beyond- Exploring Careers in STEM

- Fiesta Day
- Discussion of the Artist: the Mural Aztec
- Dia de los Muertos
- Undocumented Student Action Week
- Voter Registration

















## New Era of Textbook Adoption



Dr. Kristina Whalen, VP of Academic Services





•	Date	Location	Textbooks	Section Text
LINDA	08/17-12/20	LTBA ONLINE	View textbooks	Class will meet live (synchronously) online via ConferZoom at the time listed. Other content will be delivered online through Canvas (asynchronously).
	08/17-12/20			
SAMARIE	08/17-12/20	LTBA ONLINE	View textbooks	This course is a synchronous online class in which instruction occurs remotely at a scheduled time. Carefully note the day and time the course will meet online. Materials and links to the virtual classroom, ConferZoom, are accessed through the learning system Canvas.
CAMADIE	08/17-12/20	ITRA ONLINE	,	This course is a synchronous online class in which

## New Questions for Instructional Material Adoption









Does the section require some instructional materials to convey the course content?

Does the student pay for it?

How much does the student pay?

### **Announcements**





### Twenty-One Day Challenges

are professional development opportunities designed to encourage educators to challenge their thought processes and personal biases while building community with students and colleagues.

Courageous Conversations is a dialogue that follows the 21-day challenges in which participants have an opportunity to discuss issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion. The goal is to illuminate difficult discussions around race & culture and the impact of societies on these social constructs.

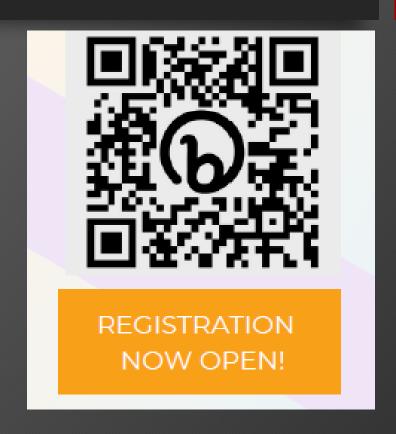
### **Announcements**



Twenty-One Day Challenge:

**Self-Care for Educators** 

Starts September 19<sup>th</sup>



Information Session: September 13<sup>th</sup> @ 2pm (via Zoom)

### Livermore Valley Arts:









JUNETEENTH 2022

SUN JUN 19

Native American Day

FRI SEP 23

A Taste of Africa

SAT OCT 1

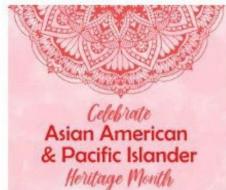
Filipino Barrio Fiesta

SUN OCT 2









Diwali: Festival of Lights

SUN NOV 6

**Chinese Lunar New Year** 

TBD 2023

**Hispanic Heritage Celebration** 

TBD 2023

**AAPI Heritage Celebration** 

**MAY 2023** 



### **Livermore Valley Arts:**



### Arthur Barinque: abarinque@lvpac.org

- Native American Day 9/23
- Taste of Africa 10/1
- Filipino Barrio Fiesta 10/2
- Diwali: Festival of Light 11/6



### **President's Scholars Program**

### **Benefits of the Program**

- Full payment of LPC tuition and fees for up to two years
- Annual \$1,000 scholarship for textbooks and school supplies
- Personal use of a new laptop computer for two years
- Complimentary parking permits each term

Support for the President's Scholars Program also comes from external support from donors and college supporters through the Las Positas College Foundation



### 2022-23 President's Scholars



## LPCSG

**Las Positas College Student Government** 

LPC Town Meeting - September 7th, 2022



### Introduction:

- My name is Lara Wiedemeier
- Serving as LPCSG President (2022-2023)
- Biology & Public Health Major
- Transferring Fall 2023
- Third year apart of LPCSG, served as Director of Communication (2020-2021) and Vice President (2021-2022)





## LPCSG Officers



## Director of Events: Mona Gholikhamseh

Goals: To engage students through inclusive,

entertaining, and informative events

**Major:** Economics

**Hobbies:** Reading and spending time with family



Director of Programs and Services: Sangavi Suresh Kumar

**Goals:** To promote inclusive and engaging student life on campus through events and resources

Major: Psychology and Computer Science

Hobbies: Performing arts, Theater and hanging

out with friends



## Director of the Inter-Club Council: Michel Ebeli

**Goals:** To increase student involvement through

clubs to promote campus communities

**Major:** Information Technology

Hobbies: Staying active, playing soccer, and

watching shows



### LPCSG GOALS:

- 1. To make the campus atmosphere fun and inviting
- 2. Increase participation in student life
- Provide support for students basic needs like hygiene and mental health
- 4. Make IDEAA(Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, Anti Racism and Equity) a priority within all decisions
- 5. Contribute to increasing enrollment & retention

# Tropical Welcome Week





## THANK YOU!!



## Classified Senate Update



Jean O'Neil-Opipari



### **Classified Senate Executives 2022-2023**

Jean O'Neil-Opipari	President
Aubrie Ross	VP Activities
Elizabeth "Liz" McWhorter	VP Fundraising
VACANT	VP Communications
Danielle Bã uelos	Secretary
Paula Rose	Treasurer
Helena Cruz	CS Ambassador
Ellie Hirstein	CS Ambassador
Maria Eastwood	CS Ambassador
VACANT	CS Ambassador



#### **Student Success**

- Caring Campus Behavior Commitments
  - Traditional (face-to-face) Commitments
    - Cross-Departmental Awareness
    - Name Tags
    - Warm Referrals
  - Virtual Commitments
    - Cross-Departmental Awareness
    - Give Your Information Up Front
    - Warm Referrals



#### **Communication and Cooperation**

- Work with Administration to achieve Caring Campus goals
- Collaborate with Academic Senate and LPCSG
- Streamline Classified policies and procedures to better serve students
- Communicate across campus
  - ❖ Publish Classified Senate CANVAS Page
  - Maintain Classified website



#### **Representation and Engagement**

- Enhance once a semester Classified Orientation
  - Offer Campus Tour
  - Develop Classified specific handbook
  - Provide Classified Professional mentors for new employees
  - Encourage increased Classified Professional participation in shared governance
- Host Senior Admin / Admin Assistant Bimonthly Workshops



#### **Professional Development / Wellness**

- Create Classified Professional team-building event
- Host LPC/Chabot Joint Classified Senate Retreat
- Maintain focus on Classified Professional Health & Wellness
- Improve awareness of how Classified Senate and SEIU work together

### 2022 Academic Senate Executive Team & Goals

Dr. Tracey Coleman, Academic Senate President







- Past President (VP)- Sarah Thompson
- Secretary- Collin Thormoto
- Treasurer- Ashley Young
- Administrative Assistant- Rifka Several







• Enrollment Decline (Collaborate strategies)



- Support for students with potential passing of AB1705 (MLEA Collaboration)
- Why Students Should Come to LPC; destination campus (what can we do differently?)
- Maximizing Budget/Resources as a Community
- Implementation of Senate Resolution Changing Student Forms & Procedures (inequities/barriers)







Phase One of Supporting Students in our Academic & Career Pathways

Town Hall, September 2022

### Academic & Career Pathways

... are designed to support 4 main questions students ask:









University Affordability:

How can I afford college?

Pathway Navigation:
What steps do I
need to take
next?

College- Life Balance:

How do I balance all my responsibilities?

Support Network:

Who on campus cares about my success?





and Information

**Technology** 



Society, Culture, and Human Development



Language,
Literature, and
Communications
Studies



Health, Wellness, and Public Safety



Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Environment



Advanced Manufacturing and Transportation



Undecided - Let's Explore!

#### Welcome to Las Positas College's Academic and Career Pathways!

There is a pathway for everyone at Las Positas College and we look forward to supporting you along your academic journey and helping you achieve your educational goals.

Start >>
Your Experience

Learn »
Areas of Study

Afford »
Your Education

Succeed »
Resource Guide

Connect »

Degree & Certificate

Maps

My Pathway Checklist **♥** 

Explore Intro Courses

#### **Academic & Career Pathways**

There's a pathway for everyone at Las Positas College!

Click a pathway to learn more.





Business, Economics, Entrepreneurship, and Information Technology



Society, Culture, and Human Development



Language,
Literature, and
Communications
Studies



Health, Wellness, and Public Safety



Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and Environment



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PHASE 1

PHASE 2

PHASE 3

PHASE 4

This Fall we started *Phase One* of supporting students in our Academic & Career Pathways!

### What Phase One SUCCESS looks like:

#### Students...

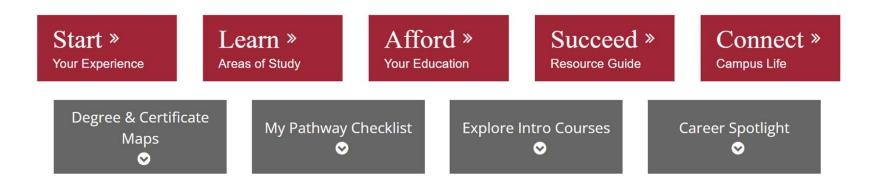
- Believe that everyone in the LPC community supports their success.
- Know how to navigate our "Academic & Career Pathways" website, which includes
  - Degree and Certificate Maps (Program Maps)
  - Career information related to programs
  - Academic and holistic support resources
- Have comprehensive Student Education Plans (or equivalent).
- Persist along their pathway.
- Believe they have been appropriately connected to academic and holistics student support services.



We need YOU to share the supports and resources with our community and students!

#### Welcome to Las Positas College's Academic and Career Pathways!

There is a pathway for everyone at Las Positas College and we look forward to supporting you along your academic journey and helping you achieve your educational goals.



For sample communications and activities you can share, visit our website.

















## Join Us!

### **Steering Committee**

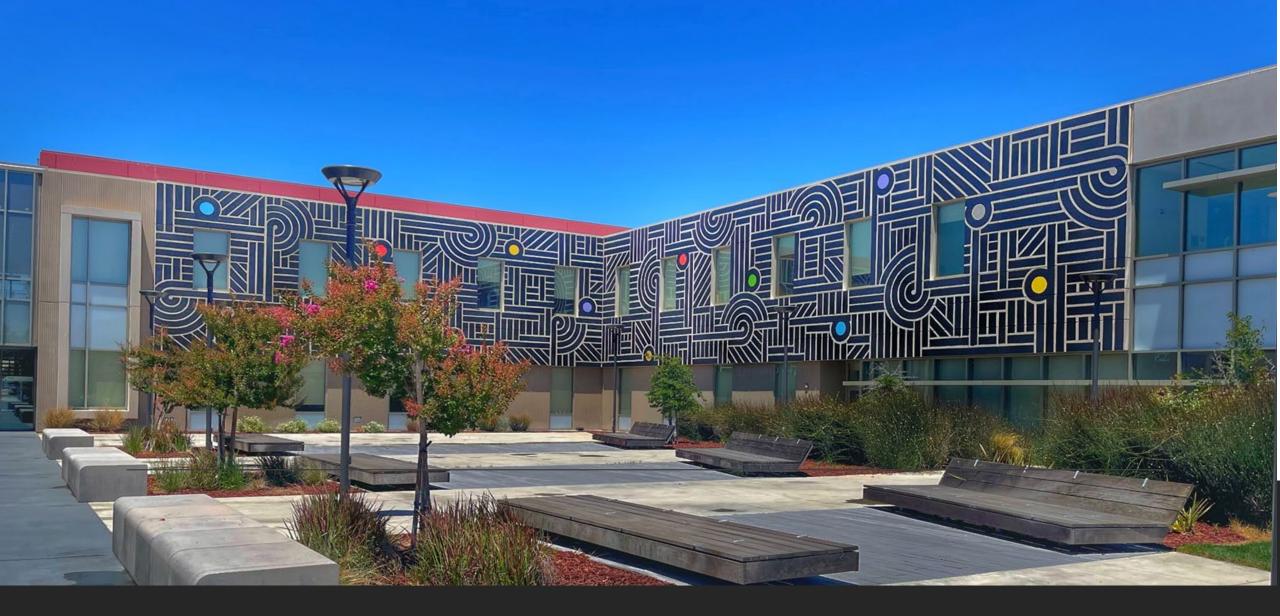
3<sup>Rd</sup> Fridays on Zoom

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

### **Community Of Practice**

4Th Friday on Zoom

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM



**Supporting Students in our Academic & Career Pathways** IT IS AN "US" THING

### Institutional Goals & Strategic Direction



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## College Strategic Priorities



#### **Increase Enrollment**



**Outreach & Recruitment** 



**Persistence & Retention** 

## College Strategic Priorities



Fall 22	9/5/2022
FTES	2360.76
Fill Rate	72.72%
# of Pri Sec	767

+/-		
Fall 2021 to Fall 2022:		
	-7.97%	

Fall 21	3 wk dur
FTES	2565.28
Fill Rate	78.55%
# of Pri Sec	787

Fall 2020 to Fall 2022:

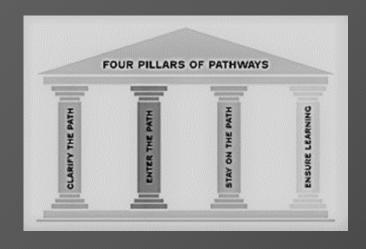
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### Continue to Advance Guided Pathways

Implementation of Student Success Teams



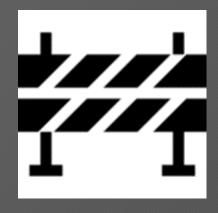






### Identify & Remove Institutional Barriers to Student Success

List of barriers and work collaboratively to find solutions





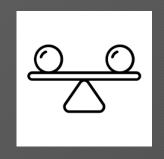






### Begin conversations regarding institutional re-alignment

Assess and align organizational structure and resources with strategic goals for effectiveness, stability and long-term institutional health











### Implement the Caring Campus Initiative







# Introduction to Counseling



## General Counseling



Counselors work hard throughout the year to assist students in identifying, clarifying, and reaching their educational and career goals. Counselors provide Academic, Transfer, Career, and Personal counseling services.

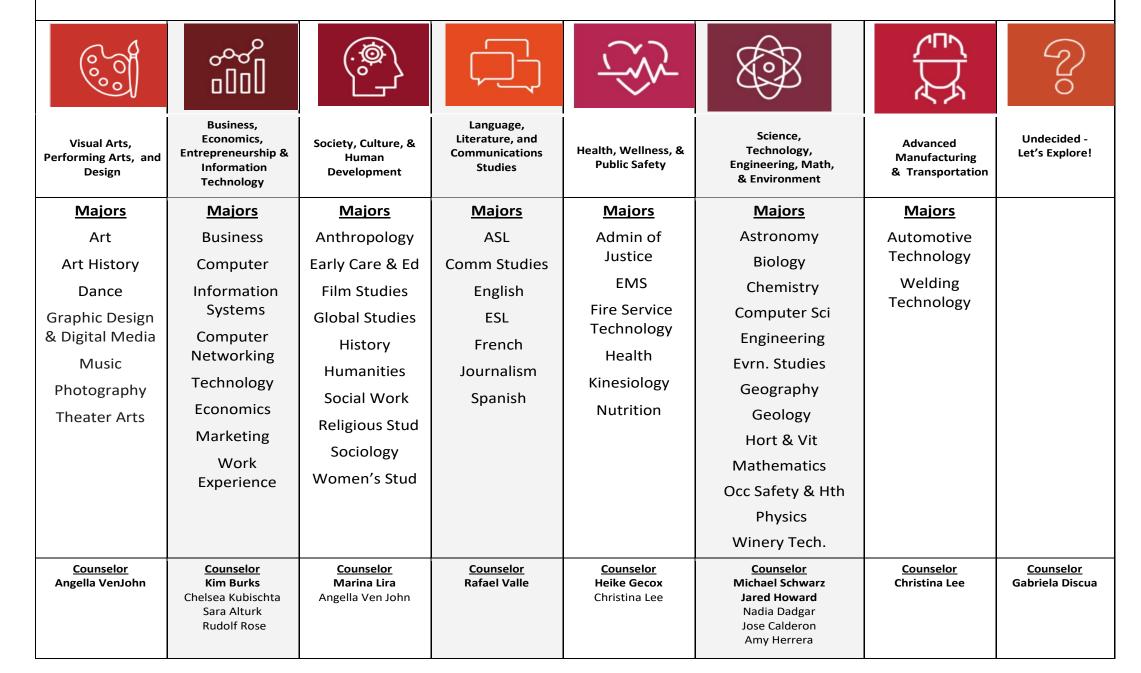
In addition to counseling, faculty in the program teach both College Success Classes and Social Work and Human Services classes. The department offers students a Social Work AA-T program, and is proud to offer the field experience course for the first time this coming spring.

The General Counseling program proudly offers a variety of special programs, (e.g. Athletic Counseling, Middle College, Puente, & Umoja), and oversees some crucial programs for students including the Transfer Program and Student Interventions Program, which serves students on academic probation and dismissal.

Finally, members of the counseling team regularly collaborate across the college and in the community. Some key areas of collaboration include liaising with high schools across the Tri-Valley, and the work counselors do to support each of our 7 Academic and Career Pathways through program mapping support and participation on Success Teams.



#### **Academic and Career Pathways**



## Angella VenJohn Student Interventions Specialist



Responsibilities: Angella supports our students on Academic probation and dismissal. She is also the S.S. lead for the Guided Pathways project

**Educational Background:** B.S., University of Iowa; M.S., CSU Sacramento

**Fun Facts:** Angella met her husband, Rajeev Chopra, while working on the accreditation committee.



## Christina Lee Counselor/Instructor



**Responsibilities:** Co-led the pilot to offer virtual online counseling using ConexED (Cranium Cafe) starting in Spring 2017.

Collaborates with Academic Services to resolve any issues with course prerequisites that might prevent a student for registering for courses.

**Educational Background:** BA, UC Berkeley; MS, San Francisco State University

**Fun Facts:** Chris and her partner like to play Pokemon Go whenever they go out for walks.



## Michael Schwarz Transfer Counselor/Instructor



**Responsibilities:** Transfer counseling

#### **Educational Background:**

- ·Ph.D., Higher Education, Indiana University;
- · M.A., Counseling, University of San Diego;
- ·B.A, Psychology, UC Davis;
- · AA, Santa Rosa Junior College

Work Experience: Mike has been Counseling at LPC since 2006, and worked with the National Survey of Student Engagement and UC Davis before coming here.

**Fun Facts:** Mike worked at a comedy club after college.



### Heike Gecox Counselor/Instructor



Responsibilities: Heike supports our International students with their educational goals for transfer. She also works with our disabled students and is the clinical supervisor for our mental health interns

**Educational Background:** B.A. CSU Hayward; M.S. CSU Hayward

**Fun Facts:** Heike is a former LPC student and always considered working here her dream job.



## Marina Lira Counselor/Instructor



**Responsibilities:** Marina is a general counselor, and the lead instructor for the Social Work and Human Services transfer degree program.

#### **Educational Background:**

- · M.S.W., UC Berkeley Social Welfare
- · B.A/B.A, Sonoma State University -Criminology and American Multicultural Studies

Work Experience: Marina has been working at community colleges since 2005. She joined the LPC counseling team in 2011 as the Puente instructor/counselor/coordinator and Articulation Officer.



## Rafael Valle Puente Counselor/Instructor



Responsibilities: Rafael is the Puente Más Program Counselor, the program is interdisciplinary in approach, with writing, counseling, math, and mentoring. Rafael is also the cofounder and co-chair of the UndocuAlly Task Force.

**Educational Background:** B.S., San Francisco State University; M.S., Capella University

**Fun Facts:** Rafael was the HSI Director of the Las Positas Community College Title V grant from 2016 –2020.



### Gabriela Discua Counselor/Instructor



Responsibilities: Gabriela is the Counseling Department Coordinator. She supervises Counseling Faculty Interns, Supports PT Counselors onboarding & training, works closely with ESL, and supports the "Undecided" Guided Pathways success team.

Educational Background: B.A., Cal State Hayward; M.S., San Francisco State University

**Fun Facts:** Her dog Callie escaped her crate at SFO in the Cargo area. Gabi spent 2 hours hunting her down & barely avoided a "Loose Dog on the Runway" headline!



## Jared Howard Counselor/Instructor



Responsibilities: Jared provides counseling services to all students on campus and serves as a liaison to the STEM Academic and Career Pathway. He is also a lead for the Guided Pathways Project.

**Educational Background:** M.A. San Jose State University; B.A. UC Berkeley; A.A. Liberal Arts Chabot College

**Fun Facts:** Jared has been part of the district as a student, classified professional, and faculty member.



## Kimberly Burks Umoja Counselor/Instructor



Responsibilities: Umoja Counselor; ConnectUp Lead; Business, Economics, Entrepreneur, and IT Pathway Counselor

**Educational Background:** B.S. Business - Accounting, SFSU; M.A. Counseling - Saint Mary's College of CA

Work Experience: Kim has worked at LPC for 6 years. Prior to that she worked 20+ years in change management and L&D (learning and development) for Cisco, SAP, Roche/Genentech and other tech companies.

**Fun Facts:** Kim and husband, Clifford, love a good ole' fashion road trip. Their most recent road (and ferry) trip was to British Columbia.



## Julie Nguyen Counselor/Instructor



**Responsibilities:** Julie is a new addition to our counseling team this semester.

#### **Educational Background:**

· **UC Berkeley:** Molecular Environmental Biology B.S.

University of San
 Francisco: Counseling Psychology
 M.A.

Fun Facts: I love traveling and seeing the world. My favorite trip was a vacation in Japan right before the pandemic started in Winter 2019!



## Celestine Wright Senior Counseling Assistant



**Responsibilities:** As the Senior Counselor Assistant, Celeste runs the operations at the General Counseling front desk and window.

Work Experience: Celeste has worked in General Counseling for 16 years. She enjoys being the advisor to BSU, and also supervising student assistants.

**Fun Facts:** Celeste loves to spend time with her family, and loves to travel.



## Katelyn Cortez Counselor Assistant



**Responsibilities:** Katelyn manages administrative tasks necessary for the counseling department, supports online counseling, and provides front desk support.

**Educational Background:** B.A., University of California, Berkeley

**Work Experience:** Katelyn has been at LPC for 10 months

**Fun Facts:** Katelyn loves British reality television shows.



### Part-Time Counselors









Chelsea Kubischta

Middle College Counselor, Instructor and General Counselor

Nadia Dadgar

Transfer Counselor, supporting transfer Center with counseling and transfer workshops

Amy Herrera

Athletic Counselor, Instructor, and General Counselor

### Part-Time Counselors





Danielle Odom
Umoja Counselor and
Coordinator



Michelle Randle
Middle College Counselor

### Part-Time Counselors





Sara Alturk

Supports general counseling students, new student group counseling, and onboarding.



Salvador Victoria

Served on the initial Veteran Joint Service Transcript (JST) credit for prior learning project.



Rudolf Rose

General Counselor

## Questions?



## THANK YOU

