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ACCREDITATION RESULTS SOON

By this time next month, we should know the results of our Accreditation. Imperial Valley College



was one of 46 western region colleges and institutions that were evaluated during the semi-annual meeting of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) on June 7.

Commission actions remain confidential until they are announced formally and, according to an ACCJC news release on the meeting, decisions will be released in early July.

We were one of several colleges in the Inland Empire/San Diego region to be reviewed at the June ACCJC meeting. Other nearby colleges include College of the Desert, Mt. San Jacinto and Palo Verde in the Riverside County area as well as Southwestern and MiraCosta in the San Diego area.

SUMMER SESSION III UNDERWAY

The third and final session of our summer school got off to a smooth start Monday, but last minute drops over the weekend and no shows brought our estimated FTES to about 600. On the Friday before classes opened, the FTES was estimated at nearly 663. On Sunday, it declined to 646 and no shows on Monday brought it down further.

This is the first time we have scheduled three sessions of Summer School, two of which were for the general student population.

Next year we will be returning to a regular (single) summer school session, but we will be evaluating how we can improve our summer school numbers.



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"SALARY SURFER" WEBSITE

A new online tool developed by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office now allows students and the public to view aggregated median earnings of those who complete a certificate or degree in a specific community college discipline and then enter the workforce.

Salary Surfer, which can be viewed at www.salarysurfer.cccco.edu, displays median annual incomes for those who complete 179 of the most widely enrolled program areas and do not transfer to a four-year institution. The data contains the median earnings for community college graduates

two years prior to earning the award, then two years and five years after earning either a certificate or degree.

An analysis of the data contained on Salary Surfer shows that students who complete an associate degree more than double their annual pre-degree earnings after two years in the workforce and nearly triple their pre-degree earnings after five years in the workforce.



SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

Through the end of June, our Foundation has raised and distributed \$203,469 in scholarships this year, which is a record. There were also a record number of students (322) who were the recipients of a scholarship with

the average amount of \$631.90 per scholarship. That represents 4,423 units being paid for this year through scholarships!

I want to congratulate our Foundation on its excellent work this past academic year.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

- **July 4:** Freedom Fest, Imperial Valley College
- **July 18:** City of El Centro Ice Cream Social and Rain on Main. 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Downtown El Centro
- **July 25:** Brawley Chamber of Commerce Mega Mixer. 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Stockmen's Club, 275 Marjorie Ave.
- **August 20:** Imperial Chamber Annual Teacher's Luncheon. 11:30 AM to 1 PM Veteran's Memorial Hall.



Mark Your Calendar