Los Angeles College Promise: Creating a City of Graduates

The Los Angeles College Promise will increase the number of community college graduates, university transfer and workforce-ready students throughout our region. It is a partnership between Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD), Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD), City of Los Angeles, LA Chamber of Commerce, UNITE LA and private philanthropy.

The Promise serves LAUSD and charter school graduating seniors through a comprehensive strategy designed to support students to complete a higher education degree and/or a workforce certificate. Important aspects of the Promise are waived tuition for the first year of college, priority enrollment and a dedicated support team providing a wide array of academic and student support services. The goal is to help students “start right” on their way to “ending right” with a degree, university transfer or workforce certificate in a timely and efficient manner.

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What makes the Los Angeles College Promise special?

- Assures LAUSD and charter school graduates enrollment priority and full-time enrollment in one of LACCD’s nine colleges
- Places students in the math and English courses required to succeed in college
- Addresses just-in-time student needs in such areas as financial aid, career advisement, tutoring and educational planning

More info on reverse
The LA College Promise Benefits Los Angeles, our region and California by

- Increasing the number and rate of college-bound high school seniors
- Stimulating the economy by responding to the workforce readiness gap in California
- Helping Angelenos achieve their dreams

Timeline

Summer + Fall 2016
Collaborate and design the LA College Promise program with LAUSD, City of Los Angeles, UNITE LA and LACCD.

Spring 2017
Conduct outreach and recruitment campaign across the LAUSD and charters.

Fall 2017
Launch the Promise! LAUSD high school graduates receive priority enrollment in a highly structured and supported first-year college experience.

Core Components

Early Outreach & Engagement for LAUSD Students
- College info days
- FAFSA completed in H.S.
- Priority registration
- Holistic assessment for strengths-based placement
- Pre-enrollment in support services

First-Year Experience
- Summer transition (extended orientation)
- Free tuition (no enrollment fees) for 1st year
- 12-15 units per semester
- Structured schedule including required English and math
- Ongoing success coaching, advising, and mentoring

Los Angeles Community College District Colleges

City | East | Harbor | Mission | Pierce | Southwest | Trade-Tech | Valley | West

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