Welcome and Introductions
Legislative Update
Budget Update
2024: Looking Forward
Newest League Legislative Advocate

Kristal Padilla

- Attended De Anza Community College
- Transferred to California State University (CSU) Sacramento
- Engrossing and Enrolling Intern with the Assembly Chief Clerk’s Office
- Served as a Senate Fellow for the Office of Senator Josh Newman
ACL Member Introductions
ACL Guiding Principles

Advises the League policy boards (CCCT/CEOCCC) on legislation affecting community colleges.

Reviews state legislation, state budget, and as time permits, federal legislation, that impacts community colleges, discussing potential effects, advantages and disadvantages, and possible advocacy strategies.

Committee membership includes Trustees, CEOs, ASCCC, ACHRO, SSSCC, CSSOM, ACBO, PIOs, CIOs, local community college government relations, public relations, or communications professionals.

Each ACL member is a full voting member. While voting on items is an important element, the debate and feedback provided to staff is in many ways far more critical.

The committee meeting schedule will align with the annual state legislative calendar. Meetings will be held in Sacramento and will have both an in-person and virtual option.
Legislative Update
2023 Final Actions

- Signed into law (890): 85%
- Vetoed (156): 15%
Veto Message: Due to Cost

This year, however, the Legislature sent me bills outside of this budget process that, if all enacted, would add nearly $19 billion of unaccounted costs to the budget, of which $11 billion would be ongoing.

With our state facing continuing economic risk and revenue uncertainty, it is important to remain disciplined when considering bills with significant fiscal implications, such as this measure.
Bills vetoed by the Governor

- AB 1699 (McCarty) K-14 Classified Employees
- AB 299 (Holden) Hazing: Institutional Liability
- SB 433 (Cortese) Third Party Disciplinary Hearings
- AB 746 (Sanchez) Learning-Aligned Employment Program (LAEP)
Bills signed by the Governor

AB 91 (Alvarez) Exemption from Non-Resident Tuition: SDICCCA
AB 358 (Addis) Field Act Exemption
AB 1400 (Bryan) Community college student transfers: HBCUs
AB 634 (Ward) CDCP Programs
AB 1291 (McCarty) University of California Associate Degree for Transfer Pilot Program
AB 1142 (M. Fong) CPEC 2.0

Would establish the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education in California, composed of five public members appointed by the Senate, Assembly, and Governor. Among other items, it would be empowered to:

- Set performance targets for enrollment and completion statewide and by region.
- Conduct a review of statewide and regional gaps in enrollment, completion, and other matters.
- Review and make recommendations on how to create efficiencies in cross-segmental cooperation.
- Evaluate how each segment is responding to the goals outlined by the Governor in the 2022-23 budget.

Position: WATCH

Location: 2-Year Bill
Would place a school facilities bond of $14 billion on the ballot in 2024 for only K-12 and community colleges.
Position: SUPPORT
Location: 2-Year Bill

Would place on the March 2024 ballot a bond of $15.5 Billion. The CSU, UC, and CCC would each receive $2 billion.
Position: WATCH
Location: 2-Year Bill
2-Year Bills

AB 610 (Holden) Transit Passes
Would create a free student transit program by awarding grants to transit agencies for the costs of creating, designing, developing, advertising, distributing, and implementing free transit passes to persons attending certain educational institutions, providing free transit service to holders of those passes.

Position: SUPPORT
Location: Assembly Floor

AB 252 (Holden) Student Athlete Protection Act
Would create a regulatory agency empowered to investigate and manage California collegiate athletic practices related to student academic, mental, and physical health. Additionally, it mandates the creation of a degree completion fund for student-athletes who obtain an athletic scholarship.

Position: OPPOSE
Location:
AB 1160 (Pacheco) Student Debt Collection

Would prohibit an institution of higher education from placing an enrollment or registration hold on a current or former student’s account, charging a higher tuition or fee, providing less favorable treatment related to reenrollment or registration for courses, or otherwise preventing a current or former student from reenrolling or registering at the institution of higher education on the grounds that the student owes an institutional debt. Requires the governing boards of institutions of higher education to require each institution to report, on an annual basis, specified information regarding the number and dollar amount of institutional debts at each institution.

Location: 2-Year Bill
Potential Legislation: Dual Enrollment

Would expand dual enrollment to permit asynchronous distance education learning. This policy change aims to address current issues with dual enrollment in rural communities, where it is difficult for colleges and high schools to obtain the appropriate staff and number of required students for traditional dual enrollment instruction to occur.

- This bill will potentially be introduced next year by a coalition of rural community college districts and school districts.
- Under current law, dual enrollment courses must meet two conditions 1) The course is offered at a high school campus, in-person or online, and 2) The course is during the regular school day. Since asynchronous classes do not have a set time, they do not meet the second condition.
- Rural colleges would be able to use their faculty to teach the classes, rather than relying on finding high school teachers who meet minimum qualifications.
- Equity lens: Latinx students within rural communities would greatly benefit.
2024-25 Budget
### October 2023 Franchise Tax Board Collections

#### In Millions

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*Monthly forecast prepared by administration in May 2023—prior to Oct. 16th announcement that extended already-delayed deadlines further to Nov. 16th.
2024: Looking Forward
Likely Priorities for the League

- Cost-of-Living Adjustment
- Pension obligation costs
- Financial aid reform
- Affordable student housing
What’s next in 2024
Senate Leadership Transition

Mike McGuire Termed out in 2026

Toni Atkins Termed out in 2024
Speaker Robert Rivas Termed out in 2030
Baccalaureate Degree: what should we do?

1. Remove duplication limits
2. Allow limited duplication based on regional needs
3. Focus on labor gap needs
4. Focus on something specific, like nursing
5. Do nothing, at least for this year
AB 656 (McCarty)

California State University: doctoral programs

Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 663, Statutes of 2023.

A proposed doctoral program that receives written objections from the president’s office in compliance with paragraph (1) shall not be approved for implementation by the trustees unless and until a letter indicating a resolution of the written objections and a mutual agreement, signed by both the chancellor and the president, in support of the CSU offering the proposed doctoral program is submitted to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and the Senate Committee on Education.
In California, New Debate Over an Old Funding Law

The Fifty Percent Law, enacted more than 50 years ago, requires community colleges in the state to spend at least half their budget on instruction.

By Jessica Blake
The “Fifty Percent Law” Audit Request

• June 26th Hearing by the Joint Legislative Audit Committee
  • Amended audit. Status: Not Yet Started
  • Original estimate 6 months to complete. Currently no estimated due available
A review of current practices by colleges

Current state law

Current federal law and guidance

Potential recommendations on future legislation

Given possibility that US Supreme Court may act
Save the date

January 28-29, 2024
Annual Legislative Conference

Sheraton Grand Sacramento

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Effective Advocacy for Equity and Success

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Questions?
Thank you!