

From: Karen Gilmer
To: CEO LISTSERV
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Subject: INVITATION from Chancellor Brice Harris

Chancellor Brice Harris will kick off a conference call on Thursday, February 12 at 10:30 AM to inform CEOs of the Registered Apprenticeship College Consortium (RACC). RACC is a national effort sponsored by the federal Department of Labor (DOL) and the Department of Education to facilitate the articulation of Registered Apprenticeship certificates for college credit. The Chancellor's Office will follow up with the webinar call-in number to sponsor a presentation by DOL officials to present the program and its details. Through this webinar, we are reaching out to you as a strong potential applicant to urge you to join RACC (see attached application and links below for more information, as well as 5 reasons to join). RACC currently has over 100 community colleges or community college districts as members. Approximately 15 of those 100+ are California Community Colleges. RACC affiliation may help a college to develop the network necessary to apply for a grant under the recently announced \$100M American Apprenticeship Grant offered by DOL ([link](#)).

Reasons for community colleges to join the Registered Apprenticeship College Consortium (RACC, [link](#)) are listed below. See also the FAQ ([link](#)).

1. Creates a pathway for local Apprenticeship graduates to earn an AA/AS or bachelors' degree by leveraging prior learning
2. Creates a new source of local degree seekers who are invested in completing a degree program
3. Strengthens the relationship between colleges and local apprenticeship programs
4. Enhances the potential for participation in funding opportunities such as the \$100M American Apprenticeship Grant
5. Aligns with colleges efforts to create Prior Learning Assessment opportunities for Veterans per AB 2462, Education Code §66025.7

California Community Colleges who have applied for and been accepted to the RACC are:

Cuyamaca Community College
Fresno City Community College
Irvine Valley College - Advanced Technology Education Park
Antelope Valley College
State Center Community College District
East Los Angeles College
Santiago Canyon College
Reedley College
American River College
San Jose City College
Palomar Community College
Mission Community College
Allan Hancock College
Rio Hondo Community College District

Please join Chancellor Harris on this important call.

The call-in information is:

To join the online meeting

1. Go to

<https://dol.webex.com/dol/j.php?MTID=m3894d7e0ba0d86204e5f9893084556a7>

2. If requested, enter your name and email address.

3. If a password is required, enter the meeting password: M33ting#

4. Click "Join".

To join the teleconference only

Phone: 1-866-919-3594

Passcode: 7697723

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A webinar was recorded and explains the American Apprenticeship Grant. The recording is found on the following site:

<https://www.workforce3one.org/view/5001500850545759635/info>

Links to Additional Information:

Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)- Grant Notice - ETA-15-

02<<http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=270372>>

· Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions - <http://www.doleta.gov/oa/aag.cfm>

· Whitehouse Link - www.whitehouse.gov <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/04/16/fact-sheet-american-job-training-investments-skills-and-jobs-build-strong> for more details

Links to New Resources:

New Apprenticeship Website -

www.dol.gov/apprenticeship<<http://www.dol.gov/apprenticeship>>

Apprenticeship Toolkit - Quick Start Toolkit

http://www.doleta.gov/oa/employers/apprenticeship_toolkit.pdf

Federal Funding for Apprenticeship Playbook - Federal

Playbook<http://www.doleta.gov/oa/federalresources/playbook.pdf>

· Employer's Playbook to Building an Apprenticeship Program -Employer's Playbook<http://www.doleta.gov/oa/employers/playbook.pdf>

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