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The Mt. SAC journalism students attended and competed at the Associated Collegiate Press Convention and the California College Media Awards, this past weekend at Universal City.

Not only did they take Best of Show for the newspaper, Best Overall Newspaper and Best Overall Newspaper design, but they won Best Website for Substance on Medium, winning over UCLA who placed under them!

In addition, they won two first place awards for Best Photo and Best Photo Series, First Place for Best Editorial Writing, First Place for Best Breaking News Story, First Place for Best non-breaking news story, First Place for Best Arts and Entertainment Story, Second Place for Best Photo Illustration and Best Newspaper Page Layout, Third Place for best Sports Photo, and Fourth Place for Best Blog.

Last year was a banner year for the journalism program. We won more awards than we ever have. But this year kicks off with a win for Substance on medium. This is a proud moment for all of us!

ACP is a national organization with entries that come primarily from universities across the nation, and CCMA brings in universities from across the state.

After the wins Marcy Burstiner from Humboldt State and Arvli Ward from UCLA both asked to meet with me and the first question was: How do we create an easy path to get your students over here?

Also, I presented a session along with our student editors about the medium project. It went over incredibly well with advisers and students bombarding us with questions. A faculty member from Central Washington University said we gave her hope for the future of journalism.

A great weekend!

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