



# 2017 Major Highlights and Accomplishments



## Institutional

- ▶ Cerritos Complete and the OER initiative *Making College Affordable for Adult Learners Using Online Education Resources* among the top 10 finalists of the 2018 Bellwether Award
- ▶ Recipient of the California Community Colleges Board of Governors 2017 Energy and Sustainability Award for the Science Building retro-commissioning project
- ▶ College's Electrical Field Service Technician training program was recognized by the South Bay Workforce Investment Board
- ▶ Opened a new classroom location at the Norwalk-La Mirada Adult School
- ▶ Ranked 14<sup>th</sup> among the top 100 schools with the highest Hispanic enrollment in the United States
- ▶ The Cerritos College Foundation's 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Classic raised \$80,000 in scholarship funds
- ▶ 3,312 students received degrees and certificates at the 2017 commencement, making the Class of 2017 the largest graduating class in the 60-year-old campus' history
- ▶ Broke ground on the new Health & Wellness Complex in April
- ▶ Opened the new Mathematics/Computer Information Science (CIS) Building and Fine Arts Complex
- ▶ Selected for the California Space Grant Consortium's Competitive Opportunity for Community College Partnerships Program
- ▶ The Advanced Transportation Technology and Energy Center (ATTE) received \$1 million from the California Energy Commission to develop clean fuel training programs for high schools in underserved communities

## Events

- ▶ The Center for Teaching Excellence hosted the Student Success Conference – Open Educational Resources
- ▶ Diversity celebrations with International Education Week, LGBTQ Awareness Month, Hispanic Heritage Month, and Black History Month
- ▶ Veterans Week
- ▶ The Festival of Asian Cultures brought together community and diverse cultures
- ▶ FAR Bazaar transformed the old 30,000-square-foot abandoned mid-century fine arts building into an art space

## Faculty/Staff

- ▶ Psychology professor Dr. Kimberley Duff was elected to serve as the national President-Elect of Psi Beta, and received the Western Psychological Association's 2017 Outstanding Teaching Award
- ▶ Woodworking instructor Jim Driskell received the Los Angeles County Industrial Technology Education Association (LACITEA) 2017 College Teacher of the Year Award
- ▶ Dr. Bob Livingston, Yvette Tafoya, and Andrea Wittig were selected for the prestigious 2016 John & Suanne Roueche Excellence Award by the League for Innovation in Community Colleges

## Students

- ▶ Jose Cervantez and Brianna Davis were accepted into UCLA's CC2PhD Scholars Program
- ▶ Woodworking students participated in the 2017 World Wood Day
- ▶ Psi Beta received the Outstanding Chapter of the Year Award
- ▶ Nearly 600 students in the College's Technology Division received industry certifications in engineering design technology, welding, and machine tool technology
- ▶ The athletics program ranked seventh in the state and fourth in Southern California in the 2016-17 season
- ▶ Women's Track & Field won third straight state championship title
- ▶ Men's and Women's tennis dominated the ITA regionals, and represented Southern California at nationals
- ▶ *Talon Marks* won the California College Media Association awards
- ▶ Twenty-four Culinary Arts students prepared meals for the 2017 Golden Globe Awards dinner

