

Spring 2025 Highlights



- Celebrated a record-breaking 9,000 degrees and certificates at the 67th commencement ceremony **1**
- Students Benjamin Lee and Sharlize Lemus earned the esteemed Jack Kent Cooke scholarship **2**
- Engineering Technology Club excelled at VEX Robotics World Championship
- Dental hygiene students dominated the regional research poster competition **3**
- Cerritos College-CSULA student team secured sixth place and two awards in the Battery Workforce Challenge
- Student Anahi Mireles won the Taco Bell Live Más Scholarship for her passion for engineering and advocacy for individuals with disabilities
- The fifth Annual Herencias Culinarias Competition showcased the creative talents of Culinary Arts students in modern Latin cuisine **4**
- Cerritos Blue is Going Green: Cerritos College leads the way in sustainability with the new solar energy system, projected to generate over 85% of the campus's electricity and save \$16 million over 20 years **5**
- The Falcon beach volleyball team qualified for the 3C2A state team championships



- The forensics (speech and debate) team achieved historic success, winning gold and silver at the Phi Rho Pi national championship 6
- The 2025 State of the College highlighted the community's collective achievements to overcome challenges and drive innovation with resiliency 7
- The inaugural Gradapalooza featured a grad fair and celebrated various student services ceremonies 8
- The women's wrestling team secured its third straight 3C2A State Championship 9
- President Jose Fierro's opinion piece, "Why California Must Champion Community College Bachelor's Degrees," was featured by the leading education media EdSource
- The Child Development Center achieved the highest Tier 5 rating from Quality Start Los Angeles for excellence in care and education
- Aerospace engineering student Peijuan Huang earned the prestigious Brooke Owens Fellowship
- A successful multi-agency active shooter training drill enhanced emergency preparedness 10
- Teacher TRAC celebrated its 25-year partnership with Cal State Long Beach as a successful example of strengthening the teaching workforce in the region
- EC Connect was launched to connect the campus community and enhance professional development through a series of engaging activities
- The Falcon student team was the only community college team in the nation to advance to phase II of NASA's 2025 Micro-g NEXT challenge

