One telephone call from Cerritos College changed it all. It was January 2008 and Ruben Gonzalez, who lives in Lakewood, had no idea what he wanted to do, or what he could do, with his life.

After both of his parents were arrested for drug use when he was five years old, Gonzalez and his four younger siblings moved in with his grandmother who became their Foster parent. Since there was no one who went to college around him, it never occurred to him that there was such an option.

Then came the phone call – it was from financial aid specialist, Yvette Tafoya, inviting Gonzalez to a financial aid workshop. Tafoya was designated as the state-wide Foster Youth Success Initiative liaison for Cerritos College and had just begun offering workshops specifically for current and former Foster youth.

After the workshop, Tafoya walked him through the application process for financial aid, enrollment and class registration.

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Gonzalez and fellow student, Jacinda Travis, are in the process of founding the L.I.N.C. Club, which will connect Foster youth students and provide them with resources and networking opportunities.

"I'm trying to create a place where foster youth students can get connected with each other, so we all know that we are not alone and we can support each other,” he said.

His ambition to help others goes well beyond that. He plans to major in psychology, transfer to California State University, Long Beach and become a high school counselor.

“I want to help out students, especially those who have problems and don't have much support or guidance from their family,” said Gonzalez.

There is no doubt that he is setting a great example for such students and is becoming an inspiration to them.

On the weekends, he and his girlfriend love to take his younger siblings to the movies – evidently, caring comes natural for him.
New Leaders Have Joined Our Campus

Over the past semester, the Cerritos College Board of Trustees has made three top administrative appointments: two brought new faces to the college’s administration: Mr. William C. Farmer, Acting President/Superintendent of the Cerritos Community College District; Dr. Jim Albanese, Interim Vice President for Business Services; and Dr. Marilyn Brock, Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs. Farmer served as the Cerritos College Vice President of Academic Affairs for three years before being appointed President/Superintendent of the Cerritos Community College District by the Trustees in July 2008. Interim Vice President of Business Services Albanese began his assignment in August 2008. He was appointed to the Trustees to serve for one year at Cerritos College. Albanese had worked in the community college system for 35 years before retiring as the Vice President of Administrative Services at Mt. San Antonio College. Brock, who was appointed by the Trustees to take the place of Farmer as Interim Vice President of Academic Affairs, started her assignment at the college in October 2008. She previously served as the Dean of Health Occupations at Cerritos College before leaving to serve as Vice President of Academic Affairs at Long Beach City College.

Both Albanese and Brock have taken on several interim vice presidencies since their retirements. The Board has begun the presidential search process and hopes to find a new, permanent president/superintendent within the next year.

Cerritos College Makes an Appearance at the NHRA Automobile Club World Finals

The Chrysler College Automotive Program (CAP), along with the school’s other corporate automotive programs, attended the National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) Career Opportunities Fair at the Pomona Fairplex in November. The CAP Program’s booth had two Chrysler cars and NHRA Top Alcohol Funny Car driver, Bobby Martin and his car owner, Frank Parker. Both were on hand to answer any questions the high school students had.

CAP has been a long-time supporter of Martin and Parker, and helped their team make the trip to the Finals. In recognition of the support, there was a large Cerritos College CAP Program decal on the hood of the car Martin drove. Martin, racing in his Cerritos College-decaled car, came in 4th place in his category at the Finals and was televised, with the car, on the NHRALucas Oil Sportsman Series on ESPN2 along with the others that placed within the top eight.

This fall, our enrollment has grown to over 24,000 students, yielding a growth rate in Full-Time Equivalent Students (FTES) of approximately 8.5%. This welcomed growth, unfortunately, comes at a time of fiscal stress as the state struggles to balance its budget and the nation undergoes its worst fiscal crisis since the Great Depression. Cerritos College is in a unique position to be an economic engine that helps us out of this crisis, for its many programs offer opportunities for employees to retain themselves for new jobs and careers. It is our hope that those who fund us will recognize the valuable role we stand ready to play in an economic recovery.

If you’ve been on the campus recently, you’ve seen the disruption that construction brings. We’re building the infrastructure—water, electrical and data connections—that can support all the new buildings that we’re constructing. We broke ground for our new Aquatic Center on October 15. This facility will include two pools and a pool house. The pool will be heated by waste heat from the adjacent Central Plant, resulting in considerable utilities savings. We hope to break ground soon for a new Science, Mathematics and Technology building and plans for a new Liberal Arts building are underway. We invite you to join us for these groundbreaking and to watch our progress as we improve our facilities. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to serving our communities with new and improved facilities.

Cerritos College is the top college out of 35 schools participating in the CAP Program nationwide.

For more information on Cerritos College’s automotive training programs, visit us online at www.cerritos.edu/auto or call 562.860.2451, ext. 2974.

Cerritos College’s CNC Machine Program is Featured

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The project, managed by the college’s Office of Economic Development, was successful in retraining the workers in CNC machining and placing the majority in new positions.

The full report is available on the National Council for Workforce Education (NCWE) Web site at http://www.ncwe.org/CSWFindingsReport.pdf. For more information on Cerritos College’s CNC Machining Program, visit the “CNC” page on our website at http://www.cerritos.edu/cnc or contact us at 562.860.2451, ext. 2511.

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Excellence in Brief

This has been a time of transformation at Cerritos College with changes in leadership, growth in enrollment and continued physical transformation of the campus.

On July 21, 2008, I became Acting President of Cerritos College. I will serve as Acting President until the Board of Trustees selects the next permanent president of the college. The current plan is for that to happen by July 1, 2009. Other interim appointments have brought two highly experienced professionals to Cerritos College: Dr. Jim Albanese, former Vice President of Administrative Services at Mt. San Antonio College, is serving as Vice President of Business Services; Dr. Marilyn Brock, former President of Mendocino College, is serving as Vice President of Academic Affairs. I’m pleased to serve as Acting President with these talented leaders.

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or Cerritos College assistant women's water polo coach Brenda Villa, her experiences competing for the United States in three Olympic Games weren’t about winning medals, but about exposing young girls to the sport she loves. However, winning was what she was there to do. In her three Olympic games, Villa won a silver medal in 2000, a bronze in 2004 and another silver medal this past summer.

“It was really painful losing in the gold medal game to the Netherlands,” said Villa of the team’s 9-8 loss to the world’s #9 ranked team. Heading into the Olympics, the Villa-led US team was ranked #1 in the world.

“We really worked hard and knew the Netherlands was really playing well. But each of us on the team knew we were a better team, which made the loss hurt that much more,” added Villa.

“At this time, I’m planning on playing overseas in Italy like I have in the past and I really don’t know if I’m going to try out for the Olympic team in four years.”

When Villa started playing water polo, she was a four-time 1st Team All-American playing on the Bell Gardens High boys water polo team because the school didn’t field a girl’s team. She went on to earn a scholarship at Stanford University and played for three years. Villa then went on to play internationally from 1996-2003, competing all over the world. In March of 2007, Villa led the USA Women’s National Water Polo Team in Melbourne, Australia at the 2007 FINA World Water Polo Championships. Villa scored a total of 11 goals throughout the whole tournament helping Team USA achieve first place naming them the 2007 FINA World Champions. She also helped lead the team to the 2007 Pan Am Games that qualified them for the Beijing Olympics in 2008.

Since she began playing water polo, the game has exploded, with girls from all parts of the country excited to learn and play the sport. But just a short four years ago, the most famous women’s water polo player in the country wasn’t even a name the team didn’t even know who she was,” said fourth-year Cerritos women’s water polo coach Sergio Macias, who has known Villa for years. “They all know who she is now.”

In that gold medal game in July, the US team trailed 4-0, but worked their way back to tie the game at 5-5. After falling behind 7-5, they tied the game at 8-8 before the Dutch team scored with 26 seconds left for the eventual game-winning goal. Villa, who scored once and assisted on five others in the game, had a chance in the final seconds to tie the game with a rebound, but just missed. For the Olympics, Villa tied the team lead with nine goals.

“That was a pretty intense game and it was one of those games where you just ran out of time,” added Villa. “I really thought we were the best team in the tournament and felt we were going to win after getting past Australia in the semi-finals.”

In that game against the Aussies, Villa scored the game-winning goal on an amazing shot to lead the United States to a 9-8 win over the #2-ranked team in the world. With about a minute to go and the game tied at 8-8, the Americans were on the attack. Villa got the ball at about 15-feet out and went for the left side of the cage, skipping the ball past the Australian goalkeeper for the eventual game-winning goal. The win over Australia also avenged the team’s loss in the gold medal game in 2000.

But with all of the international competition, Villa is happy to be coaching at Cerritos College. “We have a really good team and they are committed to listening and learning,” said Villa. “Sergio does a great job with the team and I am happy to just be able to contribute what I can. I’m having a lot of fun here coaching.”

The Falcon women’s water polo team won their first state title in the program’s history with an 11-6 win over rival Long Beach City in the championship game on November 22. The team finished with a 51-3 record, including a school-record 22-game winning streak.

Northwood University at Cerritos College to be Managed by SMCDA

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fter being launched at Cerritos College two years ago, the Northwood University west coast program has grown to the level where more staffing is needed to manage the program.

Southland Motor Car Dealers Association (SMCDA) will manage the Northwood University program at Cerritos College. Phoenician will be operated full-time from the SMCDA offices and afternoon office hours on campus will be held for the program’s students.

This is a perfect fit since the SMCDA is so involved with education at Cerritos College.

“Javier Garza (the former Program Center Manager) has done a great job getting the program off the ground and establishing it as one of the only four-year universities operating wholly on a community college campus,” said Todd Leutheuser, who will oversee the program while still managing the SMCDA.

The Northwood program is gaining steady popularity among students for its “3-plus-1” structure. The first three years of the four-year degree offered by Northwood University costs students only $20 per unit since the program consists of transferable classes at Cerritos College. The final year of the degree is offered at Northwood’s tuition rate but still takes place at Cerritos College’s campus.

The first Northwood University class at Cerritos College graduated in June and nearly 50 students are currently enrolled. The first group of students taking automotive classes for their Bachelor’s Degree in Automotive Marketing and Management are now starting their fourth year of study and hope to complete their degree by the time the Automotive Training Center is completed.

Northwood University is based in Midland, Michigan and has campuses in Florida and Texas and partners with Cerritos College to offer the Bachelor’s in Business Administration Degree. This is a unique partnership among the community colleges in California.

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Cerritos College Faculty Senate President, Dr. Bryan Reece, introduced the Habits of Mind campaign plan on Thursday, October 30, after almost three years of surveys, focus groups, discussions and meetings all focused on perfecting the plan.

“The hope for the campaign is that it becomes enmeshed in the Cerritos College culture and inspires, and helps improve, the lives of not only our present, but our future students,” said Reece.

According to the campaign initiative, the Habits of Mind "aims to teach all 24,000 Cerritos College students how to practice and adopt success-oriented habits of mind—habits like how much time they should spend studying, time management, education planning and much more."

The study habits and skills that individuals need to succeed in college are going to be emphasized to students using two coordinated campaigns: one in the classroom and one around campus. The initiative includes a FALCON acronym and an iFalcon slogan to reiterate to students the tools they need to get the most from their education.

The FALCON acronym summarizes the Habits of Mind and includes: Focus, Advance, Link Up, Comprehend, Organize and New Ideas. iFalcon will be used around campus to help students remember to use the success-oriented tools. Falcon is used as a verb and “to Falcon” means to practice the habits of success that will be taught to the students in the classrooms.

iFalcon posters and banners, along with miniature cards distributed at service counters around campus, will be used to raise the students’ awareness and curiosity about the Habits of Mind campaign. There will also be an iFalcon Web site where students can see student videos portraying how they are using FALCON practices to be successful, take quizzes to help them improve study habits, and find campus resources available to them.

The Habits of Mind is not exclusively the brainchild of faculty. The entire campus has contributed to this initiative, with input from staff, managers and students. Many of the students that were involved attended the kickoff.

“We have dedicated hours to this campaign through focus groups and presentations,” said Associated Students of Cerritos College’s (ASCC) President Michael Barrita. “It (Habits of Mind campaign) is student driven and that’s why it will be a success.”

The Habits of Mind campaign is just one campaign within the larger “Agenda for Student Success” program designed by the Faculty Senate. This campaign is included in the Student Work Initiative section of the agenda, along with the Academic Excellence Awards and Transfer Push campaigns.

For more information on the “Agenda for Student Success” or the Habits of Mind campaign please visit the Faculty Senate homepage at www.cerritos.edu/faculty-senate.
Cerritos College’s Energy Efficient Central Plant is Up and Running

New Chilled Water Central Plant Changes the Way Campus Buildings are Cooled

Construction started in the summer of 2007 on the new Central Plant on the Cerritos College campus. The plant will provide chilled water for the air conditioning in all the buildings on campus when it is completed.

Before the new plant was built, Cerritos College used individual, out-of-date, non-energy efficient chillers in each building to keep the buildings cool.

Three new chillers, that total 3,000 tons of cooling capacity, are located in a building on the southeast side of campus. This allows them to work together and be more energy efficient by allowing the chillers to run only when they are needed and by allowing all of the water to be chilled in one location instead of numerous locations.

The $25 million G.O. Bond funded project is near completion with seven buildings already tied into the Central Plant and six more to go. The campus has been under continual construction with workers digging up sidewalks and streets to be able to lay the pipes needed to connect the college’s chilled water loop with the Central Plant.

As new buildings, such as the Liberal Arts building and the new Automotive Technology building, are completed, they too will be tied into the campus’ Central Plant.

Cerritos College and Community Celebrate Groundbreakings of Aquatic Center

Cerritos College officials, Board of Trustees and community members attended a groundbreaking for the new Aquatic Center on Wednesday, October 15.

Dignitaries in attendance included Former President/Superintendent Dr. Wilford Michael and wife, Jean; Cerritos Mayor Jim Edwards; Celia Spitzer, ABC Unified School District Board Member; Sue Arthur, President of Norwalk Chamber of Commerce; and Vivian Hansen, Executive Director of Norwalk Chamber of Commerce.

The new $7 million Aquatic Center will be funded by the G.O. Bond and will consist of a 115-by-75-foot competition pool, a 45-by-75-foot adaptive pool and a 3,400 square foot pool house building.

Its completion is expected in fall 2009.
Cerritos College Foundation Receives $500K Pledge from Los Angeles Auto Dealers

Donation Supports Southland/Cerritos Center for Transportation Technologies

The Greater Los Angeles New Car Dealers Association (GLANCDA) pledged $500,000 to the Cerritos College Foundation on October 1. The donation will benefit the Southland Cerritos Center for Transportation Technologies.

GLANCDA Board Member Randy Sopp, of Sopp Chevrolets in the city of Bell, presented a check to Cerritos College Board President, Bob Arthur, during the college’s October board meeting. The $500,000 pledge covers a five year period.

“The automotive training program at Cerritos College is already one of the strongest in the nation,” said Charlie Gill, Executive Director of GLANCDA. “This pledge will go directly to the construction of the new Automotive Partners building, which will facilitate an even closer bond between Cerritos and GLANCDA’s new car dealer members.”

The college and its partners, with support of the Cerritos College Foundation, have launched a $4.8 million capital campaign for private support to help augment local bond funds provided for the $15 million expansion of the center. The proposed training center will include a $9 million renovation of the existing three-acre training center, which will focus on management education for the auto industry. When completed in 2009, the center will play a large role in filling the ever-changing, highly skilled employment needs of the auto industry.

Key features of the training center will include a state-of-the-art Hybrid and Alternative Fuels Training Center, three manufacturer-sponsored technician apprentice programs, and Northwood University's west coast program center, which will offer the Southland Cerritos Center for Transportation Technologies.

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“We are excited and pleased to receive this wonderful pledge and we thank the GLANCDA for its generosity,” said Cerritos College Acting President/Superintendent Bill Farmer. “This gift will go a long way toward creating one of the most comprehensive automotive training centers in the country which will allow Cerritos College to educate and train tomorrow’s automotive industry workforce.”

Originally founded in 1907, the GLANCDA provides valuable educational and philanthropic benefits to the Los Angeles community. The Association believes that involvement with local charitable organizations makes a positive difference for everyone involved. Members are factory-franchised dealers who are committed to serving the communities of greater Los Angeles County by promoting professionalism within the retail automotive industry. The Association dealer members contribute not only to the economy of Los Angeles County, but also to the well being and growth of their individual communities. Visit GLANCDA online at http://www.glancda.org.

Cerritos College has offered automotive technology training since the college began in 1955. Nearly 1,000 students annually seek certificate degrees and special programs in the disciplines of automotive repair, advanced transportation technologies, auto collision repair, intelligent transportation systems, and alternative fuel and hybrids, making it one of the most comprehensive programs in the United States. As one of ten California Advanced Transportation Technology and Energy Initiative Centers, the Cerritos College Automotive Technology Program continues to be recognized by regional and state leaders by being awarded $1.2 million in program grants this year to support and expand technician education and training.

Cerritos College's Auto Technology Program provides students with hands-on, nationally authorized training for GM, Ford, Chrysler and import vehicles, while the California Advanced Transportation Technology Center is partially subsidized by the state to encourage development of alternative fuel sources.

Perhaps most impressively, Cerritos College is geographically located just blocks from the world’s largest auto mall where it partners with dealers to train and employ technicians and dealer managers. The greater Los Angeles area is home to more than 17 corporate support centers for the robust Southern California auto industry. It is also home to a number of design centers producing vehicle prototypes for future sales. Automotive-industry management opportunities routinely require a minimum of a bachelor's degree, which can now be pursued through Northwood University at Cerritos College.

The Cerritos College Foundation, a non-profit organization, serves as a charitable vehicle for the community, individuals and alumni to assist with financial support of Cerritos College. Visit the Foundation online at www.cerritos.edu/ccf.

Cerritos College to Receive Nearly $1 Million from Statewide Energy Efficiency Program

Money Will be Used for Energy Saving Projects

Cerritos College entered into an agreement with the CCC/IOU (California Community Colleges/Investor Owned Utility) Energy Efficiency Partnership in October. As a result of the partnership, the college will receive an estimated $922,747.32 in infrastructure-updating incentives.

“Cerritos College will be receiving more funding through the CCC/IOU than any other single community college site in California,” said Robert Riffle, Cerritos College Physical Plant Director.

The CCC/IOU Energy Efficiency Partnership Program is a statewide incentive program between California community colleges and four investor owned utility companies, including Southern California Edison and Southern California Gas Company.

Under this partnership, the CCC will collaborate with the participating IOUs to share energy efficient practices and to implement energy efficient projects for immediate and long-term energy savings and peak demand reduction.

The agreement is a one-time financial incentive for the college to participate in the program. The incentives which will be provided by the California Public Utilities Commission from the Public Goods Charge funds, will be used for future energy-saving projects at Cerritos College.

“The incentives received are the result of the current G.O. Bond projects, such as the new Central Plant, energy efficient lighting retrofits, lighting controls and the replacement of hot water boilers throughout campus,” Riffle said.

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Ang Pagawa ng mga Kinahasaan Gamit ang Pag-aaral
Long Beach resident, Monirath Siv, a student at Cerritos College, was awarded a $1,000 scholarship from the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation in July.

Through the Coca-Cola Two-Year Colleges Scholarship Program, the Foundation awards a total of 400 scholarships annually to students attending higher-education institutions granting two-year degrees. All recipients have demonstrated academic success and participated in community service within the past 12 months.

“The Coca-Cola Two-Year Colleges Scholarship Program is an extension of our long-standing commitment to college education throughout the United States,” said J. Mark Davis, President of the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation. “This scholarship honors students who often balance responsibilities of school, work and family, but also find time to give back to their communities through volunteer service.”

Siv, a straight-A sophomore majoring in engineering, came to the United States from Cambodia in 2006 and has been giving back to his American community ever since.

Long Beach Memorial Medical Center, AmeriCorps and the on-campus Project HOPE health fair events are just a few places you can see Siv volunteering his time.

“As a lifelong learner I want to learn more things beyond schoolwork,” said Siv. “I extend my academics by bringing my energy and skills to the community in a form of volunteering in order to experience new things.”

Siv plans to expand his education by majoring in biomedical engineering at a private four-year university. This year he will be applying to schools such as Cornell, Johns Hopkins, Columbia and Washington University in St. Louis with the hopes of taking full advantage of the opportunities this country offers to those that work hard.

The Coca-Cola Two-Year Colleges Scholarship Program is made possible with funding from the Joseph B. Whitehead Foundation. The Whitehead Foundation provides grants in support of human services initiatives. The late Joseph B. Whitehead was one of the original bottlers of Coca-Cola.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation is supported by the financial commitment of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Downey and the Coca-Cola Company. The Foundation was created in 1986 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Coca-Cola and to establish a legacy for the education of tomorrow’s leaders. Now in the 9th year of funding the Coca-Cola Two-Year Colleges Scholarship Program, the Foundation has provided over $3.7 million in scholarship awards to students attending two-year degree granting institutions and more than $35 million towards the Coca-Cola Scholars Program during the past 20 years.

The Coca-Cola Two-Year Colleges Scholarship is awarded every year in the spring. Applications are available in the Cerritos College Financial Aid office. Feel free to contact Veronica Castro at (562) 860-2451 ext. 3226 or vcastro@cerritos.edu with any questions.

Recent Addition to Cerritos College gets Seal of Approval from the Chancellor’s Office

New Insurance Career Program gets Degree and Certificate Approval

The California Community College's Chancellor's Office has officially approved the new Insurance Career Program at Cerritos College.

“If the Chancellor had not approved our program we simply could not grant a certificate of achievement or an AA degree in the insurance subject matter,” said Cerritos College Professor Michael J. Farina, co-chair of the college’s Business Accounting and Finance Department.

The Business Division at Cerritos College announced in June that it would become the first to offer a California Insurance Career Program in Southern California.

“We are thrilled to have Cerritos College join the other 17 colleges running our program in California, seeking to meet the growing demand for skilled workers in the insurance industry,” said Mike Wilson, Program Administrator of the California Insurance Careers Program.

Classes were first offered during the fall semester for this program, which is designed to provide insurance, business and communication skills to students using an industry developed curriculum, and prepare them for entry-level positions in commercial insurance.

The new program provides Web-based tools designed to create links between students and employers as well, including company profiles and resume posting opportunities.

The Business Department at Cerritos College plans to add two more classes to the program starting in the spring 2009 semester: Insurance Code and Ethics and Personal Insurance.

For more information on this and other business department programs visit http://www.cerritos.edu/accounting/insurance-program. To register for classes, call 562-860-2451 or visit www.cerritos.edu.
Steps to Getting Started
(562) 860-2451

1. ADMISSION
   Fill out an application and submit it to Admissions and Records or apply online at www.cerritos.edu by selecting “Apply Online Now.” Financial Aid is available. Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

2. ASSESSMENT
   Take the English, reading and math placement tests. These tests assess your math, language, and reading skill levels. Just bring your student ID and a photo ID on the test day. Pick up sample tests at the Career Services Center. Call the Assessment Center for scheduling information.

3. ORIENTATION
   Sign-up for an Orientation Workshop or complete the Online Orientation by visiting www.cerritos.edu/orientation. If attending in person, please bring your unofficial high school transcript and your assessment results to the workshop. When additional assistance is needed prior to registration, counselors are available on a walk-in basis or by appointment at the Counseling Center.

4. REGISTRATION
   After receiving your registration appointment, you may enroll for your classes online at my.cerritos.edu or by Falcon Phone at 562-865-3276.

5. COUNSELING
   After getting settled in your first semester, meet with a counselor every semester to ensure that you have an educational plan to meet your career goals.

Enrollment and Class Dates

18-WEEK SESSION
January 12 – May 22
Enroll November 20 – January 18

FIRST 9-WEEK SESSION
January 12 – March 13
Enroll November 20 – January 12

15-WEEK INTRASESSION
February 2 – May 22
Enroll November 20 – February 3

SECOND 9-WEEK SESSION
March 16 – May 22
Enroll November 20 – March 17

CAMPUS EVENT AND MEETING INFORMATION

Cerritos College Calendar of Events:
http://www.cerritos.edu/events

Athletics:
http://www.cerritos.edu/hpea/

Music Department performance:
http://www.cerritos.edu/music

Theatre Department performance:
http://www.cerritos.edu/theater

Board of Trustees meeting:
http://www.cerritos.edu/board-meetings

Class Schedule and Catalog:
http://www.cerritos.edu/catalog

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