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ACCJC Commissioner Application - Spring 2023 Election

Nomination and Application Instructions

On behalf of the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), the ACCJC Nominating Committee is seeking nominations and applications from individuals who wish to be considered for election as Commissioners to ACCJC. The ACCJC Nominating Committee is particularly seeking candidates who would advance ACCJC's core values and commitment to social justice.

The [announcement of vacancies and complete nomination and application instructions](#) are available on the ACCJC website.

The deadline for nominations and applications is March 31, 2023.

Commission Announcements and Updates

Congratulations Dr. Sonya Christian, Next Chancellor of the California Community Colleges

ACCJC extends its warmest congratulations to Dr. Sonya Christian, ACCJC Commissioner and newly selected Chancellor of the California Community Colleges!



"I am so excited for Chancellor Christian and the future of the California Community College System", said Dr. Mac Powell, ACCJC President. "Chancellor Christian has been a longtime advocate for students as an academic leader, and as an ACCJC peer reviewer, team chair, Commissioner, and as Chair of the Commission. She has consistently advocated for equitable student outcomes and the value of peer-review accreditation as a mechanism to promote institutional transformation in a collaborative and student-focused environment. We look forward to the years ahead working with Chancellor Christian to continue the important work that binds all of us together - the promotion of academic quality and the success of all students".

If you have not already done so, please do check out the [Chancellor's Office formal press release](#) and the [words of support from countless leaders in the field](#), and join us in congratulating Dr. Christian on this historic accomplishment!

Leading Improvements in Higher Education Podcast

Leading Improvements in Higher Education podcast with Stephen Hundley from IUPUI is a service of the Assessment Institute in Indianapolis, the oldest and largest higher education assessment and improvement event in the U.S. The podcast profiles people, initiatives, institutions, and organizations improving conditions in higher education.

President Powell recently participated in a conversation about the important role institutional accreditation plays on college and university campuses. When you have a moment to listen in, [Season 3, Episode 5 on the assessment institute website](#) is now available!

Upcoming Events

ACCJC Continues Standards Review Listening Sessions

ACCJC looks forward to offering the opportunity for continued engagement with the 2024 draft Standards through the online comment form and listening sessions. For more information, a calendar of events, and to register for one of the remaining town halls, please visit the [Standards Review website](#).

Virtual Town Hall #7	April 18, 2023, 1:00-2:00 p.m. PDT	Online (via Zoom)
Virtual Town Hall #8	April 18, 2023, 5:00-6:00 p.m. PDT	Online (via Zoom)

ACCJC Webinar Series – Spring 2023

The ACCJC “**Collective Dialogues: Advancing Innovation and Quality with our Institutions**” webinar series continues! Webinars are held on Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. (PST/PDT) and are facilitated by ACCJC Commissioner Randy Beach, Chair of the Educational Programming Committee. The full spring schedule and past webinar recordings are available on the ACCJC website. See you in April!
[Webinar information...](#)

Innovations:		
ACCJC and Teaching and Learning Trends in Higher Education	April 25, 2023, 1:00-2:00 p.m. PDT	
Updates from the Hill:		
Negotiated Rule-Making and College Accountability	May 16, 2023, 1:00-2:00 p.m. PDT	

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