



Academic Affairs

HANK LACAYO COMMUNITY AND LABOR STUDIES INSTITUTE (HLCLSI)

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The Hank Lacayo Community and Labor Studies Institute

The Hank Lacayo Community and Labor Studies Institute is the product of the collaborative efforts of university faculty, administrators, staff, and community stakeholders interested in the promotion of interdisciplinary service learning opportunities for students via the sponsorship of applied research, symposia, and projects addressing questions

of the Central Coast community and its workforce. The institute is named after Hank Lacayo, president of the Congress of California Seniors and retired official of the United Auto Workers union, and a member of the task force creating the institute. As part of its mission statement and that of the university, the Community and Labor Studies Institute is also

dedicated to serving as a clearinghouse for information, providing consultation and training, and integrating the talents and learning experiences of students in the projects of activists and service providers in the varying communities of California. In this regard, the institute seeks to instill the values of civic participation and social justice by way of experiential learning.

Strategic Plan

MISSION

To serve as a resource to students and the campus community and those interested in the study of community and labor issues. Through interdisciplinary learning and research, the institute seeks solutions to community and workforce problems, emphasizing the Central Coast region and its relationship with the global economy. By affording students service learning opportunities, the institute serves as a resource to government and public agencies, community-based organizations, and labor unions in the region along with a wide spectrum of stakeholders including business and labor and non-profit organizations as well as faculty and staff of California State University Channel Islands.

OBJECTIVES

- Integrate student interdisciplinary skills and service learning with applied studies and research and with the community, labor and the non-profit sector
- Serve as a clearinghouse for information
- Offer consultation and training
- Conduct public policy, collaborative and applied research studies
- Convene the public on issues of interest to communities and labor

Participants in the Planning of the HLCLSI

Members of the Hank Lacayo Community and Labor Studies Institute will be reconvening in the fall of 2007 to investigate funding sources to sponsor research projects and the recruitment of a full-time

director. This will allow the institute to nurture and promote service oriented learning opportunities with students and professors in the academic programs of Chicana/o Studies, Environmental Science

and Resource Management, Political Science, and others planned for the future.

COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS:

Hank Lacayo

President of the Congress of California Seniors



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Attorney at the Ventura Superior Court Self Help Legal Access Center and a member of the Board of Governors of the State Bar Association of California



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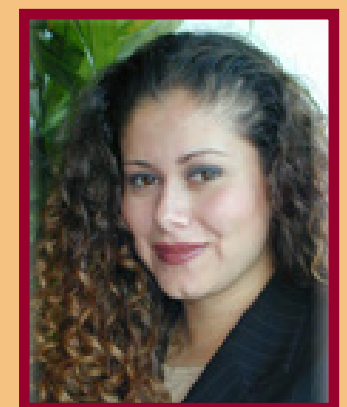


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