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ACCJC CONFERENCE PARTNERS IN EXCELLENCE | 2026

November 17–18, 2026 | Riverside, California

Registration for the 2026 Conference is open. **We have extended the early-bird registration deadline to August 16th**, register now to take advantage of the reduced rates!

Register Today!

Call for Poster Session Proposals

ACCJC is also seeking proposals for a poster session showcasing measurable outcomes, innovative practices, and cross-functional collaboration that demonstrate how each of our institutions are turning shared vision into student impact. The poster session will take place during the opening reception, providing opportunity for engaging conversation and networking. If your institution has a story of impact, grounded in shared vision and driving student success, we invite you to submit a proposal through the [online poster session form](#).

The deadline for submissions is **Friday, September 25th**. Questions? Contact Alexandra Spring at conference@accjc.org.

Program Overview

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increasingly complex higher education landscape. Grounded in the theme *Shared Vision, Shared Voice: Advancing Student Success Through Inclusive Governance*, the program brings together national leaders, campus practitioners, and institutional stakeholders to explore how alignment, collaboration, and evidence-informed practice strengthen institutional effectiveness and student outcomes. Across **plenary sessions, breakouts, forums, and poster presentations**, participants will engage with timely topics shaping the future of community colleges and higher education systems.

The conference will feature participation from:



Tia Brown McNair, Vice President of Strategy and Collective Impact, Alliance for Higher Education



Patrick Methvin, Director of Postsecondary Success, Gates Foundation



DeRionne Pollard, President, American Association of Community Colleges



Sonya Christian, Chancellor, California Community Colleges



Wendy Hensel, President, University of Hawai'i System

Please join us November 17–18, 2026, in Riverside, California. Together, we will explore not only how institutions meet standards, but how they rise to meet the moment.

Registration, program, and venue/hotel information is available on the [conference website](#).

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