

**Los Angeles Regional Consortium  
Program Recommendation Minutes**

March 19, 2026  
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

**Virtual**

- Dr. Elizabeth Riley, Cerritos College
- Kimberly Mathews, Citrus College
- Dr. Adrian Trinidad (alternate), Compton College
- Erica Mayorga (alternate), East LA College
- Katie Sundara, El Camino College
- Dr. Federico Saucedo, Glendale Community College
- Starla Thomas, Long Beach City College
- Marla Uliana, LA Mission College
- Wiley Brown (alternate), LA Pierce College
- Dr. Marcia Wilson, LA Trade-Tech College
- Dr. Brandon Hildreth (alternate), LA Valley College
- Dejah Swingle, Mt. San Antonio College
- Eduardo Galeana (alternate), Rio Hondo College
- Dr. Armine Derdarian, Pasadena City College
- Dr. Steven Sedky (alternate), Santa Monica College
- Allison Tom-Miura (alternate), West LA College

**I. Welcome and Call to Order**

The Los Angeles Regional Consortium (LARC) Workforce Council Business Meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m. by Dr. Narineh Makijan, Los Angeles Regional Consortium (LARC) Chair & AVP, Pasadena City College.

**II. LA Workforce Council Voting Member Roll Call**

The roll call was completed by Noushig Simonian, Administrative Assistant, Pasadena City College. They confirmed that a quorum of participating members was present.

**III. Approval of Previous Month’s Minutes .....Dr. Narineh Makijan**

a. Minutes from the February 19, 2026 Meeting

Motion: Marla Uliana, LA Mission College

Second: Dr. Marcia Wilson, LA Trade-Tech College

Approved:  Yes  No

**IV. General Updates**

- a. Chancellor’s Office Update ..... *Chancellor’s Office*
  - WEDD Program Updates – March 2026
  
- b. Fiscal & Procurement Update ..... *PCC Fiscal & Procurement Teams*
  - SWP Regional Funds Fiscal Updates *Pasadena City College*

**V. Informational Items**

- a. Program Data Requests

Program Title	TOP Code	College	Contact
<i>New Certificate or Degree Development (for credit)</i>			
1. Advanced Government Accounting Specialist (Certificate)	0502.00 Accounting	East LA College	Oliver Chiasheng Hsu <a href="mailto:hsuc@laccd.edu">hsuc@laccd.edu</a>
2. Automotive Business Management (Certificate)	0948.00 Automotive Technology	East LA College	Oswaldo Edgar Soltero <a href="mailto:solteroe@elac.edu">solteroe@elac.edu</a>
3. Arts Administration (Certificate)	1006.00 Technical Theater	East LA College	Lisa Hashimoto Stone <a href="mailto:stonelh@elac.edu">stonelh@elac.edu</a>
4. Early Childhood Educator 1 (Certificate)	1305.00 Child Development/Early Care and Education	East LA College	Amanda Andrade <a href="mailto:andrada@elac.edu">andrada@elac.edu</a>
5. Animation Production (A.A. Degree)	0614.40 Animation	LA Valley College	Chad Sustin <a href="mailto:sustinca@lavc.edu">sustinca@lavc.edu</a>
6. Cinema: Documentary Production (A.A. Degree)	0612.20 Film Production	LA Valley College	Chad Sustin <a href="mailto:sustinca@lavc.edu">sustinca@lavc.edu</a>
7. AgTech/Agricultural Technology (Certificate)	0101.00 Agriculture Technology and Sciences, General	Pasadena City College	Katie Rodriguez <a href="mailto:karodriguez@pasadena.edu">karodriguez@pasadena.edu</a>
8. Restoration Ecology Technician (Certificate)	0199.00 Other Agriculture and Natural Resources	Pasadena City College	Katie Rodriguez <a href="mailto:karodriguez@pasadena.edu">karodriguez@pasadena.edu</a>
9. Brewer’s Assistant (Certificate)	0113.00 Food Processing and Related Technologies	Rio Hondo College	Jeronimo Ribaya <a href="mailto:jribaya@riohondo.edu">jribaya@riohondo.edu</a>
10. Commercial Photography (A.S. Degree)	1012.00 Applied Photography	Rio Hondo College	Dr. George Wheeler <a href="mailto:gwheeler@riohondo.edu">gwheeler@riohondo.edu</a>
11. Tap Room Manager (Certificate)	0113.00 Food Processing and Related Technologies	Rio Hondo College	Jeronimo Ribaya <a href="mailto:jribaya@riohondo.edu">jribaya@riohondo.edu</a>

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12. Theater Technology (Certificate)	1006.00 Technical Theater	Rio Hondo College	Dr. George Wheeler <a href="mailto:gwheeler@riohondo.edu">gwheeler@riohondo.edu</a>
13. Climate and Environmental Technology for Sustainable Food Systems (Certificate)	0303.00 Environmental Technology	Santa Monica College	Jazmin Guzman <a href="mailto:guzman_jazmin@smc.edu">guzman_jazmin@smc.edu</a>
14. Photographic Arts (A.S. Degree)	1012.00 Applied Photography	Santa Monica College	Jazmin Guzman <a href="mailto:guzman_jazmin@smc.edu">guzman_jazmin@smc.edu</a>
15. Entrepreneur's Bootcamp (Certificate)	0506.40 Small Business and Entrepreneurship	West LA College	DeAnna April Gossett <a href="mailto:Gossett@lacc.edu">Gossett@lacc.edu</a>
<i>District or College Program Review</i>			
16. Agricultural Entrepreneurship	Not Provided	Pasadena City College	Katie Rodriguez <a href="mailto:karodriguez@pasadena.edu">karodriguez@pasadena.edu</a>
17. Biological Technology (Certificate, A.S. Degree)	0430.00 Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	Pasadena City College	Pamela Eversole-Cire <a href="mailto:pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu">pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu</a>
18. Biological Technology – Computational Biology (Certificate)	0430.00 Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	Pasadena City College	Pamela Eversole-Cire <a href="mailto:pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu">pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu</a>
19. Biological Technology – Laboratory Assistant (Certificate)	0430.00 Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	Pasadena City College	Pamela Eversole-Cire <a href="mailto:pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu">pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu</a>
20. Biological Technology – Laboratory Skills (Certificate)	0430.00 Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	Pasadena City College	Pamela Eversole-Cire <a href="mailto:pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu">pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu</a>
21. Biological Technology – Stem Cell Culture (Certificate, A.S. Degree)	0430.00 Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	Pasadena City College	Pamela Eversole-Cire <a href="mailto:pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu">pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu</a>
22. Biological Technology – Stem Cell-Based Biomanufacturing (Certificate, A.S. Degree)	0430.00 Biotechnology and Biomedical Technology	Pasadena City College	Pamela Eversole-Cire <a href="mailto:pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu">pleversole-cire@pasadena.edu</a>
23. Urban Forestry/Arborist	Not Provided	Pasadena City College	Katie Rodriguez <a href="mailto:karodriguez@pasadena.edu">karodriguez@pasadena.edu</a>
<i>Program Modification (substantial changes)</i>			
24. Foundational Government Accounting Specialist (Certificate)	0502.00 Accounting	East LA College	Oliver Chiasheng Hsu <a href="mailto:hsuc@lacc.edu">hsuc@lacc.edu</a>

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25. Infant Care (Certificate)	1305.90 Infants and Toddlers	LA Pierce College	Patricia Doelitzsch <a href="mailto:doelitpa@piercollege.edu">doelitpa@piercollege.edu</a>
<i>Undecided – Exploratory Purposes</i>			
26. Public Relations (Certificate)	0606.00 Public Relations	LA Harbor College	Priscilla Lopez <a href="mailto:lopezpa@lahc.edu">lopezpa@lahc.edu</a>
27. EMT/Paramedics	1251.00 Paramedic	Santa Monica College	Jazmin Guzman <a href="mailto:guzman_jazmin@smc.edu">guzman_jazmin@smc.edu</a>
28. Firefighter	2133.00 Fire Technology	Santa Monica College	Jazmin Guzman <a href="mailto:guzman_jazmin@smc.edu">guzman_jazmin@smc.edu</a>
29. Pre-Dental/Medical Professional (A.D.-T)	Not Provided	West LA College	Aaron Benitez <a href="mailto:beniteab@laccd.edu">beniteab@laccd.edu</a>

VI. Action Items.....*Dr. Narineh Makijan*

a. New Program Recommendation

Motion: Dejah Swingle, Mt. San Antonio College

Second: Erica Mayorga, East LA College

Recommended:  Yes  No

Program Title	TOP Code	College	Contact	Type of LMI Endorsement	LMI Criteria			Emerging*
					Supply Gap	Living Wage	Ed Atmnt	
1. <a href="#">Certificate of Achievement: Children with Special Needs</a>	1305.00	East LA College	Mayra Rodriguez <a href="mailto:rodrigm12@elac.edu">rodrigm12@elac.edu</a>	ES	Y	N	Y	N
2. <a href="#">Certificate of Achievement: Early Childhood Education Specialization in Dual Language Learning</a>	1305.00	East LA College	Mayra Rodriguez <a href="mailto:rodrigm12@elac.edu">rodrigm12@elac.edu</a>	ES	Y	N	Y	N
3. <a href="#">Certificate of Achievement: PK-3 Teacher Preparation</a>	1305.00	East LA College	Mayra Rodriguez <a href="mailto:rodrigm12@elac.edu">rodrigm12@elac.edu</a>	ES	Y	N	Y	N
4. <a href="#">Certificate of Achievement: Nutrition, Health and Wellness</a>	1306.00	East LA College	Mayra Rodriguez <a href="mailto:rodrigm12@elac.edu">rodrigm12@elac.edu</a>	ES	Y	N	Y	Y
5. <a href="#">Certificate of Achievement: Transitional Kindergarten</a>	1305.00	LA Pierce College	Mon Khat <a href="mailto:khatm@pierce.edu">khatm@pierce.edu</a>	ES	Y	N	Y	N

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6. <a href="#">Certificate of Achievement: Special Needs Certificate: Foundations of Special Needs, Mental Health and Trauma-Sensitive Care in Early Childhood</a>	1305.20	LA Pierce College	Mon Khat <a href="mailto:khatm@pierce.edu">khatm@pierce.edu</a>	ES	Y	N	Y	N

Key	
EA = Endorsed: All Criteria Met	Y = Yes
ES = Endorsed: Some Criteria Met	N = No
NE = Not endorsed	* Emerging denotes there are gaps in the traditional labor market information.
PA = Pre-approved	

b. [Program Modification](#)

Motion: Marla Uliana, LA Mission College

Second: Dr. Marcia Wilson, LA Trade-Tech College

Recommended:  Yes  No

1. [Certificate of Achievement: Early Childhood Administrator 1](#)

Contact: Mayra Rodriguez, [rodrigm12@elac.edu](mailto:rodrigm12@elac.edu)

Modifications: The name of the certificate and objectives have been updated. This update is in alignment with the Commission on Teacher Credentialing Permit updates that are in the process of being codified. The Advisory Meeting Minutes attached from 5/14/25 (p. 3 paragraph 2) indicate that ELAC is "revising certificate programs to align with new permit requirements." All of the general changes to the permits were discussed further and the CTC Permit matrix was shown in the meeting that was held.

**VII. Additional Action Items**

a. Approval of Minutes Reflecting Today's Program Recommendation Vote.....*Dr. Narineh Makijan*

Motion: Dr. Marcia Wilson, LA Trade-Tech College

Second: Dejah Swingle, Mt. San Antonio College

Recommended:  Yes  No