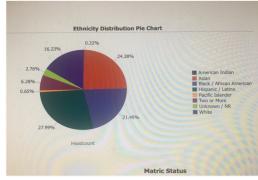


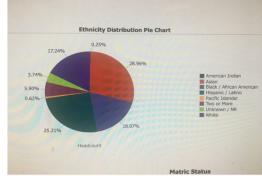
Students at Laney Increase by 14% This Fall!

Five weeks in, and the momentum has not stopped! Laney College student numbers continued to climb throughout September. As of the 22nd, 14% more students (1249) had enrolled in classes than the previous year, and the College had generated 8% more Full Time Equivalent Students (FTES). More importantly, roughly 1200 more students have applied for Financial Aid than in Fall 2021, making investments in their education that are more likely to continue in future semesters and school years.

Enrollment numbers show that full- and part-time numbers have increased in similar fashion. 1 in 2 Laney students continue to be over 24 and attending part-time, and 908 more part-time students have joined the college than a year ago, an increase of 6.2%. Surprisingly, though, full-time student growth corresponded with those numbers, as the 341 more students who are taking 12 units or more represented a similar increase of 6.6%. Is Fall is Free having an across-the-board impact? Possibly. Also, as noted below, the increases previously reported in our African American (3.42%) and LatinX (2.78%) student populations saw over the past two weeks.



September 2022 Enrollment by Ethnicity Distribution



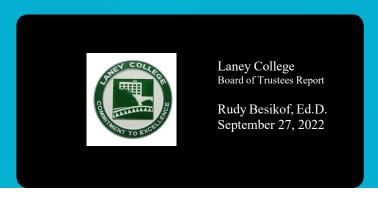
January 2022 Enrollment by Ethnicity Distribution

The work to promote the Fall semester is not done! On October 14 Laney will be doing an on-campus promotion fair to promote classes that begin at the halfway point of the term and welcoming both student organizations and learning communities such as Umoja/UBAKA, Puente, APASS and so many others to table and get the word out.

The work continues to have an impact in the community. Laney was featured for its efforts in a 9-minute interview that aired on KTSF television on September 16.









Laney College, a True Center of Excellence, Hosts 9/14 Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Data Analysis

Laney College and Bay Area Community College Consortium (BACCC) hosted industry and community partners at the launch of the Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics (AIDA) Regional Joint Venture (RJV), a one-day hybrid event.

Laney, led by Dean Angel Fuentes Figueroa, welcomed representatives from Intel, Google, Alteryx, IBM, Google, and Amazon Web Services (AWS). Also in attendance were colleagues from College of San Mateo, Contra Costa College, Cabrillo College, Mission College, College of Alameda, Foothill College, Las Positas College, as well as nonprofit innovators aiEDU, ReadySetExcel, and the Joy Thomas Foundation.







Through the AIDA Project, Laney College has become a Center of Excellence in Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Data Analytics/Data Science (DA/DS) education, further cementing our place in the future of the Bay Area and its tech industry. Faculty members Kyla Oh, Johnnie Williams, Nick Shaposhnikov, Derrick Smith, and Tuan Nguyen are preparing certificates in AI and DA/DS to be launched soon. Through this partnership with Intel and BACCC, Laney College will proactively prepare students for the jobs of the future and meet industry needs.

Artificial Intelligence careers will define the future of our country, with the Brookings Institute stating, "Whoever leads in artificial intelligence in 2030 will rule the world until 2100". Similarly, the Department of Labor Statistics names Data Scientists as the 6th fastest growing job sector in the USA, with a 35.8% increase in job opportunities by 2031. Laney College and Peralta Communities Colleges are preparing the workforce of the future!





Events on the Quad Dominate September at Laney College

The past couple weeks have seen a number of events that filled the Laney College outdoors. Coming to our campus quad, students and the public found so many happenings, continuing to add to the vibrancy that defines the true Eagle Spirit of Laney. What's been happening?

September 17 – ASLC hosted Constitution Day with events online and on campus.

September 20 – As part of National Voter Registration Day, the Xi Gamma Omega student organization hosted a voter registration booth of the Quad.

September 21 – Laney and ASLC were proud to host its Celebration of Pride Event on the Quad, complete with corndogs provided to attendees compliments of the Oakland Rotary Club.

September 26-29 – Laney College's Black Student Union is hosting Power of your Vote Events on campus this week. On Monday, the College was pleased to welcome Oakland City Councilmember Nikki Fortunato Bas, pictured below with Laney's very own Arlene Lontoc, President Besikof, and PCF Execution Director LaNiece Jones.



ASLC President Hits Ground Running in First Term at Laney College





President Omolola Atolagbe has certainly wasted no time in her new role as student body president. During the summer, she appeared as a guest on The President's Desk Podcast to share her vision for the year, her previous career in broadcasting, and a window into life in Lagos, Nigeria.

The work has not stopped there for this outstanding student. On Friday, September 23, she welcomed Laney College leadership as well as Director of Public Safety Tim Thomas to a student forum on safety and other campus issues. As a result of the open dialog, she and President Besikof will be establishing regular meetings of College senior leadership and ASLC officers to have open dialog about the student experience. Laney appreciates President Atologbe and her fellow student leaders for doing their part to initiate this new dialogue.

Finally, Ms. Atolagbe packed her bags on Monday the 26th and joined Trustee Linda Handy, Chancellor Jackson, and other student leaders in Washington D.C. for the Black Caucus Event. Laney is lucky to have such vibrant student leaders who have done their part to make Fall 2022 a semester of success!