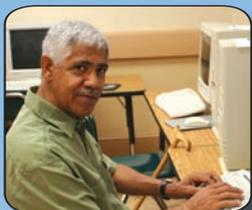


AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES

FACTS 2007



Mission Statement

**Building a Nation of Learners by
Advancing America's Community Colleges**

The American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) is the primary advocacy organization for the nation's community colleges. The association represents almost 1,200 two-year, associate degree-granting institutions and more than 11 million students.



AACC supports its members through policy initiatives, innovative programs, research and information, professional development, and other efforts. AACC also partners with other organizations in the public and private sectors to promote the goals of community colleges in particular and higher education in general.



AACC promotes the causes of its members through five strategic action areas:

- Recognition and advocacy for community colleges
- Student access, learning, and success
- Community college leadership development
- Economic and workforce development
- Global and intercultural education



About the Organization

Founded in 1920, AACC is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit association. The association is located in the National Center for Higher Education in Washington, D.C.

President & CEO

George R. Boggs

Board of Directors

Ed Coulter

2006–2007 Chair

Chancellor, Arkansas State University-Mountain Home

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2006–2007 Chair-Elect

President, Coastline Community College

AACC is governed by a 32-member board of directors. Twenty-six board members are elected by the AACC membership from the CEOs of member institutions. The remaining six are elected by the board itself and include three at large members and three public members representing constituencies such as boards of trustees, business, and government. AACC board members are elected for three-year staggered terms.

AACC Membership:

1,102 institutional members (public and private community, junior, and technical colleges and their branch campuses)

21 corporate program participants

879 associate members

AACC Personnel:

50 full- and part-time employees

AACC Annual Budget:

2007 Operating Budget: \$15 million

Leadership & Professional Development

Annual Convention

Future Leaders Institute

Future Leaders Institute-Advanced

Presidents Academy: New CEO Institute and Summer Institute

Workforce Development Institute

A comprehensive list of higher education professional development opportunities, meetings, and conferences can be found on the AACC Web site at www.aacc.nche.edu/Calendar.

AACC Departments

Communications

AACC Letter

Biweekly electronic newsletter. Provides members with the most up-to-date information about legislative issues, upcoming events, program highlights, and marketing and grant opportunities.

Community College Journal

Bimonthly magazine. Features in-depth analysis, innovative practices, research, and emerging trends. Subscriptions available.

Community College Press

Publishing division of AACC. Publishes books and monographs on topics as diverse as economic development, leadership, student development, and teaching and learning. Visit the online bookstore at www.aacc.nche.edu/Bookstore.

Community College Times

Biweekly newspaper. Features news at regional and national levels, analysis of legislative policy, grant opportunities, best practices, and current community college job openings. Subscriptions available.

Office of the President

AACC offers professional development opportunities to help CEOs and other professional staff enhance leadership skills and network on national and regional levels.

Government Relations

Working on behalf its members, AACC monitors national policy and informs members on the latest actions by Congress and key federal agencies.

Academic, Community, and Student Development

AACC supports projects and partnerships that seek to encourage community college growth, awareness and understanding. Issues include access and inclusion, equity, service learning, rural issues, leadership, student success, and STEM competitiveness.

Economic Development/International Programs

In the constantly evolving U.S. and world economy, community colleges are strategically positioned to educate and train people to succeed in a multicultural and technologically advanced environment.

Membership/Information Services

AACC's Web site is a source for information about the association's activities, online bookstore, membership, research, and the latest news and issues relating to community colleges. For membership information, see www.aacc.nche.edu/Membership.

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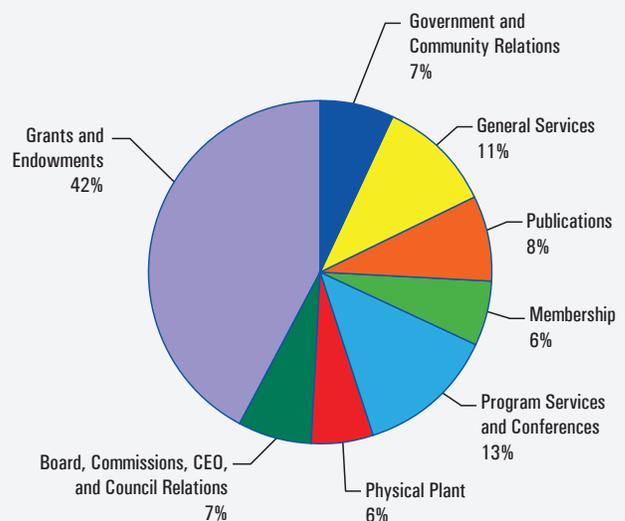
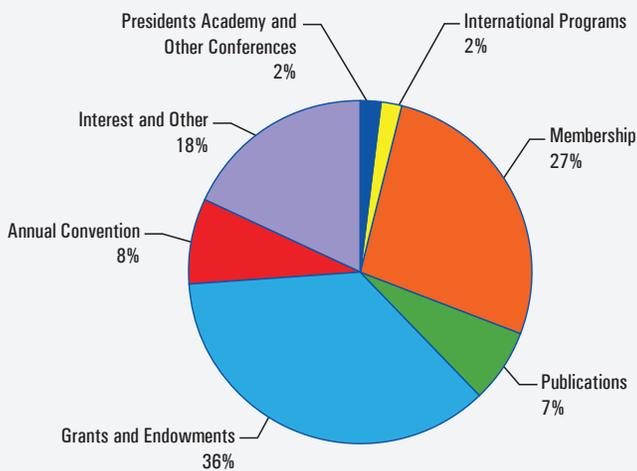
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Programs and Member Services

Call 202-728-0200 and dial the extension provided.

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| Administration & Financial Services..... | ext. 261 |
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| Community College Press..... | ext. 212 |
| <i>Community College Times</i> | ext. 206 |
| External Outreach..... | ext. 253 |
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| Web Services..... | ext. 266 |

Calendar Year 2006 Actual Revenue and Expenditures



COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACTS AT A GLANCE

Number and Type of Colleges

Total—1,202
Public—991
Independent—180
Tribal—31

Enrollment

Total—11.6 million
Credit—6.6 million
Noncredit—5 million
Enrolled full time—40%
Enrolled part time—60%

Demographics

Average age—29
21 or younger—43%
22–39—42%
40 or older—16%
Women—59%
Men—41%
Minorities—34%
Black—13%
Hispanic—14%
Asian/Pacific Islander—6%
Native American—1%
First generation to attend college—39%
Single parents—17%
Non-U.S. citizens—8%

Community college students constitute the following percentages of undergraduates:

All U.S. undergraduates—46%
First-time freshmen—45%
Native American—57%
Asian/Pacific Islander—47%
Black—47%
Hispanic—55%

Employment Status

Full-time students employed full time—27%
Full-time students employed part time—50%
Part-time students employed full time—50%
Part-time students employed part time—33%

Percentage of Students Receiving Financial Aid

Any aid—47%
Federal grants—23%
Federal loans—11%
State aid—12%

Percentage of Federal Aid Received by Community Colleges

Pell Grants—32%
Campus-based aid—9%

Average Annual Tuition and Fees

Community colleges (public)—\$2,272
4-year colleges (public)—\$5,836

Degrees and Certificates Awarded Annually

Associate degrees—550,000
Certificates—270,000
Baccalaureates—awarded by 25 public and 50 independent colleges

Revenue Sources (Public Colleges)

State funds—38%
Tuition and fees—20%
Local funds—19%
Federal funds—7%
Other—16%

On-Campus Housing

240 (public) colleges and 70 (independent) colleges

Community Colleges at the Forefront

- **Health care:** 50% of new nurses and the majority of other new health-care workers are educated at community colleges.
- **International programs:** Close to 100,000 international students attend community colleges—about 39% of all international undergraduate students in the United States.
- **Workforce training:** 95% of businesses and organizations that employ community college graduates recommend community college workforce education and training programs.
- **Homeland security:** Close to 80% of firefighters, law enforcement officers, and EMTs are credentialed at community colleges.
- **Five hottest community college programs:** registered nursing, law enforcement, licensed practical nursing, radiology, and computer technologies.
- **Earnings:** The average expected lifetime earnings for a graduate with an associate degree are \$1.6 million—about \$.4 million more than a high school graduate earns.

Data are derived from the most current information available as of January 2007.

