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Convocation Week

Fall 2025 Convocation

As we prepare for Fall 2025, we have a wonderful Convocation Week planned for you (**August 19-August 22**). We'll begin on August 19 with a fully online Flex Day and a fully online Adjunct Orientation. On August 20, 21, and 22, full-time faculty are contractually assigned to attend all In-Service Days, including scheduled meetings and faculty-focused workshops.

Click the links to jump to the schedule for that day.

August 19: Flex Day (Fully online). Workshops for faculty, classified professionals, and managers.

August 19: Adjunct Orientation (Fully online). Virtual Adjunct Orientation: Includes welcome, division meetings, and breakout sessions.

August 20: In-Service Day (Fully in-person). Division meetings.

August 21: In-Service Day (Fully in-person). Faculty-focused meetings, and workshops.

August 22: Opening Day (Fully in-person). Guest Speakers, Brunch, and in-person Academic Senate All Faculty Meeting and Classified Senate All Classified Meeting.

We look forward to seeing you all during Convocation Week!

JAN **16** — **Spring 2026 Opening Day: "Dawn on the Lawn Breakfast"**
Friday, January 16, 2026, 7:30 – 8:45am PST

JAN **16** — **Spring 2026 Opening Day: "Opening Day Program"**
Friday, January 16, 2026, 9 – 10:30am PST

JAN **16** — **Spring 2026 Opening Day: "Brunch"**
Friday, January 16, 2026, 10:30 – 11:30am PST

JAN **16** — **ALL Classified Staff Meeting**
Friday, January 16, 2026, 1 – 3pm PST

Tuesday, 8/19/25
Flex Day (Fully Online)

Canvas Chronicles: New Adventures in Distance Ed

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 9:00am - 10:00am

Whether you're a seasoned online instructor or just getting started, this workshop will keep you in the loop and ahead of the curve. From sleek new LMS features to emerging trends and tools shaping virtual instruction, we'll cover what's new, what's improved, and what you'll want to start using right away. *This session is a demonstration only*. For hands-on help or deep dives into any tools shown, we encourage you to sign up for our one-on-one sessions or explore additional

workshops offered throughout the semester.

Zoom Link

Breaking Barriers: Canvas Accessibility Essentials

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 10:15am - 11:45am

Make your courses inclusive by design! In this session, we'll explore the essentials of accessibility in online learning and walk you through the powerful tools built into Canvas to help you get there. Learn how tools like **PopeTech** and **UDOIT** can quickly identify and help you address common accessibility barriers, no coding or expert knowledge required. We'll also cover foundational accessibility guidelines to keep in mind while designing or updating your course content. *This is a demonstration-based workshop.* For hands-on assistance or more advanced accessibility strategies, please register for our personalized one-on-one sessions or join us for other related workshops throughout the semester.

Zoom Link

Better Discussions + Easier Grading: Harmonize Training

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Have you checked out Harmonize yet? There is still time! Discover effective methods for fostering engaging discussions in the classroom while simplifying the grading process by integrating Harmonize into your Canvas course. Learn how to design discussions that promote critical thinking, encourage student participation, and enhance learning outcomes. Additionally, explore strategies for grading these discussions efficiently and equitably, allowing you to save time without compromising quality. If time allows, we will also discuss other elements of Harmonize during this workshop.

Zoom Link

Tuesday, 8/19/25

Adjunct Orientation (Fully Online)

Welcome Session

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 1:00pm - 2:00pm

Whether you are new to San Bernardino Valley College or have taught here before, this welcome session is designed to foster connection, clarity, and confidence as you begin the Fall 2025 semester.

Zoom Link

Breakout Session: Dual Enrollment Faculty Orientation

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 2:15pm — 2:45pm

This session will provide a comprehensive introduction and orientation for both current and prospective dual enrollment faculty. Participants will receive detailed information about instructional expectations, institutional policies, and academic standards associated with dual enrollment courses. In addition, the session will highlight the various support resources available to faculty and student support services. The goal is to ensure that all faculty members are fully equipped to deliver high-quality, college-level instruction while fostering student achievement and success in a collaborative and supportive educational environment.

Meeting ID: 894 3150 6929

Zoom Link

Breakout Session: Partnering with SAS: Services & Tutoring to Support Your Students.

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 2:15pm — 2:45pm

This session will provide faculty with an overview of the services offered through Student Accessibility Services (SAS), including academic accommodations and specialized support. The first portion will introduce SAS and its role on campus, followed by an overview of the tutoring program for SAS students. It will highlight how it works and how faculty can connect students to these services for added academic support.

Zoom Link

Breakout Session: SBVC 411

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 3:00pm - 3:30pm

This Q&A session will offer both new and experienced part-time faculty the opportunity to ask questions and engage in open dialogue with peers from the Academic Senate and the union. It will serve as a forum for addressing concerns and provide clarity on current topics relevant to part-time faculty.

Zoom Link

Breakout Session: Simplifying Print Requests: Hands-On Demo of Our New Ordering System

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 3:00pm - 3:30pm

Join us for a guided walkthrough of our new print request software designed to streamline how you submit jobs to the campus Print Shop. This session is tailored for faculty and will cover everything you need to know—from logging in and placing your first order to tracking your requests and understanding key features.

Whether you're submitting course materials, event flyers, or custom print jobs, this workshop will show you how easy it is to get started. Live demos and Q&A will ensure you leave confident and ready to use the new system.

Meeting ID: 830 8070 7410

Zoom Link

Division Meetings

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 3:45pm - 4:45pm

Division updates provided in preparation for Fall 2025.

You will receive a calendar invitation from your division. We have also included your individual division meeting links here as well. Any questions, feel free to reach out to your divisions.

Academic Success & Learning Services Division

Zoom Link

Applied Technology, Transportation & Culinary Arts Division

Zoom Link

Arts & Humanities Division

Zoom Link

Counseling Division

Zoom Link

Kinesiology, Health, & Athletics Division

Meeting ID: 875 9295 7116

Zoom Link

Mathematics, Business, & Computer Technology Division

Zoom Link

Social Sciences & Human Development Division

Zoom Link

Science Division

Zoom Link

Department Meetings

Tuesday, 8/19/25: 5:00pm - 5:45pm

Zoom: Your Faculty Chair will reach out and share a zoom link if your department is meeting.

Wednesday, 8/20/25

Division Day (All In-Person)

Division All Day Meeting

Wednesday, 8/20/25: 8:00am - 4:00pm
Location: *Your division office will share meeting location and specific schedule.*

We are excited to dedicate a day for our Instructional Divisions to collaborate with one another, providing space to work on division goals, provide updates, team building, and much more... Your Division Dean will share specific details pertaining to your division schedule and location.

Thursday, 8/21/25

Faculty Workshops/Meetings (All In-Person)

Breakout Session: TODEC - Know Your Rights and Immigration Updates.

Thursday, 8/21/25: 9:00am — 9:45am
Room: Library Viewing Room (LIB) 149

Guide to Know Your Rights when interacting with law enforcement officers (ICE, SHERIFF, POLICE, etc.), in different places (home, workplace, school or street, etc.)



Breakout Session: HSI Taskforce Workshop - Partnering to Elevate the SBVC Student Experience

Thursday, 8/21/25: 10:00am — 11:00am
Room: Library Viewing Room (LIB) 149

Join the HSI Taskforce for an interactive workshop inviting faculty to share ideas and insights on how SBVC can better support our Hispanic student population—and, by extension, all students. Your input will help shape areas of focus as we work to strengthen student experience, equity, and institutional support. We'll also share details about our year-long initiative to develop actionable recommendations for the college community.



Breakout Session: BSI Update

Thursday, 8/21/25: 11:15am — 12:00pm
Room: Library Viewing Room (LIB) 149

The BSI Update and Info Session will focus on a recap/overview of California Senate Bill 1348, implications for California Higher Education, and specific information as it relates to SBVC's efforts to become a designated Black Serving Institution.



Breakout Session: So You're on the Program Review Committee...Now What?

Thursday, 8/21/25: 1:00pm - 4:00pm
Room: B 118

Join us as we set the tone, determine goals, and prepare for an exciting year in the Program Review Committee! We look forward to seeing both new and returning committee members as the voices of all committee members will be vital to shaping ASPIRE Year 3.



Breakout Session: Academic Senate Members Meeting

Thursday, 8/21/25: 1:00pm — 3:00pm
Room: B 100



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Breakout Session: Your Advisor Era

Thursday, 8/21/25: 2:00pm — 2:45pm
Room: Library Viewing Room (LIB) 149

The faculty advisor's role as a teacher, mentor, and success-maker for students in clubs and organizations at Valley College.

Breakout Session: Managing Travel and Reimbursements in Oracle

Thursday, 8/21/25: 2:00pm — 2:45pm
Room: LIB 109

Traveling for work or requesting a reimbursement? This hands-on training will show you exactly how to create Spend Authorizations and Expense Reports in Oracle. You'll learn the step-by-step process for submitting travel requests, entering expenses, and tracking approvals—so nothing gets lost along the way. Whether you're planning a trip, requesting mileage, or submitting receipts, this session will walk you through the process and answer your questions in real time. Live demos will ensure you leave ready to handle travel and reimbursements with confidence.

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Friday, 8/22/25

Opening Day (All In-Person)

Centennial Opening Ceremony & Fall 2025 Opening Day Welcome

Friday, 8/22/25
Location: Outside Lois Carson Campus Center

- 7:45am Breakfast & Check-In Begins
- 8:30am Campus lines up behind Drumline
- 8:45am Procession Begins, leading us to Auditorium
- 9:00am — 10:30am Welcome in Auditorium

Campus Brunch

Friday, 8/22/25: 10:30am — 12:00pm
Location: Outside Lois Carson Campus Center

Academic Senate All Faculty Meeting

Friday, 8/22/25: 12:30pm — 1:30pm
Location: B 100

Classified Senate All Classified Meeting

Friday, 8/22/25: 12:30pm — 1:30pm
Location: Library Viewing Room (LIB) 149

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