

# CAMPUS INFORMATION

## PROFILE

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### Accreditation

Los Angeles Harbor College (Harbor College) is a public two-year college providing educational services under the Los Angeles Community College District Board of Trustees. Harbor College is officially accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and is fully approved under the regulations of the California Community Colleges. The University of California and other colleges and universities give full credit for appropriate courses completed.

### A Brief History

In 1941 the Education Committee of the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce petitioned the Los Angeles City Board of Education to establish trade extension classes at Banning High School to meet critical, war-inspired training needs.

Realizing that such trade extension classes would not be a long-range answer to the educational needs of the area, the Educational Committee (expanded in 1945 to include representatives from San Pedro and Lomita), called a meeting of representatives of key industries located in the harbor area to discuss the need for either a trade or technical school.

After surveys of projected population, property valuation, and employment possibilities, these community leaders indicated a need for such a post-high school institution, and the Education Committee then petitioned the Los Angeles City Board of Education to provide such a school in the area.



Los Angeles Harbor College officially opened in September 1949. The College has grown from an enrollment of 400 students to a current enrollment of approximately 9,750 students. While still maintaining a technical program, the academic and general education offerings have increased to meet the changing needs of the community.

### Mission Statement

The mission of Los Angeles Harbor College is to offer an environment that fosters learning by providing comprehensive programs that meet the educational needs of students and are appropriate and useful to the community we serve, including:

- Degree and Transfer programs
- Vocational and workforce preparation
- Basic skills instruction
- English as a second language
- Credit and non-credit courses for life-long learning
- Contract education including customized corporate training
- Community services
- Support services
- Information literacy

An essential aspect of the mission for the community we serve is to advance economic growth and global competitiveness through education, training, and services that contribute to continuous workforce improvement and civic responsibility.

We are committed to student learning in a supportive educational environment that recognizes the uniqueness of individuals, provides a center for the cultural enrichment of the community, and seeks dynamic dialogue, reflective evaluation and improvement of the institution through ongoing assessment and evaluation of measurable student learning outcomes.

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## Students

Harbor College enrolled 9,447 students in the Fall 2009 semester. In the Fall 2010 semester residents of California are charged \$26 per unit to attend one of the State's public community colleges. In addition to the standard enrollment fee, non-residents pay \$186 per unit while international students pay \$204 per unit. Anyone 18 years of age or older is eligible for admission. Persons younger than 18 may enroll with special permission. A majority of our students are employed either part-time or full-time.

## Academic Divisions and Departments

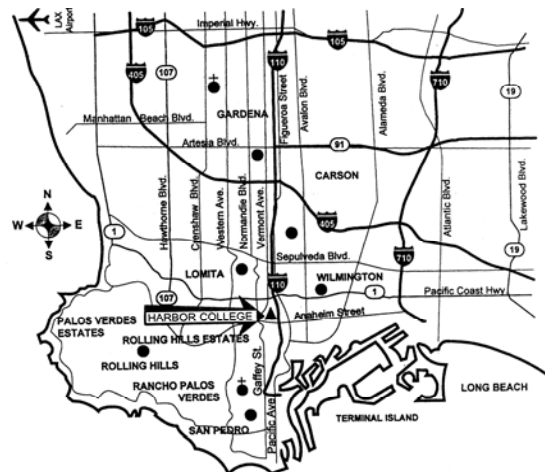
Los Angeles Harbor College has eight academic divisions: Business, Communications, Health Sciences, Humanities and Fine Arts, Mathematics, Physical Sciences and Technology, Physical Education, Science—Family and Consumer Studies, and Social and Behavioral Sciences.

## Location and Directions

The campus is located at 1111 Figueroa Place, Wilmington, California 90744-2397, approximately 22 miles south of the city of Los Angeles.

The primary service area includes the 15th District of Los Angeles (Harbor City, Harbor Gateway, San Pedro, and Wilmington), the cities of Carson, Gardena, Lomita, Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills Estates, Rolling Hills, and some parts of Long Beach and Redondo Beach.

The campus is surrounded by a county park and golf course and is located on some 90 acres in the heart of the Los Angeles Harbor area. It is close to recreational and cultural facilities such as beaches, mountains, museums, parks, downtown Los Angeles, and Hollywood.



### How To Reach Harbor

#### *From the Metropolitan Los Angeles Area:*

South on 110 Freeway to Anaheim Street. Exit and turn north to the campus.

#### *From San Pedro:*

North on 110 Freeway to Pacific Coast Highway. Exit and turn south on Figueroa Street, then west on "L" Street to the campus.

#### *From Long Beach:*

West on Pacific Coast Highway. Turn south on Figueroa Street, then west on "L" Street to the campus.

#### *From LAX:*

Go east on surface streets to the 405 Freeway. Go south on the 405 Freeway to the 110 Freeway going south. Exit at Anaheim Street and turn north to the campus.