

Title V/HSI Cooperative Grant

RCC - Moreno Valley, RCC - Norco, UCR

This grant provides the opportunity to research and develop projects that improve the quality of education and reflects on Community Colleges as learning environments by means of building strong partnerships through the C4 collaborative. The partnership includes RCC Moreno Valley (lead agent), RCC Norco, and UCR. The two main activities outlined in the grant are:

1. *Community Colleges as Learning Environments* which involves research and development projects that improve the educational quality and outcomes for all students, especially focusing on students from traditionally underrepresented groups, who are often the first in their families to attend a college; and

2. *Professional Development for Community College Faculty, Leaders, and Policy-makers* which includes seminars, workshops, institutes, and graduate degree programs for community college faculty and administrators.

Grant Goals:

- Improving learning and increase student persistence transfer and graduation rates with a special emphasis on low income and Hispanic students.
- Assisting faculty in improving understanding of students and learning and developing more appropriate instructional methods to improve student learning and success.
- Reorganizing, integrating and strengthening the curriculum in English as a Second Language and mathematics to better address the needs of the targeted population.
- Increasing student learning through revised and expanded tutoring and creation of a Supplemental Instruction (SI) Program.
- Increasing the numbers of targeted students who pursue careers in teaching at community colleges by providing an internship program.