


Sonya Christian, November 14, 2019

### BC SouthWest Moves to Camino Media

The new temporary location for BCSW opened its classroom doors on October 21, 2019. A welcome team of students and staff were on standby to greet students with donuts, water, and directions to their classrooms.

Dean of Instruction, Jessica Wojtysiak describes the center as "a tremendous business transaction that will benefit Bakersfield College students and Kern County for generations." She added, "We've been planning this campus for a long time down to details such as classrooms, parking lot, and location. Even President Christian was here over the weekend to make sure everything was in place before we welcomed our students."

The feedback from students has been positive, such as this Renegade on Twitter:

 **Angela Alamillo** @\_AngieAL · Oct 24  
Replying to @BAKcollege  
Honestly I absolutely love BC SW it has always been very convenient for me since I've learned I can have classes closer to my living area.



### BC Named Champion of Higher Education

The Campaign for College Opportunity has named Bakersfield College as a 2019 Champion of Higher Education for the development of high-touch, high-tech, and focused strategies to increase and streamline transfer pathways to address baccalaureate attainment.

In recent years, Bakersfield College launched a series of complementary strategies including the Finish-in-4 initiative, which included 23 fully-transferable, sequenced coursework maps from a BC Associate Degree for Transfer to an aligned CSU Bakersfield Baccalaureate Degree.

The outcomes of this alignment are remarkable. They include:

- Grew ADT pathway offerings by 900%
- Awarded over 1,200 ADTs in 2019
- Average unit attainment for the ADT is 83 compared to 97 for AA/AS general pathways.
- Increased overall transfer rate in the past four years: 57% to the UC and 43% to CSU.
- Increased transfers to CSUB by 36% in the last 5 years, with a total of 78.82% of BC's CSU transfers choosing CSUB. The majority are Latinx.

### Join Us at These Renegade Events

#### Intersegmental Pathways Symposium

November 15, 2019 at 8:30AM

**Bakersfield Marriott**

#### Dream Big Conference

November 15, 2019 at 9:00AM

**Bakersfield Marriott**

#### Renegade Football vs. Canyons

November 16, 2019 at 6:00PM

**Memorial Stadium**

#### BCSGA Power Lunch with

Congressional Candidate Jeremy Staat

November 18, 2019 at 11:00AM

**Levan Center**

#### Care Package Drop Zone

November 19, 2019 at 7:00AM

**Administration Bldg.**

#### Thanksgiving Holiday Closure

November 28-29, 2019

**Campus wide**

#### Guest Speaker: Dave Gutierrez

December 3, 2019 at 1:00PM

**Levan Center**

#### Ribbon Cutting & Grand Opening

December 10, 2019 at 10:00AM

**The Bakersfield College**

**Vernon Valenzuela**

**Veterans Resource Center**

These events and more  
can be found online at  
[bakersfieldcollege.edu](http://bakersfieldcollege.edu)  
and [GoGades.com](http://GoGades.com)

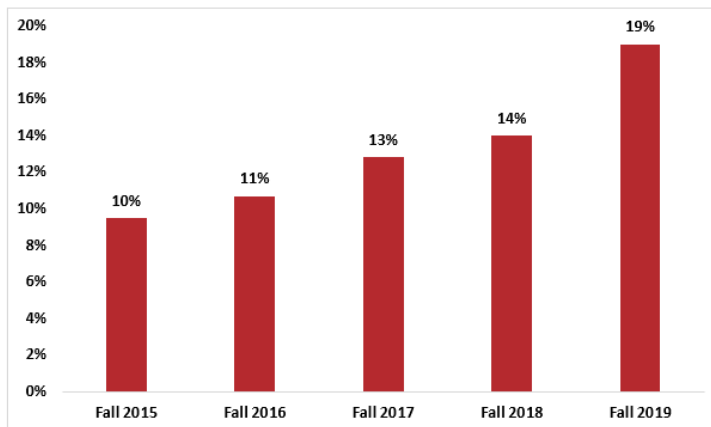


## First Time Students Attempting 15+ Units on the Rise

The number and percent of Bakersfield College students attempting 15+ units in their first term has skyrocketed in Fall 2019.

In Fall 2015, Bakersfield College had over 4,100 first-time students and has continued to grow over time, with almost 5,100 first-time students in Fall 2019, a 23% increase.

Overall 19% of students are attempting 15+ units in their first term in Fall 2019, almost doubling from 2015.



## Annual Veterans Leadership Breakfast

Bakersfield College began our month long celebration of veterans with a morning focused on BC's comprehensive plan to meet the needs of Kern County's brave men and women who serve our country in the military.



One highlight of the morning was a special presentation by Paul Beckworth and Tamara Baker who unveiled the latest features coming soon to the Vernon Valenzuela Veterans Resource Center. Keynote speaker, Abel Guzman shared how BC's Rural Initiatives and Adult Education teams are working with local veterans to transform their field training and experience to successful civilian careers.



Thank you Trustee Kay Meek, Trustee Agbalog, Mayor Karen Goh, District Attorney Zimmer, and Assembly Member Vince Fong for joining us at this important annual BC celebration.

## Bakersfield College to host Intersegmental Pathways Symposium

Featuring Educational Leaders



Eloy Oakley



Lande Ajose



Tony Thurmond

**November 15, 2019**

Leaders from across educational sectors will converge in one space to discuss practices to advance baccalaureate completion in CA.

## BC's RadTech turns 50!

This month, the Bakersfield College Radiologic Technology program celebrates 50 years of students and graduates. To recognize the importance of this specialized career path, Mayor Karen Goh dedicated November 3-9th as "Radiologic Technology Week" in Bakersfield.

Nancy Perkins, BC's former RadTech Director, was recognized with a bench located outside the Allied Health wing, honoring her 39 years of dedicated service to Renegades and advancing the profession throughout Kern County.

