President’s Welcome

Congratulations on making one of the most important decisions in life by choosing to attend Rio Hondo College. On behalf of the Rio Hondo Community College District, it is a pleasure to welcome you to our hilltop campus where our faculty members, counselors, staff, and administrators are committed to helping you reach your educational and career goals.

Did you know Rio Hondo College, a Hispanic-Serving Institution, is one of the top community colleges in the state for underrepresented minorities who transfer to University of California campuses? We were also named among the top 25 community colleges for Hispanic students nationwide. Our campus enrolls approximately 18,000 students each semester, offering 24 associate degrees for transfer that guarantee admission to California State Universities, a four-year bachelor’s degree in automotive technology and a training partnership with Tesla, 51 associate degrees, and 28 certificates. We are also noted for our Pathway to Law School Program, state-of-the-art career and technical training programs, and for our student-centered services for veterans, first-generation students, single parents, foster youth, students with disabilities, and more.

One of the tools we encourage you to use, as an educational guide, is the 2018-19 Catalog. By becoming familiar with this Catalog, you will learn about the associate degrees leading to continued success. As Superintendent/President, I look forward to welcoming you to our Rio Hondo College campus.

Congratulations once again, and best wishes to you and your continued success.

Teresa Dreyfuss
Superintendent/President

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