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Las Positas College to Virtually Present 'Operation Gateway 12' - A Seminar for New Veterans

(Livermore, CA) - The Las Positas College (LPC) Veterans First Program will present its 12th annual 'Operation Gateway - A Veteran's Transition to Success,' three-day virtual orientation seminar about educational opportunities and resources for returning Veterans, on July 29, 30, and 31.

Space is limited; early registration is highly recommended. Registration is on a first come, first served basis. Participants must apply to Las Positas College to attend. To register, visit [eventbrite: Operation Gateway XII](#).

Interested students may call the Operation Gateway XII information line during office hours at **925.596.5060** and ask to speak to Viviana Martinez, Student Veterans Resource Specialist.

"We are proud to offer this three-day seminar that will be dedicated to in-depth education and career/education planning, classroom expectations, finance and benefits information, campus life, community resources and veteran support services," said Veterans First Supervisor, Todd Steffan. "Operation Gateway is also a great opportunity for Veterans to experience firsthand the community and camaraderie that we have here at Las Positas College."

The past eleven Operation Gateways events occurred on campus, but due to the shelter in place order, LPC has adapted to the changes by offering an exciting, live interactive online series promoting the core values of Operation Gateway - camaraderie, connection with community resources, and classroom tools for success. The seminar will be facilitated by a different Las Positas College student Veteran each day:

Wednesday, July 29 - Viviana Martinez, Marine, business major

Thursday, July 30 - Ron Payne, Army, political science major

Friday, July 31 - Destiny Goddu, electrical engineering major

In addition to informational sessions and workshops, Veterans will also have the opportunity to connect with other Veterans, students, staff, and members from community organizations. Textbook stipends will be available for eligible student veterans.

Operation Gateway is sponsored by the Las Positas College Veterans First Program, which provides veterans with services and resources to assist them in achieving their educational goals. During the past academic year, more than 500 Veterans, military members, and military family members were enrolled at LPC.

Veteran support services at LPC include a full-time program supervisor, full-time Veterans specialist, full-time Veterans counselor, Veterans resource center, virtual front desk, priority registration, various success workshops, a book loan program, a study/drop-in tutorial center, day care and diaper relief fund program, scholarships, work-study program, and an active Student Veterans Organization. For more information, please visit the website at www.laspositascollege.edu/veterans.

About Las Positas College

Las Positas College currently enrolls 8,000 students and offers curriculum for students seeking transfer to a four-year college or university, career preparation, or basic skills education. The College provides university transfer classes, retraining classes for those in need of employment or career advancement, a first-time educational opportunity for many adults, enrichment classes for those seeking a broader perspective, and career and technical training for those entering the technical and paraprofessional workforce.

Las Positas College is a learning-centered institution focused on excellence and student success. It is fully committed to supporting Tri-Valley residents in their quest for education and advancement. Las Positas College faculty and staff are distinguished by their energy, creativity, and commitment to making a difference in the lives of the students they serve and the future of the Tri-Valley region.