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Chabot College Launches Summer Bridge Program

Build confidence, refresh skills and get a head start for free this summer

(Hayward, CA) - Chabot College has announced its first annual Summer Bridge program to prepare and improve student learning outcomes. The program is coordinated by El Centro, a bilingual resource center dedicated to serving the needs of Latinx and/or low income students and their families.

"In past summers, we have had Math Jams, which is one component of the Summer Bridge program, but the goal of Math Jams was for students to reassess into higher level math class," said Program Director Abigail Patton. "That is not our approach this year since students no longer take assessments for math; however, our goal now is to build confidence, refresh skills and give students a head start in their coursework at Chabot."

Designed for new, incoming Chabot students who intend to complete a degree, certificate or transfer, students will not only take a Math Jam course preparing them for fall math classes, but participate in a workshop series that will include topics covering ethnic studies, STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), career and professional development, financial aid and leadership skills, to support students in their academic goal.

The tuition-free program prepares and empowers students with knowledge, confidence, resources and personalized support and assistance in discovering their educational pathway.

The program runs July 15 through August 1, Monday-Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participants receive a Summer Bridge t-shirt and \$50 bookstore credit to aid in their fall textbook purchases. Space is limited.

Apply online at <u>www.chabotcollege.edu/student-services/el-centro/summer-bridge.php</u>.

For more information about El Centro programming visit <u>www.chabotcollege.edu/el-</u> <u>centro</u>.

About Chabot College

Chabot College in Hayward is a comprehensive community college in the heart of a thriving, diverse community where students of all ages and backgrounds can get a high quality education at an affordable price. The college awards associate degrees and certificates, and specializes in university transfer, workforce training, and lifelong learning opportunities. <u>http://www.chabotcollege.edu/</u>