

AACC names 2015 Awards of Excellence finalists

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The [American Association of Community Colleges](#) (AACC) has announced the finalists for its 2015 [Awards of Excellence](#), which recognizes exceptional work among the nation's two-year colleges.

The winners of each category will be announced at the [annual AACC convention](#) April 18-21 in San Antonio, Texas.

Congratulations to the 2015 finalists!

Advancing Diversity

- [College of Lake County](#) (Illinois), Jerry Weber, *President*
- [Halifax Community College](#) (North Carolina), Ervin Griffin, Sr., *President*
- [Hudson County Community College](#) (New Jersey), Glen Gabert, *President*
- [Moraine Valley Community College](#) (Illinois), Sylvia Jenkins, *President*

Community College Safety Planning and Leadership

- [Brookhaven College](#) (Texas), Thom Chesney, *President*
- [Cuyahoga Community College](#) (Ohio), Alex Johnson, *President*
- [Howard Community College](#) (Maryland), Katherine Hetherington, *President*
- [Seattle Colleges](#) (Washington), Jill Wakefield, *Chancellor*

Emerging Leadership

- [Clark State Community College](#) (Ohio), Jo Alice Blondin, *President*
- [Greenville Technical College](#) (South Carolina), Keith Miller, *President*
- [Montgomery College](#) (Maryland), DeRionne Pollard, *President*
- [River Valley Community College](#) (New Hampshire), Alicia Harvey-Smith, *President*

Exemplary CEO/Board

- [Eastern Gateway Community College](#) (Ohio), Laura Meeks, *President*
- [Lee College](#) (Texas), Dennis Brown, *President*
- [Northeast Community College](#) (Nebraska), Michael Chipps, *President*
- [Pasco-Hernando State College](#) (Florida), Katherine Johnson, *President*

Faculty Innovation

- James DeKloe and Edward Re, [Solano Community College](#) (California)
- Michelle Emerson-Lewis, [Arapahoe Community College](#) (Colorado)
- Kristin Foxley, [San Jacinto College](#) (Texas)
- Faculty Senate, [Southcentral Kentucky Community and Technical College](#)

Outstanding College/Corporate Partnership

- [Anne Arundel Community College](#) (Maryland), Dawn Lindsay, *President*
- [Bunker Hill Community College](#) (Massachusetts), Pam Eddinger, *President*
- [Montgomery College](#) (Maryland), DeRionne Pollard, *President*
- [Northcentral Technical College](#) (Wisconsin), Lori Weyers, *President*

Student Success

- [Cedar Valley College](#) (Texas), Jennifer Wimbish, *President*
 - [Cuyahoga Community College](#) (Ohio), Alex Johnson, *President*
 - [Lee College](#) (Texas), Dennis Brown, *President*
 - [Moraine Valley Community College](#) (Illinois), Sylvia Jenkins, *President*
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