#### **Creating a Global Community through International Education**



## Las Positas College's International Students Program

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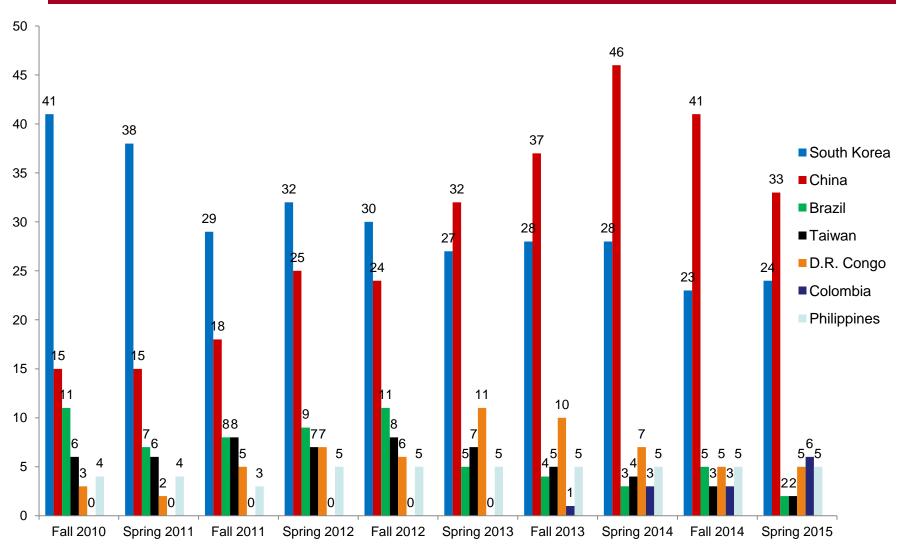
 Promote a greater exchange of ideas through diverse perspectives.



- Expose future leaders of the world to our country, values and way of life.
- Encourage greater understanding and communication promotes world peace.



#### Top Countries Represented at LPC



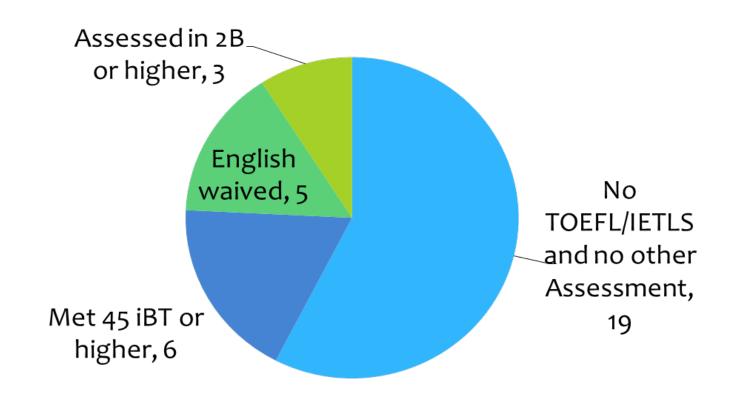


## SEVIS English Language Compliance Requirement

- August 2013 ISP was granted Recertification by the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) enabling LPC to continue to admit international students.
  - Fall 2013 ISP researched the feasibility of developing an Intensive English Program (IEP) that met SEVP standards
  - Spring 2014 The College decided to enforce the language proficiency requirement to be in compliance with SEVP regulations beginning Fall 2014
  - The program anticipated a temporary decrease in enrollment as we would no longer be able to serve students at the lower ESL levels

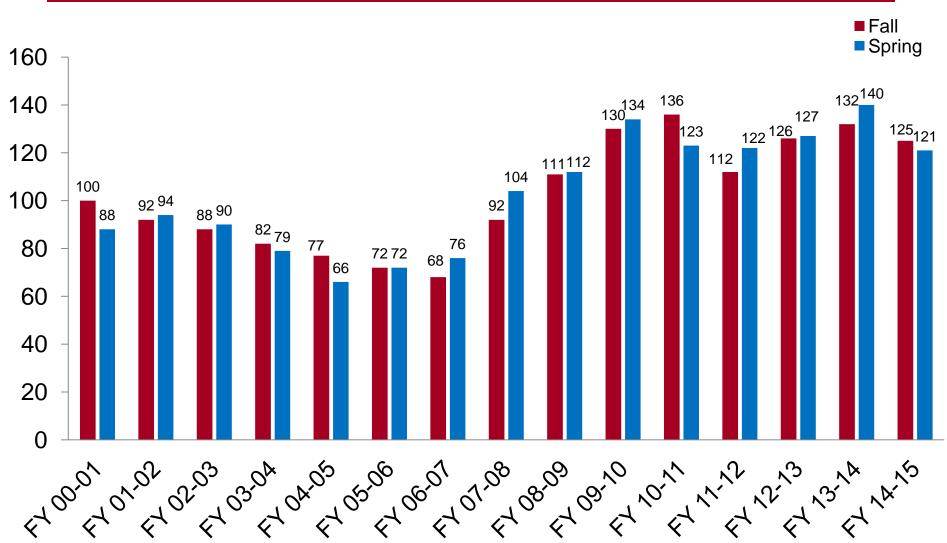


## Spring 2014 New Student English Language Proficiency





#### LPC International Student Enrollments





#### **3-Year Plan Synopsis**

- Immediate Program Strategies
  - Establish articulation/transfer agreements with language schools
  - Implement detailed inquiry tracking system
  - Begin steps to rebrand the International Student Program to attract the new targeted market
    - Student Focus Groups
    - <u>lpcglobal@laspositascollege.edu</u>
    - Leverage social media
- Recruitment Plans
  - Develop and/or foster relationships with area High Schools who admit F-1 students
  - Contact organizations that sponsor international students
  - Research armchair recruiting firms
  - Utilize Overseas Agents
  - Participate in Recruitment Fairs (virtual or in person)



### **3-Year Plan Updates**

- MOUs pending with Intrax and ELS
- Established <a href="mailto:lpcglobal@laspositascollege.edu">lpcglobal@laspositascollege.edu</a>
- Created public Facebook page
- Convened student Focus Groups
- Met with local (F-1 admitting) private high school representatives
- Presented to two Japanese high school (in Japan)
- Developed internal inquiry tracking system
- Contacted multiple organizations that sponsor fully-funded international students
- Updated print brochure to reflect English Proficiency Requirement
- Researched potential new advertising partners to maximize program exposure abroad
- Met and/or corresponded with potential Agents



# International Student Tuition – 2014-2015

|   | Total      | Enroll |           | Capital        |
|---|------------|--------|-----------|----------------|
| Bay Area - Semester System  | Int'l Fees | Fee    | Int'l Fee | Outlay         |
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| Las Positas/ Chabot College – 2014-2015                               | \$289      | \$46   | \$226     | \$17           |
| Ohlone College  | \$278      | \$46   | \$228     | \$4            |
| Peralta CCD (Laney, Berkeley, Merritt, Alameda)                       | \$272      | \$46   | \$220     | \$6            |
| Diablo Valley College/ Los Medanos/ Contra Costa                      | \$269      | \$46   | \$205     | \$18           |
| Yosemite  | \$263      | \$46   | \$217     | \$0            |
| Gavilian College  | \$260      | \$46   | \$214     | \$0            |
| Mission College/ West Valley College                                  | \$251      | \$46   | \$205     | \$0            |
| San Jose City/ Evergreen College                                      | \$250      | \$46   | \$200     | \$4            |
| Data obtained from 2015-16 nonresident tuition survey by B. Yesnowsky |            |        |           |                |



#### **Moving Forward**

- Reliance on international recruitment agents to support efforts for enrollment growth
- Recruitment will be targeted toward higher language proficient student to remain in compliance with SEVIS regulations
- Priority registration
- Housing
- Enhanced communication via the latest social media platforms.



#### **NON- RESIDENT STUDENTS** Total of Students - Spring 2015

