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Citrus College Voted “Best Community College” in San Gabriel Valley

Glendora, Calif. (Aug. 31, 2017) – Citrus College was voted by Beacon Media’s multimedia audience as the “Best Community College” in the greater San Gabriel Valley area. The news company announced today that the college won “Gold” in their community college category.

Beacon Media’s editorial staff publishes weekly newspapers in more than 20 cities, including the Pasadena Independent, Arcadia Weekly and Monrovia Weekly. For the past 15 years, Beacon Media has distributed an annual ballot inviting readers to identify “the best” in over 100 categories. Ranging from local restaurants to academic institutions, the categories are comprised of organizations locals believe add value to their communities. Each year, more than 40,000 readers cast votes, which are tabulated to produce the “Reader’s Choice Awards.”

“Being recognized by Beacon Media’s readers as the top community college in the San Gabriel Valley is a distinct honor,” said Citrus College Superintendent/President Dr. Geraldine M. Perri. “Citrus College’s unwavering focus is on providing outstanding degree and certificate programs that equip our students for academic and professional success. Winning this award affirms our commitment to listen and respond to the needs of the students and communities we serve.”

Earlier this year, Citrus College was also named the “Favorite Community College” and “Favorite Career College” by readers of the San Gabriel Valley News Group, which includes the San Gabriel Valley Tribune, the Pasadena Star-News and the Whittier Daily News. Additionally, the college was ranked first in the nation by the Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education for awarding the highest number of associate degrees in fine arts to Hispanic students, and 12th in the U.S. for associate degrees awarded to Hispanic students.

“This success solidifies Citrus College’s reputation as a leader in higher education on a local, state and national level,” said Citrus College Board of Trustees President Dr. Barbara R. Dickerson. “Thanks to our talented staff and faculty and committed administrators, our students are receiving a stellar education and experiencing positive growth outcomes. I am pleased to learn that the residents of the San Gabriel Valley have recognized the college’s efforts in making the promise of higher education a reality.”

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ABOUT CITRUS COLLEGE

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Proudly serving the San Gabriel Valley for over 100 years, Citrus College educates approximately 20,000 students annually. The college offers 90 associate degrees and certificates of achievement, prepares students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities, and provides basic skills courses and workforce training. Located in Glendora, Calif., Citrus College is the oldest community college in Los Angeles County. Its 104-acre campus includes eight outdoor athletic facilities. A leader in higher education, Citrus College has received numerous accolades, including being ranked first in the nation for awarding associate degrees in visual and performance arts for Hispanic students, and 12th in the nation for the number of associate degrees awarded to Hispanic students. Citrus College is also designated a Military Friendly® school. For more information, visit www.citruscollege.edu.

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