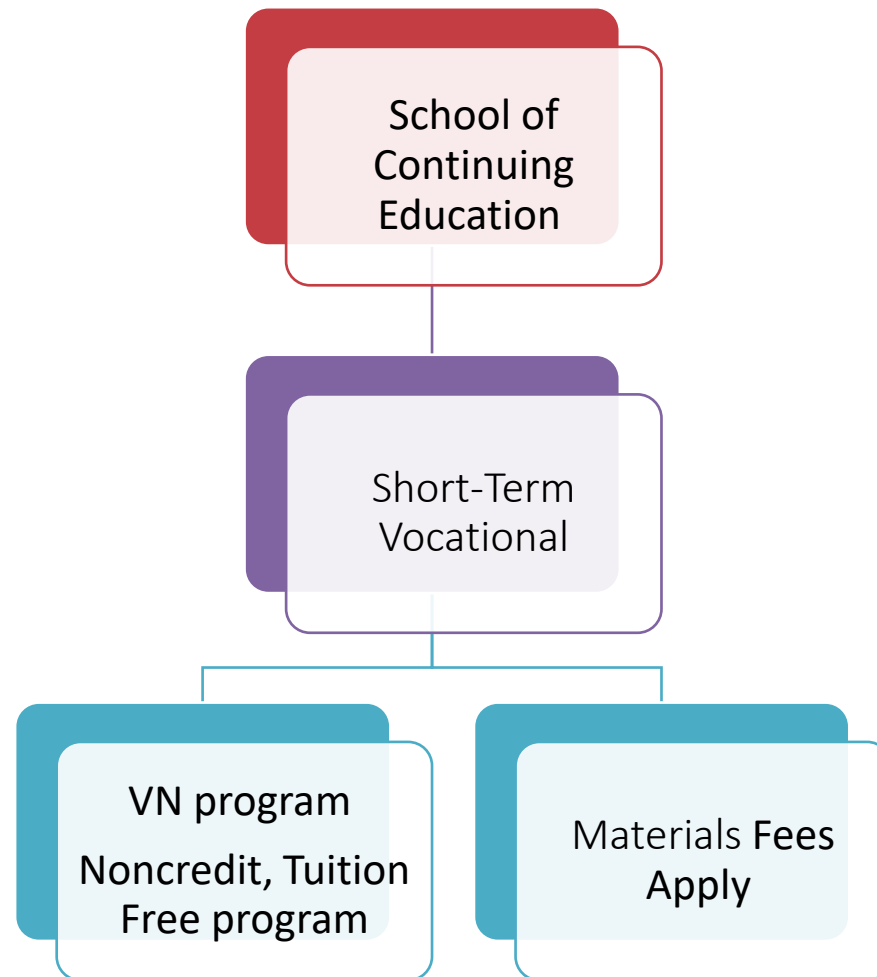


# Vocational Nursing Program Information Session Cohort 1 January 2025



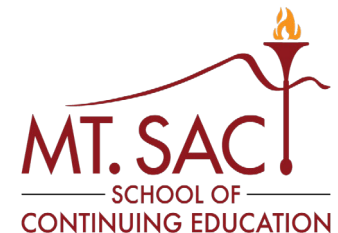
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Director of Mt. SAC Vocational Nursing (VN) Program**

# School of Continuing Education



# School of Continuing Education VN Program

- Program approved by the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians in 2024
- WASC Accreditation
- There are no previous pass rates
- Our goal is to have 100% pass



# What Licensed Vocational Nurses Do?

- Licensed Vocational Nurses (LVNs) are also referred to as Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) depending on the state
- LVNs are important members of the healthcare team.
- An LVN must effectively demonstrate a high level of cognitive, interpretive and judgement skills independently under stress in certain situations.



# Education

- In the Vocational Nursing program, you can expect the curriculum to cover a wide variety of health-care related topics, from pharmacology and anatomy to patient education and leadership.
- The program is a combination of theory and clinical skills

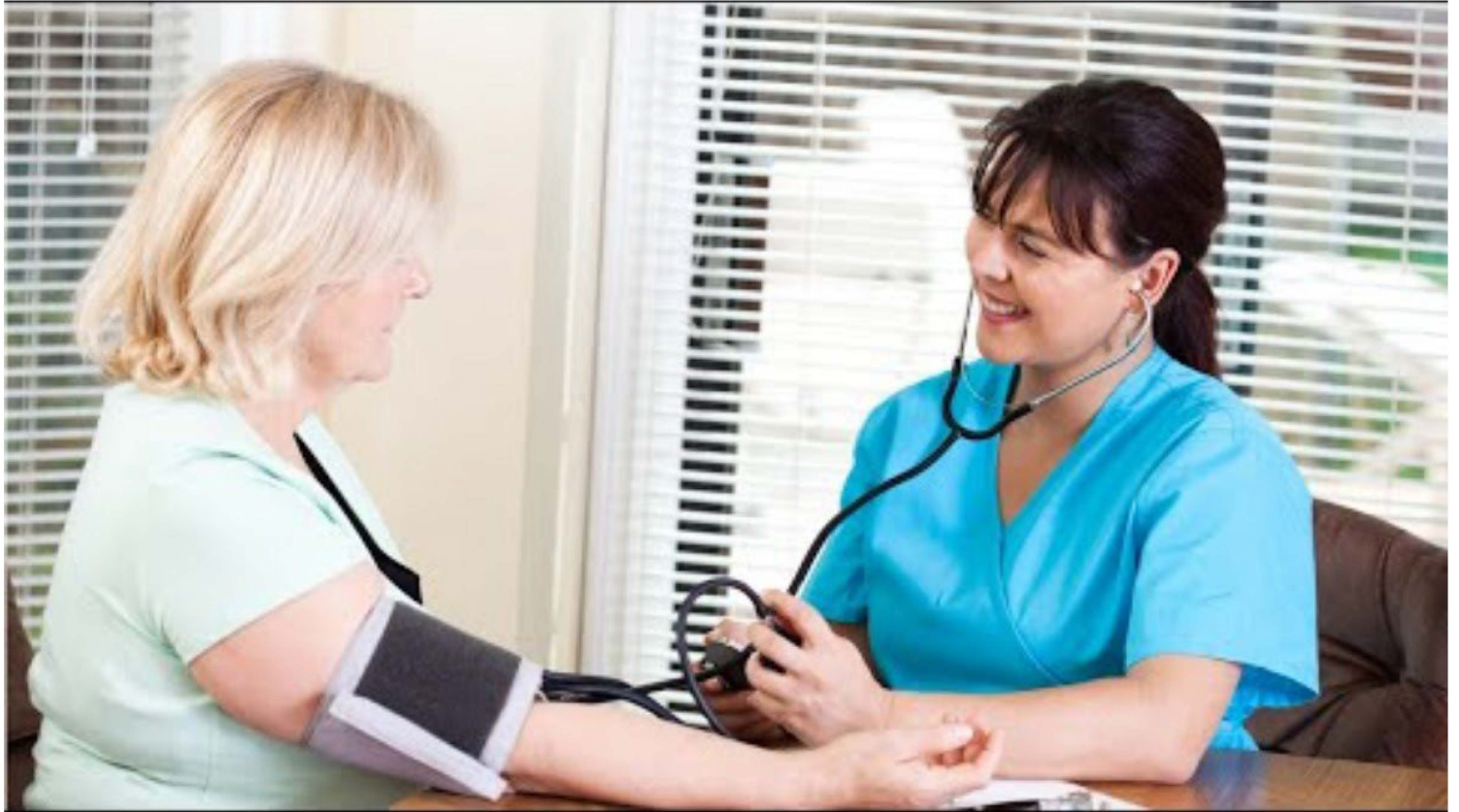
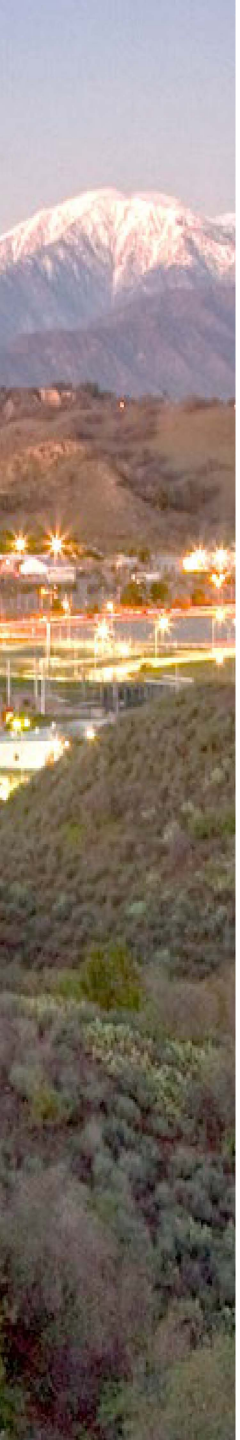


# Employment

Opportunities for employment include a wide array of positions as a LVN which include but not limited to:

- Physician Offices
- Nursing Homes
- Acute Hospitals
- Ambulatory Surgery Centers
- Travel Nursing
- Schools
- Home Health Aide







# Occupational Outlook Handbook (A National Average)

## Quick Facts: Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses

[Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses \(bls.gov\)](https://www.bls.gov)

<u>2023 Median Pay Nationally</u>	\$59,730 per year \$28.72 per hour
<u>2023 Median Pay in CA</u>	\$76,580 per year \$36.82 per hour
<u>Typical Entry-Level Education</u>	Postsecondary nondegree award
<u>Work Experience in a Related Occupation</u>	None
<u>On-the-job Training</u>	None
<u>Number of Jobs, 2022</u>	655,000
<u>Job Outlook, 2022-32</u>	5% (Faster than average)
<u>Employment Change, 2022-32</u>	34,900



# VN Program Description

- The Vocational Nursing program is a **3 terms, 18 weeks each term (except holidays)**.
- This is a full-time program where **Attendance is Mandatory**.
- Theory are typically **4 days a week 8:00AM - 5:00PM**.
- Clinicals will vary based on the site.
  - Expect **12 hour shifts** for the duration of the clinical
  - **Weekends included**



# VN Program

- VN program is approved by the BVNPT
- The completed coursework will qualify you to take the NCLEX to become an LVN.
- Being an LVN may improve your application toward the RN program.



# Student Journey

1. Complete [SCE application form](#) (Summer term)
2. Attend information session
3. Complete VN program application **07/15/2024 – 10/01/2024**
  - i. Must include all required documentation upon submission.
4. Attend interview (If invited)
  - i. Invitation to interview does not guarantee acceptance into the VN program.
  - ii. Written Personal Statement.
5. Notification of acceptance to the program.
  - i. 24 Seats, 2 Alternates.
6. Attend mandatory VN program orientation
7. VN Program Starts January 6, 2025

# Vocational Nursing Program Screening and Selection Criteria

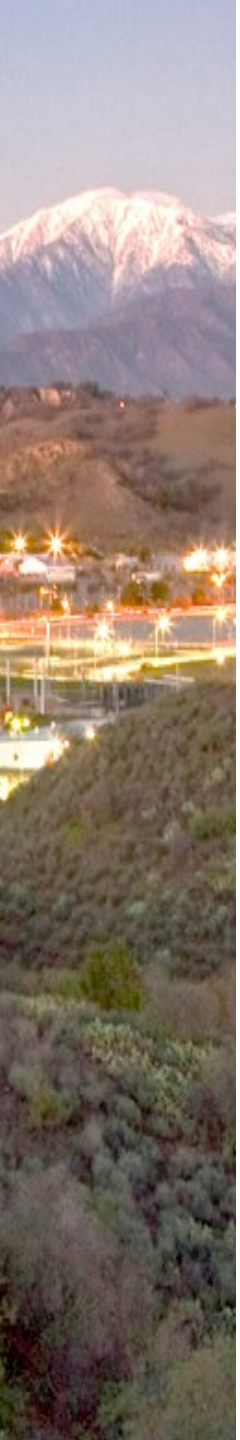
## Required Items for Entry (*Prior to acceptance and enrollment in the program*):

- Must be at least 17 years of age.
- **Must have an active unrestricted Nursing Assistant Certification (CNA) through the California Department of Public Health.**
- Applicant must provide proof of graduation from:
  - An accredited high school in the United States by official transcripts.
  - Documentation of a passing score on the California High School Equivalency Exam (GED/HiSet)
  - Official evaluation of international diploma/degree.
    - ***Foreign transcripts must be evaluated for US diploma equivalency***



In addition to the required items above, the following criteria will be used to determine entrance into the program:

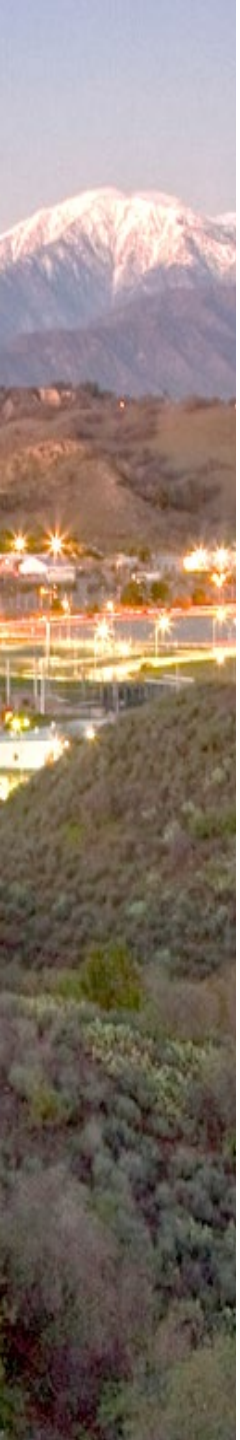
Criteria	Possible Points	Notes	Points Awarded
<b>Admission Assessment</b>			
<b>Test of Essential Academic Skills (TEAS)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TEAS Test <b>Version 7</b> must be taken within the <b>last 3 years</b>. Please refer to the <a href="#">SCE testing center</a> to schedule test (TEAS composite score will not be rounded up).</li> <li>Must score at <b>least 61%</b> to have points considered as part of the application.</li> <li>Students not achieving at least 61% will be referred for remediation before being able to retest for future cohorts.</li> </ul>	<b>10 points maximum</b>	<b>Points Distribution</b> <b>Score %</b> <b>Merit Points</b> <input type="checkbox"/> 90-100%      10 pts <input type="checkbox"/> 78-89%      8 pts <input type="checkbox"/> 71-77%      6 pts <input type="checkbox"/> 61-70%      4 pts <input type="checkbox"/> <60%      0 pts	____ / 10



Criteria	Possible Points	Notes	Points Awarded
<b>Health Careers and Related Certifications</b>			
<p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Nursing Assistant(Auto. 5 points)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Required</b></li></ul></li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Medical Assistant (5 points)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assistant (3 points)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Medic, Corpsman (5 points)<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Must be &gt;12 months of bedside care.</li></ul></li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Medical Technician National Registry (3 points)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> AA/AS/BS/BA/MS/MA = (1 point maximum) Must provide official sealed document with application to receive point</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Others will be determined at the discretion of the Director of Vocational Nursing (2 points maximum).</li></ul>	<p><b>10 points Maximum</b></p>		<p>____ / 10</p>

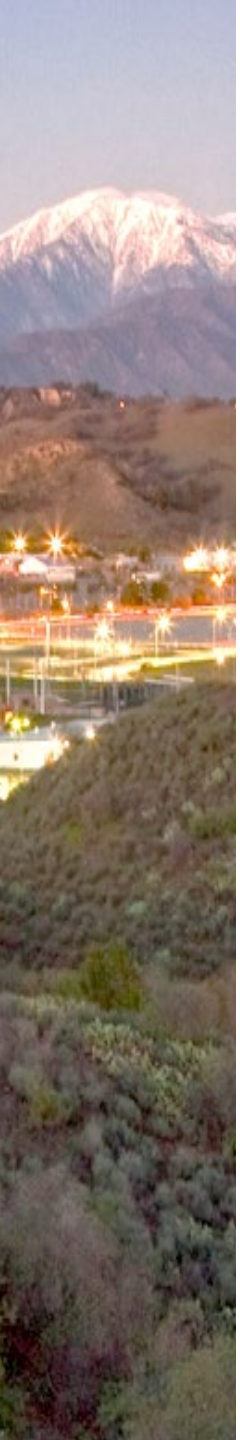


Criteria	Possible Points	Notes	Points Awarded
<b>Work Related Experience</b>			
<p>Work-related experience within the <b>last 5 years</b>.</p> <p>Examples:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Patient Care Technician</li><li>• ER Technician</li><li>• Home Health Aide</li><li>• Medical Assistant</li></ul>	<p><b>5 Points Maximum</b></p>	<p>Must include a dated letter from the employer(s) on company letterhead with application documents. Letters must list job title, duties, dates of paid employment, and must be signed by a company official.</p> <p>All health-related work experience will be approved by the Director of Vocational Nursing. Family-related care is excluded.</p>	<p>____ / 5</p>



Criteria	Possible Points	Notes	Points Awarded
<b>Life Experiences/Special Circumstances</b>			
<p>Personal Statement Write a statement of between 350 – 500 words describing a situation or circumstance related to the personal statement topics. The following are examples of circumstances that can be included: single parent, deployed spouse, family caregiver, death of family member within 6 months, medical problem, financial issues.</p> <p>For Veteran and Military – please provide either a copy of DD214 form (for Veteran) or valid Military ID.</p> <p>For the spouse of veteran – please provide a valid military dependent ID card.</p>	<p><b>5 Points Maximum</b></p>	<p><b>Personal Statement Topics</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. First-generation post-secondary includes college, career training, noncredit, or adult education.</li> <li>b. Need to work (<i>Need to work means student is working at least parttime while completing academic work</i>) or low family income.</li> <li>c. Difficult personal and/or family situation/circumstance</li> <li>d. Veteran or Active-Duty Military</li> <li>e. Spouse of Veteran</li> <li>f. Cultural barriers</li> </ul>	<p>____ / 5</p>





Criteria	Possible Points	Notes	Points Awarded
<b>Interview</b>			
Interview will be based on questions from Interview Rubric: See rubric for further information. <i>Possible Panel:</i> Dean, VN Director, STV Counselor, STV Director, VN Faculty  Interview Week: 10/28/24-11/01/24	<b>15 Points Maximum</b>	Rubric: Commitment to the field, Professionalism, Accountability, and Awareness of the Program	___ / 15
<i>Applicants Total Points = _____ /45 points</i>			

# Get Further in your Health Career Program!

1.

## TEAS/Health Careers Test Prep

Mondays & Wednesdays 6-8pm

Session 1: July 1-24 CRN: 11408

Session 2: July 29-Aug 21 CRN: 12436

Get ready for professional Health Careers entrance and exit exams with topics including:

- Math
- Science
- Reading
- English
- Test-Taking Strategies

2.

## Healthcare Math

Tuesdays & Thursdays 6-8pm

July 2-25 CRN: 11409

Review math focused on Health Careers with topics including:

- Dosage calculations
- Measurements
- Proportions
- Decimals, Fractions, & Percentages

Have questions or need assistance?

Reach us at [abeinfo@mtsac.edu](mailto:abeinfo@mtsac.edu) or (909) 274-4845



### Mt. SAC Students:

#### Register through the Portal

Go to the Student tab and Click on "Register (Add or Drop) Class" for Summer 2024, then enter the CRN

### Not a Mt. SAC Student?

Get registration information at [mtsac.edu/sce/abe/healthcare](https://mtsac.edu/sce/abe/healthcare) or by scanning the QR code above

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# School of Continuing Education Testing Center

## Offers TEAS (Test of Essential Academic Skills)

We provide secure, computer-based and private testing to the community. We offer our services to both students and professionals who need to take paid certification exams. Our goal is to maintain a location that minimizes stress by providing a professional yet comfortable atmosphere.

The TEAS is designed to specifically assess a student's preparedness entering the health science fields.

	<b>209</b> Minutes	<b>170</b> Questions	Including 4 subject areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reading</li><li>• Mathematics</li><li>• Science</li><li>• English &amp; Language Usage</li></ul>
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 (909) 274-5875 or (909) 274-5876  
 testingcenter@mtsac.edu  
 Building 40 Room 102  
 bit.ly/SCETestCenter



**Schedule Your Test Now!**

# SCE Testing Center: TEAS Test offerings.

June	July	Aug	Sept
	Tuesday 2nd 11am	Thursday 1st 11am	Tuesday 3rd 11am
	Wednesday 3rd 11am	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> 11am	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> 11am
	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> NO TESTING	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> 11am	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> 11am
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	Tuesday 30th 11am	Thursday 29th 11am	
	Wednesday 31st 11am		



## Once accepted into the program:

- Meet the minimum Essential Functions for vocational nursing.
- Have a clear criminal background check and drug screening.
- Complete a physical examination, including specific immunization and titers.
- Current Health Care Provider BLS-CPR certification from American Heart Association.

# Anticipated Fees

<b>Item</b>	<b>Fees (subject to change)</b>
TEAS Test	\$127
Health Physical Cost, Drug Test	\$180-205
Background Check and Live Scan	\$185-200
Textbooks	\$750-950
Standardized Scrubs and Patch Two sets of uniform is recommended	\$29-69 (Based upon sizes)
Parking and Student ID	\$175
Lab Practice Equipment	\$300
ATI Practice Tests	\$1200 to 2400 (Could possibly be covered)
CPR – BLS	\$90
NCLEX and State app	\$600
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3636 - 5116</b>

# VN Program Application Process

VN Program application period:

**07/15/2024 – 10/01/2024**

- Submit VN online application: [VN Application](#)
  - Paper applications are available upon request.
- Upload all required documents.
  - Please use the following formats:
    - jpg, tif, pdf, xps, jpeg, png, tiff.
- You can upload multiple documents with the same attachment button found at the bottom toolbar.
- Email will be sent stating we have received your application

# Application Selection Process

**Email notifications will be sent to inform you of your application status at each level of the selection process.**

- **First Level:** Staff will be checking for all the necessary documents.
  - Students will be contacted if there are missing or unverifiable documents.
  - Students will have the opportunity to provide missing information.
- **Second Level:** Selection and scoring your documents
  - Student documents will be scored according VN Criteria
- **Third Level:** Ranking applicants
  - Email notifications will be sent to inform you of progression to the interview or not
  - Interview week: 10/28/24-11/01/24
  - Personal statement to be written in-person on interview day





# CONTACTS

Email all VN questions to

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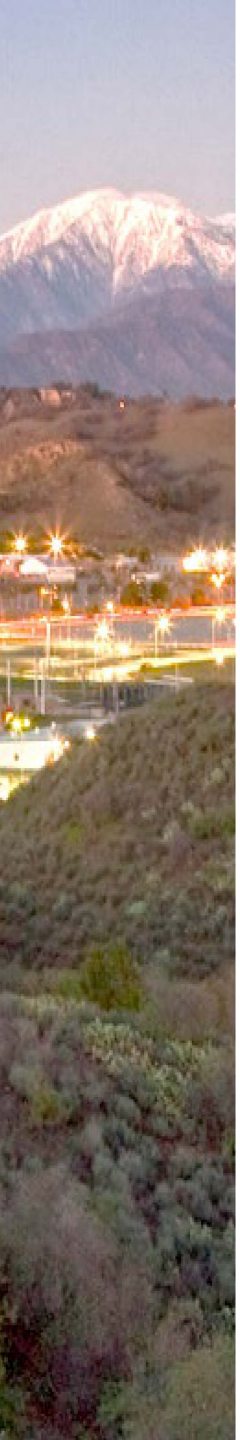
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Thank You For Attending!