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## Two Interim Administrators Appointed at El Camino College Compton Center

El Camino College Compton Center announced the appointment of two interim administrators on March 25. Valarie O'Guynn is the Interim Dean of Student Services, and Elizabeth Martinez is the Interim Director of Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOP&S) and the Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) program.

### Valarie O'Guynn – Interim Dean of Student Services

Valarie O'Guynn is an alumna of the former Compton Community College and has served the institution since 1993. She most recently served as the Director of EOP&S/CARE at ECC Compton Center since July 2006. She has supported students in the EOP&S/CARE office for more than 17 years in the capacity of EOP&S specialist, CARE coordinator, and EOP&S/CARE counselor respectively. O'Guynn earned both a master's degree in education and counseling, and a bachelor's degree in behavioral science and psychology from California State University, Dominguez Hills.

### Elizabeth Martinez – Interim Director of EOP&S/CARE

Elizabeth Martinez most recently served as the Transfer Center coordinator at ECC Compton Center since 2005. Prior to joining ECC Compton Center, she was a counselor at the Center for Community Counseling at California State University, San Diego (SDSU) from 2004-2005, and the co-founder of the Coachella Valley Youth Conference from 2003-2004. Martinez is currently a doctoral student at UCLA in the Educational Leadership Program. She earned a master's degree in education, specializing in multicultural counseling, from SDSU, and a bachelor's degree in sociology from UCLA. Martinez has dedicated her career to working as a student mentor and counselor with such programs as: Wahupa Upward Bound, MAAC Community Charter School, and MEChA de UCLA's Xinachtli Program.

### About El Camino College Compton Center

El Camino College Compton Center is the community's education solution offering a full complement of transfer and degree courses, as well as career and technical education. Students may earn an associate degree or certificate, transfer to a four-year university or train for a career. Many classes are available and offered at an affordable price—fees are only \$26 per unit. The catalog and class schedule for day, evening, weekend and online courses is available on the website at [www.compton.edu](http://www.compton.edu) or may be picked up at ECC Compton Center located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA. For more information, call 310-900-1600.

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