

Compton College History

In June 2006, the former Compton Community College's accreditation was revoked by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC). In August 2006, a partnership with El Camino Community College District was formed, and the El Camino College Compton Center was established to serve the diverse communities within the Compton CCD. In March 2015, the ACCJC granted accreditation eligibility status to the Compton Center. In January 2017, El Camino College submitted a Self-Evaluation Report for the Compton Center to the ACCJC for candidacy status. In February 2017, the governing authority of the Compton CCD Board of Trustees was restored. In March 2017, an ACCJC external evaluation team reviewed the Compton Center Self-Evaluation Report and conducted a site visit of the Compton Center. At the ACCJC meeting on June 7, 2017, the Compton Center was granted initial accreditation status. That action established Compton College as an accredited college under the authority of El Camino Community College District.

On August 27, 2018, Compton College received notification from the ACCJC that our Substantive Change Application: Change in Local Control was approved. On August 29, 2018, California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley issued Executive Order 2018-01, declaring Compton College would operate as an independent college under the authority of the Compton CCD Board of Trustees effective June 7, 2019, at 11:59 p.m.

A Special Board meeting at 11:59 p.m. on June 7, 2019, commemorated the moment that Compton College began to operate as an independent college and concluded the collaborative partnership between Compton Community College District and the El Camino Community College District. Courses are now offered under the authority of the Compton Community College District, and all students earning degrees or certificates at Compton College will be issued a Compton College diploma.

For more information regarding Compton College's accreditation, please refer to: http://www.compton.edu/campusinformation/accreditation/.