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Overview

BLU Educational Foundation began its work in 2001 as a response to the higher education challenges faced by families with limited opportunities in California's Inland Empire. (Riverside and San Bernardino Counties)

Mission

To provide educational and human services programming to youth, adults and organizations in order to build healthy, productive communities.

Focus Areas

- College & Career Access
- Civic Engagement
- Leadership Development
- Arts

COLLEGE EXODUS PROJECT

Mission

The mission of the College Exodus Project (CEP) is to assist students in obtaining undergraduate or graduate degrees from accredited colleges and universities, with the intent that they contribute to the Inland Empire economy through entrepreneurship, employment, and/or volunteer service.

Overview

The College Exodus Project Scholars Program (CEP Scholars) provides free college & career advising, financial aid assistance, and exclusive events to help students succeed.

- Personalized advising
- College & career planning
- Special events & field trips
- College tours



PURPOSEFUL PATHWAYS



Background

In the last decade, BLU Educational Foundation's College & Career Access work allowed us to directly engage with students, identifying gaps in their awareness of career opportunities and available resources.

In response, we launched Purposeful Pathways, driven by insights from young Black, Latinx, Indigenous, and Pacific Islanders in the Inland Empire.

Mission

To increase the representation of Black, Latinx, Indigenous, and Pacific Islanders in industries that have thriving and sustainable career opportunities.

Framework

1. A-G coursework
2. Dual enrollment/college coursework
(Must be UC/CSU transferable)
3. Pathway leads to an industry/academic certification or degree program
4. Work-based learning opportunities connected to respective careers
5. Pathways are connected to industry partners
6. Communication and marketing that is culturally responsive
7. Parent engagement and exposure to career pathways



7 PURPOSEFUL PATHWAYS

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Arts, Media, & Entertainment

Performing Arts, Design, Journalism & Media Arts

2

Business & Finance

Entrepreneurship, Management, & Accounting

3

Education

Education, Child Development, & Family Services

4

Environmentalism

Energy, Environment, & Utilities

5

Health

Health Science, Medicine, Nursing, Dentistry and Allied Health, Public Health & Medical Technology

6

STEM

Information & Communication Technologies, Engineering & Architecture

7

Social Justice & Philanthropy

Law, Criminal Justice, Non-profit Management, Sociology, & Community Organizing



PURPOSEFUL PATHWAYS

RECOMMENDED DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES – SBCUSD

Pathway	Dual Enrollment Course
Arts	ART 103 Art Appreciation
Arts	DANCE 100 Dance History & Appreciation
Arts	MUS 100 Music Appreciation
Education	CD 108 Early Childhood Development
Education	CD 105 Child Growth & Development
Education	CD 126 Child, Family, & the Community
Social Justice	ETHS 100 Introduction to Ethnic Studies
Social Justice	ETHS 141 Race & Ethnic Relations (SOC 141)
Social Justice	ETHS 103 Ethnicity and Iden in Media (FTVM 103)

San Bernardino Valley College Dual Enrollment Contact

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RECOMMENDED DUAL ENROLLMENT COURSES – FUSD

Pathway	Dual Enrollment Course
Arts	ARTGD 13: History of Graphic Design
Arts	THEATRE 1: Introduction to Theatre
Arts	MUSIC 4: Music Appreciation
Education	CDE 6: Teaching in a Diverse Society
Education	CDE 2: Child Growth and Development
Education	CDE 4: Child, Family, and Community
Social Justice	ETHN 1: Introduction to Ethnic Studies
Social Justice	ETHN 2-5: Introduction to Native American, Latinx, African American, Asian American Studies
Social Justice	ETHN 6: Race, Ethnicity, and Politics in America

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CAREER PROGRAMS



Hustle & Flow Academy

Hustle & Flow Academy is a career readiness curriculum designed to support participants in their personal & professional development to increase their success in thriving careers.



Uzima Health Scholars

Uzima Health Scholars empowers Black youth to explore careers in medicine, mental health, public health, and more. Rooted in the Swahili word “Uzima,” meaning “full of life,” the program offers mentorship, hands-on learning, field trips, and college/career guidance — all through a culturally affirming lens.



Black Educator Pipeline

The Black Educator Pipeline is a pathway program designed to support, guide, and mentor Black students in their journey to becoming a Black educator preschool through college. This opportunity is available to all high school and college students in the Inland Empire.



Summer Internship

The BLU Summer Internship is a great opportunity for students to gain experience for their careers while also building a professional network. Students receive a stipend and may earn a BLU scholarship for exceptional work.

Project Areas Include:

- College & Career Access
- Film, Media, & Entertainment
- Black History Camp
- Public Policy & Advocacy



Job Shadow Day

This was a full-day event that allowed students to engage with and learn about different departments and positions across their district. I have attached the report of a Job Shadow Day that we conducted with Rialto USD.



PURPOSEFUL PATHWAYS

The Purposeful Pathways is an initiative designed to strengthen career pathways for high school and college students by directly aligning course work, opportunities and support to industry and academic certification and/or degree programs. We believe this will increase students' exposure and access to intentional course work, mentorship, work based learning opportunities, and careers that change the landscape of our communities. If you are interested in learning more or partnering with us on this initiative please contact us!



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