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LOS ANGELES CITY COLLEGE HOSTS DATATHON COMPETITION
Event offers students experience in coding and datasets

(November 20, 2024) — Los Angeles City College (LACC) hosted their first Datathon competition on November 2, 2024. The event brought together 80 participants including LACC alumni, guests and speakers for a day of problem-solving, creativity and learning. Students received hands-on experience in data science, helping them build skills in coding, data visualization and the ability to analyze problems using real-world datasets. The students were also introduced to RStudio, an integrated development environment utilizing a programming language for statistical computing and visualization.

The students worked in teams to analyze datasets and present findings. "The event provided a fun and challenging environment and an opportunity for students to network and build connections within community colleges and 4-year institutions," said LACC Mathematics Department Chair Professor Kee Lam.

Students and faculty from Cal Poly Pomona, CSU Channel Islands, UC Santa Barbara, and Long Beach City College participated as well as faculty and students from the LACC Math Department and CSISA Department.

About Los Angeles City College

Established in 1929, Los Angeles City College is one of the oldest of the California Community Colleges. Located in the heart of Hollywood, LACC provides a dynamic innovative learning environment offering more than 100 vocational and professional programs including degrees, transfer programs and certificates to more than 18,000 students. Los Angeles City College is home to one of the most vibrant and diverse campuses in the country. The campus provides a wide range of professional and vocational programs at a fraction of the cost of state and private colleges.