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El Camino College Welcomes New Vice President

El Camino College began the fall 2012 semester with a new vice president. Linda Beam was recently named Vice President, Human Resources at the Torrance-area college. She has more than 20 years of human resources experience in public education and government service.

"We welcome Linda to our administration and look forward to her contributions toward meeting our goals of student access and success," said Thomas M. Fallo, president of El Camino College.

Beam most recently served as the chief human resource officer for the Marin Community College District/College of Marin. Previous positions include managing recruitment and compensation at California State University, Monterey Bay and serving as the classified personnel officer for the Monterey Peninsula Unified School District.

As the first in her family to attend college, Beam is a dedicated supporter of the community college system. Her own journey into higher education began in her hometown, at Barstow Community College, where she earned an associate degree in humanities.

"I believe in community colleges and I love seeing students succeed," she said. "My favorite time is at the end of the year. I attend every graduation, pinning, and other events. It is so inspirational to hear the students' stories; it reminds me why we are here."

Beam continued her education at the University of Maryland, where she earned a bachelor's degree in business management. In addition, she has a master's degree in human resource management from Chapman University.

An active member in several professional organizations, Beam is currently the president of the Association of California Community College Administrators (ACCCA) and has been a member of the organization for many years. She was formerly the president of the Northern/Central California chapter of the College and University Personnel Association for Human Resources (CUPA-HR).