



# ACCCA & ACBO Budget Workshop

## Annual Workshop on the Governor's Proposed Budget 2024-25

**Safe Credit Union Convention Center**  
1401 K Street Sacramento, CA 95814  
Wednesday, January 17, 2024

### 9:00 am

Registration, Coffee and Conversation

### 10:00- 10:15 am

Welcome/Opening Remarks



**Dr. Lonita Cordova**, *Assistant Superintendent/Vice President of Student Services, San Joaquin Delta College and President of the ACCCA Board of Directors*

### 10:15-10:45 am



**Dr. Sonya Christian**, *Chancellor, California Community Colleges*

We are thrilled to welcome our state Chancellor, Dr. Sonya Christian, to the 2024 program. Dr. Christian will provide welcome remarks and share her perspective on the Governor's budget proposal.

*Sonya Christian, PhD, is a fierce advocate for the life-changing ability of community colleges to reach underserved populations and educate the future workforce. She is committed to advancing work through distributed leadership and collaborative communities of learning, and to promoting the value of equity in student learning, access, success and economic mobility.*

### 10:45 am -12:15 pm

#### Budget Analysis Panel



**Aaron Brown**, *Vice Chancellor of Business Services at Riverside CCD and President of the ACBO Board.*

As President of ACBO, Aaron Brown will moderate the discussion with our esteemed panel who have agreed to provide their candid perspectives and insights, as well as the analysis of their respective organizations on the 2024-25 budget proposal. Our moderator will ask them to address their assumptions about strategies and possible pathways to get from debate to a consensus state budget.

## Panelists:



**Chris Ferguson**

*Principal Program  
Budget Analyst,  
California  
Department of  
Finance*



**Ann-Marie Gabel**

*Vice Chancellor,  
Business  
Services,  
South Orange  
County CCD*



**David O'Brien**

*Vice Chancellor of  
Government  
Relations for the  
Chancellor's Office*



**Paul Steenhausen**

*Principal Fiscal  
Policy Analyst,  
Office of the  
Legislative Analyst  
for California*



**Elisa Wynne**

*Staff Director of  
the Senate  
Committee on  
Budget & Fiscal  
Review*

**12:15-1:15** Networking Lunch and Sponsor Engagement

**1:15-2:00 pm**

Economic Impact Outlook



**Jerry Nickelsburg**, *Faculty Director and Adjunct Professor of Economics,  
Anderson School of Management, UCLA*

Since 2017, Jerry Nickelsburg has served as faculty director of UCLA's formidable economic forecast and he plays a key role in the economic modeling and forecasting of the national, California and regional economic trends, particularly in the manufacturing, trade, and labor markets.

In addition, Nickelsburg teaches economics in UCLA Anderson's MBA program, with a focus on business forecasting and international business economics. He travels regularly with students to Asia as professor and advisor in global immersion courses.

Nickelsburg is frequently cited in the national media. He has published more than 100 scholarly and popular articles on economic policy, monetary economics, statistics, labor economics and industrial organization. He is the author of two books on monetary economics and exchange rates.

**2:00 pm**

*Closing Remarks* **Willy Duncan**, ACCCA Board Representative & CFLA Chair

**2:15 pm**

*Adjournment*

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