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**U.S. Department of Education awards \$3 million Title V grant to Golden West College**  
*The prestigious grant was awarded to less than 40 Hispanic-Serving Institutions across the country*

**Huntington Beach, CA – October 13, 2020** – Golden West College (GWC) has been named a recipient of a \$3 million grant from the Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions (DHSI) Program in the U.S. Department of Education to fund STEM programs and education.

Dispersed over the next five years, this grant funding enables GWC to expand and enhance academic offerings in STEM areas of math and science, helping Hispanic/LatinX students prepare for careers in STEM fields through its *Gateway to STEM* program.

“GWC has a proud history as a designated Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI),” said President Tim McGrath, “with more than 35% of our students identifying as Hispanic. This grant is focused on expanding educational opportunities and improving the academic attainment of all students, although it will be focused on Hispanic students in particular.”

STEM is a curriculum based on the idea of educating students in four specific disciplines—science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

“This grant will bolster our ongoing efforts to increase the number of LatinX students in the STEM fields and ensure their academic success,” said Kay Nguyen, Ed.D, Dean of Research, Planning, and Effectiveness. “We have established realistic, thoughtfully designed strategies to increase student access, success and transfer in STEM by providing evidence-based services and support; create a culture of inquiry; and increase enrollment in STEM education and career pathways.”

In order to apply for a grant under Title V programs, an institution of higher education must have applied for and been designated as an eligible HSI.

Learn more about Title V Developing Hispanic-Serving Institutions grants at the [U.S. Department of Education](#)

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