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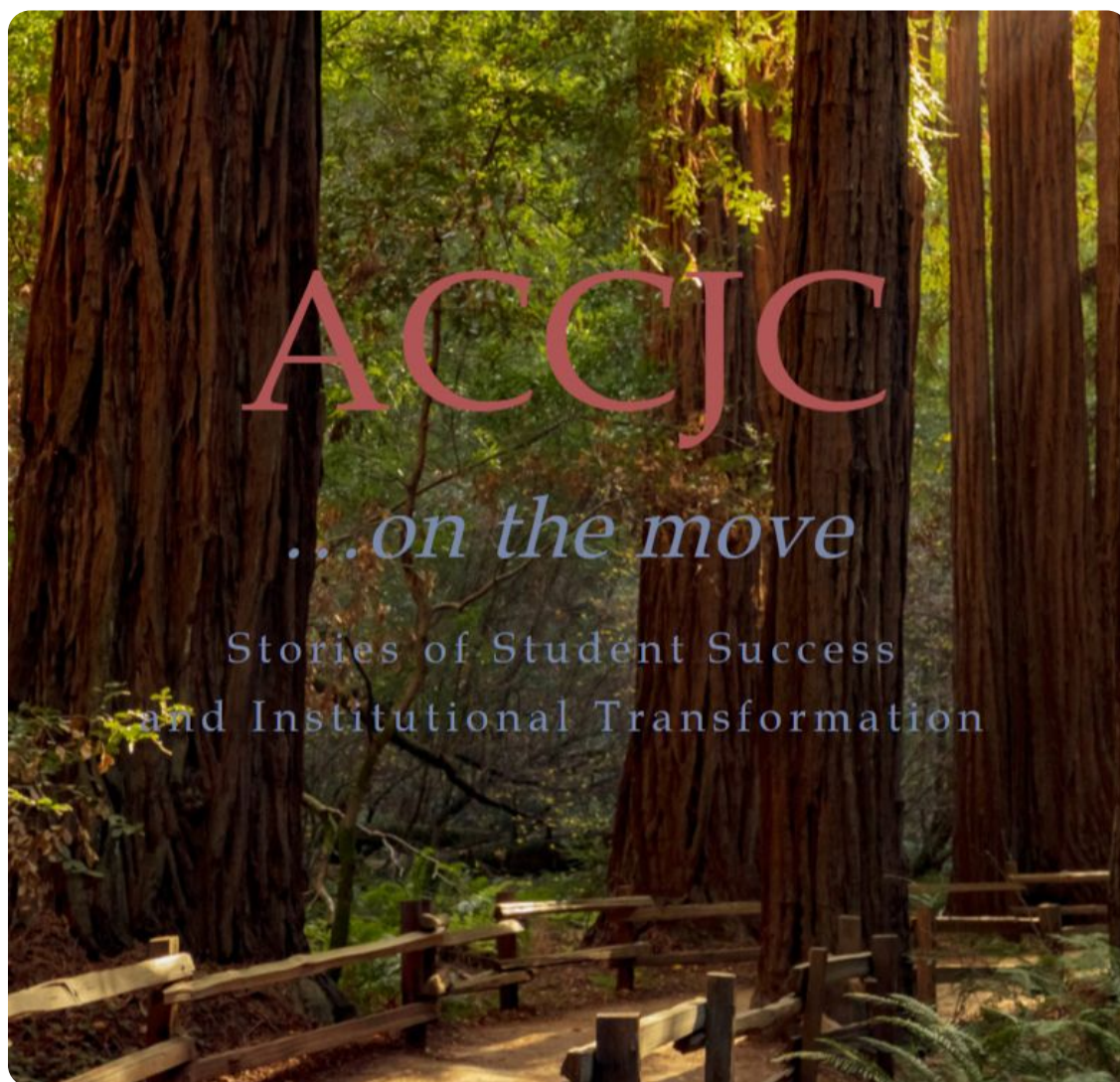
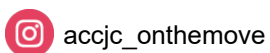
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The story of an institution is the story of the people, places, and communities that serve its students. Conversations about student success often focus solely on graduation rates or other benchmark data that can obscure the true impact that institutions, programs, and

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impactful practices changing lives inside and outside the classroom.

This month we are pleased to feature the **Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Saddleback College, and San Diego City College!** Please take a look at excerpts below, and check out www.accjconthemove.org for the full featured articles.

[Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center](#)

The Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center (DLIFLC) is one of the most unique members of ACCJC. Located on the historic Presidio of Monterey in Monterey, California, the institute provides culturally based foreign language education, training, evaluation, and degrees for the Department of Defense globally.

The rigor of the academic model and its outcomes are essential to preparing service members for their future missions. Intensive foreign language instruction in an immersive training environment builds the critical skillset these students will need on the job protecting the nation.



[Saddleback College](#)

Saddleback College is a California public community college serving nearly 30,000 students, and gets its name from the slump (or saddleback) between Santiago Peak and Modjeska Peak, which serve as a scenic backdrop to the college. Established in 1968, this South Orange County institution transformed from a small rural college to a large urban college known for its academic quality and premier cultural and recreational activities.

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Stakeholders participated in conversations using institutional data, and over a year ago, the college had the realization that true systemic change might be more possible with a course-level approach.



[San Diego City College](#)

San Diego City College (SDCC) is one of three colleges in the San Diego Community College District serving over 13,000 students in downtown San Diego. SDCC received its initial accreditation in 1952, and today is one of the fastest growing community colleges in the nation.

An exceptional example of the college's commitment to its students' achievement and overall wellbeing is its embedded mental health initiative. SDCC has a well-established mental health program, integrated within its student health center, where students have access to physical and mental health services, and personal, academic, and social support. Since 2020, they have collaborated with the math department to embed mental health counselors and education into the college's introductory math courses.

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