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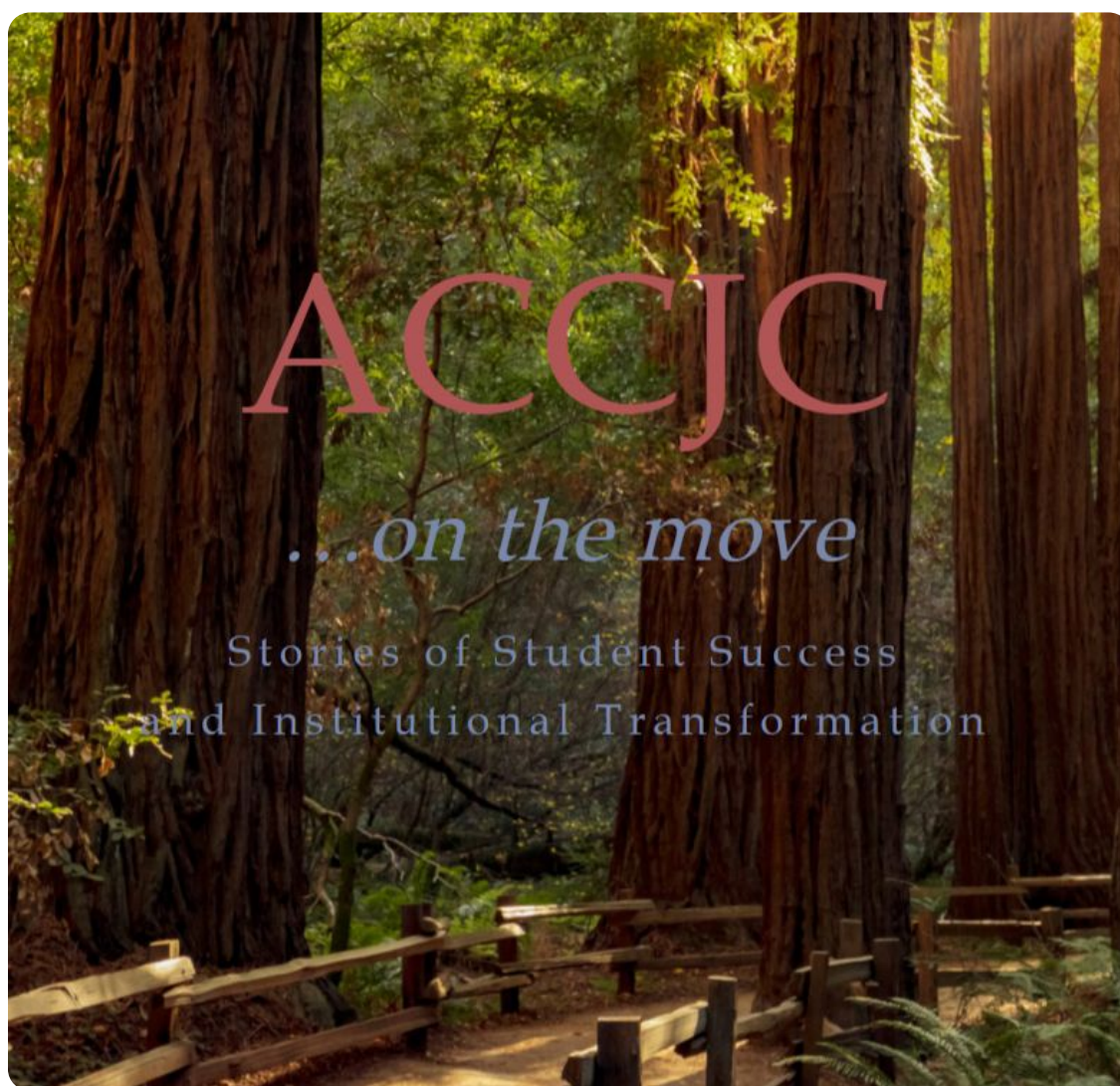
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impactful practices changing lives inside and outside the classroom.

This month we are pleased to feature **College of the Desert**! Please take a look at the excerpt below, and check out [www.accjconthemove.org](http://www.accjconthemove.org) for the full featured article.

### [College of the Desert](#)

College of the Desert is an associate degree and certificate-granting institution in the Coachella Valley of Southern California serving over 15,000 students across five campuses and through several off-campus academic opportunities.

College of the Desert is dedicated to creating opportunities for the people of Coachella Valley, captured in Superintendent/President Laura Hope's guiding motto, "Your Community. Your College." Perhaps the program that best demonstrates this principle is the institution's EDGE/pLEDGE program, which exists to help close the gaps in student access, equity, and success.





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The **discounted early-bird registration** is available until next Thursday, **February 29th**. Space may sell out, so save the date and register early!

We are also accepting proposals for the poster session to showcase high-impact practices and outcomes throughout ACCJC membership.

Please check out the conference website [www.accjc-conference.org](http://www.accjc-conference.org) for more details. If you have any questions about the conference, poster session, or the registration process, please contact Alexandra Spring at [registration@accjc.org](mailto:registration@accjc.org). We look forward to seeing you in sunny Orange County, California, for this exciting educational and networking opportunity.

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