

# THE GU UPDATE: TEAM MCLC EDITION

Fall 2021



GEAR UP 4 LA is honored to serve ninth- and 10th-grade students and families at Miguel Contreras Learning Complex. Every day, we support students' college and career goals by providing academic advising, college visits, empowerment workshops, parent field trips, dual enrollment courses, mentoring opportunities, and more! We are proud of the work we have accomplished together and look forward to our continued partnership to support students and MCLC's college and career-going culture!

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS August 2020- August 2021

- College/career workshops for students
- LACC dual enrollment classes
- Virtual college field trips
- 24/7 Tutor.com support
- Weekly peer mentor meetings
- Individual and small group advising
- Leaders PLUS ME guest speaker series
- Monthly Coffee with GEAR UP for parents
- Money Smarts and College Smarts parent workshops
- Support 2 MCLC Summer Bridge programs
- 35+ Jaime Escalante Math (JEM) student participants
- One-on-one advising/SEL check-in with students and parents



### PARENT-GROWTH MINDSET

*"I liked the activities, the dynamics and participation of the GEAR UP teacher. Thanks a lot."*

*"Me gustaron todas las actividades, la dinámica y participación del maestro de GEAR UP. Muchas gracias."*

## Highlights

### TEACHER-R. KAUIL

*"It has been amazing having GEAR UP's support with our 9th graders at MCLC. The team provides great support and resources for the kids all while building authentic relationships with them. Thanks GEAR UP!"*

### STUDENT-JEM

*"This experience will help me reach my career goal because it helped me experience something new. This class can help me get into good colleges."*

*"This will help me because it gave me an idea of what I have ahead of me and the standards I should aim towards."*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Visit our [website](#) for more events and information!

### SEPTEMBER

Weekly Meetings  
Peer Mentor Summit  
Mentor Training

### OCTOBER

Growth Mindset  
Money Smarts  
PLUS ME Parent Workshops

### NOVEMBER

Study Smart Tutors  
Tutoring  
College Visits

### DECEMBER/JANUARY

Winter Camp  
Dual Enrollment  
Academic Advising

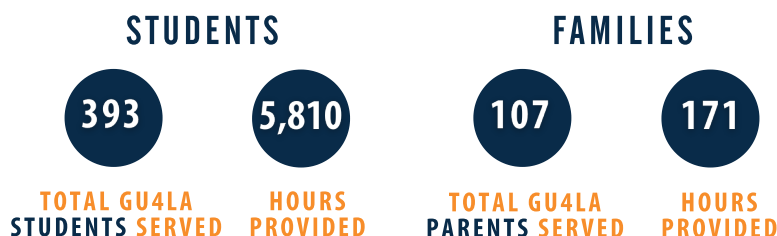
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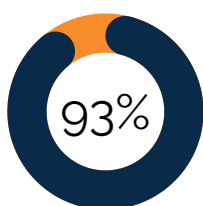
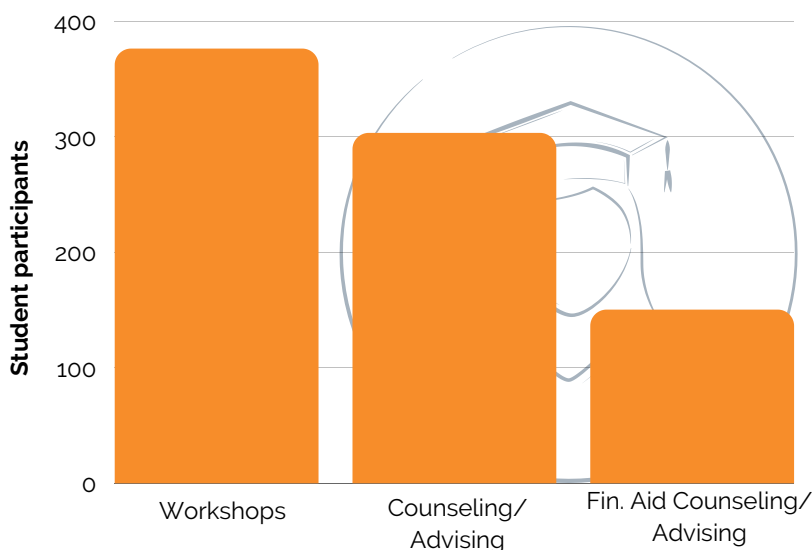
# THE GU4LA IMPACT

**AUG. 19, 2020-AUG. 13, 2021**

## OVERALL MCLC ENGAGEMENT



## MOST POPULAR SERVICES



About 93% of our GEAR UP student community at MCLC received GU4LA services, increasing their college and financial aid knowledge and boosting their leadership skills. The most popular services were summer programs, student and parent workshops, and academic enrichment.

## GLOBAL STUDIES STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

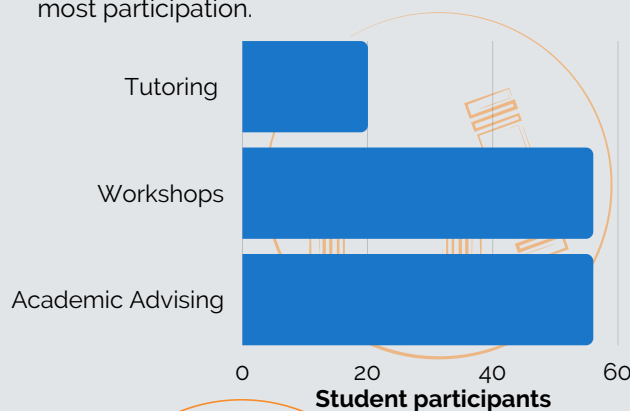


## GLOBAL STUDIES PARTICIPATION

At Los Angeles School of Global Studies, 90% (58/64) of the class of 2024 participated in GEAR UP services in the 2020-21 school year. GEAR UP provides students and their families access to resources that help them plan for college and explore their career options, as well as supports that help them excel academically in high school and beyond.

GEAR UP's extensive services include college tours for students and families, interactive career workshops, and information about the affordability of college through financial aid workshops.

Below are some of the services that received the most participation.



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We look forward to continuing working together to support our students and families. Thank you in advance for your collaboration! Please feel free to contact us in person and/or online.



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