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Former College Foundation Exec Pleads Guilty

The former executive director of the Los Angeles Trade-Technical College Foundation pleaded guilty today to embezzlement and agreed to pay \$50,500 in restitution, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Dana Aratani with the Public Integrity Division said Jiah Rhea Chung, 44, entered her plea before Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Mark Young.

She was sentenced in case BA419230 to 60 days of Caltrans service, ordered to pay restitution and placed on probation for three years.

Aratani said Chung admitted giving herself unauthorized bonuses and using foundation funds to pay for personal expenditures. The embezzlement occurred on or between Jan. 1, 2009, and Nov. 1, 2011, while Chung served as executive director of the foundation.

The case was investigated by the District Attorney's Bureau of Investigation.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.