

What is community college?

The community colleges of Santa Clara County are publicly supported and local oriented colleges that offer career training programs in more than 80 fields including business, industrial trades, the arts, health sciences, and public services. Community colleges are designed for every type of student with:

- Programs for transfer to a four-year college
- Career/technical education
- Continuing education for cultural growth, life enrichment and skills improvement
- Remedial or "catch up" work

Is community college right for me?

- Have you selected a career that is obtainable with a two-year Associates Degree or Certificate of Specialization? The programs listed in this brochure can be completed in approximately two years or less.
- Are you undecided on a career goal? You may spend thousands of dollars at other institutions or programs to explore different majors. Complete your lower division general education at a community college for a fraction of the cost.
- Do you need to work full time while in school? Take classes day or evening, online or even on a Saturday!

Who can attend community college?

- Anyone over the age of 18
- Concurrently enrolled high school students

Support Services

- Career planning
- Job placement assistance
- Internships
- Educational and personal counseling
- Assessment
- Workshops
- Tutoring
- Computer labs
- AND MANY MORE!

Enrollment Steps

1. **Submit an application for admission at the community college of your choice.** Apply on line at cccapply.org Online applications have a 36-48 hour turn-around time after being received. You will receive two emails; one from CccApply with a confirmation number and another from the campus with your student ID number and further instructions.
2. **Sign up and attend orientation (REQUIRED for all new and non-exempt* students)** A one semester educational plan must be completed at orientation. Call the Counseling office at the campus to schedule your orientation.
**You are exempt from orientation if you have an AA/AS degree or higher. For more information on exemptions please contact the Counseling office at the campus.*
3. **Turn in documents for assessment**
To assist students with placement into English and math courses, colleges use multiple measures including but not limited to the following;
 - High school transcripts
 - SAT/ACT Scores
 - AP Scores
 - IEP/504 Plan RecommendationsAsk about Early Admission Programs and priority registration opportunities. Documents can be submitted during your application process. Ask your college rep.
4. **Apply for financial aid at fafsa.gov** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or the Dream Act (AB540) at caldreamact.org
Contact the financial aid office at the campus and ask about Cash for College events (where you can receive one-on-one assistance with filling out the FAFSA or Dream Act application), information on scholarships and all things financial aid. Ask about PROMISE Programs offered at all community colleges.
5. **Clear prerequisite classes** (prerequisites are classes or skills required prior to enrolling in a specific course)
 - Submit official transcripts to the Admissions and Records office at the campus or bring official or unofficial transcripts to orientation or to the counseling office during drop in hours.
6. **Register for Classes**
7. **Schedule an appointment with a counselor for a full EDUCATIONAL PLAN.**

De Anza College
21250 Stevens Creek Blvd.
Cupertino, CA 95014
Counseling: (408) 264-5400
www.deanza.edu

Evergreen Valley College
3095 Yerba Buena Rd.
San Jose, CA 95135
Student Success: (408) 270-6475
www.evc.edu

Foothill College
12345 El Monte Rd.
Los Altos Hills, CA 94022
Counseling: (650) 949-7423
www.foothill.edu

Gavilán College
5055 Santa Teresa Blvd
Gilroy, CA 95020
Admissions: (408) 848-4736
www.gavilan.edu

Mission College
3000 Mission College Blvd.
Santa Clara, CA 95054
Career Center: (408) 855-5114
www.missioncollege.edu

San José City College
2100 Moorpark Ave.
San Jose, CA 95128
Counseling: (408) 288-3750
www.sjcc.edu

West Valley College
14000 Fruitvale Ave.
Saratoga, CA 95070
Counseling: (408) 741-2009
www.westvalley.edu

Non Discrimination Statement

It is the policy of the community colleges to provide equal access and opportunity and we do not discriminate on the basis of ethnic group identification, race, color, language, accent, immigration status, ancestry, national origin, age, sex, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, medical condition, veteran status and physical or mental disability. We are committed to providing an inclusive and welcoming environment for all students, staff, faculty and members of our local communities.

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Foothill College
Gavilan College
Mission College
San José City College
West Valley College

