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General Programs Of Study

Career and Technical Education Programs

City College of San Francisco provides Career and Technical Education (CTE) to meet the needs of students, employers, and the community. CTE programs are developed in cooperation with industry, organized labor, professional organizations, subject matter experts, and outside credentialing agencies to assure they are relevant and up-to-date. CTE programs consist of specialized occupational training designed to:

- qualify students for entry-level employment
- help students build or upgrade skills in fields in which they have prior experience or training
- prepare students for external certification or credentialing in certain fields

Credit and Noncredit Programs. Most CTE programs earn college credits (or units) that may be applied toward a college degree; others consist primarily of noncredit courses. For more information about credit or noncredit classes in a specific program, please consult the “Programs and Courses” section of this catalog.

Program Completion Awards. CTE programs consist of one extensive course or a series of courses designed to prepare students for entry-level employment in a specific field of study. Upon successful completion of the program, students may earn an associate degree (A.S. or A.A.), a credit certificate (Certificate of Achievement or Certificate of Accomplishment), or a noncredit certificate (Certificate of Completion or Certificate of Competency).

Certificate programs consist primarily of CTE courses, and are generally 12 to 30 units. Associate degree programs require 60 or more units of coursework, including courses required for the major and for General Education.

Skills Building. Students who have prior experience or training in a field may enroll in specific CTE classes within a program in order to upgrade or build their skills, improve their employability, prepare for an external credential, or advance in their current career.

Employment. Although the College cannot promise employment, it uses various means of helping students find positions. Instructors in career and technical fields maintain advisory committees and extensive contacts with employers, and can assist students in making valuable connections with employers. CTE programs, in partnership with employers, often have recruitment programs through which students meet employers on campus. Many programs have off-campus work experience or internship opportunities. Additionally, students can access the Career Development Center’s services, and the College’s online resources at <http://career.ccsf.edu>.

Transfer. Although the College does not offer career and technical training primarily for transfer students, various universities and colleges may accept coursework as credit toward completion of a major or as elective credit.

Work Experience Education. City College provides a variety of structured work-based and school-based learning experiences through cooperative agreements between the student, the employer, and the instructor in several academic and career and technical courses. Students who fulfill the agreement achieve several job objectives and earn transferable college units. For more detailed information about

work experience and internship classes in a specific program, please consult the “Programs and Courses” section of this catalog.

Transfer Program

Credit earned in City College courses is transferable to universities and colleges, but not on a uniform basis, since the transfer policies of these institutions vary. Students who intend to transfer may satisfy lower division requirements for the professions or the liberal arts, and transfer to baccalaureate degree-granting institutions.

Articulation agreements which list detailed information concerning specific majors and which describe course transferability and applicability between City College of San Francisco and baccalaureate degree institutions are available online at www.assist.org and at www.ccsf.edu/artic.

Specific Programs Of Study

Programs for High School Students

We offer three types of programs for high school students. For more information on any of these programs, please check with your school counselor or call Admissions and Recruitment at (415) 239- 3557.

Dual Enrollment Program. This program allows students to earn high school credits while earning college credits simultaneously. Students are enrolled both in their high school and at CCSF.

Concurrent Enrollment Program. This program allows high school students to enroll in college level courses and receive college credits. Students must have a minimum of 2.0 GPA with 120 high school credits. Courses offered cannot be a part of the high school student’s basic education plan of courses required for high school graduation. The courses must be above and beyond graduation requirements. There is no cost for college tuition.

High School Credit Program. This program allows students to receive high school credits and/or equivalency.

Continuing Education Program

Continuing Education (CE) is the extended learning program of CCSF. It is a not-for-credit, fee based, self-supporting program offering short term classes and workshops in a wide variety of areas. Class meetings are generally held on evenings and Saturdays. Workshops vary from two to thirty-two hours in length. CE receives no state funding; student fees cover the cost of instruction and all related expenses. Classes and workshops are held in the following subject areas: art, business and finance, computer software applications, food and wine, foreign language, health and fitness, home and garden, music, ornithology, personal development, photography, professional re-licensing, test preparation, theater arts, and writing. On-line classes are also available. For information on these visit www.ed2go.com/ccsf.

Pre-registration is encouraged for Continuing Education classes and workshops; however, some space may be available at the first class meeting. Students may register online at www.ccsf.edu/continued. Scroll down the left-hand side of the screen and click on “online registration”. Registration information and a class schedule may be obtained from CCSF Continuing Education Office, Fort Mason Center, Laguna St. and Marina Blvd., Building B, SF, 94123. Telephone: 415-561-1860. Fax: 415-561-1849.

Contract Education Program

It is the policy of the San Francisco Community College District to build partnerships with business, industry, government, trade unions, and community agencies. In support of this policy, a unified,

District-wide effort has been established to develop and implement not-for-credit and credit contract educational programs.

Contract education consists of those educational services which the District provides for employees and other individuals sponsored by public, private, or community organizations, and for which the District charges a fee to the sponsoring organization. Contract education is an alternative vehicle through which the District can serve all educational needs. Contract education expands access to higher education and, at the same time, affords the faculty an avenue to expand their professional horizons (267-6545).

Diversity Studies

Through the diversity studies departments in the School of Behavioral Sciences, Social Sciences, and Multicultural Studies, the College seeks to promote greater understanding of the cultures, history, contributions, and intersecting identities of ethnic groups in the Americas and globally, the working class, the LGBT communities, and women. The departments are also designed to serve the broad educational needs and interests of the student body and to provide the curricula necessary to satisfy the degree requirements of the various departments of instruction in diversity and social justice.

Admission. Enrollment is open to all students. Students may choose to transfer to a four-year institution, complete a major, earn a degree or certificate or complete a particular course or group of courses. In some instances, students may be required to satisfy prerequisites before enrolling.

Curriculum. The courses offered by the African American Studies Department (AFAM); Asian Studies Department (ASIA); Asian American Studies Department (ASAM); Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST); Labor and Community Studies (LBCS); Latin American and Latino/a Studies Department (LALS); Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Studies (LGBT); Philippine Studies Department (PHST) and Women's Studies (WOMN) are listed under the above headings/titles in the "Programs and Courses" section of this Catalog and throughout the schedule of classes.

Family Studies - CDEV Department

Noncredit course topics include infant development, preschool years, school age child, adolescents and their families, child-parent relationship, parents in the business community, state preschool, preschool parent participation, child development centers, and foster parent training. Classes are free and offered in convenient locations in the city. For enrollment information, call (415) 239-3172 or visit the Multi-Use Bldg., MUB 249 on the Ocean Campus. For enrollment information in CCSF Child Development Centers, call (415) 561-1895. Training for foster parents and kinship care providers and those interested in their issues/concerns is available through a special grant from the California Community College State Chancellor's office. For further information call (415) 239-3172 or visit our website at: www.ccsf.edu/Departments/Child_Development.

Honors Program

The Honors Program offers students an enhanced educational experience along with potential transfer and scholarship benefits.

Honors courses provide students with an enriched curriculum either in:

- specific sections of core transfer courses or
- honors contracts (Students complete an agreement with the faculty member for Honors work in addition to the regular course work.)

Transfer Benefits of Honors Work. In either case, the course is designated "Honors" on the student's transcript.

Many universities and colleges recognize the academic achievement represented by Honors courses with preferential transfer tracks, supplemental points in transfer evaluation, scholarships for honors students, etc. Successful completion of honors course work can be a big asset especially in transferring to programs in heavy demand at universities.

CCSF Honors students may also look forward, after transfer, to participation in honors programs in many universities and colleges.

Eligibility for Honors Courses. While any CCSF student may take an honors course, to participate fully in the Honors Program and have your work recognized on a certificate, you need to meet ONE of the following criteria:

- College GPA of 3.0 or higher
- SAT score of 1650 (1100 if pre-Spring 2005) or higher, ACT score of 24 or higher
- TOEFL score of 500 (PB+), 61 (IB+), or 173 (CB+)
- Score of 4 or higher on AP classes in high school

To remain in the program, you must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or better. To receive an Honors designation on a certificate, you must complete at least 15 units in Honors. By completing at least 15 units via at least five honors classes you may also be eligible for our Honors Transfer Partnerships, which will give you preferential treatment when applying for a variety of colleges and universities. Most of these partnerships require that you do no more than 9 of your 15 units of honors credits during your last semester at CCSF. Please note that while completing 15 units is an admirable goal, it is not a requirement for membership. The word "Honors" will appear on your transcripts next to all honors classes you complete, even if you do not complete all 15 units.

UCLA Transfer Alliance Program. If you are applying for the UCLA Transfer Alliance Program, at least 6 of the 15 required Honors Program units for certification must be completed by the end of the fall semester the academic year before the student wants to begin at UCLA. So for example if a student wants to start at UCLA in the fall of 2011, s/he must complete at least 6 honors units of the required 15 honors units by the end of fall 2010 in order to get TAP certified. The remaining 9 units can be completed in the spring. It should also be noted that in order to be eligible for TAP certification, the student's "UC GPA" must be at least a 3.0. TAP certified students are eligible for priority admissions to the UCLA College of Letters and Science and may be eligible for UCLA honors scholarships. Please visit <http://www.ugeduction.ucla.edu/tap/> for additional details on the UCLA TAP Program.

Honors Courses Offered. Check the Time Schedule for the list of courses in honors each semester. Look under "Honors Courses." Honors courses at City College have included the following instructional areas: anthropology, art, Asian American Studies, biology, broadcasting, business, Chinese, economics, English, French, geography, interdisciplinary studies, Japanese, mathematics, music, nutrition, political science, psychology, sociology, Russian, Spanish, speech, and Women's Studies.

The Honors Program instructors will work with all CCSF students on honors projects with some exceptions. Some instructors are so popular with honors students that they cannot work with everyone that wants to do honors projects with them. They may give students a test and work with only the top scorers. Others may have various other

criteria. Some instructors will not work with students on honors projects who have not earned a CCSF GPA of 3.0 or higher (your GPA goes on the honors contract form so that is how they know about it). The best way to find out is to ask them. The CCSF website (<http://www.ccsf.edu/Info/Dir/dir.shtml>) has every instructor's e-mail address and phone number on it so students can ask them.

For questions concerning the Honors Program, please call the Honors Office Cloud Hall 214 at (415) 239-3376 or e-mail skudsi@ccsf.edu. Additional information is also featured on our web page: <http://www.ccsf.edu/Departments/Honors>.

Intensive English Program for International Students

City College of San Francisco offers an intensive English program for college-oriented students on F-1 (student) visas. The program is one semester (18 weeks) or nine weeks in length, 20 hours per week, and prepares the student for further academic study and to achieve a higher score on the TOEFL examination. A 4 or 8 week summer program is also available. For additional information, contact the Intensive English Program, City College of San Francisco, 50 Phelan Avenue, Box C-208D, San Francisco, CA 94112, USA or call (415) 239-3895 or visit the CCSF website: www.ccsf.edu/international.

E-mail: international@ccsf.edu

Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST)

The Interdisciplinary Studies Department is committed to innovation, diversity, and collaboration. The College provides interdisciplinary instruction through courses in design, sexuality studies, diversity and social justice, middle east studies, pacific island studies, behavioral and social sciences, humanities, and ethnic studies. The courses are listed under "Interdisciplinary Studies" in the "Programs and Courses" section of this catalog.

Labor and Community Studies (LBCS)

Credit and noncredit classes in employment rights, leadership development and power relations in society are offered throughout the year. Classes include organizing for economic and social justice, collective bargaining, shop steward training, working class history, health and safety, environmental justice, social action theater and music. Students can earn an Associate in Science Degree.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies (LGBT)

The LGBT Studies Department at CCSF was the first in the United States and the second in the world. From the 1980's onward, this has been a vibrant program that now offers students an A.A. degree in the field. The courses in LGBT Studies focus on intersecting identities and the ways that race, ethnicity, socio-economics, religion, and other social structures interact with gender identity/gender expression and sexual orientation. The LGBT Studies department has articulation agreements with Napa Valley College's certificate in LGBT Studies as well as San Diego State University's B.A. in LGBT Studies. LGBT Studies aims to promote objective understanding of the complexity of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and queer experiences while serving the broad educational needs of the student body. The department hopes to increase social and cultural awareness and competency particularly to students going into healthcare and/or educational settings.

Noncredit Programs, Services, and Resources

Students enrolled in noncredit courses have access to a variety of services which are designed to help each student attain educational and career objectives. There are counseling services for students seeking postsecondary and/or continuing education as well as vocational training. Counseling services reinforce the overall goals and objectives of the College. Adults seeking assistance and guidance are helped to

become financially, educationally, and personally self-sufficient.

GED Testing Center. The tests of General Education Development (GED) were developed to assist individuals, who have not completed their high school education, with obtaining a certificate equivalent to a traditional high school diploma. The GED battery consists of four subject areas: Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts. Upon successful completion of the GED tests, the California State Department of Education awards an equivalency certificate to the GED candidate. By California law, the equivalency certificate is considered equal to a high school diploma for purposes of employment in all state and local public agencies. The certificate is also accepted nationally by most employers, colleges, and universities.

City College offers the GED tests in English and Spanish. Special editions are available for the legally blind. Modifications and special accommodations for students with disabilities can be made by prior arrangement and approval of the State GED Administrator only after providing supporting documents.

Students and members of the public who wish prepare for the exams should enroll in Transitional Studies GED preparation courses offered at several CCSF locations. The City College of San Francisco GED Testing Center is located at the Mission Center, 1125 Valencia St. Rm 110 San Francisco, CA 94110, (415) 561-1824 GED Testing Computer Lab: Room 105.

Older Adults Classes. Taught at thirty different locations in San Francisco, no-fee classes are available in a variety of subject areas including art, music, literature, health, writing, theater, computers and more. A brochure with the schedule of classes and locations is printed each semester and is available by calling the CCSF Older Adults Department at (415) 452-5839.

Transitional Studies. The Transitional Studies Department offers noncredit classes that are free of charge, offered at various locations during the day, evenings and Saturdays. Courses include a wide variety of High School subjects, GED Preparation and Adult Basic Education in reading, writing, mathematics and study skills. In the Transitional Studies Department, students may earn the CCSF HS Diploma, transfer high school credits to other schools, study to pass the GED, and improve academic skills. Student goals may be to prepare for academic college credit courses, vocational training programs, the workplace, and life enrichment. Courses may be small or large group instruction, individualized, and may include computer assisted instruction and field trips. Programs include opportunities for individual tutoring and courses to which students may enroll at any time during the semester. Telephone: (415) 920-6131.

Online Learning

Online courses provide students with the opportunity to learn in an environment that is physically remote from their instructors and classmates making it easier to balance higher education goals with other responsibilities. Students may choose to combine online learning with on-campus classes or take an entire course load online. City College offers over 150 online credit courses, many meeting AA-T and AS-T degrees, AA/AS degrees, certificate, major and transfer requirements. Online courses are as demanding as lecture courses. Students must be self-motivated, possess effective study skills, and be able to work independently.

A computer with Internet capability is the primary tool used for online courses. Insight (Moodle) is the Learning Management System (LMS) CCSF uses for all online courses. Online courses require textbooks, assignments, exams, interaction between students and the instructor,

and offer tools that support student learning. Some online courses require students to come to a CCSF campus for orientations and mandatory meetings. Students are strongly encouraged to have basic experience with the Internet and regular access to a computer. Some courses may require software downloads as well as minimum hardware and software requirements.

Registration for online courses is the same as for face-to-face classes. Information on course offerings is listed in the printed and online version of the Class Schedule as well as at <http://www.ccsf.edu/online>. Visit the website for a list of online courses, for guidelines for successful online learning, and to take a short self-evaluation to decide if online classes are right for you.

Study Abroad Programs

The Study Abroad Programs Office provides students with the opportunity to study and live in another country while receiving CCSF credit and continuing to work towards their academic goals. Both semester length and short term programs are offered. Students are encouraged to explore the use of financial aid and scholarships in order to help finance a study abroad experience. International study provides unique insights into culture, language, history and oneself. Participants will gain a more global perspective on cultural, international, political, and economic issues; interpersonal relationships; and career choices. For more information contact the Study Abroad Coordinator by calling 239-3778, or visiting Cloud Hall, Room 212. Students can request program brochures by e-mailing studyabroad@ccsf.edu. Program information and brochures are also available on the program website: www.ccsf.edu/studyabroad.

Women's Studies

In Spring 1971, City College of San Francisco offered its first course directed specifically to women's interests and educational objectives, Interdisciplinary Studies 20, Women in the Modern World. Its success led to the institution of the Women's Studies program, one of the first in the nation. Today, more than thirty courses are taught in various disciplines, focusing on the complex roles of women in society. The department houses Project SURVIVE, a sexual health education program that works to end sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and structural violence. Women's Studies courses are open to all students. Please see "Women's Studies" in the "Announcement of Programs and Courses" section of this catalog for details.

Other Areas Of Interest

Concert and Lecture Series

A wide variety of concerts and lectures are presented by professionals each semester. These programs are free, and the entire campus community and the community at large are invited. Students, faculty, administrators and staff may submit proposals for programs to the Concert Lecture Series Committee for its consideration. For more information call 239-3211.

Fitness Center

Fitness Center provides a full-body workout utilizing the state-of-the-art Fitlinxx computerized system that is attached to Life Fitness strength machines and cardio machines, including programmable treadmills, elliptical trainers, and bikes. The Fitness Center staff are CCSF instructors in the Physical Education and Dance Department, with a range of experience including strength, sports, dance, pilates, yoga, aerobic fitness, and rehabilitation techniques, and all have received additional training on the Fitlinxx system. Students must enroll in PE 200B/C in order to use the Fitness Center.

Intercollegiate Athletics

Intercollegiate athletics are offered for men and women. College teams compete in the Coast Conference and with teams from other schools. Intercollegiate sports include baseball, basketball, cross-country, football, soccer, softball, swimming, tennis, track, badminton and volleyball.

Intercollegiate Speech and Debate Team

The CCSF Speech and Debate Program is a nationally ranked team that participates in intercollegiate tournaments locally, statewide, and nationally. The Speech and Debate Team is a member of the Northern California Forensic Association, the California Community College Forensic Association and the Phi Rho Pi Forensic Honor Society. Students have the opportunity to compete in all 11 individual events as well as various styles of debate. Events include informative, persuasive, impromptu, prose, poetry, duo, parliamentary debate and Lincoln/Douglas debate. For more information call Nathan Steele at 452-7126 or email at nsteele@ccsf.edu. See courses listed under "Speech Communication." The Speech and Debate Program is located in Cloud Hall, Room 208B.

Lost and Found Articles

Persons who find lost articles are requested to bring them to the college Police Department: for Ocean Campus, Cloud Hall, Rm 119, for center locations, items can be turned in to the site officer. Persons wishing to claim requested articles should contact college Police Department or on-site officer. Due to the limited storage space, unclaimed items are purged periodically.

Performing Arts

Performances given by students enrolled in courses in music, dance, and theatre arts contribute much to the enrichment of campus life.

The Music Department schedules both professional and student recital series each semester, presenting an average of two concerts weekly. Audiences from the College as well as the community-at-large are invited to attend without charge.

Frequent campus and community programs are also offered by the College dance classes. Dancers of all degrees of ability may study and perform a variety of dance styles, including classical, modern, jazz, folk, ethnic, social, tap, and square dancing.

The Theatre Arts Department offers several major productions each year in the Diego Rivera College Theatre. Participation is open to all students regardless of experience and background. In addition, smaller dramatic productions are developed each semester that may include dinner theatre, club sponsored productions and use of the Venue 222. Occasionally, all three performing arts areas cooperate to produce a major production.

Ocean Campus Boundaries

The City College of San Francisco Ocean Campus is bounded on the north by Judson Avenue and Havelock Street; on the east by U.S. Interstate 280; on the south by Ocean Avenue; and on the west by Phelan Avenue.

Public Transportation

The City College Ocean Campus is two blocks from BART's Balboa Park Station and the end of the J-Church line. It is also served by the following MUNI lines direct to the campus:

K-Ingleside, 36-Teresita, 43-Masonic, 49-Van Ness and 9X, 9AX, 9BX Bayshore Express. The following buses stop within walking distance of

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the campus: 23-Monterey, 26-Valencia, 29-Sunset, and 54-Felton. For additional route information contact BART and MUNI directly.

Student Housing

The College does not provide residences for students. Individuals may post advertisements on campus in accordance with the District Posting and Distribution Guidelines. CCSF does not assume any responsibility for the condition of the rentals listed.

Symphony Forum

City College students may attend Wednesday and Friday evening concerts of the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra on a season-ticket basis. This activity is made possible through the San Francisco Symphony Forum, a self-governing student organization representing many Bay Area collegiate institutions. In addition to concert attendance, students are offered the opportunity to meet guests of the Orchestra, both on the various locations as well as after performances in Davies Hall. City College also sends students to usher at many performing arts houses in exchange for free admittance to the shows. More information can be obtained from Creative Arts Building, Room 213.