

About the College

Core Values

Working Together • Pursuing Excellence • Inspiring Achievement

Mission

Sacramento City College is an open-access, comprehensive community college, serving a diverse student population. We provide a wide range of educational opportunities and support services leading to transfer, career advancement, basic skills development, and personal enrichment. Our commitment to continuous improvement through outcome-guided assessment, planning, and evaluation promotes student learning. Through these efforts, we contribute to the intellectual, cultural, and economic vitality of the community.

Vision

Sacramento City College seeks to create a learning community that celebrates diversity, nurtures personal growth, and inspires academic and economic leadership.

College Goals, 2009-10

1. Develop and implement processes to promote engagement and success of first-year students.
2. Implement a systematic enrollment management process that aligns student outreach and recruitment with scheduling of classes, programs, and services based on student interest, demand, time, convenience, and culture.
3. Improve basic skills competencies in reading, writing, and math and improve preparedness for degree applicable courses through developing skills in reading, writing, math, and information competency across the curriculum and throughout the college.
4. Improve processes, services, curriculum, and instructional design to ensure equivalent student outcomes for alternative modalities and locations (i.e., off campus sites, distance education, etc.).
5. Revise or develop new courses, programs and services based on assessment of emerging community needs.
6. Improve staff processes for all classifications including hiring, orientation, mentoring, customer service, training, evaluation, and exit processes, with attention to the selection and retention of staff that reflect the diversity of our students and community.
7. Engage the college community in the process of ongoing institutional evaluation and continuous improvement, in the analysis and review of data, and in ongoing activities related to accreditation.
8. Identify and respond to the needs of the college community that is growing increasingly diverse in terms of demographics and culture.
9. Deliver programs and services that demonstrate a commitment to learner-centered education and training and institutional effectiveness through continuous process improvement.

Accreditation

Sacramento City College is officially accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. The University of California and all other accredited colleges and universities give full credit for appropriate courses completed at Sacramento City College. The college holds institutional memberships in the American Association of Community Colleges and the Community College League of California. Additional accreditation has been granted by the Commission on Dental Accreditation, the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education, the Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy Education of the American Occupational Therapy Association, the California Board of Registered Nursing, the California Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, the Dental Board of California, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the California Board of Cosmetology and Barbering.

College Programs

General Education

These courses introduce students to basic subjects, the humanities, the natural sciences, and the social sciences, in order to further their knowledge, skills, and attitudes for self-development.

Career-Technical Education

Technical-vocational training in skills and a sufficient number of general education courses are provided to qualify or re-qualify students for employment in business and industry.

Developmental and Basic Skills Education

Courses and services will provide students of widely divergent abilities and motivation the opportunity to acquire the basic skills needed to succeed in college.

Lower Division Post-Secondary Education (Transfer Education)

These courses that parallel the first and second year courses of four-year colleges and universities prepare students to transfer to such institutions.

Distance Education

Distance Education (DE) offers learning opportunities outside of classroom, usually from home or a conveniently located off-campus site. DE allows students to earn college credits with fewer on-campus hours.

Our DE courses are designed to fit busy schedules and advance academic goals with a challenging educational experience. SCC is committed to giving our DE students the same individual support, academic standards, and experienced faculty found in our classrooms - plus the freedom to choose the learning mode: hybrid, interactive television, online, or telecourse.

All of our DE courses are approved for presentation through each DE mode by the Sacramento City College Curriculum Committee to ensure equivalent learning experience and academic rigor.

For complete information on the Distance Education Program, visit the DE website at <http://web.scc.losrios.edu/de>.

Outreach Centers

The courses taught at community outreach locations allow students to gain basic language and mathematics skills, develop essential job skills, prepare for continuing education, and complete most or all of their general education and major requirements. Whether you want an associate degree or a certificate, whether you want to transfer for a baccalaureate degree or not, these locations may offer you classes you want at a convenient place and time.

These sites are:

Davis:

1909 Galileo Street, Suite B

Davis, CA 95616

Information: (530) 747-5200

[Http://www.scc.losrios.edu/About_SCC/Davis_Center.htm](http://www.scc.losrios.edu/About_SCC/Davis_Center.htm)

Downtown:

1209 4th Street

Sacramento, CA 95814

Information: (916) 558-2640

[Http://www.scc.losrios.edu/About_SCC/Downtown_Center.htm](http://www.scc.losrios.edu/About_SCC/Downtown_Center.htm)

West Sacramento:

1275 Halyard Drive, Suite 6175

West Sacramento, CA 95695

Information: (916) 375-5511

[Http://www.scc.losrios.edu/About_SCC/West_Sacramento_Center.htm](http://www.scc.losrios.edu/About_SCC/West_Sacramento_Center.htm)

Business and Professional Development

Contract Education/Contract Training - Customized courses for Sacramento area businesses, governmental agencies and professional organizations are now offered in cooperation with Sacramento City College's Training Source. The Training Source staff works closely with the business community to meet specific training needs by offering contract education and training programs. Credit courses that may lead to a degree or certificate can be taught at your worksite. For more information about contract education or training programs, please call the Training Source at (916) 568-3230.

Founding and Organization

Founded in 1916 as a Department of Sacramento High School, Sacramento City College is the seventh oldest public community college in California and the oldest institution of higher learning in Sacramento.

In 1922, the citizens of Sacramento organized a junior college district by severing the connections between the college and Sacramento High School. This plan of organization remained in force until 1936 when the college became a part of the Sacramento City Unified School District.

Twenty-eight years later, as a result of a March 17, 1964 election, Sacramento City College separated from the Sacramento City Unified School District to join the newly organized Los Rios Junior College District which assumed the operation of American River College and Sacramento City College. In 1970 the newly renamed Los Rios Community College District opened a third campus, Cosumnes River College. Folsom Lake College became the fourth fully accredited college in the District in 2003.

Sacramento City College Foundation (SCCF)

The Sacramento City College Foundation benefits students, faculty, and staff. The SCCF is classified by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)3 organization under the umbrella of the Los Rios Foundation. Contributions are deductible for tax purposes as allowable by law.

The SCCF vision is to become a vital resource for the Sacramento region, helping to foster ongoing partnerships between SCC and all sectors of community life. The SCCF mission is to enhance the level of achievement and excellence of SCC by providing scholarships, supporting the professional development of faculty and staff, and fostering innovation in the educational programs of SCC.

Buildings and Facilities

When the college outgrew its temporary quarters in the high school, the citizens of Sacramento voted bonds for a new college site and buildings. Sixty acres on Freepoint Boulevard opposite William Land Park were purchased and in September 1925, the cornerstone of the first new building was laid. The college was transferred in 1926 to its new permanent campus.

The first new buildings consisted of administration, classroom and laboratory units and a gymnasium. With expansion came the demand for more buildings. Between 1928 and 1965 many other facilities were added to the original plan. Lillard and Mohr Halls were ready for occupancy in the spring semester of 1963. These buildings house Science and Nursing Education. During the 1964-65 school year a new wing of the library, a new cafeteria, and new facilities for men's physical education became available. A Student Center and an additional Physical Education Building were constructed in 1969. In 1970, the Business-Learning Center Building, the Art Court Theatre and the Graphic Arts-Cosmetology Building were ready for occupancy. The Aeronautics addition was completed in Spring, 1974 and was dedicated in May, 1982 as the Hilton F. Lusk Aeronautical Center. The original classroom building was replaced in 1976 with a new classroom-administration structure that was dedicated May, 1980 as Rodda Hall.

1980 also witnessed the remodeling of the Administration of Justice Building, the conversion of the Engineering Building into art laboratories (dedicated in May, 1982 as the Amalia Fischbacher

Fine Arts Building) and the construction of a welding facility as well as a remodel of the nursing facility. During 1990-1991 a performing arts complex, including a music building, was completed. Remodeling of the Auditorium interior was completed in 1993 and dedicated in October of that year. A Child Development Center was completed in 1993 and dedicated in November, 1993. A new Learning Resource Center opened in the fall of 1998.

With the development of the College's Facilities Master Plan in 2003, the College has embarked on a modernization and parking improvement program that will span the next decade and beyond. A new 1,950 space parking garage was completed in January, 2007. The Technology building was modernized and completed in Spring 2006 followed by the Cosmetology building completed in Spring 2006, and the North Gymnasium in Fall 2008. The next buildings planned for modernization include the Fine Arts building beginning in Spring 2009 followed by the Performing Arts Center in Summer 2011.