Taking the Community College Path

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Community College Opportunities

- Dual Enrollment
- Career Technical Education
- Transfer Pathway
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<th>College and Career Access Pathways (CCAP)</th>
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<td>▪ Students can enroll in up to 15 units</td>
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<td>▪ No fees charged</td>
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# Course list for 2016-17

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Getting Started at a Community College

**Student Success Act Mandates**

New students must complete the following to earn registration priority:

1. Apply
2. Assessment test for English and/or Math (only one needed for reg priority)
3. Attend Orientation
4. Create an Educational Plan with a Counselor
5. Register

➢ Students should start this process in January for Fall enrollment
Best Advice for High School Students

Be College Ready . . .

- Take math all four years of high school
- Encourage Dual Enrollment to experience college early
  - Explain this starts their college record
    - Grades don’t go away
    - Financial Aid
- Explore college majors and campuses
  - Eliminate or narrow down interests
Career Technical Education

- Bachelor Degrees are not for everyone
  - 65% of jobs in the USA require a technical degree
  - 1.5 Million technical jobs available in California

- Conversation is a fine balance

- Encourage students to explore CTE options at local CCC

- Informational interviews

- Find a Program
Student enters Santa Rosa Junior College with plans to transfer to a college or university.

LOWER DIVISION
- Freshman: 0 Units
- Sophomore: 30 Units
- Junior: 60 Units

LOWER DIVISION
- Major Preparation Courses
- General Education Courses
- Elective Courses
- Transferable Units: 60+

UPPER DIVISION
- Senior: 120 Units
- Upper Division Major Courses
- Upper Division GE Courses
- Minor or Elective Courses

Student receives Bachelor’s Degree
- 120+ Units
Major Preparation is a Must
Students are often told . . .

“Just go to the Community College for 2 years and complete your GE.”

The Transfer Process requires much more than GE!

The amount of time a student spends at a CC depends on many factors:

- Major – Science/Engineer majors have lots to do!
- Math and English Level
- Work Schedule
- Family Responsibilities
- Life Circumstances
So, what should students take?

**Unsure of Major**
- ME First!
- General Education
- Discipline of interest
- Career/Major Research
- Study Skills
- Work Experience

**Determined Major (as of now!)**
- Math
- English
- Major Prep Course – assist.org
- General Education
- Study Skills
- Work Experience
Benefits of the Community College Path
CCC is an option not an afterthought!

- Save Money
  - BOG
  - Promise Programs
- Leadership Opportunities
- Learning Communities
  - Puente
  - APASS
  - Umoja
  - Connections
  - Native American Bridge

- CTE – Year to Career Programs
  - Earn a certificate while working toward transfer
- Transfer Admission Guarantees
- Associate Degree for Transfer
- Opportunity to explore majors
- Learn more about self/mature
Questions?

Thank you!

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