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General Programs Of Study

Career Education Programs

City College of San Francisco provides Career Education (CE) to meet the needs of students, employers, and the community. CE 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. CE 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 CE 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. CE programs consist of 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 CE 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 CE 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. CE programs, in partnership with employers, often have recruitment programs through which students meet employers on campus. Many programs have on-campus work experience or internship opportunities. Additionally, students can access Career Services, including Career Development Counseling and online resources, at

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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 Frida Kahlo Way, 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.

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as lecture classes. Students must be self-motivated, possess effective study skills, and be able to work independently. Some online classes require program downloads as well as minimum hardware and software requirements. CCSF uses the learning management system called Canvas (<https://ccsf.instructure.com>) for all its online classes and Zoom as a web-conferencing tool. We strongly encourage online students to have basic experience with the Internet and we require that they have regular access to a web-enabled device. Some technology tools are only accessible with a laptop or desktop. Some courses may require students to use a webcam in order to meet the student learning outcomes, both during class and for required assignments. Some coursework may need to be recorded and submitted on video. (Students without such devices may use computers on campus in designated CCSF labs.) Registration for online classes is the same as for in-person classes. Information on course offerings is listed in the online Class Schedule. Visit <https://www.ccsf.edu/academics/online-learning> for information about what to expect in an online class and guidelines for successful online learning.

Women's and Gender 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 and Gender 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 and Gender Studies courses are open to all students. Please see "Women's and Gender Studies" in the "Announcement of Programs and Courses" section of this catalog for details.

Other Areas Of Interest

Fitness Center

Fitness Center provides a full-body workout equipped with 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. 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 California Community Colleges. Intercollegiate sports include baseball, basketball, football, soccer, swimming, tennis, badminton, volleyball and water polo.

Intercollegiate Speech and Debate Team

CCSF's Speech & Debate Team is a unique program on campus where students develop their personal and political voices. Through creative and argumentative development students apply critical thinking and performance skills to contemporary social issues, and then test those skills against other students in inter-collegiate competition. CCSF is a nationally ranked forensics team, competing in various formats of debate, oratory and interpretation events. For more information, contact Alexis Litzky or Nathan Steele by calling 415-452-7126 or emailing forensics@ccsf.edu. Enroll in CMST 38 to prepare for competition.

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 at least one major production each year. Participation is open to all students regardless of experience and background. In addition, smaller dramatic productions are sometimes developed that may include dinner theatre, touring productions, and club sponsored productions. Occasionally, all three performing arts areas cooperate to produce a major production.

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 at other 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.

