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STATE BUDGET CUTS CONTINUE TO IMPACT CLASS OFFERINGS!

As of the publication of this Schedule of Classes, State budget cutbacks continue to impact College of the Canyons and all Community Colleges in California. Some colleges have been forced to cancel programs, require furloughs for faculty and staff, and others have discontinued some non-academic programs amongst other strategies to save money. Almost all colleges have had to make increasingly-dramatic cuts in their class offerings beginning last summer and progressing into fall, winter and, now, spring 2010 sessions.

At College of the Canyons, we have been blessed over the years with sound leadership that has resulted in a healthier economic situation than many other colleges are experiencing. However, College of the Canyons is not immune from the impacts of the dwindling State budget. We are doing what we can to stretch our dollars as we focus on maximizing access to classes that are critical to students' progression to the next level – whether that is transferring to a 4-year university or completing work necessary to succeed in the workplace.

Maximizing student access to classes is our goal, but the reality is that we know there will be more demand for some classes this spring than we have seats available.

So, we encourage all students to think carefully about what classes they will need for spring, plan to register at their assigned times and remain flexible about the times and locations for particular classes. This semester, students may very well find that their “ideal” schedule regarding time of day and day of week will be harder to achieve than in previous semesters.

Here are a few tips we recommend:

- **Make sure Admissions and Records has your current email, telephone numbers and postal addresses** so that we can provide up-to-date, important information to you. Please make sure that emails from the college are not blocked by your fire walls or spam filters.
- **Know what classes you really want and sign up for them during your appointment periods.** Once you register for a class, only cancel it if you are absolutely sure of your decision. Once you drop a class during the registration period, it is very likely that someone else will immediately pick it up.
- **Check the college's homepage (www.canyons.edu) for important notices and check the online class schedule frequently for additions or deletions.**

We are committed to helping you access the classes you want and need and will do our best to assist you with any concerns you have during these challenging times. However, we must advise you that decisions affecting the funding of programs we offer are NOT in our control and we'll all have to remain flexible in the days, months and years to come.