Admission to the College
/ Getting Started

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Eligibility for Admission Definitions:

A. Advanced scholastic or vocational work is identified as College of the Canyons degree applicable course work.

B. A special part-time student is identified as attending high school and College of the Canyons concurrently, and is enrolled in 11.0 college units or less.

C. A special full-time student is identified as a high school student who has been completely released by his or her high school to attend College of the Canyons full-time, and is enrolled in 12.0 units or more.

D. A highly gifted student would be a student in K-10 who has a score of 150 or higher on the most current version of the WISC intelligence test.

The College may restrict admission in some courses and programs. For instance, special admission students cannot enroll in Culinary Arts 226-Food and Wine and HLHSCI 151-Emergency Medical Technician I as both courses have an age restriction. In addition, special admission students must obtain departmental consent for all courses in welding and manufacturing.

Students participating in the Santa Clarita Valley Youth Orchestra program do not have a grade level restriction for taking music classes in this program. Students participating in Academy of the Canyons middle college programs follow the same assessment and orientation process as other special admission students. However, Academy of the Canyons students will be enrolled in classes according to the agreement their institution has made with College of the Canyons.

Students enrolled in grades 11-12 in a public or private school district may apply for admission to the College upon submitting an approved Special Admit form as well as an Authorization to Consent to Medical Treatment form and any other forms as deemed necessary. Home school programs for grades 11-12 must meet state guidelines for special admit students to apply for admission.

Pursuant to California Education Code Section 76001 (d), specially admitted part-time students may not enroll in more than 11 units per semester.

Pursuant to California Education Code Section 76300 (f), specially admitted part-time students may be exempt from payment of the enrollment fees, per special action of the Board. All other appropriate fees shall be assessed.

Specially admitted students released from their high school to attend College of the Canyons full-time must pay the enrollment fee and all other appropriate fees as assessed.

Admission Procedure - Application

A formal application for admission must be filed with the Admissions and Records Office. This should be done as soon as the decision has been made by the individual to seek admission to the College. Students returning after missing one semester or more must submit a new application to reactivate their student history file.

Documents Required (Transcripts)

Applicants entering as first-time freshmen must arrange to have academic transcripts from their high school of graduation or school of last attendance sent to the Admissions and Records Office. Students should have transcripts sent from each college attended. All transcripts should arrive prior to the student’s registration date to be used to meet course prerequisites and prevent an interruption to the automated registration process. All transcripts become the property of the College, and photocopies may not be released.

Student Correspondence

College of the Canyons is making every effort to communicate with students by sending correspondence through email. The College provides each student with a College of the Canyons email address. This email account is assigned once a student submits an application and (re)sets their “My Canyons” username and Password. The email account is supported by Microsoft. We advise you to check your email often, as information we send will often be time sensitive and important to your college career.

Credit Accepted

College of the Canyons accepts credit for courses completed at colleges and universities that have been accredited by one of the regional accrediting associations. Upon petition and after evaluation, credit may be accepted from schools and colleges having other types of accreditation. Students must have 12 units in residence before credit will be placed on the academic transcript. Some exceptions apply; for more information contact Admissions and Records.
Residency
New and returning students to College of the Canyons are classified for the purpose of determining California residency and/or non-resident status. The classifications are as follows: Unmarried minors (persons under 18 years of age), who are US Citizens or a status that allows residence, whose parents have resided in California for a period of one year immediately prior to the first day of instruction of the term the applicant expects to attend, may attend as residents.

Persons over 18 years of age, who have legal residence in California for a period of one year immediately prior to the first day of instruction of the term the applicant expects to attend, may attend as residents.

Applicants having less than one year of residence in California immediately prior to the first day of instruction of the term they expect to attend are classified as non-residents for tuition purposes.

United States citizens, permanent residents, and aliens without lawful immigration status who have attended a California high school for at least three years and then graduated may qualify for a non-resident tuition waiver.

Contact Admissions and Records for more details.

Non-immigrant alien students are required to pay the non-resident tuition and may need to meet certain other admission requirements. Contact Admissions and Records for more information.

International Students
College of the Canyons is authorized under federal law to enroll non-immigrant alien students. International students applying for admission and subsequent student visas must meet special admission requirements. For a statement of these requirements and procedures, inquiries should be made to the Director of International Students.

MATRICULATION
Matriculation is a process that brings the college and the student into an agreement for the purpose of realizing the student’s educational objectives. Essentially, it is a process designed to support and encourage student success but it is also charged with ensuring fair and consistent assessment and placement, and equal access to campus resources.

The primary purpose of matriculation is enhancing student success. The matriculation agreement acknowledges responsibilities of both the College and the student to attain this objective. All students must participate in the process unless granted a specific exemption. For the College, the agreement includes providing an admissions process, orientation to college, student services, pre-enrollment assessment, counseling and advisement on course selection, a curriculum or program of courses, follow-up on student progress with referral to support services when needed, and a program of institutional research and evaluation.

For the student, the agreement includes at least a general identification of an educational goal at the point of enrollment and declaration of a specific educational objective after reaching 15 college units. Students agree to be responsible for consistent class attendance, to complete assigned coursework, and to maintain constructive progress toward their educational goals. Students agree to participate in orientation, assessment, counseling and other follow-up services as designated by the College to help them reach their educational goals.

The College is committed to student success and, with this in mind, provides the following matriculation services.

ADMISSION
New students must complete and submit an application for admission either online (www.canyons.edu) or in person prior to enrollment at College of the Canyons. The College uses the information received from the application and transcripts to refer students to specialized services across campus, and to complete the assessment process and online orientation. These services will allow students to progress towards completion of their stated educational goals.

ASSESSMENT
Comprehensive assessment testing is available to assist students in an evaluation of their skill levels. Assessment testing in math, English or ESL is required of all new non-exempt students. Testing is free, there are no grades, and students are allowed to work at their own pace. Counselors and program advisors use test scores to determine appropriate placement in classes and to help students develop their first semester educational plan. Any student who plans to enroll in a math or English class, or in a class that has a math or English prerequisite, must take the assessment test. A student may retest once every 180 days from the original test date if a course in a sequence has not yet been completed. Testing twice into the same course level means that the student must take that course and will not be allowed to retest. Scores are valid for two calendar years. If no college English, math, or ESL courses are taken for two years, students must retest to update their assessment profiles.

Assessment tests are used to evaluate skill levels and are not intended to advance a student to a higher level. Once a student enrolls in a course in a sequence and has received a grade, the student can no longer retest to skip forward in the sequence. The course must be completed with a “C” or better before moving on to the next level. If students feel that they have the skills to be successful in a higher-level course, but lack the academic evidence, they will be referred to the counseling office for information on possible options.

ORIENTATION
Online orientation is required of all new and first-time to College of the Canyons non-exempt students. It provides valuable information about the services, programs, and courses available at the College. Students who successfully complete the online orientation will be given an early registration date. To access orientation go to www.canyons.edu and click on "New Student Info."

Counseling faculty offer New Student Advisement workshops on educational planning and course selection for new students prior to the first day of registration. Students are encouraged to bring their placement results and a draft of their course selections to the advisement
sessions. Go to www.canyons.edu and click on "New Student Info" for the dates and locations of new student advisement workshops. Students may also print out their registration date and time from the Web.

COUNSELING
Consultation with a counselor to plan courses, establish goals, and chart an educational path is one of the most important connections a new student can make. Professional counselors are available to assist students in identifying interests, aptitudes and educational objectives. All matriculated students are encouraged to meet with a counselor to formulate a Student Educational Plan (SEP).

EXEMPTION CRITERIA
Each element of the matriculation process is considered to be a step toward student success. The goal of matriculation is to assist students in developing, identifying, and reaching their educational goals. Students who wish to be exempt from any of the matriculation components (orientation, assessment and counseling) may request an exemption at the admissions or counseling counter.

Students may be exempt from some or all of the matriculation requirements if they meet one or more of the following criteria:

1. Have an A.A. degree or higher
2. Are upgrading job skills or taking continuing education for employment
3. Are taking less than six units of personal enrichment classes
4. Have credit in math and/or English from another college

See the “Regulations” section of the current catalog for more information on exemptions from matriculation requirements.

COUNSELING / PROGRAM ADVISEMENT
The mission of the Counseling Department is to help students reach their educational and career goals. The specific goals are to assist students with the effective use of campus learning resources, student services, and educational opportunities. Counselors assist students in determining, analyzing, and understanding their interests, aptitudes, abilities, limitations, and opportunities. Counselors are also skilled in providing personal counseling assistance to students as it relates to achieving their educational objectives.

Program Advisors are available throughout open office hours at the drop-in desk in the Counseling Office for quick consultations. Program Advisors provide information about certificate, degree, and transfer requirements, and college policies and procedures. Students should contact the Counseling Office or the counseling Webpage at www.canyons.edu/offices/counseling to schedule private half-hour appointments with counselors. Students should, before the time of their appointments, study this catalog, the catalog of any college or university to which they may seek transfer, and the Schedule of Classes for the upcoming term at College of the Canyons. To obtain the most benefit from the appointment, students need to be able to discuss their long-range educational goals as well as the courses desired in the ensuing term. Students are responsible for making final decisions concerning their college programs.

New students may attend a New Student Advisement Workshop after completing the online orientation. By the end of the workshop, students will have developed a list of which classes to take their first semester at COC. All students are encouraged to meet with a counselor for educational and career planning. Counselors help students write individual educational plans that list all the courses needed and in the correct sequence to reach their educational goals.

Counseling classes are taught by counselors and cover such topics as college-success skills, career development, and transfer planning. See Schedule of Classes for specific offerings. Specialized counseling is also provided through the DSP&S, EOPS, and CalWORKs.

REGISTRATION
Registration is the formal process of arranging courses desired by the student into a program of classes and of securing a seat in classes. Continuing students register during the regular registration period in priority order by the number of units earned at College of the Canyons. Students are given a registration date and time and may register anytime on or after this date and time. For online registration: www.canyons.edu. Late registration, which occurs after the regular registration period closes, will be permitted on a first-come, first-served basis into those vacancies that may exist in classes. Students registering during the late registration period must meet all criteria to be eligible to attend. See the current Student College Calendar for specific information.

Clearance of Obligations (Holds)
All obligations to the College must be met before a student’s record will be considered clear. Outstanding obligations will prevent registration for classes, the ability to obtain verifications of enrollment, grades, academic transcripts, degrees, and any other services offered by the College.

Classification of Students

| Full Time: Enrolled in twelve units or more in a full-length semester |
| 3/4 Time: Enrolled in 9 to 11 units |
| 1/2 Time: Enrolled in 6 to 8 units |
| 1/4 Time: Enrolled in 3 to 5 units |

Freshman: One who has completed 30 units or less
Sophomore: One who has completed 31 units or more

Schedule of Fees

Fees are due at the time of registration each semester or each time materials are acquired or services rendered. Fees must be paid at the time of registration. If all fees are not paid at the time of registration, the student will be removed from all courses.
All fees are established by action of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Clarita Community College District and the California State Legislature. The following fees are effective as of fall semester 2013.

Fees are subject to change. Consult the online Class Schedule or the Student Business Office for current fee schedules.

**Enrollment Fee**

Students are required to pay an enrollment fee upon registration at a community college in California. At the time of printing, the fee is $46 per unit. The enrollment fee and other fees are subject to change during the academic year. Check the online Class Schedule for the most up-to-date fee information.

**Additional Fees**

- **Annual Student Center Fee**: $1 per unit/$10 maximum
- **Audit Fee (Paid in Community Education Office)**: $15/unit
- **Credit by Examination Fee**: $55.00
- **Health Fee (Semester)**: $19.00
- **Health Fee (Summer/Winter)**: $16.00
- **International Student Tuition**: $169 plus $46 Enrollment fee per unit plus $10 Capital Outlay fee per unit
- **Non-resident Student Tuition**: $169 plus $46 Enrollment fee per unit plus $10 Capital Outlay fee per unit
- **Official Transcript (first two free)**: $5.00
- **Official Transcript (2 business days)**: $10.00
- **Official Transcript (on demand)**: $15.00
- **Refund Processing Fee (once classes begin)**: $10.00
- **Packing Fee (Semester)**: $50.00
- **Packing Fee (Winter/Summer)**: $25.00
- **Packing Fee (Motorcycles)**: $15.00
- **Student Representation Fee**: $1.00
- **Student Support Fee**: $15.00
   - Optional (Fall/Spring): $15.00
   - Optional (Winter/Summer): $10.00
- **Catalog**: $3.00

1 **Student Center Fee**: Students who qualify for the BOGW-A fee waiver are exempt from paying the Student Center Fee. Contact the Financial Aid Office for further information.

2 **Credit by Exam Fee**: The $46.00/unit plus $9.00/unit credit by exam fee applies equally for resident, non-resident and international students. See the Credit by Exam policy and procedure for more information.

3 **Health Fee**: College of the Canyons requires all students attending college, both full and part-time, to pay the health fee as outlined in California Education Code section 76355. According to statute, students who fall into one of the following categories may apply for an exemption to the health fee: dependence on prayer for healing, apprentices, and low-income students eligible for a Board of Governors Enrollment Fee Waiver. Exemption forms are submitted to the Student Business Office on the Valencia campus or the Canyon Country campus in Quad 1.

4 **Parking Fee**: Students with a BOGW-A fee waiver will have their parking fee waived. Students with a BOGW-B or C fee waiver will pay $20 per semester and $10 for Winter or Summer parking. Each semester, students with a BOGW are eligible to purchase one (1) parking pass at a discounted rate.

**Capital Outlay Fee**

The Capital Outlay Fee is charged to all nonresident and international students to contribute to the cost associated with capital outlay of the District. This fee can be waived for any student who can demonstrate economic hardship. Economic hardship is defined as any student who is a recipient of benefits under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program described in Part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Secs. 601, et seq.), the Supplemental Income/State Supplementary Program, or a general assistance program. Students must provide documented evidence of receiving the benefits dated within the last year. All documentation must be provided to the Student Business Office prior to the refund deadline of the term charged. The fee can also be waived for a student who is a victim of persecution or discrimination in the country in which the student is a citizen and resident. The student must show court documented evidence or USCIS documentation of persecution or discrimination.

**Instructional Materials Fee**

Some courses at College of the Canyons require an instructional materials fee. The fee is used to supply the student with materials of particular value outside the classroom setting. Such materials include, but are not limited to textbooks, sheet music, tools, equipment, clothing, and those materials which are necessary for a student’s vocational training and employment. In most cases, these materials are being provided at or below cost to the college. See the individual department for a complete list of materials. Instructional material fees vary by course, and are listed in the course description of all classes charging this fee. Students may waive this fee prior to the refund deadline if they choose to provide the materials themselves. To waive these fees, please see the Student Business Office on the Valencia campus in Seco Hall 101 or the Canyon Country campus in Quad 1.

**International Student/Non-Resident Tuition**

Students classified as non-residents by the residency determination date each semester or term, are subject to non-resident tuition. Students classified as International Students (have an F-1 or J-1 visa) are subject to International Student tuition. For the 2013-2014 academic year, tuition is set at $169 per unit, plus a Capital Outlay Fee of $10 per unit, plus an Enrollment Fee of $46 per unit for a total of $225/unit for non-resident and international students.

Enrollment fees and other fees are subject to change during the academic year.
Returned Check Policy
If a check is not honored by the bank, the student will be notified by mail that payment of the original fees plus a $25 dishonored check fee will be charged. Payment must be made by cash or certified funds. If a check is returned and the student withdraws from classes, the regular withdrawal procedures must be followed. These procedures are outlined in the class schedule. A "hold" will be placed on the student's account until receipt of full payment. If a student's check is not honored by the bank, the student will no longer be able to pay by check. All future transactions must be paid by cash, certified or cashier's check, or credit card.

Refund Policy
A student must drop their classes and request a refund at the Student Business Office prior to the refund deadline printed on their individual schedule print out. Refund checks are processed approximately six weeks after the refund deadline. A $10 processing fee is deducted once classes begin. For more information, please contact the Valencia campus Student Business Office at (661) 362-3033, or the Canyon Country Campus at (661) 362-3901.

A student who misses the established deadline for a particular class may obtain a late refund if a petition to the Student Business Office is approved. If the refund deadline is missed, the student must demonstrate extenuating circumstances and provide appropriate documentation as part of the petition process. The extenuating circumstances must have occurred prior to the refund deadline for the class and term in question for the student to be eligible for the refund. The Petition for Late Refund form and all supporting documentation for late refunds must be submitted no later than the end of the term in which the class in question is offered.

Note: All credit balances/refunds must be applied for by the refund deadline. All credit balances/refunds not applied for by the refund deadline will be lost. Credit balances/refunds cannot be transferred to the next semester/term.

Refund of Parking Permits
To receive a refund on a parking permit, a refund request must be made and the parking permit must be returned to the Student Business Office prior to the established refund deadline date for semester length classes. Check the Student College Calendar for refund deadline dates.

Refund of Student Support Fee
To receive a refund of the optional student support fee, a student must opt out by the refund deadline date on the student's individual class printout. Opting out of the fee and all of its associated benefits must be done in person during the registration period for the semester or term in question at any of the following locations: the Office of Student Development, Student Center, Room 102 or the Student Business office in Seco Hall, Room 101 on the Valencia campus or Quad 1, or building C at the Canyon Country Campus during posted business hours. All locations will have extended office hours during the first two weeks of each semester and the first week of each term. Students may also contact the Office of Student Development directly at (661) 362-3648 to arrange for a special appointment if they are exclusively online students or if their work schedule does not permit coming to campus during regular or extended business hours.

After the refund deadline date for the semester/term has passed, students enrolling for late start classes may opt out within one week of their initial enrollment. For more information, please check the Student Development Webpages on the College's website at www.canyons.edu or email questions to studentsupportfee@canyons.edu.

STUDENT SPONSOR AGREEMENTS
Organizations, agencies or businesses may sponsor or pay for a student's education. Sponsors will need to submit a Sponsorship Application to the Student Business Office, located in Seco Hall, Room 101 on the Valencia Campus prior to the beginning of the new semester.

Students will be required to bring in appropriate documentation and sign a sponsorship agreement prior to registering for classes to prevent them from being dropped from classes for non-payment.

The sponsor will be billed directly for the tuition/fees that they are covering and the student will be responsible for all remaining fees.

If there is a refund due for any items that were paid by the sponsor, the refund will be returned directly to the sponsor. Students that are sponsored by Veterans' Affairs under the GI Bill Chapter 33 may receive refunds. In these cases, it will be the student's responsibility to follow up with their sponsor.

Any tuition/fees that are paid for by a sponsor will not be included in the student's 1098T tax document.

The Student Business Office will be available to assist with any additional questions. Please call (661) 362-3033 or email sbo@canyons.edu for more information.

LIMITATION OF UNIT LOAD
A unit load of 18 units per semester is considered maximum. To take more than the maximum, approval must be obtained from the Counseling Office.

CHANGE OF STUDENT SCHEDULE
The Santa Clarita Community College District's Chief Student Services Officer or designee, in conjunction with the Director of Admissions and Records and the Academic Senate, will determine the last day to add classes. The specific date for each semester will be published in the Student College Calendar and made available in Admissions and Records. Exceptional cases will be considered by the Director of Admissions and Records after receipt of documented extenuating circumstances. Students must follow the established change of student schedule procedures.

Non-standard length classes have individual change-of-schedule deadlines. Check with the class instructor for specific deadline dates.
Exceptions to this policy may be made for students who:
1. are transferring from one section to another section of the same class;
2. are transferring from an advanced section to a less advanced section in the same department;
3. enter an open entry/open exit class;
4. are being reinstated following an administrative adjustment.

WAITLISTS
Once a class meets its maximum seat capacity, the registration system will ask students if they wish to be placed on a waitlist for the class. This means that all seats in the class are taken and students on the list are "waiting" for a seat to open up. Once a student has elected to be placed on the waitlist, the registration system will issue a waitlist number. The lower the number, the better the chance you have of actually obtaining a seat in the class.

On the first day of class, the instructor will take attendance and any available seats will be given to students on the waitlist. The instructor will issue an add code to each student eligible for an open seat. The student must add him/herself into the class before the add deadline using "My Canyons" and pay the registration fees to secure their seat and stay enrolled in the class. Students can only place themselves on one waitlist per course.

As students drop themselves, or are dropped for nonpayment, seats will become available. The College will then automatically enroll students from the waitlist into the class. As students are enrolled into the class, those remaining on the waitlist will move up toward the top of the list. Students enrolled in a class from a waitlist will be notified by email and by phone that this action has taken place. Once the student is moved into the course, the student has until midnight to pay their fees. If registration fees are not paid, the student will be dropped from the course and the next student on the waitlist will be moved in. All fees must be paid at the time the student is moved into the course. If students are dropped for nonpayment, they may attempt to place themselves back on the waitlist, if there is room available; however, the original waitlist position is not guaranteed.

Because this process is run daily, students are advised to check "My Canyons" daily to see if they have been moved into the class. Students may drop themselves from the waitlist or the class at any time prior to the start of the class. It is important that the student check their College email account regularly and verify the College has an accurate phone number on file. Changes to your phone number may be made on the College website at www.canyons.edu and click "My Canyons." Students are responsible for meeting all eligibility requirements to enroll in the class, such as clearing any holds, prerequisites, time conflicts, and unit maximums.

ADD PROCEDURES
Open Classes: Classes that have not met their maximum seat capacity will remain open during the first week of the fall or spring semesters. Students may use online registration to enroll in these courses. Proof of enrollment must be presented to the instructor at the next class meeting.

Closed Classes: Classes that have met their maximum seat capacity and/or have students on a waitlist are considered closed and require instructor permission to enroll. The instructor will issue an add code to students allowed to enroll in the course. The add code must be processed using the online registration system. Add codes and add forms are no longer valid after the add deadline.

LATE ADD PROCEDURES
All adds must be processed by the add deadlines which are published in the Student College Calendar, or obtained by the class instructor. Students who have verifiable extenuating circumstances may petition to add after the deadline by submitting a late add petition before 50% of the course is complete.

The student's first date of attendance must be prior to the established add deadline to submit a petition along with documented evidence of extenuating circumstances (mandatory). Examples of extenuating circumstances are verified cases of accidents, illness, family, work obligations, or other circumstances beyond the control of the student.

The Admissions and Records office will notify the student with a determination in two to four days after receiving the above documents.

Late Add Petitions will not be accepted after 50% of the class has passed in the semester/term for which the student wishes to add. Please see Board Policy 5903 for more information.

DROP PROCEDURES AFFECTING A STUDENT'S TRANSCRIPT
A student may drop a class from the college anytime during the first two weeks of a full semester class, (or within the first 20% of instruction for a short-term class) without receiving any marks or notations on his or her transcript. Drops may be processed online through "My Canyons" or by visiting the Admissions and Records Office during business hours.
Academic Information

“Lone Wolf” - from 2013 COC Student Calendar.
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OPEN CLASSES

It is the policy of this district, unless specifically exempted by statute, that every course, course section or class, the average daily attendance of which is to be reported for state aid, wherever offered and maintained by the district, shall be fully open to enrollment and participation by any person who has been admitted to the College and who meets such prerequisites as may be established pursuant to Title 5, section 51006 of the California Administrative Code.

ABSENCE FROM CLASS

Students are expected to attend class on a regular basis. Any student absent for any reason, for one more time than that class meets in one week, may be dropped from the class, providing the withdrawal deadline for the semester/term has not passed.

A week consists of three calendar days, including Saturday. Students enrolled in courses other than the standard semester in length may be dropped if they are absent from more than 10% of the total class meetings, providing the withdrawal deadline for the class has not passed.

DEGREE APPROPRIATE CLASSES

Certain courses in English, mathematics and other disciplines can no longer be used toward the 60 unit requirement for the associate degree. These courses are noted with the term non-degree-applicable or “NDA” in the course description.

TRANSFERABLE COURSES

In the following course descriptions, “CSU” indicates that a course is baccalaureate certified to California State Universities; “UC” indicates that a course is transferable to the University of California.

ACADEMIC RECOGNITION

Chancellor’s Honors List

A Chancellor’s Honors List of students who achieve academic honors is published each semester. It lists the name of each student who has completed 12.0 units or more of work with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher during the regular semester immediately preceding the posting of the grade point average. In addition to the public recognition given to the Chancellor’s Honors List, each student listed will receive a letter of commendation.

Academic Recognition at Graduation

Academic recognition at graduation will be based upon all degree applicable units from College of the Canyons and from all other regional accredited colleges where the student has completed units. Categories of academic recognition include the following.

Cum Laude Graduate – requires a cumulative Associate degree applicable grade point average of 3.5 - 3.69.

Magna Cum Laude Graduate - requires a cumulative Associate degree applicable grade point average of 3.7 - 3.89.

Summa Cum Laude Graduate - requires a cumulative Associate degree applicable grade point average of 3.9 - 4.0.

Chancellor’s Honors Scholar – the student or students with the highest cumulative Associate degree applicable grade point average and has completed the College of the Canyons Honor’s Program requirements; including at least a 3.5 grade point average in all University of California transferable courses.

Valedictorian – the student or students with the highest cumulative Associate degree applicable grade point average.

COC Honors Program

The COC Honors Program at College of the Canyons provides an enriched curriculum to students with a strong academic record to enhance their chances for successful transfer to competitive four-year institutions. Through seminar-style classes, special projects, and community activities, the program provides opportunities for critical thinking, extensive writing, and in-depth learning in a wide variety of transferable general education courses. In addition, innovative and creative classroom activities are fostered, as well as extra curricular enrichment activities. The Honors Program provides an academically enriched learning environment for academically motivated students. Students are required to complete 15 units of Honors coursework with a grade of a “B” or higher and a cumulative GPA of 3.5 to receive Honors Program recognition at graduation. To join COC Honors, students must maintain a 3.25 GPA of at least 12 units of UC/CSU credit courses to enroll in the program. In addition, students must remain enrolled in COC Honors for at least two semesters in order to receive graduation recognition, as well as to apply for UCLA TAP Certification. Honors courses are designated in the class schedule by the letter “H” and “Honors” found in the course number and title (e.g., SOCI 101H: Introduction to Sociology--Honors). Students who complete COC Honors receive special recognition at graduation, as well as receive diploma and transcript notation. The COC Honors student with the highest GPA will be recognized as a COC Honors Scholar. Additional benefits include an increased opportunity to work closely with Honors faculty; apply for scholarship opportunities; gain “partner” benefits with several four year universities through membership in the Honors Transfer Council of California (HTCC); and, most importantly, to receive “priority admission consideration” to UCLA’s College of Letters and Science through the Transfer Alliance Program (TAP) Agreement. Community service, scholarships, and enrichment activities are also available to students who join Alpha Gamma Sigma (a California Honor society) or Phi Theta Kappa (an international Honor society). For more information about the Honors Program, please email Dr. Patty Robinson, Dean, Social Sciences and Business Division at patty.robinson@canyons.edu, or visit her in SCOH-308. Also, see the Honors Webpage at www.canyons.edu/Offices/Honors for more information.

Memberships in one or more of these societies entitles the students to special recognition, the opportunity to compete for scholarships and more. For more information about the COC Honors Program or the Honor Societies, please visit the COC Honors Program.
Transfer Alliance Program (TAP) Agreements
The Transfer Alliance Program (TAP) comprises partnerships with 48 California community colleges that have Honors Programs. Qualifying students receive “priority admission consideration” each year to majors within UCLA’s College of Letters and Science. Honors students who meet COC Honors Program criteria, including the completion of 15 units of UC transferable Honors coursework by the end of the semester they submit their admission’s packet, are eligible for UCLA Transfer Alliance Program (TAP) Certification. Students who successfully complete COC Honors Program requirements are “certified” by COC and receive the following benefits:

1) Priority admission consideration when being reviewed for one of UCLA’s College of Letters and Science majors. This means that these students can possibly be admitted with a slightly lower GPA than non-TAP students. In addition, TAP students can list an alternate major (which must be listed on the UCLA application and the TAP Certification form) as long as it does list one of the most highly selective majors as listed in the UCLA Transfer Admissions Guide. NOTE: Students who apply to majors outside the College of Letters and Science may list an alternative major within the College of Letters and Science.

2) Entrance into the UCLA Honors program with a lower GPA than the required 3.75 GPA for non-TAP students.

3) Eligibility to apply for scholarships reserved for the Transfer Alliance Program.

4) Limited privileges at UCLA’s main library. (For more information, see http://www.admissions.ucla.edu/Prospect/Adm_tr/ADM_M_CC)/tap.htm.)

HONOR SOCIETIES
Alpha Gamma Sigma
Alpha Gamma Sigma (AGS) is an academic Honor Society and service organization recognizing the academic achievements of students from California community colleges. Students with a 3.25 GPA or higher are eligible to join COC’s local chapter of AGS. The goal of the Honor Society is to foster, promote, and recognize outstanding scholarship, as well as to encourage and provide opportunities for participation in community service activities. Scholarships are available through the state organization.

Alpha Mu Gamma
Alpha Mu Gamma is the National Collegiate Foreign Language Honor Society. Its primary purpose is to honor students for outstanding achievement and excellence during their first years of foreign-language study in college. More than three hundred chapters have been granted to state and private universities. At College of the Canyons, our chapter is Kappa XI. Eligibility requirements include: twelve (12) semester credits in one foreign language course; six (6) credit hours of earned “A” in that language; and, at least a 3.0 overall GPA in all foreign language courses. Members receive national distinction and notation on school transcripts, an official certificate and a gold pin. Members are eligible to apply for scholarships for foreign language study.

The COC Honors Club
works to promote the Honors Program through various activities involving community service, leadership, and academic scholarship. The club’s goal is to enrich the lives of members through professional collegiality while paving the way for future college success. Membership requirements include maintaining a 3.25 GPA or higher while attending College of the Canyons. If a student is currently attending COC while still enrolled in high school or has recently graduated from high school, a GPA of 3.5 or above is required for membership.

Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society
Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society is an honor and service organization for students of any major. The three major objectives of Gamma Beta Phi are to recognize and encourage individual excellence in education; promote the development of leadership ability and character in its members; and foster, disseminate, and improve education through appropriate service projects.

Phi Theta Kappa
Phi Theta Kappa, the international community college Honor Society, recognizes and encourages scholarship among two-year college students, as well as fosters leadership, service, fellowship, and academic excellence in an academically-enriched environment. Membership requirements include at least 12 units of completed coursework applicable to an Associate Degree (part-time students are also eligible) and demonstrate a 3.5 GPA or higher.

Psi Beta
Psi Beta is the national honor society in psychology for community and junior colleges. Psi Beta is committed to the development of psychology students through promotion and recognition of excellence in scholarship, leadership, research, and community service. Eligibility requirements include completion of at least one psychology class, have an overall 3.25 GPA, and have at least a B average in all psychology classes.

Phi Rho Pi
Phi Rho Pi is a national organization committed to increasing knowledge and appreciation of the forensics arts at the community college level. It has the distinct honor of being one of the oldest forensics organizations in the United States. Phi Rho Pi’s purpose is to promote forensics programs at community colleges and to foster the growth, development, and participation of forensics. In addition, Phi Rho Pi promotes educational services, organizes national conventions and tournaments, maintains national honorary society status, and
facilitates competitive forensic activities, as well as academic, professional, and leadership activities for members.

**Sigma Chi Eta Honor Society**
The mission of the Sigma Chi Eta Honor Society is to recognize, promote, and reward excellent scholastic achievement in Communication Studies; to foster interest in and provide opportunities for exchange of ideas in the field of communication; and to explore the field for options for four-year transfer students or those entering the workforce.

**Sigma Kappa Delta**
Sigma Kappa Delta’s central purpose is to confer distinction upon outstanding students of the English language and literature in undergraduate studies. Sigma Kappa Delta also recognizes the accomplishments of professional writers who have contributed to the fields of language and literature. To be eligible for membership, students must have completed a minimum of one college course (excluding developmental courses) in English language or literature, have no grade lower than a B in English, have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 (on a 4.0 scale) in general scholarship, and have completed at least one semester or two quarters of college course work for a cumulative total of twelve semester hours. Students are not required to be English majors. Students who are members gain the prestige of membership in a national Honor society, can apply for scholarships and awards, may represent the local chapter at state, regional, and national conventions, and have the opportunity to associate with other Sigma Kappa Delta members on local levels and regional levels and with Sigma Kappa Delta and Sigma Tau Delta members on the national level who share their interest in literature, the English language, and fine arts.

**ACADEMIC RENEWAL**
In certain cases and within the guidelines outlined below, students may petition for alleviation of previously recorded, substandard academic performance, which is not reflective of a student’s demonstrated ability.

A student’s recently demonstrated performance may be quite satisfactory, but his/her cumulative grade point average may be greatly affected by poor grades earned during an earlier period when undefined educational or career goals, as well as personal difficulties inhibited demonstration of his/her academic potential. In these cases, current “satisfactory” performance may not be sufficient to ensure “normal” advancement to current educational goals.

College of the Canyons acknowledges these difficulties and has adopted guidelines, Board Policy 5902, for petition of alleviation of previously substandard coursework.

If the following conditions are met, the Santa Clarita Community College District may disregard substandard coursework associated with the computation of a student’s cumulative grade point average, up to a maximum of two semesters of coursework or three quarters taken at any college.

These conditions are:
- A. The coursework to be disregarded is substandard. The semester/quarter grade point average of the courses to be disregarded is less than 2.0.
- B. A minimum of 24 semester units have been completed at College of the Canyons with a grade point average of at least 2.0, subsequent to the coursework to be disregarded.
- C. At least three calendar years have elapsed since the most recent coursework to be disregarded.

Courses with substandard grades will have the units and grade points earned during such a semester disregarded.

If another accredited college has acted to remove previous coursework from consideration in computing the grade point average, such action shall be honored in terms of its policy.

Academic renewal actions are irreversible. Students should meet with a counselor before taking such an action.

If the student is otherwise eligible for graduation, academic renewal may not be used to raise the grade point average in order to qualify for graduation with honors. Academic renewal cannot be used to set aside a semester containing units or coursework which has been used to meet graduation requirements by a student who has previously graduated.

This policy is adopted for use in the Santa Clarita Community College District. Other institutions may have adopted different policies. The transfer status of such action depends upon the policy of the college to which a student transfers.

**ADVANCED PLACEMENT**
College of the Canyons shall grant associate degree credit for successful completion of examinations in the Advanced Placement Program of the College Entrance Examination Board. Students who present scores of three or better may be granted up to eight semester units for each examination. (Refer to the table of equivalences.)

**Advanced Placement Credit**
Credit for Advanced Placement exams varies from university to university. Although College of the Canyons will give credit for Advanced Placement scores of three or higher, the policy may be different at the university to which the student intends to transfer. All students are advised to consult with a COC counselor or to review the catalog of their transfer college for specific rules concerning Advanced Placement Credit.

**International Baccalaureate**
College of the Canyons shall grant associate degree credit for successful completion of examinations that are part of the International Baccalaureate program. Credit is awarded as noted on the International Baccalaureate credit equivalency chart in this catalog.
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ASSOCIATE DEGREES/GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The Board of Trustees of the Santa Clarita Community College District as authorized by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges shall confer the degree of Associate in Arts or Associate in Science upon a student who has satisfactorily completed the degree requirements which include all of the following:

1. a minimum of 60 semester degree applicable units
2. the required courses for a specific major
3. General Education, PE/Wellness and Diversity requirements
4. a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or better in associate degree applicable units and good academic standing at College of the Canyons
5. a minimum of 12.0 units completed at College of the Canyons
6. a maximum of 18 semester units of coursework with the grade of “P” or CR used towards the 60 degree applicable units

All updates to Associate Degree Requirements after the printing of this catalog can be found on the Counseling Department Website at www.canyons.edu/offices/counseling. Please see Board Policy and Administrative Procedures 5920 for more information regarding the Associate Degree.

Philosophy of General Education

College of the Canyons is dedicated to the philosophy that all students will receive the highest quality education possible. Central to this philosophy is the belief that all students granted an associate degree should be required to enroll in a variety of general education courses in addition to those courses that are required by a student's major. These general education courses comprise a body of knowledge that introduces students to the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities and arts, written communications, critical thinking, and physical education and wellness. The intent of the requirement for general education courses is to cultivate in each student:

• The skills necessary to think clearly, logically, and ethically; to find information from a variety of sources and technologies; to examine information critically; to communicate effectively both orally and in writing; to develop effective and creative capabilities and social attitudes; and to reason quantitatively.
• An understanding of scientific principles and methods of inquiry.
• Knowledge, understanding and appreciation of the arts, ideas, and values expressed in the world’s cultural traditions, including the contributions of women, ethnic minorities, and non-western cultures.
• An understanding of history, the political and economic practices of societies, and the social and psychological dimensions of human behavior.
• An understanding and appreciation of the differences and similarities that exist within the pluralistic society of the United States, including the rights and responsibilities of participating within its democratic system.
• An understanding and appreciation of cultural diversity and a motivation for lifelong learning and well-being.

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Complete a minimum of 23 semester units of general education including at least one course in each of the following areas. A given course meets the requirements in only one area.

A. Natural Sciences - minimum 3 semester units required

Anthropology 101, 100H 101L
Astronomy 100, 101, 102
Biological Science 100, 100H, 106, 107, 107H, 130, 132, 140, 180, 201, 202, 204, 205, 215, 216, 219, 221, 230, 240
Chemistry 090, 110, 151, 151H, 201, 202, 255, 256
Geography 101, 101H, 101L, 103
Geology 100, 101, 102, 105, 109, 218
Physical Science 101
Physics 101, 110, 111, 220, 221, 222
Psychology 102

B. Social and Behavioral Sciences - minimum 3 semester units required

Anthropology 103, 103H, 210, 220
Business 103, 126
Communication Studies 110, 223, 235, 246, 256, 260
Early Childhood Education 120, 125
Economics 170, 170H, 201, 201H, 202, 202H
Geography 102, 104
Media Entertainment Arts 100
Political Science 150, 150H, 200, 210, 230, 250, 270, 290
Psychology 100, 101, 101H, 105, 109, 126, 172, 175, 180, 225, 230, 235, 240, 272

C. Humanities and Fine Arts - minimum 3 semester units required

Anthropology 210
Art 110, 111, 114, 115, 124A, 124B, 140, 141, 205, 222
Business 160
Chinese 101
Communication Studies 105, 105H, 150, 225, 246, 256, 250H, 256, 260
Dance 100, 101, 111, 121, 122, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 137, 141, 142, 161, 170
French 101, 102, 150, 201, 202
German 101, 102
History 101, 102, 161, 165, 191, 192, 193, 240, 243
Humanities 100, 101, 150
Interior Design 114, 115
Italian 101, 102, 150
Media Entertainment Arts 102
Music 100, 105, 106, 107, 112, 120, 125, 142, 174, 175, 176
Philosophy 101, 101H, 102, 110, 111, 112, 120, 220, 225, 240, 250
Photography 140, 150, 160
Sign Language 101, 102, 103, 104, 110
Sociology 200
Spanish 101, 101A, 102, 102A, 150, 201, 202, 240
Theater 100, 110, 126, 140, 141, 144, 190, 220, 221, 240

D. Language and Rationality
6 semester units - minimum grade of “C” required (completion of both 1 and 2 are required)
1. English Composition:
   Select one course from the following:
   English 101, 101H, 102, 103, 204
2. Communication and Analytical Thinking:
   Select one course from the following:
   Communication Studies 105, 105H, 223, 225, 227;
   Computer Science 111, 132; Economics 291; Math 070, 075, 083, 102, 103, 104, 111, 130, 140, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 240; Philosophy 106, 230;
   Psychology 103, 104; Sociology 102, 108 or 137

E. American Institutions
6 semester units required
United States History – 3 units
U.S. Constitution, State and Local Government – 3 units (complete one course from #1 and one course from #2)
1. Economics 170 or 170H; History 111, 111H, 112, 112H, 120, 120H, 130, 170, 170H, 230 or 245
2. Political Science 150 or 150H
Or complete both History 111 or 111H and 112 or 112H

F. Physical Education and Wellness - Minimum
two units or 2 courses:
Physical Education activity (KPEA or KPEI) or Dance activity courses (except Dance 100) Health Science 100 or 149. (Veterans exempted. DD214 required.)

G. Diversity Requirement - Complete at least 3 units from the following:
Anthropology 103, 103H, 210; Business 126; Cinema 123; Communication Studies 235, 256, 260; Early Childhood Education 160, 165; Education 203; English 262, 270, 271, 273, 274, 280; Geography 102; Health Science 243, History 116, 117, 120, 120H, 130, 161, 191, 192, 193, 210, 230, 243; Music 108; Philosophy 102, 220; Political Science 290;
Psychology 230, 235, 240, 272; Sign Language 110;
Sociology 101, 101H, 103, 103H, 105, 110, 200, 207, 208, 210, 230, 233. The course used to satisfy this area may also be used to satisfy another area of General Education, if applicable.

COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS
• Reading Competency - Minimum grade of “C” required. Competence is demonstrated by completion of English: 101 or 101H
• Written Expression Competency - Minimum grade of “C” required. Competence is demonstrated by completion of English: 101, 101H, 102, 103, and 204
• Mathematics Competency - Minimum grade of “C” required. Competence is demonstrated by completion of Economics 291; Mathematics 070, 083, 102, 103, 104, 111, 130, 140, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 240; Psychology 104 or Sociology 137

MAJOR REQUIREMENT
Completion of the required courses for an approved major listed in the Program/Course Description section of the catalog. All courses required for the major must be completed with a “C” grade or better.

UNIT REQUIREMENT
To satisfy the unit requirement for graduation, the student must complete a minimum of 60 semester units of college-level work that includes the courses and units:
1. required for the student’s major,
2. specified in the general education requirements above, and
3. electives to total 60 units.

GRADE POINT REQUIREMENT
A minimum 2.0 grade-point average (“C”) or better in the Associate Degree applicable units and the student must be in good academic standing at College of the Canyons.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENT
Complete a minimum of 12 units at College of the Canyons.

PETITION FOR GRADUATION
File a petition for graduation in the Counseling Office no later than the first class meeting of the semester/term of graduation. See the Schedule of Classes for the specific date. Petitions are accepted for graduation for fall, spring, and summer terms only.

SECOND ASSOCIATE DEGREE
All major requirements for the additional degree must be satisfied, per student’s catalog rights.
1. A minimum of 18 unduplicated semester units are completed in the new major.
2. Courses used towards the first degree may be used towards the major in the second degree unless either degree is the Liberal Arts and Sciences major (as well as the former Transfer Studies and General Arts and Sciences majors).
3. A minimum of 12 semester units are completed in residence within the Santa Clarita Community College District after the awarding of the first degree. Students are exempt if they completed the first Associate Degree in the Santa Clarita Community College District.
you wish to audit classes. Contact Community Education if classes taken for credit. Contact Community Education if regulations, are the music classes eligible for audit listed in the college catalog.

3. No student auditing a course shall be permitted to change enrollment in that course to receive credit for the course.

4. Students auditing a course are not subject to attendance, test or grade requirements. Attendance of students auditing a course is not included in computing the apportionment accounting procedures.

5. A fee of $15 per unit will be charged. Students enrolled in courses to receive credit for ten or more units shall not be charged a fee to audit three or fewer semester units. Audit fees are paid through the Community Education office.

6. Once enrolled, students must present their class instructor with a copy of the audit receipt obtained in the Community Education office.

BASIC SKILLS LIMITATION (College Success Skills)
Basic skills courses provide a foundation in reading, writing, mathematics, English as a Second Language, learning and study skills. These classes are not applicable to the associate degree but provide the skills necessary for students to succeed in college-level work.

Basic Skills Course Limitation
Except as specifically exempted, no student shall accrue more than 30 units of credit for basic skills coursework at College of the Canyons. Non-exempt students who have exhausted the unit limitation shall be referred to appropriate alternate educational service providers.

Exemptions from Basic Skills Course Limitation
The following classifications of students are exempted from the 30-unit limitation on Basic Skills coursework:

1. Students enrolled in one or more courses of English as a Second Language.
2. Students identified as learning disabled according to Title 5, section 55035.

Waiver of Basic Skills Course Limitation
A waiver of the 30-unit limitation for Basic Skills coursework may be granted to non-exempt students who demonstrate significant measurable progress toward the development of skills necessary for college-level courses. Such waivers shall be given for specified periods of time or for a specified number of units. A petition to waive the 30-unit limitation must be submitted to the Counseling Department for approval.

CATALOG RIGHTS FOR CONTINUING STUDENT STATUS
Students establish catalog rights in the first semester/term they complete courses at College of the Canyons. This initial catalog will be used when validating associate degree and vocational certificate requirements. If a student stops attending College of the Canyons for one year or longer, initial catalog rights are lost. One year is defined as four consecutive terms (including summer and winter intersessions).
Upon re-entry to the college after one year's absence, catalog rights will be reestablished using the current academic catalog determined by the student's semester/term of re-entry.

Degree and transfer requirements for continuing students are determined by those listed in the catalog for the year in which they initially enrolled.

Students who have stopped attending College of the Canyons due to active military duty will not lose catalog rights. Upon return, the student must present their orders to the Veterans office to establish their previous catalog rights.

CERTIFICATES

Certificate programs are designed for students who are looking for programs of instruction, some of which are short-term, with a high degree of specialization. These programs typically are designed to prepare students for employment, job enhancement and/or job advancement. Certificate programs vary in length and generally require less than two years of full-time study.

Certificate of Achievement

A Certificate of Achievement is awarded by the Board of Trustees of the Santa Clarita Community College District as authorized by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges when a student has successfully completed required courses in an approved program of study as specified in the Program/Course Description and Certificate Programs section of this catalog. To qualify for the Certificate of Achievement, students must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete at least half of the units required for the certificate program in residence;
2. Earn a grade of “C” or better in each course required for the certificate;
3. File a petition for the certificate in the office of Admissions and Records during the semester in which requirements will be completed.

Certificate of Specialization

A Certificate of Specialization is a departmental award in an area of specialization requiring less than 18 semester units. This issuance of the departmental award is not recorded on the student's official transcript. To qualify for the Certificate of Specialization, students must satisfy the following requirements:

1. Complete at least half of the units required for the certificate program in residence;
2. Earn a grade of “C” or better in each course required for the certificate;
3. File a petition for the certificate in the academic department issuing the certificate during the semester in which requirements will be completed.

Non-Credit Certificate Requirements

Certificates of Completion and Competency are non-credit awards granted by the District to students who have demonstrated mastery skills within a noncredit area.

a. Students must complete required courses in an approved program of study as specified in the Continuing Education section of the course catalog.

b. The Certificate of Competency within the noncredit ESL program requires the student to meet the criteria for the certificate based on the combination of placement and successful course completion with a grade of “P”.

c. The Certificate of Completion requires the student to complete all required courses in the approved program of study as listed in the college catalog.

COURSE PREREQUISITES

Some courses require the completion of prerequisites. A prerequisite is a course that must be completed, or a placement score that must be achieved, before a more advanced course is attempted. Students are advised to consult the course descriptions found in the current college catalog or schedule of classes to identify course prerequisites.

All prerequisites must have been completed with a satisfactory grade. "Satisfactory grade" means the grade earned must be a C, P, or better; D, F, FW, or NP grades are not acceptable.

Many of our courses have prerequisites. Our policy allows you to enroll in the next course, but unless your final grade in the prerequisite course meets the minimum grade of a C, you will not be allowed to stay in the next course. Once the previous semester grades are posted you will be dropped from the more advanced course. The drop may happen after the semester has begun and could impact your ability to obtain another course.

Units may not be granted after credit has been earned for a more advanced College of the Canyons course. Additionally, unit credit may not be granted for prerequisites once the more advanced course has been completed.

- **Prerequisite** – a condition of enrollment, typically a course or a placement score that a student is required to meet before being allowed to enroll in a more advanced course or educational program.

- **Corequisite** – means that there are two courses offered that connect to each other and the student is required to enroll in both of them.

- **Strongly Recommended** – means that students are advised to strengthen their subject skills by taking the recommended course but are not required to do so.

Challenge Process

Prerequisite challenge petitions are available in the Admissions and Records office. A prerequisite may be challenged for the following reasons:

- The prerequisite has not been made reasonably available;
- The prerequisite was established in violation of regulation, or in violation of District approved processes;
- The prerequisite is discriminatory or applied in a discriminatory manner; and/or
- You have knowledge or ability to succeed in the course despite not meeting the prerequisite.

In each case the student must provide documentation to support the challenge. Examples of documentation are
transcripts, copies of certificates, proof of knowledge of the required material, etc.

The procedure for prerequisite challenge petitions is as follows:

1. Fill out a Prerequisite Challenge Petition.
2. Submit it to Admissions and Records (if the class is closed an add form with instructor's signature must also be attached).
3. Admissions and Records will enroll you in the class pending petition approval. You must pay for the class at this point and continue attending class until the petition is approved or denied.
4. The petition will be forwarded by Admissions and Records to the appropriate division for review.
5. If the petition is approved, you will be sent a copy and will be officially enrolled in the class.
6. If the petition is denied, you will be sent a copy of the petition, an administrative drop will be processed and a refund of class fees will be sent to you.

COURSE REPETITION

Per Title 5 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 55040-55046, the Santa Clarita Community College District has adopted the following policy with regard to the repetition of courses for which a student has received a substandard grade. Nothing in this policy should be taken as an exception to Section 55040-55041 of Title 5, of the California Code of Regulations.

Definitions:
For the purposes of course repetition, academic renewal, and all other grade-related issues, substandard grades shall be defined as coursework for which the student has earned a D, F, FW, NC and/or NP. For the purposes of course repetition, academic renewal, and all other grade related issues, non-substandard grades shall be defined as coursework for which the student has earned an A, B, C, CR or P. For the purposes of this policy "extenuating circumstances" is taken to mean verified cases of accidents, illness, or other circumstances beyond the control of the student.

1. Students may enroll in a course for which they have earned a substandard grade or a withdrawal no more than three times.
2. If a student repeats a course for which he or she has earned a substandard grade or a withdrawal and receives a non-substandard grade (A, B, C, CR or P), he or she cannot repeat the course a second time.
3. If the student repeats a course for which he or she has earned a substandard grade or a withdrawal and receives a second substandard grade or a withdrawal, he or she can repeat the course one more time. If the student receives a withdrawal or a substandard grade on the third enrollment, the student cannot repeat the course again. A withdrawal does not alleviate the substandard grade on the previous enrollment.
4. After course repetition occurs to alleviate substandard grades, the previous grade and unit credit will be disregarded in computing the student's GPA for the previous two instances of substandard repetition. The course will be annotated such that the GPA calculation occurs for the most recent grade. A withdrawal does not alleviate a substandard grade.

Exceptions:
Students may repeat a course for which a substandard or withdrawal grade has been recorded twice under the following conditions:

- That previous grades were, at least in part, the result of extenuating circumstances.
- Certain courses may be repeated up to a maximum of three times for a total of four enrollments regardless of the grades earned. These courses are identified in the college catalog and the schedule of classes. All grades earned for the authorized repeats shall be counted toward the grade point average.

Transcript Notation:
When courses are repeated for which a substandard grade was received, all coursework shall remain on the student's permanent record. The course will be annotated such that the grade point calculation occurs for the most recent grade. No more than two substandard grades will be removed from the grade point average.

When courses are repeated for which a non-substandard grade was received, credit will be given once. All coursework shall remain on the student's permanent record. When a course is repeated pursuant to this manner, the previous grade and unit credit will be disregarded in computing the GPA.

Repetition of courses for which the student has received a non-substandard grade

Per Section 55041 of Title 5, California Code of Regulations, the Santa Clarita Community College District has adopted Board Policy 5901, with regard to repeating courses for which the student has earned a non-substandard grade:

Students may submit a Repeat Petition, accompanied by verified extenuating circumstances, requesting that courses be repeated. If approved, the previous grade and unit credit will be disregarded in computing the GPA.

Course repetition shall be permitted in cases where such repetition is necessary for a student to meet a legally-mandated training requirement as a condition of continued paid or volunteer employment. Such courses may be repeated for credit, any number of times, regardless of whether or not substandard work was previously recorded, and the grade and units received each time shall be included for purposes of calculating the student's GPA.

The Santa Clarita Community College District reserves the right to require a student to certify or document that course repetition is necessary to complete legally mandated training pursuant to this section.

The District may permit or require a student to repeat a course due to significant lapse of time. Students cannot repeat courses where a non-substandard grade was received, unless there has been a significant lapse of time (36 months) and:

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i. there is an established recency prerequisite established by the course curriculum; or,

ii. there is an established recency requirement as established by a transfer institution; or,

iii. an employer mandates an employee repeat a course as a direct result of a substantiated change in industry standards. The lapse of time may be less than 36 months if the student must repeat the course due to their employer requiring the course at a sooner date.

Course repetition for a significant lapse of time can only occur once. All course work shall remain on the student's permanent record. When a course is repeated pursuant to this section, the previous grade and unit credit will be disregarded in computing the GPA.

PASS/NO PASS
It is recognized that many students fail to explore outside their specific fields of competence for fear of damaging their academic records. To offset this, a system of pass (P)/no pass (NP) grading has been devised. Students have the option, during the time of registration, to petition to take classes on a P/NP basis in lieu of a grade of A, B, C, D, F, or FW.

Students electing to be evaluated on a P/NP basis will receive credit upon satisfactory completion (grade of “C” or better) of the course. Students who fail to perform satisfactorily will be assigned a grade of no pass (NP).

Regulations
1. A maximum of 18 semester units of credit can be applied towards the associate in arts or associate in science degree. Pass (P)/no pass (NP) grades received as a result of awarding Advance Placement units are exempt from the 18 unit limit.

2. Students who elect to take a course on a pass/no pass basis must receive approval from their counselor and file a Pass/No Pass Petition in the Admissions and Records Office before 30% of the semester or course transpires.

3. Courses in which this option is available are listed in the college catalog. Generally, no course taken for a pass/no pass grading option may be used toward a major for an associate degree. Students should be aware that courses graded P/NP might not be accepted in a transfer major, and are advised to consult with their intended transfer institution.

4. Students who elect to be evaluated on a P/NP basis do not have the option of reversing their decision at a later date.

5. Students taking courses on a P/NP basis are held responsible for all assignments and examinations.

6. Courses graded on a P/NP basis are not counted in calculating grade point average; however, they are considered in calculating progress probation/dismissal. Students electing to take courses on a P/NP basis must meet any course prerequisite prior to enrolling in the course.

7. The P/NP option is not applicable to courses taken through credit by examination.

8. Some courses are offered on a P/NP basis only. These courses are listed in the college catalog.

CREDIT BY EXAMINATION
Credit by examination may be granted for proficiency previously accomplished in other than an accredited institution; for study; travel; or other experiences in College of the Canyons approved courses. Credit attempted by this method shall be so marked on the student's permanent record on an A - F grading system.

Units and grade points earned shall be counted toward the associate degree. Units earned by credit by examination are not considered as units completed in residence and will not be used for reports to insurance companies or other similar agencies.

Students must obtain permission from the division dean or department chair from which the course is offered and obtain approval from a counselor. A $55/unit fee must be paid prior to taking the exam. Department chairs (or division chairs) will forward the results of the examination to the Admissions and Records Office for processing and recording. The $55 fee represents the current enrollment fee of $46 a unit plus a $9 per unit processing fee. The fee for credit by exam will change if the enrollment fee changes.

Requirements for Credit by Examination
1. Students wishing to receive credit by examination must be in good academic standing at College of the Canyons and be currently enrolled at least half time.

2. Petitions for credit by examination in approved courses must be submitted before 50% of the term is completed. Grades for courses taken through credit by examination are due in the Admissions and Records Office by the last day of finals for the semester or term.

3. Courses taken through credit by examination are subject to A - F grading. Incomplete, withdrawals, or no-pass grades are not allowed.

4. Unit credit may not be granted after credit has been earned for a more advanced College of the Canyons course. Additionally, unit credit may not be granted for prerequisites once the more advanced course has been completed.

5. A second examination may not be attempted for the same course, but the course may be taken for credit following regular enrollment procedures.

6. The student must be eligible to take the particular course for credit in terms of any prerequisites and other enrollment requirements.

7. A maximum of 18 units may be taken through credit by examination.

8. Resident, non-resident and international students will all be charged at the same rate of $55/unit through credit by examination.

9. Credit by examination fees must be paid prior to taking the exam. Fees are non-refundable.
CREDIT FOR PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY TRAINING
Credit for basic recruit academy training instructional programs in Administration of Justice or other public safety occupations shall be granted as follows:

- Unit credit will be given for training from institutions which meet the standards of training of the California Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission or training verified by other public safety agencies.
- A single block of unit credit will be given and identified as academy credit.
- One unit of credit maybe granted for each 50 hours.
- Unit credits granted for Law Enforcement Academy Training will be posted upon completion of one unit of College of the Canyons coursework.
- Physical Education and Wellness for the associate degree requirement will be waived.
- A maximum of 10 units may be awarded for public safety academy training.

CREDIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE
A veteran who has completed a continuous active duty period of 181 days or more with the United States military service (Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps and/or Navy), and who was discharged or released from active duty under conditions other than dishonorable, may petition and be allowed credit as follows:

Depending on the branch of service, a veteran will be awarded between three and four units of college credit for completion of Military Basic Training. Two of these units can be used to meet the Physical Education requirement for both the College of the Canyons associate degree and/or CSU General Education breadth certification. The remaining unit(s) will be posted as elective credit.

The veteran may also receive additional elective credit for formal service school courses offered by the United States military services. Service school transcripts are evaluated and credit granted based on the recommendations by the Commission on Accreditation of Service Experiences of the American Council on Education. A maximum of 18 units will be allowed for military school service. Unit credit will be posted on the academic transcript and reported to the Veteran's Administration at the end of the second semester/term of attendance.

Veterans will be allowed full credit for college-level courses completed under the auspices of DANTES or the United States Armed Forces Institute. Such credit will be treated in the same manner and under the same policies as allowing credit from accredited colleges and universities.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION
The Santa Clarita Community College District regards the following as "directory information" which can be released to the public: student's name, district provided email address, current enrollment status, dates of attendance, major field of study, degrees and awards received from the District, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, the most recent public or private school attended by the student.

If a student desires to withhold directory information, he or she must file a written request with the Admissions and Records Office.

In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, all other student information, excluding that designated as directory information, cannot be released to a third party without written permission submitted to the college by the student. This law applies to all students attending College of the Canyons, regardless of the student's age.

FAMILIES OF COURSES
New regulations governing the repetition of credit courses in the California Community College system effective Fall 2013 have eliminated repeatability in the Art, Dance, Graphic & Multimedia Design, Kinesiology (activity courses), Media Entertainment Arts, Music, Photography, and Theatre departments. While students will not, in most cases, be allowed to repeat active participatory courses in these departments, students will still be allowed to enroll in a series of active participatory courses that are related in content (commonly referred to as a family of courses) a maximum of four times.

A family of courses may include more than four courses, but students are limited to a maximum of four courses in any family. Further, all grades, including "W"s, will count toward the four course enrollment limitation and for computing the grade point average (GPA). Students can repeat Art, Dance, Drama, Music, and PE courses that are included in Families of Courses in which a “NP”, “D”, “F” grade was earned or “W” was assigned; however, all enrollments count toward the 4 enrollment maximum for each family of courses.

College of the Canyons has developed 49 Families of Courses which can be accessed at www.canyons.edu/offices/curriculum. For further information regarding enrollment into a Family of Courses, visit the link above or contact the Admissions and Records office.

GRADES
Awarding grades to students is the responsibility of the instructor of the course in which the student is enrolled. Once awarded, grades may not be changed except where evidence is presented that a clerical error has occurred. (See Student Grievance Policy, page 283.) The grading system and grading point equivalent follow:

A Excellent 4 grade points/units
B Good 3 grade points/units
C Satisfactory 2 grade points/units
D Passing, less than Satisfactory 1 grade point/unit
F Failing 0 grade points/units
FW Failing, lack of attendance 0 grade points/units

The I, W, NC, CR, NP, P and IP are not used in computing grade point averages; however, I, W, NP, and NC are used in the calculation of progress probation/dismissal. MW grades are given to students called up to active duty in the military. Upon presentation of orders, an MW grade is awarded for each class for which the student was enrolled, regardless of when the student stopped attending. MW
grades are non-evaluative and do not count in computing the grade point average, nor are they used in calculating progress probation/dismissal. Upon returning from active duty, the student is considered a continuing student with no break in attendance. They retain original catalog rights and resume the same level of priority registration.

| W | Withdrawal |
| MW | Military Withdrawal |
| CR | Credit |
| NC | No Credit |
| P | Pass |
| NP | No Pass |
| IP | In Progress |
| I | Incomplete |
| RD | Report Delayed |

Note: The grade of incomplete is given only in cases of emergency and when the student is unable to complete the course due to circumstances beyond his/her control usually during the final weeks of the course. Arrangements to receive an "I" must be made with the instructor before the course ends.

To clear an "I" grade, a student must make arrangements with the instructor to make up the grade prior to the end of the ensuing semester in which the incomplete was given. Failure to clear an "I" grade will result in a grade by the instructor given in lieu of completion of the course and could result in an F or FW grade being assigned. An incomplete grade cannot be changed to a W or to NC. Students may not re-enroll in a class in which an "I" is pending.

Grading Review Policy

533.1 Introduction
California Education Code Section 76224, quoted below, states the conditions upon which grades or grading may be questioned.

“When grades are given for any courses of instruction taught in a community college district, the grade given to each student shall be the grade determined by the instructor of the course, and the determination of the student's grade by the instructor, in the absence of mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetence, shall be final.”

Students may ask that final course grades be reviewed under the guidelines stated in this policy.

533.2 Conditions under which final grades may be reviewed
a. The course grade to be reviewed must be an evaluative grade as defined in Santa Clarita Community College District Policy 508.

b. Final grade review must be requested by the student in writing, using the appropriate College form, within 180 calendar days from the posting of the final grade.

1. Students may petition to the Chief Student Services Officer for an extension of this time limit. Petitions must be based upon extenuating circumstances as defined in the Education Code.

c. Grades may only be reviewed within the following context:

1. Mistake – defined for the purposes of this policy as an error in calculation, or an error in marking the roll book relevant to grades, or attendance. Additionally, mistakes may occur when physically assigning grades or when grades are scanned into the computer system.

2. Bad Faith – defined for the purpose of this policy as disregarding or changing the basis of assigning grades after publication in the course syllabus or using a system of grading other than that found in the syllabus without prior notification to the students.

3. Fraud – for the purpose of this policy, may exist when a grade is based upon some sort of dishonest activity, for example, selling grades or asking students to perform non-relevant activity in exchange for grades.

4. Incompetency – defined for the purpose of this policy as, but not limited to, an instructor who is not able to judge a student's performance in the class. A student may claim incompetency when he or she feels the instructor has an impaired ability (due to accident or illness) to adequately judge the student's performance.

d. Students possess evidence that the final grade was determined based upon one of the criteria in 533.2.C above.

533.3 Review Procedure

533.3.A Step I
A student who believes the final grade received was due to mistake, fraud, bad faith, or incompetence shall meet with the faculty member in an attempt to resolve his/her concern.

533.3.B Step II Hearing
In the event Step I fails to resolve the concern, the student shall meet with the faculty member, the appropriate division dean, and/or the department chair (as determined by the division dean).

1. During this meeting the student must produce a preponderance of evidence that the final grade was determined based upon one of the criteria in 533.2 above.

2. Students may be accompanied by representation at the student's expense.

3. The division dean shall produce a written decision on the matter within fourteen (14) calendar days. Copies of the decision will be forwarded to the student and the faculty member in question.

533.3.C Step III Appeal
In the event Step II fails to resolve the concern, the matter may be appealed to the Grade Review Committee (GRC).

1. The GRC shall be comprised of the following:
   a. The Chief Student Services Officer, or designee, who shall serve as chair,
   b. The Chief Instructional Officer or designee,
   c. The Associated Student Government President or designee,
d. Two faculty members (not associated with the matter) appointed by the Academic Senate President.

2. The GRC may do the following:
   a. Hear testimony relevant to the matter,
   b. Review the findings of the division dean,
   c. Review coursework and other relevant materials, and
   d. Conduct its own review.

3. The GRC will render a written opinion on the matter within fourteen (14) calendar days of concluding its process. Copies of the opinion will be forwarded to the student and the faculty member in question.

4. The decision of the GRC to not change the grade will be final.

5. In the event the GRC recommends a change of grade, and the faculty member disagrees, the decision will be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for review and disposition.

PROBATION/DISMISSAL
Academic standing is determined exclusively by grades earned at College of the Canyons and is calculated at the end of the fall and spring semesters.

Academic Standards Definitions:
1. Units attempted: for probation, subject-to-dismissal, and dismissal purposes only, all units of credit in which the student is enrolled at College of the Canyons.

2. Units enrolled: All units of credit for which the student is enrolled at College of the Canyons.

3. Consecutive semesters: Enrollment in two semesters of the fall and spring semesters.

4. Units enrolled: All units of credit for which the student is enrolled after the first two weeks or 20% of the time the class is scheduled to meet, whichever is less, at the College.

5. Consecutive semesters: Enrollment in two semesters (fall and spring) or enrollment in one semester, followed by a break, then enrollment in another full semester. Summer sessions and intersessions are not considered when calculating consecutive semesters.

Standards for Probation
1. Academic Probation: A student shall be placed on academic probation if the student has completed at least 12 units at College of the Canyons and the overall grade point average has fallen below 2.0 after one semester.

2. Progress Probation: A student shall be placed on progress probation if the student has enrolled in a total of at least 12 units and the percentage of all enrolled units in which entries of W (Withdrawal), I (Incomplete), and NP (Not Pass) are recorded reaches or exceeds 50%.

Standards for Subject-to-Dismissal
1. Academic Subject-to-Dismissal: A student shall be subject-to-dismissal for academic performance after being placed on probation and having earned a cumulative grade-point average of below 2.0 for the second consecutive semester.

2. Progress Subject-to-Dismissal: A student shall be subject to dismissal for progress after two consecutive semesters of progress probation as defined above.

Standards for Dismissal
1. Academic Dismissal: A student shall be dismissed for academic performance after being placed on subject-to-dismissal status and having earned a cumulative grade-point average of below 2.0 for the third consecutive semester.

2. Progress Dismissal: A student shall be dismissed for progress after three consecutive semesters of progress probation as defined above.

Restoration of Good Standing
1. Academic: A student who has a grade-point deficiency for one, two, or three semesters shall be restored to good standing when the student's cumulative COC grade-point average is 2.0 or higher.

2. Progress: A student who has accumulated more than 50% of total COC units noted W (Withdrawal), I (Incomplete), and NP (Not Pass) for one, two, or three semesters shall be restored to good standing when the percentage of those notations drops below 50%.

Determination of good standing is made at the end of the fall and spring semesters.

Exceptions to Dismissal
A student who is dismissed may be automatically continued for one semester under the following conditions:

1. Academic: When, in the most recent full semester, the student enrolled in at least six new units and earned a semester grade-point average of 2.25 or higher.

2. Progress: When, in the most recent full semester, the student completed more than 75% of the units in which the student enrolled.

Re-admission after Dismissal
A student who is dismissed for the first time must stay out one semester or file a successful appeal or complete an Intensive workshop.

1. Staying out one semester: reinstatement may be requested after one semester has elapsed (excluding summer sessions and intersessions). The student must consult with a counselor, prior to the start of the semester, to formulate a corrective educational plan and to obtain approval to enroll.

2. Students may postpone their dismissal by participating in a counseling workshop called an “Intensive.” Upon completion of the Intensive, the student will be reinstated for the next semester and given a contract that specifies the academic performance requirements. This option may only be exercised once.

3. Dismissal appeal: dismissal may be postponed and the student continued for one semester if the student presents evidence of extenuating circumstances or shows significant improvement in academic achievement but has not been able to achieve an overall 2.0 grade-point average in COC courses. A student who has been dismissed may submit a written appeal to the counseling department: Appeals should be based on the following:
   a. Evidence, based on the academic record, that dismissal status does not reflect the student's usual level of performance.
   b. Circumstances beyond the control of the student, for example, accident or illness.
Multiple Dismissal
Students who are dismissed more than once are required to stay out two semesters. There are two exceptions to staying out. Students may appeal by following the Appeal of Dismissal procedures. Or, after staying out one semester, they may complete an Intensive workshop and return the subsequent semester. The Intensive workshop option may only be exercised once.

Continuation in all cases may be granted, denied, or postponed subject to fulfillment of conditions prescribed by the College. Students are continued in subject-to-dismissal status in accordance with policy 536.7.

TRANSCRIPTS

Transcript Evaluation
Students who submit transcripts from other colleges and universities must request them to be evaluated by submitting an Inclusion of External Coursework form to the Admissions and Records Office. In most cases, units accepted from other institutions will not be posted on College of the Canyons academic transcripts until students have completed 12 units in residence. The most notable exceptions are for students requesting financial aid, military benefits, and completion of at least one unit for IGETC certification on the students’ final transcripts. For further information, contact the Admissions and Records Office.

Transcript Requests
Unofficial Transcripts: Unofficial transcripts are free and can be printed from your printer or you can have them emailed to you. Please visit our website at www.canyons.edu and click on “My Canyons.” You will need a user name and password to use this option. If you do not have a user name and password, you can create one under “Student Profile”. If you decide to come on campus to request an unofficial transcript, a picture ID will be required.

Official Transcripts: College of the Canyons has partnered with Credentials Solutions to accept official transcript orders via the internet on a secured site. You can order official transcripts online at www.canyons.edu and click on “My Canyons.” You will need a user name and password to use this option. If you do not have a user name and password, you can create one under “Student Profile.” This will eliminate the need to come to the College, stand in line, or mail in a request. This service also allows you to check on the status of your order and will communicate with you via email about your order.

College of the Canyons provides three processing times for an official transcript. The regular transcript is processed within 7-10 business days. The rush transcript is processed within 2 business days. The on demand transcript is produced at the time of request. Two regular transcripts are made available for free. The request for your free transcripts must be made in person or by mail. The cost of a regular transcript is $5, a rush transcript is $10, and an on-demand transcript is $15.

Degree and Enrollment Verifications
College of the Canyons has authorized the National Student Clearinghouse to provide degree and enrollment verifications. The National Student Clearinghouse can be contacted at www.studentclearinghouse.org or www.degreeverify.org. The fax number is (703) 742-4239 and the mailing address is National Student Clearinghouse, 13454 Sunrise Valley Drive, Suite 300, Herndon, VA, 20171. Enrollment verifications for students are free through this service. Employers and entities acting on behalf of the student are required to pay a nominal fee. Continuing Education (noncredit) enrollment verifications must be requested at the Continuing Education office on the Valencia campus, room V-110.

TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS
Transfer curricula information has been compiled to help the many College of the Canyons students who intend to transfer to another college or university. Each institution of higher learning has its own requirements for admission and for junior standing.

To prepare for continued education, a student must decide to which college/university the student will transfer and learn the transfer admission and major preparation transfer requirements of that particular college. These requirements can be found in the catalog of that institution.

Students should also consult the California articulation database ASSIST (www.assist.org) for articulation agreements between California Community Colleges and the California State University (CSU) and the University of California (UC) systems. A university may be made up of a number of colleges. The college in which one will do work depends upon the field of study or major. This means that in any institution of higher learning it will be necessary for a student to fulfill three types of requirements:

First, the general university requirements for graduation; second, those set up by the college under which the major department is classified; and third, those set up by the department in which a student majors.

While attending College of the Canyons, a student who plans to transfer to a four-year college or university should take the courses required by the institution the student is preparing to attend. Since each institution numbers its courses differently, the student must study the course descriptions at both colleges to see if they are equivalent. The student is advised to seek counseling assistance as early as possible in planning transfer to a four-year institution. The student should take care in observing the application deadlines that are published by the various institutions. For help on which courses meet transfer requirements for specific majors at various four-year colleges and universities, please see a College of the Canyons counselor.
ACADEMIC INFORMATION

2012-2013 INTERSEGMENTAL GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSFER CURRICULUM (IGETC) FOR TRANSFER TO CSU AND UC

Please note that IGETC alone does not meet the transfer requirements.

Completion of all the requirements in the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) satisfies the lower division general education at California State University or University of California system without the need, after transfer, to take additional lower-division general education courses to satisfy campus general education requirements. IGETC may be an inappropriate option for some UC campus majors. Students must meet UC or CSU admission requirements in order to transfer.

The course requirements for all areas must be completed before the IGETC can be certified. All courses must be completed with grades of “C” or better (“C” grades are not allowed). Certification of IGETC is not automatic; certification must be requested from Admissions and Records at the time when the final COC transcript is sent to the transfer college/university. The first term a course can be applied to this plan is indicated by the semester and year. For example, F00 indicates Fall 2000, which is the first term this course can be applied.

A course may be listed in more than one area, but shall not be certified in more than one area.

* Indicates that transfer credit may be limited by UC or CSU or both. Please consult with a counselor.

(F#) indicates first year that a course can be applied to this plan.

AREA 1 - ENGLISH COMMUNICATION

CSU: Three courses required, one from each group below. UC: Two courses required, one each from group A and B.

Group A:
English - Composition (one course, three semester units)
- English 101, 101H

Group B:
Critical Thinking - English Composition (one course, three semester units)
- Communication Studies 227, English 102, 102H or English 103

This requirement must be met by completing a course at a California community college only. AP credit is not applicable.

Group C:
Oral Communication - CSU only (one course, three semester units)
- Communication Studies 105 or 105H

AREA 2 - MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS AND QUANTITATIVE REASONING

(One course, three semester units minimum)

*Economics 291* (F05); Mathematics 103, 104, 111 (F04), 140, 140H, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 240; Psychology *104; Sociology *137

AREA 3 - ARTS & HUMANITIES

(At least three courses, with at least one from the “arts” and one from the “humanities,” nine semester units, “C” minimum)

Arts Courses:
- Art 110, 111, 115, 205; Cinema 120, 121, 122, 123 (SP06), 131; Dance 100; Graphic and Multimedia Design 120 (F10); Media Entertainment Arts 102 (F10); Music 100, 105, 106, 107 (F03), 108, 112; Photography 140 (F00); Theater 110, 220, 221

Humanities Courses:
- Anthropology 210; Economics 170, 170H (F10); English 111 (F05), 135, 225, 250, 251, 260, 261, 262(F03), 263, 264, 265, 270, 271 (F96), 272, 273 (F99), 274 (F99), 275, 280 (F95), 281, 285; French 201, 202; History 101, 101H, 102, *111, 111H *112, 115 (Sp07), 116 (F06), 117 (F06), 120 (F00), 120H (F10), 130 (F06), 161 (F02), 165, 170, 170H (F10), 191 (F00), 192 (F00), 193 (F06), 210, 212, 230 (F02), 240, 243 (F01); Humanities 100 (F02), 101 (F00), 150 (F02); Philosophy 101, 102, 110 (F02), 111 (F02), 112 (F02), 120, 220, 225 (F06), 240, 250 (F02); Sign Language 110 (F00); Sociology 200; Spanish 201, 202, 240

AREA 4 - SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

(At least three courses in at least two disciplines - nine semester units)

- Anthropology 103, 103H, 105, *210, 220; Communication Studies 250, 256 (F97); Early Childhood Education 120, 125 (F03); Economics 170, 170H (F10), 201, 201H, 202, 202H; Environmental Sciences 101 (S11); Geography 102, 104; History 101, 101H, 102, *111, 111H *112, 115, 116 (F06), 117 (F06), *120 (F00), 120H (H10), 130 (F06), 161 (F02), 165, 170, 170H (F10), 191 (F00), 192 (F00), 193 (F06), 210, 212, 230 (F02), 240, 243 (F01); MEA 100; Political Science 150, 150H, 200, 230, 250, 270, 290, Psychology 101, 101H, 105, 109 (F02), 126, 172, 172H, 225, 230 (F00), 235 (F95), 240 (F03), 272; Sociology 101, 101H (F06), 102, 103 (F01), 103H, 105 (F97), 108 (F05), 110, 150 (F04), 200, 200H (F10), 205, 207, 208 (F00), 210 (F00), 230, 233 (F04)

AREA 5 - PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

(Two courses, one Physical Science course and one Biological Science course; at least one must include a laboratory, seven - nine semester units)

Underlined courses indicates a laboratory course

5A-Physical Sciences:
- Astronomy *100 (F97), *101, *102; Chemistry *110 (F02), *151, 151H, *201, 202, 255, 256; Environmental Sciences 103 (S11), 104; Geography 101, 101H, 101L (S06) 103; Geology 100, 101, 102, 105, *109, 218; Physical Science 101 (F03); Physics *101 (SP07), *110, *111, *220, *221, *222

5-B-Biological Sciences:
- Anthropology 101, 101H (F10), 101L (F02); Biological Sciences *100 (F01), *106, *107, 107H (F10), 130 (F95), 132, 140 (F02), *201 (F03), *202 (F03), *204, *205, *215, *216, 219 (F02), 221, 230 (F00), 240 (F02); Psychology 102
5C-Laboratory Science:
Anthropology 101L (F02); Biological Sciences *100 (F01), *106, *107, 107H (F10) *201 (F03), *202 (F03), *204, *205, *215, *216, 219 (F02), 221, 230 (F00), 240 (F02);
Chemistry *110 (F02), *151, 151H, *201, 202, 255, 256; Environmental Sciences 103 (S11); Geography 101L (S06); Geology 100, 218; Physical Science 101 (F03); Physics *101 (SP07), *110, *111, *220, *221, *222

LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH
UC requirement only. Proficiency equivalent to two years high school study. High School Transcript must be on file in Admissions and Records Office.
Arabic 101 (SU07); Chinese 101 (SU07); French 101; German 101; Italian 101 (F06); Sign Language 101 (F00); Spanish 101 or 101A (F00)

AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS
(Six units required) Not part of IGETC but required for graduation from CSU.
U.S. History (three units) and U.S. Constitution, State and Local Government (three units) required. Complete one course from each area below:
1. Economics 170, 170H (F10); History *111, 111H, *112, 120 (F02), 120H (F10), 130 (F05), 170, 170H (F10), 230 (F02), or 245
2. Political Science 150, 150H
Or complete History 111, 111H and 112 combined Please consult with a COC Counselor. AP Exam scores of three, four or five may be used to satisfy any IGETC subject area except Critical Thinking - English Composition.
Courses used to meet the American Institutions requirement may not be used to fulfill IGETC requirements above for CSU.

2012-2013 GENERAL EDUCATION TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS TO CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
(In Compliance with Executive Order 595 - Subject to revision by CSU system)
Upon completion of this pattern of courses, College of the Canyons will certify that a student's lower-division general education requirements are completed for any of the 23 campuses within the CSU system. Students who transfer with GE certification will be responsible only for the upper-division requirements in general education. Certification is not automatic. A student must have completed 12 units in residence at College of the Canyons and must request GE certification from the Admissions and Records Office with the final transcript.

NOTICE:
1. These requirements apply to students who began college starting with the Fall, 2011 Semester.
2. Students must have a minimum of 60 transferable semester units with a "C" average (2.0 GPA) to be considered an upper division transfer. Of the 60 units needed, at least 30 semester units must be from the
GE courses listed below. Students may earn up to (9) units of coursework with the grade of D).
3. Students must complete all of Area A (Communication in the English Language and Critical Thinking) and Area B-4 (Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning) with "C" grade or better. Please be aware that some campuses may not let a student complete Area A and B-4 during the last term prior to transfer to CSU -- please see a counselor for specifics.
4. With the exception of the science lab requirement (B-3), a single course may not meet more than one general education requirement.
5. For clarification of transfer eligibility, please contact a COC counselor or program advisor.

AREA A: COMMUNICATION IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND CRITICAL THINKING
Nine units (Select three units from each sub-category)
A-1: Oral Communication:
Communication Studies 105, 105H (SP07), 223 (F97)
A-2: Written Communication:
English 101, 101H
A-3: Critical Thinking:
Communication Studies 225, 227 (F10); English 102, 102H, 103; Philosophy 106, 230 (F01); Sociology 108 (F01)

AREA B: PHYSICAL UNIVERSE AND ITS LIFE FORMS
Nine units (Select at least one three-unit class from B-1, B-2, and B-4. At least one of the selections must include a lab course, listed in B-3.)
B-1: Physical Science:
Astronomy 100 (F96), 101, 102; Biological Science 218 (F03); Chemistry 110 (F02), 151, 151H, 201, 202, 221, 255, 256; Environmental Sciences 103 (S11), 104; Geography 101, 101H, 103(F08); Geology 101, 102, 105, 109, 218 (F09); Physical Science 101 (F01); Physics 101(Sp07), 110, 111, 220, 221, 222
B-2: Life Science:
Anthropology 101, 101H (F10); Biological Science 100 (F01), 106, 107, 107H (F10), 130, 132, 140 (F02), 201(F03), 202 (F03), 204, 205, 215, 216, 219 (F02), 221, 230 (F98), 240 (F02); Psychology 102
B-3: Laboratory Activity:
(At least one of the following classes, which have labs, must be included in Group B-1 or B-2):Anthropology 101L (F02); Biological Science 100 (F01), 106, 107, 107H (F10), 201 (F03), 202 (F03), 204, 205, 215, 216, 218 (F03), 219 (F02), 221, 230 (F98), 231 (F01), 240 (F02); Chemistry 110 (F02), 151, 151H, 201, 202, 221, 255, 256; Environmental Sciences 103 (S11); Geography 101L (F05); Geology 100, 218 (F09); Physical Science 101 (F01); Physics 110, 111, 220, 221, 222
B-4: Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning:
Economics 291 (F97); Mathematics 102, 103, 104, 111 (F03), 130, 140, 140H, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 240; Psychology 104; Sociology 137
AREA C: ARTS, LITERATURE, PHILOSOPHY, FOREIGN LANGUAGES, ETHNIC STUDIES, GENDER STUDIES
Nine units (Nine units total, with at least one class from C-1 and C-2.)

C-1: Arts: (Art, Dance, Music, Theater)
Art 110, 111, 115, 124A, 124B, 133 (F99), 140, 141, 205; Cinema 120, 121, 122, 123 (F06), 131; Communication Studies 150; Dance 100; English 105; Graphic and Multimedia Design 120; Interior Design 114 (F02), 115 (F02); MEA 102 (F10); Music 100, 105, 106, 107 (F03), 108 (F08), 112, 120, 121 (F00), 122 (F00), 123 (F00), 125, 126 (F00); Photography 140 (F00), 150, 160, 285; Theater 110, 140, 141, 220

C-2: Humanities: (Ethnic Studies, Gender Studies, Literature, Philosophy, Foreign Language)
Anthropology 210; Business 160 (F02); Chinese 101; Economics 170, 170H (F10); English 102, 102H, 108 (F03), 109 (F03), 111 (F03), 135, 225, 250, 251, 260, 261, 262 (F03), 263, 264, 270, 271, 272, 273 (F98), 274 (F98), 275, 280, 281, 285; French 101, 102, 202, 202D; German 101, 102; History 101, 101H, 102, 111, 111H (F09), 112, 115, 116 (F06), 117 (F06), 120 (F00), 120H (F10), 130 (F06), 161 (F02), 165, 170, 170H (F10), 191 (F00), 192 (F00), 193 (F00), 193 (F06), 212, 230 (F02), 240, 243 (F01); Humanities 100 (F02), 101 (F00), 150 (F02); Italian 101 (F06); KPET 209; Philosophy 101, 102, 110 (F02), 111 (F02), 112 (F02), 120, 215 (F05), 220, 225 (F05), 240 (F02), 250; Sign Language 101 (F06), 102 (F06), 103, 104 (F06), 110 (F08); Sociology 200; Spanish 101, 101A (F00), 102, 102A (F00), 150, 160, 201, 202, 240; Theater 240 (F00)

AREA D: SOCIAL, POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INSTITUTIONS AND BEHAVIOR; HISTORICAL BACKGROUND
Nine units (Select classes from at least two of the subcategories listed below. It is recommended that the American Institutions Requirement (AIR) be met within the selected nine units.)

D-0: Sociology and Criminology:
Sociology 101, 101H (F06), 102, 103, 103H (F10), 108 (F00), 110 (F03), 150 (F03), 200, 200H (F10), 205 (F10), 207, 208 (F00), 210 (F00), 230, 233 (F01)

D-1: Anthropology and Archaeology:
Anthropology 103, 103H, 105, 220

D-2: Economics:
Economics 150, 201, 201H, 202, 202H (F10)

D-3: Ethnic Studies:
Anthropology 210; Business 126 (F02); History 101, 102, 116 (F05), 117 (F05), 230 (F02), 240, 245; Political Science 290; Sociology 105 (F96), Spanish 240

D-4: Gender Studies:
Communication Studies 260 (F97); Health Science 243; History 120 (F00) 120H (F10); Political Science 290; Psychology 235; Sociology 200, 200H (F10)

D-5: Geography:
Geography 102, 104

D-6: History:
Economics 170, 170H (F10); History 101, 101H, 102, 111, 111H (F09), 112, 115, 116 (F05), 117 (F05), 120 (F00), 120H (F10), 130 (F06), 161 (F02), 165, 170, 170H (F10), 191 (F00), 192 (F00), 193 (F06), 210, 212, 230 (F02), 240, 243 (F01)

D-7: Interdisciplinary Social or Behavioral Science:
Communication Studies 246 (F95), 256 (S95); Early Childhood Education 120 (F02), 125 (F03); Environmental Sciences 101 (F10); Gerontology 101; Health Science 243; Sociology 105 (F96)

D-8: Political Science, Government and Legal Institutions:
Political Science 150, 150H, 200, 210, 230, 250, 270, 290

D-9: Psychology:
Early Childhood Education 120; Psychology 101, 101H, 105, 109 (F02), 126, 172, 172H, 175, 180, 225, 230 (F00), 235, 240, 243 (F03), 272

NOTE: The American Institutions Requirement (AIR) (U.S. History, Constitution, California State and Local Government) as well as requirements for Political and Economic Institutions may be met by completion of one of the following options:
Complete one course from (a) and (b) below:
(a) Economics 170, 170H (F10); History 111, 111H, 112, 120 (F02), 120 (F10), 170, 170H (F10), 230 (F02) or 245
(b) Political Science 150, 150H
OR Complete History 111, or 111H and 112

AREA E: LIFELONG UNDERSTANDING AND SELF-DEVELOPMENT
Three Units
Communication Studies 235, 250; Counseling 100 (F08), 110 (S07), 111, 112 (S10), 150 (F07); Dance 101 (F00), 107 (F06), 108 (F06), 130, 133 (F00), 134 (F00), 135 (F00), 136, 137 (F03), 180 (F00), (all Dance courses limited to two units); Gerontology 101; Health Science 100, 149 (F05), 150 (F00), 243; Kinesiology/PE Activity (KPEA) 100A, 100B, 101A, 101B, 102, 103, 105, 106, 107 (F07), 150A, 150B, 150H, 165A, 165B, 165C, 170A, 170B, 175A, 175B, 180A, 180B, 180C, 185A, 185B, 185C, 195A, 195B, 195C; Kinesiology/PE Intercollegiate (KPEI) 152, 153, 245A, 245B, 250A, 250B, 255, 260A, 260B, 265, 270A, 270B, 275A, 275B, 280A, 280B, 290A, 290B, 295A, 295B (All preceding PE courses are limited to two units toward this requirement); Kinesiology/PE Theory (KPET) 150, 200 (F01), 204; MEA 100; Psychology 105, 150, 172 (F00), 172H, 230 (F00); Recreation 101 (F06), 103 (F06); Sociology 103, 103H (F10), 110 (F03), 208 (F00), 230, 233 (F01)
Support Services and Programs

“Messages Through Shirts” - from 2013 COC Student Calendar. Photographer: Jessica Marie Galtan
ACADEMY OF THE CANYONS
College of the Canyons has several important partnerships with the William S. Hart Union High School District. One of them is Academy of the Canyons, located in the Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center on the Valencia Campus.

Academy of the Canyons (AOC) began as a middle college high school in which 11th and 12th grade students could take required high school classes and college classes at the same time. AOC now includes the Early College High School Program (ECHS), which is also in collaboration with the William S. Hart Union High School District and funded through the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Academy of the Canyons is now a 4-year high school blending both the middle college and early college initiatives. This program is designed for students who are mature and ready for a college campus experience. Applications are made through the high school district. For information regarding AOC, contact the principal at (661) 362-3056 or by www.academyofthecanyons.com.

BOOKSTORE
Bookstore Hours
Please call the bookstore at (661) 362-3255 for current store hours.

The Campus Bookstore, located in Room STCN-134A of the Student Center Building on the Valencia campus, serves the general needs of the student body. The store stocks current semester textbooks, paperbacks, greeting cards, clothing, and miscellaneous supplies for sale to students, faculty and campus visitors.

Buyback
Students may sell their books back to the bookstore for cash every day. However, the best time for students to sell back their books and receive up to 50% of the retail price back is during finals week in May and December. Books sold back to the bookstore outside of finals week are not kept in the bookstore and students are not offered as much back.

All books sold back must be in good condition without water damage, missing pages or excessive writing. The covers of the books must be in good condition without tears or spine damage.

Website
Textbooks and COC clothing may be purchased 24 hours a day at the bookstore website www.coc.bncollege.com. Customers can request that orders be picked up at either campus bookstore location or shipped for their convenience. Please visit the website for additional information and updates including current store hours.

Refund Policy
Textbooks:
Full refund, if returned within the first week of class, in your original form of payment with a receipt.
• With a proof of schedule change, a full refund will be given in your original form of payment with a receipt during the first 30 days of classes.

• No refunds or exchanges given on textbooks without a receipt.
• No refunds given on custom course materials, outlines or study guides.
• Textbooks must be in original condition with no opened shrink-wrap for full refund.

All Other Merchandise:
Full refund in your original form of payment with a receipt within 30 days of purchase.
• No refunds given on magazines or prepaid phone cards.
• All merchandise must be in original condition with a receipt.

CALWORKS PROGRAM
CalWORKs is a state-funded program that provides supportive services and encouragement to students who receive cash aid (i.e. AFDC, TANF) and are the parent of a dependent child. The program provides support to qualified students in the attainment of their educational goals and in their transition from college to work or to university. Students may receive:
• Work Study opportunities that ensure all earnings are 100 percent exempt from cash aid.
• Personal and academic counseling in a supportive and informative environment that encourages student success.
• Vocational and career counseling.
• Confidential liaison between program participant, the College, the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS), GAIN and other agencies.
• Referral to other departments at the College and to other agencies when required.

CalWORKs Eligibility Criteria
1. The student must be a legal resident of the State of California.
2. The student must be on cash aid (i.e. AFDC, TANF).
3. The student must be in compliance with DPSS and GAIN program requirements.
4. A CalWORKs contract must be signed and followed by the student.
5. The student must be in compliance with the College CalWORKs program requirements.
6. The student must maintain normal progress (as defined by college policies) toward a certificate or degree leading to employment while maintaining a satisfactory grade point average of 2.0 or higher.

CalWORKs is available in the Student Support Center or call (661) 362-3271 on the Valencia campus. Information is available at www.canyons.edu/offices/calworks.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES AND STUDENT DEVELOPMENT
Students are strongly encouraged to become involved with student development activities and opportunities for enrichment outside the classroom. These activities can be found on campus, online or in the surrounding community. Participation in such activities helps
students apply, in practical situations, the theory they learn in the classroom. Benefits include leadership development, skill-building, interacting with people and understanding group dynamics, all of which can be utilized throughout one’s life.

Information about all of the following programs and services can be obtained by visiting the staff of the Office of Student Development located in Room STCN-102 in the Student Center on the Valencia campus.

Emerging Leaders Program
This program is designed to provide opportunities for students to develop their leadership skills and techniques through workshop attendance, participants network with local leaders in business, industry, and city government.

The program has five core categories of leadership including ethics and values; leadership development; communication; interpersonal skills; and process management. Within each of these core categories are numerous specific workshops in which students can participate.

Student Development has established a partnership with the SCV Jaycees to sponsor the program. The SCV Jaycees are active members of the Chamber of Commerce and are comprised of business professionals between 21 and 40 years of age. Generally, the facilitators for the Emerging Leaders Program will be provided by members of the SCV Jaycees.

The Emerging Leaders Program is self-paced, meaning students can choose how often they attend. They may choose to participate in one or more workshops per semester or year. When a College of the Canyons student participates and completes a total of 12 workshops and engages in a service project coordinated by the Jaycees, he/she will receive an official certificate of completion that can be attached to a resumé, or university or scholarship application.

Students who attain the certificate of completion will have their first year’s membership dues in the SCV Jaycees paid for by the Associated Student Government, a sponsor of the Emerging Leaders Program.

For more information, please call (661) 362-3983 or drop by the Student Development Office in Room STCN-102 of the Student Center on the Valencia campus.

College Ambassador Program
The College Ambassadors at College of the Canyons are a group of highly motivated, energetic, well-spoken, and friendly students who act as official representatives of the college to the community. The ambassadors are responsible for providing outreach to potential students and their families, answering questions about College of the Canyons, and promoting the latest advances and achievements of the college. College Ambassadors strive to represent the college in a manner that exemplifies campus pride. They have a strong base of knowledge about the campus and leave a positive and lasting impression of College of the Canyons on those who come in contact with the Ambassadors.

The College Ambassador’s mission is to promote College of the Canyons in a responsible, ethical, positive, and professional manner to prospective and current students as well as faculty, staff, and the community. The College Ambassadors work directly with various college departments in order to serve as a public relations and institutional advancement team.

Associated Student Government (ASG)
The purpose of the Associated Student Government (ASG) is to promote the general welfare of the students, to guarantee equality of opportunity among students, to offer experience in the practice of American democratic government, and to encourage participation in planning student activities as permitted under the Education Code of the State of California and the policies of the Board of Trustees of the Santa Clarita Community College District.

The officers of the student government are elected by the student body to represent all students in interactions with the college administration, staff and faculty, and with state legislators and statewide organizations. Student government personnel serve on district committees and represent student viewpoints and opinions on matters of policy, curriculum, and other college issues.

The activity program supported by the ASG is a college-wide enterprise. Its operation is a direct benefit to each student. Cooperative financial support enables students to pay their own way for value received and at the same time makes a better and more extensive program possible.

ASG Benefits/Student Support Fee
The Associated Student Government provides benefits to all students who pay the student support fee at the time of registration, each term. The revenue generated from the student support fee funds student services, programs and campus activities that benefit all students and the campus.

ASG benefits also include reduced rates or free admission to most ASG-sponsored programs and activities such as concerts, athletic events, and lectures, as well as the following (subject to change without notice):

- FREE 25 Score Card (10-50% discount to 650+ merchants; learn more at www.25score.com)
- Discount movie tickets priced from $6.50 to $8.00 each for Regal, AMC and Pacific Theatres. To purchase, go to STCN-102, Valencia Campus or Quad 1C, Canyon Country Campus.
- Discount tickets and coupons to Southern California theme parks and attractions.
- ASG Computer Lab (STCN-124) privileges, including the use of 36 PC’s, 3iMAC’s, free color & black and white printed (limited use), copier, fax, scanner, and other general office supplies (need Student Support Fee sticker to use).
- FREE entry to all COC home athletic events (need Student Support Fee sticker for admittance).
- FREE or reduced prices to all ASG campus events.
- Over $27,000 in ASG scholarship opportunities (apply at the Financial Aid office first six weeks of
• FREE legal services (consultation fee waived; legal consultant list is available in STCN-102).

Enjoy the following Performing Arts Center (PAC) savings:

• 50% off the regular ticket price on all “Arts on Campus” productions (Performing Arts Department productions).
• $20.00 rear balcony seats for all “COC Presents” (professional engagement) shows.
• $5.00 rear balcony seats for “Almost Free Family Series” shows.
• Student Rush: Day of Event Only, $20.00 tickets for all “COC Presents” events and $5.00 tickets for “Almost Free Family Series” shows. Pending availability at time of discount offer.
• Receive $5.00 off the regular ticket price for specified “COC Presents” events (professional engagements at the PAC) with your 25Score Card. Excludes “Almost Free Family” shows along with rear orchestra and rear balcony sections.

COC students must purchase tickets in person at the PAC Box Office & Patron Services with valid COC student I.D. to receive the student discount. Limit of 2 tickets per student I.D., per event. No exceptions! Promotions are subject to change. All sales are final.

Note: Benefits subject to change without notice.

To receive a refund of the optional student support fee, a student must opt out by the refund deadline date on the student’s individual class printout. Opting out of the fee and all of its associated benefits must be done in person during the registration period for the semester or term in question at any of the following locations: the Office of Student Development, Student Center, Room 102 or the Student Business Office, Seco Hall, Room 101 on the Valencia campus or Quad 1, building C at the Canyon Country Campus during posted business hours. Both locations will have extended office hours during the first two weeks of each semester and the first week of each term. Students may also contact the Office of Student Development directly at (661) 362-3648 to arrange for a special appointment if they are exclusively online students or if their work schedule does not permit coming to campus during regular or extended business hours. After the refund deadline date for the semester/term has passed, students enrolling for late start classes may opt out within one week of their initial enrollment. For more information, please check the Student Development Webpages on the College’s Website at www.canyons.edu or email questions to studentsupportfee@canyons.edu.

Clubs and Organizations

Many opportunities for involvement exist through membership and participation in student clubs and organizations. More than three dozen charters are on file for a variety of clubs and organizations. Please check with the Office of Student Development for currently active clubs and organizations. Students are encouraged to develop new special interest groups on campus in addition to those which already exist. Before a new group is recognized officially, a constitution must be submitted and approved for charter by the Office of Student Development, the ASG and the Inter-Club Council.

No student enrolled at the college may join or become a member of any fraternity, sorority, or club in violation of Section 10604 of the Education Code. Any student who violates Section 76035 or any other section of the Education Code will be subject to disciplinary action.

Student Resource Center

The Student Resource Center is a free service provided to all first-year students at College of the Canyons. The center offers a variety of programs and services that help first-year students adjust to college life including:

Cougar Mentor Program

The Cougar Mentor Program is a peer advisement program providing support and guidance to new students during their first year of college. Students can meet with a Cougar Mentor to find out about campus resources, student success tips, and how to navigate their way through College of the Canyons.

Student Success Seminars

Student Success Seminars are a series of free workshops offered to new students and any student who needs assistance. They are coordinated by the Cougar Mentor Program and facilitated by Cougar Mentors, faculty, and staff. Topics addressed at these workshops range from how to adjust to college life, to ways to succeed inside the classroom.

Student Involvement Campaign

A key to college success is becoming involved in an extracurricular activity. The Student Involvement Campaign is coordinated each fall semester to encourage students to become connected to the College by joining a campus club, organization, student government, or by participating in an extracurricular campus activity.

First Year Experience

As a way to provide further opportunities for success for students, the Student Resource Center offers the First Year Experience programs and services. Prior to, and at the beginning of the fall semester each year, a variety of fun and informative events take place providing a forum for new students to meet other students, staff and faculty. Students learn skills needed to be successful academically and socially at the collegiate level. These activities include Welcome Week, Student Success Seminars and Club Rush. These activities and events encourage new students to learn about student life, campus resources and services, academic programs, and skills needed to be successful students inside and outside of the classroom.

Empower Hours

The Student Development Office also offers workshops as part of the First Year Experience during the fall semester. These workshops focus on topics that are aimed at equipping students with skills and tools to help them succeed during the first year of college. Topics are facilitated by various faculty members and range from time management tips to test-taking skills.
SUPPORT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

Student Development Transcript Program
The Student Development Transcript Program (SDTP) offers students the opportunity to maintain an official record of their involvement in co-curricular activities. When applying for scholarships, jobs, and/or admission to colleges and universities that they wish to transfer to, students are able to supplement their record of academic achievements with the addition of their Student Development Transcript.

The Student Development Transcript Program is offered through the Office of Student Development (STCN-102). In order to receive a Student Development Transcript, each student must first register to be enrolled in the program. Students are encouraged to register for the program as soon as possible to ensure a complete transcript by the time they are ready to apply to transfer to a university or apply for a professional job or scholarships. The Student Development Transcript Program is not retroactive and only activities that have been verified for the current semester can be documented.

To register for the SDTP or for more information, drop by the Office of Student Development, located in the Student Center, STCN-102 or call (661) 362-3983.

Cougar Volunteer Program
The Volunteer and Service-Learning Center has established working agreements with off-campus community agencies and on-campus departments to provide volunteer opportunities for students. Volunteerism through the Cougar Volunteer Program provides many altruistic rewards for the volunteer. A recognition system exists to acknowledge students' involvement in these volunteer activities.

Service-Learning
Service-Learning opportunities exist through various courses on campus that provide students the ability to directly tie in their volunteer experience with what they are learning in the classroom while also receiving class credit. The Volunteer and Service-Learning Center, located in the Student Center, room 110 on the Valencia campus, coordinates the placement of students with community agency partners, provides an orientation to the program, and monitors students' experiences. For more information on participating, or just volunteering in the community, please call (661) 362-3422.

Photo Identification Card
All students are encouraged to obtain a student photo identification card through the Office of Student Development. Besides serving as a form of photo identification, the card is also used by many departments providing student services such as the tutorial lab, fitness center, and the library, which uses the card for books and materials checkout.

Once a student receives the initial card, he or she should keep the card for the entire time period during which the student may attend the College, even during periods of non-enrollment.

The initial card is the only one the student will receive during the student's attendance at the College. The same card is used each semester the student is enrolled. It is necessary for the student to receive a new validation sticker from the Office of Student Development at the beginning of each semester to validate student benefits for that semester.

CAMPUS SAFETY DEPARTMENT
The Department of Campus Safety is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and secure instructional environment while respecting the rights and dignity of individuals utilizing programs and facilities of College of the Canyons. The mission shall be accomplished within the constraints of federal, state and local laws and ordinances.

Valencia Campus:
Campus Safety Office X-8
661-362-3229 and 661-362-3239
If there is no one in the office, you may reach Campus Safety through the switchboard by dialing 0 or, if it is an emergency, dial 7 from any on-campus telephone.

Canyon Country Campus:
Campus Safety Office: Quad 7 – 700A
17252 Sierra Hwy
Switchboard: Dial 3801
Emergency: Dial 77
661-476-3977 office phone with voice mail

CAREER SERVICES/JOB PLACEMENT
The Career Center offers students and community members the tools needed to explore career opportunities, market themselves to potential employers, and find full- or part-time employment. Career Services offers assistance with career exploration including assessment, and advisement. Job Search assistance includes resume critique and development; new job opportunities posted daily; interview prep; internet access and use of fax and phone for job search; biannual job and career fairs; employer on-campus recruitment; and a series of career-related workshops such as resume development, interview prep, job fair prep, job search, etc.

Appointments are available to meet with a Career Advisor. The Career Center is located in the Student Center, room 123, on the Valencia campus and in Quad 1-B110 at the Canyon Country campus. For more information call (661) 362-3286.

CHILD CARE ON CAMPUS
The Children's Program in the Valencia Campus Center for Early Childhood Education has child care openings for financially qualified student-parents of children 12 months to five years of age. The Children's Program on the Canyon Country Campus has child care openings for financially qualified student-parents of children three and four years of age.

In addition to subsidized childcare, there is placement available to students, staff/faculty and the community for a monthly tuition.

For information on morning, afternoon or all-day sessions and/or to see if you qualify, please call (661) 362-3501 or (661) 362-3531.
Under various state-funded programs, free and sliding scale enrollment may be possible. Openings are limited and subject to specific State requirements.

CIVIC CENTER
The Civic Center Office is responsible for processing facility requests for use of the college facilities. Facility requests are available in the Administration Building (see Switchboard) or on the intranet under Facilities Planning Services, click the Services tab, scroll to Civic Center and click on the request link. Please submit a request at least two weeks prior to the event/needs. Facility use questions can be answered by calling (661) 362-3240.

COOPERATIVE AGENCIES RESOURCES FOR EDUCATION (CARE)
CARE is a state-funded program dedicated to assisting single parents who receive cash aid. At College of the Canyons since 1993, CARE is a joint effort between the California Employment Development Department, Department of Public Social Services, California Community College Chancellor's Office, and College of the Canyons to help the student reach his or her educational and career goals. CARE offers academic, economic, and emotional support to the student who is on the road to becoming independent. CARE emphasizes services to ensure student success and is sensitive to the student's needs. Qualified students may receive, but are not limited to:

- Counseling
- CARE peer advisement
- First-day book services
- Parenting workshops
- Group support seminars
- Referral services
- Child care grants
- Self-esteem seminars
- Other services, as determined by need eligibility criteria

To be eligible for CARE, a student must:

- Apply for financial aid
- Be EOPS-eligible
- Be single and head of household
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Have a dependent child under age 14
- Be enrolled full time (12 units or more)
- Be pursuing a certificate, associate degree, or a transfer program
- Be a legal resident of California for over a year
- Receive current assistance from CalWORKs, TANF, or AFDC. CARE information is available in the Student Support Center on the Valencia campus or by calling (661) 362-3279 or www.canyons.edu/offices/eops/.

COUNSELING & PROGRAM ADVISEMENT
The mission of the Counseling Department is to help students reach their educational and career goals. The specific goals are to assist students with the effective use of campus learning resources, student services, and educational opportunities. Counselors assist students in determining, analyzing, and understanding their interests, aptitudes, abilities, limitations, and opportunities. Counselors are also skilled in providing personal counseling assistance to students as it relates to achieving their educational objectives.

Program Advisors are available throughout open office hours at the drop-in desk in the Counseling Office for quick consultations. Program Advisors provide information about certificate, degree, and transfer requirements, and college policies and procedures. Students should contact the Counseling Office or the counseling Webpage at www.canyons.edu/offices/counseling to schedule private half-hour appointments with Counselors.

Students should, before the time of their appointments, study this catalog, the catalog of any college or university to which they may seek transfer, and the Schedule of Classes for the upcoming term at College of the Canyons. To obtain the most benefit from the appointment, students need to be able to discuss their long-range educational goals as well as the courses desired in the ensuing term. Students are responsible for making final decisions concerning their college programs.

New students may attend a New Student Advisement Workshop after completing the online orientation. By the end of the workshop, students will have developed a plan of classes to take their first semester at COC. All students are encouraged to meet with a counselor for educational and career planning. Counselors help students write individual educational plans that list all the courses needed and in the correct sequence to reach their educational goals.

Counseling classes are taught by counselors and cover such topics as college-success skills, career development, and transfer planning. See Schedule of Classes for specific offerings. Specialized counseling is also provided through the DSP&S, EOPS, and CalWORKs.

PROGRAMAS Y SERVICIOS PARA ESTUDIANTES INCAPACITADOS
Si usted está inscrito en el programa de DSPS, consulte con dicha oficina ya que los recientes cortes presupuestales pueden haber alterado la información impresa en este programa.

La Oficina de Programas y Servicios para Estudiantes Incapacitados ofrece servicios de apoyo a estudiantes que tengan incapacidades físicas, psicológicas, lingüísticas y de aprendizaje. Algunos de los servicios que se ofrecen son: ayuda con la inscripción y con la selección de clases, asesoramiento académico y vocacional, tutorías, intérpretes, facilidades para tomar exámenes, ayuda para escribir las notas de clase, y conversión de textos a audio.

Para más información, comuníquese con el vice-rector de servicios para estudiantes, al 259-7800, extensión 3292, o vaya al edificio de administración, oficina A-101.
DISABLED STUDENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (DSP&S)
If you are enrolled in the DSP&S program, budget cuts may have created changes to the program subsequent to the printing of this schedule. Please check with the DSP&S office for any changes that may apply to you.

The Disabled Students Programs & Services (DSP&S) offers educational support services for students with a variety of disabilities, including those students with physical, psychological, communicative and learning disabilities.

Support services and accommodations include, but are not limited to, priority registration, scheduling assistance, academic and vocational counseling, tutorial lab, interpreters, test-taking accommodations, assistive technology and taped text.

For students with learning disabilities or suspected of a learning disability who are enrolled in college classes, DSP&S offers assessment to determine individual strengths and weaknesses and program eligibility according to the California Community College criteria.

Students with verified disabilities who require alternate formats of college publications and resources should check with DSP&S. Materials available include, but are not limited to, Braille, large print, books on tape and electronic text. These formats help accommodate students’ specific needs and are created in the timeliest manner possible.

DSP&S serves as a liaison with the campus and community agencies on behalf of students with disabilities. Students may contact DSP&S in Seco Hall room 103 or by calling (661) 362-3341 in Valencia. In Canyon Country go to Quad 1 or call (661) 476-3813.

Students with verifiable disabilities who do not wish to avail themselves of the services of the DSP&S Department may still be eligible for reasonable accommodation and service. Contact the Vice President of Student Services (259-7800, extension 3292; or Web address: www.canyons.edu/dsps) located in A-101 for more information.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIVISION
Services for the Community:

Small Business Development Center
SBDC offers free assistance to emerging businesses in the Santa Clarita Valley (SCV) by providing a wide variety of information and consulting.

For more information or to schedule a free appointment, call (661) 362-5900 or visit the Website at www.canyonsecondev.org and click on SBDC.

Employee Training Institute (ETI)
ETIs focus is to drive down costs, expand the talent pool in the local workforce, and help businesses adopt continuous improvement methods and processes. The ETI offers training programs customized to the needs of each business or organization. Training classes and services are offered at the client’s site or at one of several college training locations. Class schedules are flexible with schedules based on the needs of the client. They can be offered before, during, or after business hours.

Training offerings can be short or long-term, ranging from a single workshop to a series that runs over several months.

ETI fees are competitively priced, and ETI also offers eligible employers the opportunity to access state training funds through the Employment Training Panel. This allows companies to stretch their precious training dollars farther. Call 661-362-3245 for more information, or come by our office in the University Center, room 279.

Center for Applied Competitive Technologies
The Center for Applied Competitive Technologies (CACT) is one of six technology centers hosted at California community colleges. This center is dedicated to helping California manufacturers compete successfully in the global marketplace by providing them with a single point of access to advanced technology training.

Call (661) 362-3111 or visit www.canyonsecondev.org and click on CACT for more information.

Center for International Trade Development (CITD)
As a newly designated CITD, the college’s goal is to help business owners and entrepreneurs progress through the various stages of export/import trade development and help those businesses grow and succeed. Our CITD is one of nine offices located across the state, providing a full range of free or low cost trade assistance services to both companies and individuals looking to expand their international business presence. For more information call the Small Business Institute at 661-362-5900.

Fast Track Institute
The institute provides fast-paced, intensive, job preparation programs for job seekers, mid-career professionals, recent high school graduates and other community members looking for an opportunity to quickly jumpstart their career. Fast Track has two major focuses: entry level skills and professional certifications.

Fast Track entry-level courses teach the job skills needed to quickly begin working in local businesses and industries where applicants with up-to-date training are in high demand. Most Fast Track courses take only a few months to complete, and result in participants completing a complement of skill competencies they can share with potential employers.

For more information visit www.canyonsecondev.org

WorkSource Center
The Santa Clarita WorkSource Center exists to help job seekers find the right job by giving them access to resources including internet access, employment workshops, interview preparation, computers and printers, communication tools including phone, fax and copy machines. Job developers and case managers assist clients with more focused job searches and employers with targeted recruitment.

For more information call: 661-799-WORK or www.canyonsecondev.org and click on WorkSource Center.
Advanced Technology Incubator
The Advanced Technology Incubator program provides entrepreneurs starting or developing technology-based products or services with additional resources and the in-depth support necessary to launch and grow a successful startup technology business.

For more information, visit www.canyonsecondev.org or call (661) 362-3241.

EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES (EOPS)
The Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) is a state-funded retention program that recruits, and transitions to work or to university, those students who are eligible. The program's goal is to serve and encourage students from various backgrounds to continue their education at the community college level. The specific responsibility of EOPS is to develop programs, services, techniques, and activities that are over and above traditional college programs. Qualified students may receive, but are not limited to:

- Academic counseling
- Personal counseling
- Vocational/Career counseling
- Peer advising
- Priority registration
- Meal cards
- Financial aid referrals
- Transfer assistance
- College survival workshops
- Special tutoring
- First-day book services
- School supplies
- Computer usage
- Study skills workshops
- Cultural awareness activities
- Other services as determined by need

EOPS Eligibility Criteria
1. Full-time student (12 units or more)
2. Legal resident of the State of California
3. Eligible for the Board of Governors fee waiver
4. An EOPS contract must be signed and followed
5. Maintain normal progress (as defined by College policies) toward a goal, certificate, or degree while maintaining a satisfactory grade point average (2.0 or higher)

EOPS applications and information are available in the Student Success Center on the Valencia campus, and Building 1B (by appointment) on the Canyon Country campus or by calling (661) 362-3279 or www.canyons.edu/offices/eops/.

PROGRAMA Y SERVICIO DE OPORTUNIDAD EXTENDIDA (EOPS)
El Programa y Servicio de Oportunidad Extendida (EOPS en inglés) es una programa estatal de retención de estudiantes, cuya misión es reclutar y ayudar a estudiantes cualificados, que no podrían asistir de otro modo a la universidad.

El objetivo del programa es servir a personas de diferente extracción social, animándolas y ayudándolas para que continúen su educación a nivel de la universidad comunitaria. De forma más concreta, el Programa y Servicio de Oportunidad Extendida desarrolla programas, servicios, técnicas, y actividades adicionales a los programas universitarios tradicionales. Hay también estudiantes asesores a su disposición para ayudarlo.

Para obtener solicitudes del Programa y Servicio de Oportunidad Extendida, o para más información, puede ir al la oficina de EOPS en el campus de Valencia o puede comunicarse a (661) 362-3279.

Ayuda económica

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS
Federally and State-funded student financial aid provides access to a college education to those students who otherwise would not be able to afford one. The Financial Aid Office provides a complete array of student services that are designed to help students with educationally-related expenses pay for their college education.

COC participates in these financial aid programs:
- Board of Governors Enrollment Fee Waiver (BOGW)
- Cal Grant B & C
- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant
- Federal Workstudy
- Federal Direct Loans
  - Subsidized
  - Unsubsidized
- PLUS (Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students)

Grant, loan and work study job opportunities may be available to any College of the Canyons student who establishes financial need by completing the financial aid process. Students must complete a financial aid application online at www.fafsa.gov. Eligible students will be awarded financial aid through various types of programs as funding is available. Eligible applicants will be expected to maintain standards of progress to remain eligible for financial aid.

Additional information and criteria for each of the grant, loan and work study programs can be obtained on the College of the Canyons Financial Aid Webpage www.canyons.edu/money4college. Additional information regarding financial aid services is available in the Financial Aid Office located in SCOH-110, or by calling (661) 362-3215, or email at finaid@canyons.edu. On the Canyon Country Campus go to Quad 1 or call (661) 362-3804.

Fee Waiver
The Board of Governors Enrollment Fee Waiver (BOGW) is for California residents and AB 540 students only. Students who qualify for the BOGW, will have their enrollment fees waived for the fall, spring, winter and
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summer sessions. By applying via the FAFSA, students will be considered for all of the financial aid programs, including the BOGW enrollment fee waiver. There is also a separate BOGW application available in the Financial Aid Office, in the College of the Canyons class schedule or on the college Website at www.canyons.edu/money4college.

Grants
A grant is an award, based upon demonstrated financial need and other criteria, that does NOT have to be repaid. The College participates in the Federal Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Cal Grant B and Cal Grant C.

Loans
Low-interest loans made by the Federal government, are available to students to help pay for education costs. College of the Canyons offers three types of Federal Stafford student loans – subsidized, unsubsidized and PLUS loans. The Stafford student loans must be repaid by the student usually beginning six months after leaving college. Current and former students who are in default on their Federal Stafford Loan will not be permitted to receive financial aid, grades, transcripts, or diplomas, nor will copies of their grades be forwarded to other institutions.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS
College of the Canyons offers two types of scholarship programs:

Institutional Scholarships
Students applying for the COC annual institutional scholarship program must submit an online scholarship application. Applications are available annually in February at www.canyons.edu/scholarships. Student notification is in May for awards which will be disbursed in the following academic year.

Outside Scholarships
In addition to the annual program for students, many community groups and organizations also sponsor student scholarships as a means of expressing confidence in College of the Canyons students. Scholarships usually range in amounts from $200 to $1000 and are made available intermittently throughout the year. Student eligibility varies according to each individual scholarship; therefore, scholarship applications must be filed for each individual scholarship for which the student wishes to be considered. Scholarship deadlines vary. Scholarships have pre-established criteria which may include any or all of the following: academic merit, specific educational major, financial need, college/community involvement, and/or transfer to 4-year college/university. Scholarship applications may also require letters of recommendation.

An up-to-date listing of available scholarships is available on the financial aid Webpage at www.canyons.edu/money4college. Further information is available from the Financial Aid Office which is located in SCOH-110, (661) 362-3515. Information is also available at the Canyon Country Campus, call (661) 362-3804 or go to Quad 1.

Student Employment - Workstudy
The Federal Workstudy Program (FWS) allows students to earn money for their educationally-related expenses through a variety of on-campus workstudy positions. These positions are usually tied to community service or to the student’s educational major. Federal Workstudy is awarded through the FAFSA application and funding is limited. While participating in the Federal Workstudy program, a student must be enrolled at least half-time (six or more units) and maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA. Students awarded Federal Workstudy can log onto the college website at www.canyons.edu/money4college to check available job listings.

HOUSING
The college is a community college serving primarily the students who live within the Santa Clarita Community College District. Most of the students reside within commuting distance of the campus. The college provides no campus housing.

As a service to students living away from home, the Student Development Office maintains an online housing board listing available rooms, apartments, and houses for rent. However, the college assumes no responsibility for inspecting or supervising and validating such housing facilities.

Landlords wishing to have their housing facilities listed must indicate that they, in offering housing, do not discriminate on the basis of race, religion or national origin. A signed statement to this effect must be on file in the Student Development Office. The landlords agreement with this statement must be submitted electronically to the College at the time of completing the online posting of information prior to listing. For more information and to view the online housing board please visit: www.canyons.edu/Offices/Student_Development/housing.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS PROGRAM (ISP)
The International Students Program (ISP) assists all foreign students attending the college. Located in the Student Support Center, the ISP staff can assist students who wish to obtain I-20 certification as a step to receiving an F-1 student visa. Counseling of foreign students is available from the ISP staff, who will provide academic, vocational and personal counseling to foreign students. Students are encouraged to contact the ISP Office by calling (661) 362-3580 to make an appointment.

LEARNING RESOURCES
The primary goal of Learning Resources is to support the college curriculum. To achieve this goal, Learning Resources, primarily through the Library and the TLC Lab, provides services and materials to assist instruction, enhance student success, and support lifelong learning.
LIBRARY
The college library serves students, staff, faculty, and the community. Services include reference assistance, orientation, copy machines, group study rooms, instructor reserves, open computer lab (with internet access and word processing available), and interlibrary loans. Printing from many computer stations is possible with the purchase of a print card in the library or TLC Lab. Materials include books, pamphlets, magazines and newspapers; audiovisual media such as videotapes, DVDs, CDs and CD ROMs are also available. A number of online databases are accessible to students, faculty, and staff on campus and at home; these include ProQuest (a large full-text periodical database), Academic Search Premier, Biography in Context and EBSCO Host eBook Collection.

On the Valencia Campus, the Open Media Lab on the library’s second floor houses the video/DVD library, foreign language instructional material, English as a Second Language material, and circulation keys for most group study rooms. The library on the Canyon Country campus is located in Quad 3 room 307.

The library Website, with links to online databases, the online catalog and many special resources, can be accessed at www.canyons.edu/offices/library.

MATHEMATICS, ENGINEERING, SCIENCE ACHIEVEMENT (MESA)
Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) is an enrichment program for students majoring in math, engineering and the sciences. Participation in the program helps to build the skills needed to be successful in math and science courses at COC and beyond. We will also assist with the transfer process. Academic Excellence Workshops help in gaining content mastery for courses such as calculus and general chemistry. The program also supports the development of student learning networks, access to technology, academic advisement, and other support services. The MESA Student Study Center, located in Aliso Lab, room ALLB-114 on the Valencia campus, provides a place where students can study, participate in workshops, and receive free academic support. For more information about the program please call (661) 362-3448.

PARKING AND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS
Permits are required in all student lots seven days a week, 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year. Student permits are valid in student lots only.

Display of Permit
On both campuses, permits must be displayed clearly from the rear view mirror when parking. Failure to display a valid permit may result in a parking citation for the amount of $25.

Refund of Parking Fees
See Refund Policy

Citations
The Security Department receives its authority to enforce the traffic and parking regulations from the California Penal Code, the California Vehicle Code and the Municipal Court. Ignoring a citation will result in immediate legal action in the form of additional penalties and a hold being placed on your vehicle registration with the Department of Motor Vehicles.

Citations will be issued for violation of provisions of the California Vehicle Code as well as the following special college regulations under Section 21113 C.V.C.:

1. Any vehicle parked in a regular stall shall have displayed a valid Student Parking Permit which must be displayed clearly from the rear view mirror when parking in college parking lots. Students with vehicles without permits may purchase a temporary parking permit from the permit vending machines, located in lots #6, 8, 13 and 15 on the Valencia campus and in lots #2 and 3 on the Canyon Country Campus, which requires $2.00 in coins, dollar bills or credit/debit cards for an all-day parking permit good in any student lot.

2. No person shall fail to obey any sign or signal erected to carry out these regulations or any section of the California Vehicle Code.

3. Parking is not allowed in any area that does not have a clearly marked stall.

4. Vehicles parked within a stall shall not overlap the lines that designate that stall.

5. All vehicles shall be parked heading into a parking stall.

6. Painted curbs are an indication of restricted parking and the color denotes the type of parking allowed as follows.
   a. RED ZONE - indicates no parking or stopping anytime, whether the vehicle is attended or not.
   b. YELLOW ZONE - indicates a fifteen- (15) minute time limit for loading and unloading vehicles. Vehicles parked in these areas must leave flashers on.
   c. GREEN ZONE - indicates thirty- (30) minute parking as marked.
   d. BLUE ZONE - indicates handicapped persons’ parking area only with special permit.

7. No person shall abandon, leave standing, any vehicle or motorized cycle on the campus for 72 or more consecutive hours without permission of the Campus Safety Department. Violations will result in vehicle removal and storage.

8. No person shall drive any unlicensed vehicle, nor shall any person stop, park or leave standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended, upon driveways, paths, or the grounds of College of the Canyons without permission. Any unidentifiable vehicle on campus is subject to removal and storage. Exception is made for district-owned vehicles.

Special Parking Areas
VISITORS - Thirty-minute time areas are designed with green curbs on the Valencia campus and Canyon Country Campus. If any visitor is going to be in a space for longer than the designated time limit, he/she should purchase a temporary parking permit from the permit vending machines. Located in lots 6, 8, 13 and 15 on the Valencia campus and lots 2 and 3 on the Canyon Country Campus.
**Handicapped** - Several areas on both campuses are designated for handicapped parking. Vehicles parked in these blue-lined parking stalls are required to properly display a California handicapped placard.

**Staff Lots** - Staff members must have properly affixed on their vehicles, a staff parking permit. Staff permits are not valid in metered stalls, handicapped areas or red zones.

**Motorcycles** - May park in designated motorcycle parking areas located in the south lot 13 and in student lot 4 on the Valencia campus and across from Quad 2 on the Canyon Country Campus. They shall have a student motorcycle permit. A staff permit is required on all motorcycles parking in staff lots.

For additional parking information visit our Website at [www.canyons.edu/offices/campussafety](http://www.canyons.edu/offices/campussafety).

**Parking Lot Security**
The college provides personnel to patrol the parking lots. However, persons parking on district property do so at their own risk. Santa Clarita Community College District does not assume any responsibility for loss or damage to vehicles or their contents while parked anywhere on district property.

**Performing Arts Center**
The Santa Clarita Performing Arts Center at College of the Canyons opened in 2004 and provides performance space for college instructional productions, professional and community entertainment and informational programs. Developed in partnership with the City of Santa Clarita, the PAC boasts a spectacular proscenium theater seating more than 900 and a state-of-the-art sound system, as well as an experimental “black box” theater. Information may be found at [www.canyonspac.com](http://www.canyonspac.com).

**Physical Education/Athletics (KPEI)**
The college has 16 intercollegiate Cougar athletic teams that compete in the Western State Conference. Cougar men’s teams compete in baseball, basketball, soccer, cross country, football, golf, swimming, and track and field. Cougar women’s teams compete in basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, swimming, track and field, and volleyball. Intercollegiate athletic competition is governed by the California Community College Commission on Athletics. Information may be found at [cocathletics.com](http://cocathletics.com)

To be eligible for intercollegiate competition, student athletes must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 units during the season of sport (nine of these units must be degree applicable). Between seasons of sport, student athletes are required to complete 24 units, 18 of which must be degree applicable, with a 2.0 grade point average. Consult the athletic director or athletic counselor (in WPEK-107) to determine athletic eligibility and to complete a student educational plan.

**Student Health & Wellness Center**
The mission of the Student Health & Wellness Center is to keep students physically and emotionally healthy so they can succeed in school and life. Quality clinical services, innovative health promotion activities, referrals and assistance in securing affordable health insurance are provided in a caring, confidential, cost effective and convenient manner for COC students.

**Eligibility**
Full-or part-time students, who have paid enrollment fees and are currently enrolled and active in classes are eligible for services.

**Cost**
No charge is made for most services. A nominal fee is charged for certain laboratory tests or injections.

**Personnel**
A registered nurse and/or nurse practitioner, mental health counselors and a registered dietitian are available by appointment during Student Health & Wellness Center hours.

**Services Include:**
- Treatment of acute illness
- Mental health counseling with a psychologist
- Blood pressure checks
- Free health literature for personal use
- Family planning: information, pap tests, birth control, pregnancy tests
- Screening and treatment for sexually transmitted infections
- Nutritional counseling with a registered dietitian
- Help to apply for Medi-Cal, Family PACT or group student health insurance
- Vaccinations
- Referrals to physicians and other health agencies
- First aid
- T.B. skin test
- Laboratory testing

**Treatment of a Minor**
Any student under the age of 18 is required to have a parental consent form signed prior to receiving treatment, except in emergencies or cases exempted by state law. A minor student’s parent must sign permission for treatment at time of enrollment.

**Accident Insurance**
Accident insurance is included in the student health fee and provides on-campus accident coverage while attending college or college-sponsored activities. It is recommended that each student carry voluntary insurance coverage for off-campus emergencies and illnesses.

Information on various insurance carriers may be obtained in the Student Health & Wellness Center, Student Center; room STCN-122 on the Valencia campus and in Quad 1B on the Canyon Country campus or call (661) 362-3259 for further information.
Health Recommendation
Each student should be free from any communicable disease. It is strongly recommended that student immunizations are current, including two doses of the measles-mumps-rubella vaccine and a tetanus-diptheria-pertussis (Tdap) vaccination within the past 10 years.

VALENCIA CAMPUS
Student Health and Wellness Center
Student Center Room 122
(661) 362-3259

CANYON COUNTRY CAMPUS
Student Health and Wellness Center
Quad 1B
(661) 362-3812

TRANSFER CENTER
The Transfer Center serves as a clearing house for transfer activities and information. The Transfer Center provides a variety of services and information for students who are interested in transferring to a four-year college or university.

In the Transfer Center students will receive assistance in reaching their transfer goals. In addition, the Center offers workshops to assist transfer-ready students in completing admission’s applications, the writing of personal statements and the overall knowledge of the transfer process.

University representatives are available by appointment to provide counseling on up-to-date information on their admission requirements, financial aid, housing facilities, majors and much more. Also available is a 1 unit CSU transferable course entitled, Counseling 120 “University Transfer Planning.”

Students may obtain additional information by visiting the Transfer Center, Counseling/Admissions Office, Bonelli Hall, second floor, on the Valencia campus and Building 1C on the Canyon Country campus or by calling (661) 362-3455. Please go to the Website at www.canyons.edu/offices/transfercenter to get information on activities and events.

TUTORING - THE LEARNING CENTER (TLC)
The Learning Center provides no-cost tutorial assistance for registered College of the Canyons students in English, mathematics, and many other disciplines on a walk-in basis. Computers are equipped with Web development, Microsoft Office, and other software and tutorials for a variety of classes and needs. The TLC also offers proctored testing free-of-charge to COC students and to students from outside universities for a small fee. The TLC offers group workshops for Supplemental Learning and individual Guided Learning Activities (GLAs) as well as Workshop Jams clarifying topics contained in many math and science courses. Additionally, The Learning Center offers COC students online tutoring in select subjects along with Blackboard support for any COC online class. The entrance to The Learning Center on the Valencia Campus is located on the west side of the Library in LTLC-126. Canyon Country Campus’s TLC is located in Quad 3, room 306. For further information about the Supplemental Learning Program, including lists of GLA topics and workshop schedules, please visit the S4S website at www.canyons.edu/Offices/CTE/CollegeSuccess, and for more information about The Learning Center including workshop schedules and subject tutor hours please visit The Learning Center’s website at www.canyons.edu/Offices/TLC

UNIVERSITY CENTER
The Dr. Dianne G. Van Hook University Center affords students the opportunity to earn selected bachelor’s and master’s degrees or credential programs from one of several accredited colleges and universities on the College of the Canyons Valencia campus.

The University Center is home to numerous colleges and universities committed to making degree programs readily available to residents and employers of the Santa Clarita Valley. For more information regarding any of the universities and upcoming programs, please call (661) 362-5150, visit the Website at www.cocuniversitycenter.com.

VETERAN’S INFORMATION
The college is approved for veteran's education and training by the California State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The college is also approved by the Council for Private Post-secondary and Vocational Education for the training of veterans and other eligible persons. Veterans are encouraged to call (661)362-3469 or go to www.canyons.edu/offices/Admissions/veterans. Veterans Affairs is located in Building X-9 on the Valencia campus concerning any matters relating to veterans’ benefits. Veterans who qualify for training under one of the following categories are eligible for assistance payments for themselves and/or their families:

Veterans who were separated from active duty with the armed forces within the past 10 years who participated in the:

1. Montgomery GI Bill - Active Duty Educational Assistance program (Chapter 30),
2. Montgomery GI Bill - Selected Reserve Educational Assistance program (Chapter 1606) and
3. REAP – Reservist Educational Assistance Program (Chapter 1607)
4. VEAP (Chapter 32) - Contributory VEAP or Section 903 - Services beginning on or after January 1, 1977 through June 30, 1985.
5. Vocational Rehabilitation (Chapter 31) - Veterans who served in the armed forces are eligible for vocational rehabilitation if they suffered a service-connected disability while on active service which entitles them to compensation or would do so except for the receipt of retirement pay. The Veterans Administration (VA) determines a veteran's need for vocational rehabilitation to overcome the handicap of their disabilities.
6. Spouses and/or children of the following categories of veterans may be eligible for Dependent’s Educational Assistance Program (Chapter 35):
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- Veterans who are 100% permanently disabled as the result of a service-connected disability. The disability must arise out of active service in the armed forces.
- Service persons who were missing in action or captured in the line of duty.
- Service persons forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign government or power.

7. New GI Bill – The Post 9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33).

Additional information regarding any of the above Chapters may be obtained from the Department of Veteran’s Affairs, P. O. Box 8888, Muskogee, OK 74402-8888. For individual questions regarding claims, benefits, or payments call (888) 442-4551.

To start using your benefits, please go to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Website at http://vabenefits.vba.va.gov/vonapp/main.asp. Once you submit your application, you can meet with the VA advisor at College of the Canyons. To make an appointment, please visit the College of the Canyons VA Website at www.canyons.edu/offices/Admissions/veterans.asp.

Dependents of veterans with disabilities (spouses and/or children) may be eligible to receive tuition-free assistance at any California post-secondary educational institution (community college or university). Additional information may be obtained from the Los Angeles County Veterans Service, 335-A East Avenue K #6, Lancaster, CA 93535, (661) 723-4495.

Veterans Policy

Veterans Administration regulations (21.4253, 21.4277, 21.4135, and 21.4203) have established a requirement that all schools set standards of attendance and progress for attending veterans. The following guidelines have been developed to meet these requirements. For the purpose of this policy, the term “veteran” will be considered to mean all veteran-students collecting educational assistance under Chapters 34 and 35, Title 38, U.S Code.

Evaluation of previous education/training, CFR 521.4253 (d) (3)

This institution will conduct an evaluation of previous education and training, grant appropriate credit, shorten the veteran or eligible person's duration of the course proportionately, and notify the VA and student accordingly.

Counseling

All veterans are required to have course approval and counseling at College of the Canyons prior to the end of their second semester of attendance to help determine the best program available to meet their educational objectives. Veterans are encouraged to consult an advisor prior to each registration and at any other time they have problems concerning their educational program.

Attendance

All students, including veterans, are expected to regularly attend all classes. Any student absent for any reason whatsoever, from any class for one more time than that class meets in one week may be dropped from the class. Students who will be required to leave due to a call to action prior to the end of the term must file an Academic Standards Committee petition with the Veteran’s Office. Official orders must be attached to the petition.

Academic Probation and Disqualification of Veterans Benefits

Federal regulations prohibit the certifying of a veteran or dependent who has been dismissed for substandard academic work or lack of progress. Veterans and dependents follow the same academic standards set for all students attending the College. See the section on “Probation/Dismissal” listed in this catalog for specific information.

Extended Benefits

The Veterans Administration assumes that when students receive an associate degree or complete 70 semester units, they have met their objective. Any additional coursework completed at College of the Canyons beyond this limit requires special justification before benefits may be received. Such special justification might take the form of a letter from a four-year college or university indicating that additional courses required for a specific major will be transferred at full credit.

Duplication of Work

Veterans programs at College of the Canyons cannot duplicate satisfactorily completed previous training. Transcripts of all college work attempted must be on file in the Admissions and Records Office at College of the Canyons prior to certification for veterans’ benefits. (See Credit for Military Service in the following pages.)

INTERNSHIPS AND WORK EXPERIENCE

The Internships Department offers students an opportunity to receive college credit through Cooperative Work Experience Education (CWE) courses. CWE-188 courses have been integrated into programs throughout the College. Internships allow students to apply knowledge gained in courses to an actual work setting. In addition to college credit, students are able to sample career choices and to improve job-readiness skills. This would be in a paid or unpaid work setting. Students may also earn college credit for their current job by enrolling in CWE-189 General Work Experience. Information regarding student eligibility requirements is available from the Internship Office by calling 661-362-3309. To search for an Internship and find out more about how to obtain an internship, visit www.canyons.edu/interns or stop by the office located in Student Center, room STCN-123 on the Valencia campus.