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Instructional Offerings

From Fall 2003 to Fall 2008, 133 course sections were added, a 10 percent increase (excludes in-service training for public safety, CWE, GENSTU and PANC sections). The growth in course sections was made possible by expanding the number of majors and certificates, expanding the availability of space, and adding the Canyon Country Campus. However, system-wide budget cuts resulted in a reduction in section offerings from Fall 2009 to Fall 2011 but began to increase again in Fall 2012. Section offerings increased by 128 sections Fall 2011 to Fall 2012, a 9 percent increase. As a result of the passage of Prop 30 in November 2012, the projected increase in offerings for Fall 2013 compared to Fall 2012 is about 10 percent.

Alternative instructional delivery methods, including accelerated, 100% online and hybrid instruction have been offered. Hybrid courses were first offered in Spring 1999 and 100% online were first offered in 2005. Hybrid and Online sections comprised 11 percent of the College’s offerings in Fall 2012. Nearly 100 Hybrid and Online courses were offered by 38 departments in Fall 2012.

Other alternative delivery modes offered include new accelerated courses such as Math-75 (Intermediate Algebra for Statistics) and English-096 (Accelerated Preparation for College Reading and Writing) and the Personalized Accelerated Learning (PAL) courses, which are back-to-back, short-term classes (8 weeks, each) in math and English. Students in the new accelerated courses, including the PAL courses are able to complete two courses in one semester, thus accelerating their path to completing their educational goals.

Programs

As of July 2013, the College had 36 certificate of achievement programs and 68 degree programs. In addition, the College had 29 Career Specialization certificates and 6 noncredit Competency certificates. New Chancellor’s Office approved programs include:

- Geography-A.A.-T degree
- Theatre Arts-A.A.-T degree
- Sociology-A.A.-T degree
- Psychology-A.A.-T degree
- Physics-A.S.-T degree
- Mathematics-A.S.-T degree

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