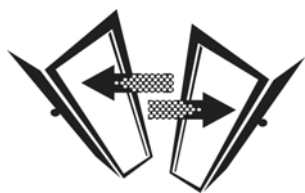




Tech Prep Regional Coordination Project for San Diego and Imperial Counties

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We're on the Web!

www.gcccd.edu/auxiliary/techprep10

Special Counselor Issue

The goal of the Region Ten Tech Prep Coordination project for San Diego and Imperial Counties is to strengthen the collaboration between secondary and postsecondary programs and business and industry throughout the region. Our region includes Imperial Valley, Grossmont-Cuyamaca, MiraCosta, Palomar, San Diego and Southwestern Community College Districts. For detailed information, please see our webpage: www.gcccd.edu/auxiliary/techprep10

Our project has developed Programs of Study, which serve as roadmaps to plan high school and college courses that will help students prepare for careers of their choice. This issue of our newsletter is dedicated to counselors in order to share this information and related resources.

In San Diego and Imperial Counties, the following community college districts/ROP serve the following local districts with high schools:

College District/ROP Tech Prep Contact	School Districts Served
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Imperial Valley College/ Imperial Valley ROP Stephanie Collins scollins@ivrop.org	Brawley Union, Calexico Unified, Calipatria Union, Central Union, Holtville Unified, Imperial Unified San Pasqual Valley Unified
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Southwestern Scott Finn sfinn@swccd.edu	Sweetwater Union, Coronado Unified

Tech Prep

Definition

California defines Technical Prep education as a *“planned sequence of study in a technical field or pathway program beginning as early as grade nine and extending through two or more years of postsecondary education or through an apprenticeship program of at least two years following secondary instruction. The sequence of courses culminates in an associate degree, a certificate, and/or a bachelor’s degree and leads to placement in high skill or high wage employment, or further education.”* (<http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct/tp/>)

Value of Tech Prep and Programs of Study

Because Tech Prep provides a way to organize and align courses, it enable students to take a series, or sequence, of courses that make sense and logically prepare for the next course. Duplication of information and repetition are minimized and student interest is increased. When students receive college credit for high school courses, or are able to meet pre-requisite requirements in high school, they save both time and tuition.

Programs of Study chart the academic and career technical education courses that students can take in high school and college to prepare them for additional college work, and/or for certification and employment in career areas that are in demand and pay well. Programs of Study are developed jointly, based upon academic and career technical education standards, by high school and college educators with input from business and industry. These Programs of Study are helpful guides for counselors, students and their families.

Websites and Contacts for Tech Prep and Programs of Study

Programs of Study for San Diego and Imperial Counties are posted at www.gcccd.edu/auxiliary/techprep10. You can also get detailed information about local community college Tech Prep programs, courses that are articulated for college credit, or those that provide credit by exam and listings of Programs of Study on the following websites:

- ▶ **Grossmont-Cuyamaca College:** <http://www.gcccd.edu/techprep/>
Tech Prep Contact: Natalie Ray 619-644-7826 Natalie.Ray@gcccd.edu
- ▶ **Imperial Valley ROP:** <http://www.ivrop.org/>
Tech Prep Contact: Stephanie Collins 760-482-2600 scollins@ivrop.org
- ▶ **MiraCosta College:** <http://www.miracosta.edu/Instruction/TechPrep/index.htm>
Tech Prep Contact: Jean Kaput 760-757-2121 x 6570 jkaput@miracosta.edu
- ▶ **Palomar College:** <http://www.palomar.edu/techprep/>
Tech Prep Contact: Rita Campo-Griggs 760-744-1150 x 3047 RCampo-Griggs@palomar.edu
- ▶ **San Diego Community College District:** <http://techprep.sdccd.edu/>
Tech Prep Contact: Mara Palma-Sanft 619-388-6884 mpalma@sdccd.edu
- ▶ **Southwestern College:** <http://www.swccd.edu/~techprep/>
and <http://www.swccd.edu/~CareerPathways>
Tech Prep Contact: Scott Finn 619-421-6700 x 15344 sfinn@swccd.edu
- ▶ **Tech Prep Regional Coordination Project:** www.gcccd.edu/auxiliary/techprep10
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Mark Your Tech Prep Calendars!



Thursday, October 15, 2009 Quarterly Management Team Meeting Tech Prep Coordination Project, on-line 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

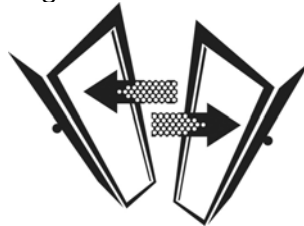
October 28-30, 2009 California Community College Association for Occupational Education, Renaissance Hotel, Long Beach, CA. Registration information:
www.cccaoc.org/conference/InfoAgenda.html

December 2-3, 2009 California Perkins Nontraditional Special Populations Joint Advisory Committee Annual Conference: Tools for Change: Using Data and the 2009 MAVCC Toolkit to Create Lasting Change for Nontraditional and Special Populations Students, Sacramento, Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza
www.jspac.org.

Thursday, January 22, 2010 Quarterly Management Team Meeting Tech Prep Coordination Project, on-line 10:00 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

February 28-March 2, 2010 California Educating for Careers Conference
<http://ccpc-conference.net>

Thursday, April 15, 2010 Quarterly Management Team Meeting Tech Prep Coordination Project, on-line 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. with working lunch.



We would like to recognize the following individuals from business, postsecondary institutions and governmental agencies who advise our project as members of our Stakeholder Group:

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Counselor Resources

California Careers.Info

Career development resources for students, educators and job seekers. California Career Planning Guide available for download or order. Links with additional resources for each of the five chapters in the guide for instructional use.

<http://www.californiacareers.info/>

California Career Zone

Comprehensive career planning website with a California focus. Self Assessment section includes career interest and work profile measures. Industry Cluster section provides detailed information on thousands of occupations by industry sector, including job descriptions, skills and education needed and job outlook in California. Many occupations feature short video clips that show the typical tasks for the job. Reality Check section calculates expenses and income needed and also lists annual and monthly wages, including tax deductions, for a wide range of occupations.

<http://www.cacareerzone.org>

California CTE Pathways

Provides interactive map of career pathways, listing colleges and high schools by zip code, and county.

<http://www.capathways.org>

Career Voyages

National Department of Labor website with comprehensive information for students, career changers and career advisors in English and Spanish. Brief videos of occupations are also included. Includes information on how to pay for college and advanced training.

<http://www.careervoyages.gov>

I Can Afford College.Com

Information on financial aid in English and Spanish. A searchable menu lists financial aid offices by user's zip code. The office provides free resource materials for counselor and student events. Funded by California Community Colleges.

<http://www.icanaffordcollege.com>

Looking for a Career

Brochure for download and interactive listing of all career related programs offered in any community college in San Diego and Imperial Counties.

<http://www.sdiregionalconsortium.org/career.htm>

O*NET

National source of occupational information, providing key attributes and characteristics of workers and occupations. Free on-line Ability, Interest and Work Importance Profiler self assessment tools.

<http://www.onetcenter.org/tools.html>

WHO DO U WANT 2B

Innovative website with clips of actual community college students describing their experiences and career choices. Resource page provides order forms for Counselor Tool Kit, mini calendars and course planning sheets. Helpful links to related web pages.

<http://www.whodouwant2b.com>