



Tech Prep Regional Coordination Project for San Diego and Imperial Counties

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Progress on Programs of Study

Opening doors to education, training and employment success.



We now have Programs of Study in Biotech, Graphic Design, Graphics, Business and Finance, Administration of Justice and Biotech. You can view Biotech and Public Safety Programs of Study templates on our website; <http://www.gcccd.edu/auxiliary>. The remaining are in the review process. Fashion Merchandising and Welding are almost completed. These efforts have led to the development of still more Programs of Study in Fire and Emergency Medical Technology, Automotive, Health and Drafting and Accounting. Using the Program of Study templates creates a process that can be easily replicated for additional programs. Keep posted for new ones!

Stretching the Dollars

The Tech Prep Coordination Project is requesting a "No Cost Extension" to enable us to save un-used funds and roll them into the period from July 1, 2008 to August 31, 2008. It is likely that we will also have some funding for the following year to continue this work.

Business and Industry Buy In

Southwestern College and Imperial Valley ROP have been reporting their progress with Programs of Study to their local business partners. Palomar College recently met with fashion industry employers and reviewed the new Program of Study. In all cases employers welcomed the clear mapping of courses and steps to achieve advanced training in their fields.

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We're on the Web!

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Sustaining the System

One of the goals of the Region Ten Tech Prep Coordination Project is to create a model for the region that can be sustained. To this end we plan to present our work at local employer and economic agency boards and the ROP Steering Committee encourage these organizations to support this work. In the future, new programs can use our model of in-person and on-line meetings across districts and counties to identify and plan Programs of Study and workforce preparation efforts that meet the needs of business and industry and students.

Local Consortia News

Biotech Video

The Tech Prep Program at Mira Costa provides a 6 minute video on Biotech. Check it out: <http://www.miracosta.cc.ca.us/Instruction/TechPrep/index.htm>. You can download this six minute video, record it to a CD or email it.

Thriving on Competition

Imperial Valley Tech Prep Consortia is sponsoring a student competition in welding, graphics and childcare at Imperial Valley College on April 5, 2008. The College of the Sequoias is sponsoring a similar event on April 3, 2008 and has detailed projects in 33 career technical education areas. See www.giantexpo.org for details. Contact Maureen Gevartz mgev@pacbell.net for sample information on projects.

Doing is Learning

Grossmont-Cuyamaca College recently hosted an Administration of Justice Job Fair for high school students in a hands-on tour of college programs. The Administration of Justice program featured a sample crime scene that students had to assess. Cindy Mcquien cynthia.mcquien@gcccd.net has additional information.

Spreading the Word

We shared our work "Reforming High Schools with Programs of Study" at a workshop on February 9, 2008 at the Education Alliance Conference in San Diego. Attendees from California, Utah and Nebraska gave very favorable reviews.

At the California Career Pathways Conference on February 24, 2008 in Orange County, over 40 participants attended our session on "Using Programs of Study in YOUR Career Pathway"

Web Highlights

www.statewidepathways.org is hosted by the The Statewide Career Pathways project developed by the Academic Senate. At a recent workshop, project staff stated that the new Perkins Act will require college faculty to use their articulation templates when creating or revising articulation agreements. There are now 28 templates available and many more are in progress. We need to clarify the extent to which the statewide templates must be implemented.

www.WhoDoUWant2B.com

This is a new website developed by the Statewide Career Pathways project that features quick videos of young people describing their career choice experiences. There are helpful links to Career Voyages and excellent summaries of a variety of career pathways. This website is also related to the recently distributed radio commercial spots on youth market radio stations focusing on community college options.

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Next Steps

Region Ten Programs of Study on the Web

San Diego and Imperial Valley Tech Prep Regional Collaboration Project will be developing an interactive website to post the Programs of Study that we are developing. Mary Wylie is spearheading this on behalf of Southwestern College. The goal is to use the Region Ten Tech Prep website as an interactive site to enable students, counselors and others to sample the options for certificates, associate degrees and college options in a specific career cluster.

Creating a Model

We want to have a coherent process with clear guidelines on what elements to include in Programs of Study. Should we address 4 year university requirements, adult school offerings, transfer requirements? The next Management Team Meeting will be devoted to reviewing the Programs of Study created by Grossmont-Cuyamaca, MiraCosta, Palomar, San Diego and Southwestern College districts and Imperial Valley ROP. We'll compare and contrast the documents and develop guiding principles to ensure that our Programs of Study are sufficiently uniform to enable students, counselors, faculty and family to compare programs across regions.

Meeting Schedule

The next Management Team meeting will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in room 307 at the San Diego County Office of Education. The agenda will be devoted to analyzing existing Program of Study templates and creating guidelines for future development.

	Management Team	Stakeholder Group
March 27, 2008 <i>San Diego County Office of Education, Room 307</i>	10 a.m. until noon Conference Call option will also be available.	
April 24, 2008 <i>San Diego County Office of Education, Room 307</i>	10 a.m. until noon Conference Call option will also be available.	
May 22, 2008 <i>San Diego County Office of Education, Room 301</i>	9:30:-10:45 meeting at location to be announced. Conference Call option will also be available.	11:00 to 12:30 luncheon meeting, at same location. Conference Call option will also be available.

Please share your ideas with us. Contact Maureen Gevirtz at Maureen.Gevirtz@gcccd.edu. We are especially anxious to hear from businesses and organizations who seek employees.