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Santa Ana College Civic Engagement

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All postsecondary institutions are required to make a good-faith effort to distribute voter registration forms to all of their on-campus-degree-or certificate-seeking students prior to their state's voter registration deadline for all federal and gubernatorial elections (1998 Higher Education Act).

The primary goal is to shape civic involvement with a nonpartisan approach aimed at exploring, learning and discussing issues while encouraging participation in the electoral process (see handbook: *Your Voice, Your Vote: www.naicu.edu*).



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Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD), Santa Ana College (SAC) and Santiago Canyon College (SCC) have engaged in this process by providing student voter registration drives, promoting opportunities for students to train and work as solicitors of voter registration and poll workers, creating proximity and access to polling locations, registering students to vote, and educating students on how and why to vote.



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Recent Projects Include:

- ❖ U.S. Census
- ❖ National Study of Learning, Voting & Engagement (NSLVE)
- ❖ Orange County Registrar of Voters: Change in Voting Centers
- ❖ Secretary of State: Ballot Bowl
- ❖ California Citizens Redistricting Commission



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Assembly Bill 963: Student Civic and Voter Empowerment Act

<https://a74.asmdc.org/press-releases/20191009-release-student-civic-and-voter-empowerment-act-signed-law>

- Provide all California Universities and Colleges the necessary tools to increase civic engagement and participation in democracy among young voters.
- Designate a Civic and Voter Empowerment Coordinator on each campus.
- Consult with the Secretary of State with communications; post on social media; hold major events; and develop a Civic And Voter Empowerment Action Plan.



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- SAC Civic Engagement Committee established in 2019
<https://www.sac.edu/sce/student-services/studentgovernment/Pages/Civic-Engagement.aspx>
- Address inclusion in Participatory Governance
- Examine best processes with SAC College Council and benchmark with other community colleges where possible.

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