



SANTA ANA COLLEGE

"Santa Ana College inspires, transforms, and empowers a diverse community of learners."

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) SPOTLIGHT

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Strong Workforce Local Funding Is Coming Again!

by Ruby Flores

With the continuing support of the Strong Workforce Program for CTE programs, Santa Ana College will receive 17-18 funds to cover the following projects:

Project Name	Project Lead
NCE Competency Course (Medical Surgical Re-Entry Course)	Nursing
Biotech Student-Made Biomanufacturing Cooperative	Biology
Creating Clear Career Pathways from Noncredit to Credit	School of Continuing Education
Building a CEWD Sustainable Infrastructure to support all CTE programs	Career Education & Workforce Development
HD Digital Production Camera and Gear Acquisition for New Certificates	TV/Video Communications
Bachelor's Program in Occupational Studies	Occupational Therapy
CTE Job Development	Legal Studies
Autonomous Drones	Manufacturing
Modernize Diesel Emission and Fuel Injection Technology	Diesel Technology

CTE Transitions

Scored: 135 Articulation Agreements
for 2017-2018



Medical Careers Day



April 20, 2018



SAC's Career Education & Workforce Development (CEWD) division joined forces with the School of Continuing Education to bring awareness of medical careers.



Over 40 students participated and were exposed to Nursing, Medical Assistant, and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) programs. As a direct result of this event, 90% of the students indicated on a survey that they are interested in registering at SAC to pursue a career in the medical field.



SunPower Solar Academy



June 4 - 8, 2018



40 SAUSD freshmen students participated in the SunPower Solar Academy. This work-based learning experience allowed students to:

- learn about solar & renewable energy industry
- participate in solar activities
- have a guided Santa Ana College tour
- attend guest lecture sessions
- work in teams to deliver a high-quality presentation on a faux solar proposal.

CTE Internship Success Story



Kim Rodas

Class of '18



Ismael Castillo

Class of '18

Getting the opportunity to be a student intern at the Orange County District Attorney's office was such a privilege as I was able to get hands on experience with attorneys, paralegals and other professionals. I learned how to communicate with clients and how the court system operates in criminal cases. Learning how to communicate and have relations with peers and other professionals has helped me in not only my internship but also my studies. A huge aspect of what I learned was also how to use different software such as Vision, CMS and Adobe Pro. All of these skills have helped me establish skills that are vital for future jobs in the field of law.

Before my internship, I had no experience in the legal field and had no idea if I would even like it, so I found an internship in order to help me determine if this was the right field for me. Thanks to Theresa and Kim Smith, I started interning at the Legal Aid doing civil law for the summer. This helped me realize that civil law wasn't for me. However, in the fall I began a criminal law internship and completely fell in love with criminal law. These internships helped me gain the experience and skills I needed to thrive and helped me decide on a career pathway that is right for me.

Some of the tasks performed during my internship included compiling trial binders, redacting discovery, and organizing discovery. At first, these tasks were challenging as we were always on a time constraint. I would only come in twice a week so getting everything done correctly and in a timely manner often presented difficulties since I did not have the luxury of getting to come in every day. I overcame these obstacles by planning my time efficiently and setting goals to accomplish that day so I would not fall behind and miss a deadline.

I believe this definitely did make me a stronger candidate for employment. This internship has made me more well-rounded, which I believe is an appealing quality for a future employer. I am well versed not only in civil law but also in criminal law.

This past Spring I have finished and graduated from SAC as a political science major and I am very fortunate to say that I will continue my education and pursue my B.A at UCLA in the Fall as a Pre-Political Science major.

Over the course of 10 weeks, I had the honor of interning at Santa Ana College as a Volunteer Income Tax Assistant.

During my time as an intern at Santa Ana College I was entrusted with the responsibility of preparing federal and state income tax returns. I would conduct thorough interviews with clients to ensure that I prepared an accurate tax return and performed quality reviews of other students' tax returns. There were instances where I came across scenarios that I did not know how to approach. Thankfully, there were several experts there to guide me. Additionally, I felt nervous at times because I did not know what scenario would come next. In Tax Accounting, the only way to learn is by becoming exposed to different cases.

During the course of my internship, I was able to use a learning experience as a way to give back to the community. Helping others has always been my passion and I was able to do that by allowing taxpayers to save money on their tax preparation fees. Since my goal is to become a Certified Public Accountant, I believe that this experience is a start that exposes me to similar practices that accountants encounter. I believe that my internship experience will open doors for other great opportunities in the future. I would definitely love to experience this opportunity in the future.

I recently graduated from Santa Ana College with an AA in Business Administration. I will continue my academic journey at UCLA and plan to graduate by Spring 2020.

**SHARE YOUR
STUDENTS' SUCCESS
STORIES!**

E-mail Subject Line "Student
Success Story" to:
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<https://sac.edu/AcademicPrograms/CEWD/Pages/default.aspx>

FACULTY & STAFF SHOUT OUTS



CTE FACULTY, STAFF & PARTNERS

Faculty and staff collaborate and give examples of how their daily work changes the lives of students here at SAC.

As you can see, we are already practicing some of the Guided Pathways Pillars.

Robert Gallego



As a SAC counselor, my goal is to motivate students & guide them through the educational process in order to achieve their long & short term goals. My main focus in the counseling center is to assist students interested in becoming future fire fighters.

Stay on the Path

Nakiesha Kindred



The Office of Admissions & Records is the first stop on the higher education journey. My role is to provide guidance & support to our students, visitors and staff. I process & review a variety of school documents to ensure their records are secure and accurate for years to come!

Enter the Path

Cynthia Pratt



In my job as a chemistry professor, I try to ignite a spark of curiosity for the sciences in my students. I want to make science accessible for all students from non-majors to science majors.

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