Background:
In 1915, Santa Ana Junior College opened its doors to 26 students as a department of Santa Ana High School. It was the second junior college founded in Orange County, behind Fullerton College, and the fourth oldest in all of California. Santa Ana College (SAC) is known for its academic programs as well as top-ranked student services. Students can enroll for full semester, mini-semester (GR8 Weeks), intersession, weekend and online classes. A wide variety of courses are available in business, math and sciences, arts and humanities, and career and vocational education. SAC offers over 300 subjects leading to the associate degree in science or arts or vocational certificate of competency.

For the past six consecutive years, Santa Ana College has been recognized by Community College Week as one of the top associate degree producers nationally for minority students. The college is ranked 20th among the top 100 associate degree producers for “total minority” students in the nation.

Senior Administrators:
Erlinda J. Martinez, Ed.D., President
Linda Rose, Ed.D., Vice President, Academic Affairs
Sara Lundquist, Ph.D., Vice President, Student Services
Michael T. Collins, Ed.D., Vice President, Admin. Services
Jim Kennedy, Interim Vice President, Continuing Education

Fall 2013 Enrollment:
Credit: 18,164
Non-Credit: 10,050

Ethnicity:
Native American: 1%
African American: 2%
Asian: 11%
Latino: 64%
Caucasian: 14%
Filipino: 1%
Other: 1%
Decline to State: 6%

Gender Distribution:
Male: 48%
Female: 52%

Educational Goals:
Vocational Certificate: 3%
Employment-related: 10%
AA/Transfer: 65%
Undecided: 13%
Other: 9%

Age of Students:
Under 18: 4%
18-19: 23%
20-21: 19%
22-29: 31%
30-39: 12%
40-49: 6%
Over 49: 5%

Employees:
Full-time faculty: 211
Part-time faculty: 1,266

Academic Achievement:
Transfers to four-year colleges/universities: 2,229
Associate degrees and certificates: 2,801
Mascot: The Don

Highlights:

- SAC ranks 20th among the top 100 associate degree producers for “total minority” students in the nation, according to Community College Week.
- SAC’s Distance Education Program now offers students the opportunity to earn their associate degree entirely online.
- The SAC Foundation awarded more than $742,000 for the 2012-2013 academic year in scholarships, program funding, departmental, faculty and student support via book grants, Innovation Grants for Faculty and Staff, as well as Greatest Needs Funds.
- Hundreds of international students from more than 40 countries attend Santa Ana College through the International Student Program.

Programs and Services:
While Santa Ana College offers numerous concentrations or majors leading to the associate degree in science or arts, it also offers off-site programs for students seeking basic skills and technology proficiency so they can pursue other goals.

Off-campus Facilities

Centennial Education Center:
The center provides the full spectrum of adult education and continuing education courses for adult learners. In addition to English as a Second Language courses, the center offers adult basic education, citizenship, high school completion, parent education and vocational training.

Orange County Sheriff’s Regional Training Academy:
Located in Tustin, this facility enables Santa Ana College and the Sheriff’s Department to serve more than 800 Academy cadets annually through expanded weekend and evening education and training opportunities for existing law enforcement officers in Orange County and around the state. The academy features four large lecture classrooms, a state-of-the-art multi-media production studio, a multi-purpose room that accommodates up to 1,300 people, a weight training room, as well as an outdoor obstacle and tactical training course.

Regional Fire Training Academy:
This center is used for fire technology, prevention, lecture, and applied practice courses and is located in the city of Santa Ana. It is used by students enrolled in the Fire Academy program, as well as fire professionals for continuing education purposes.

Digital Media Center (DMC):
A facility of both the college district and the college, the Digital Media Center houses one of the largest TV/video production studios in the community college system, digital graphic design labs, and classrooms. The center offers approximately 40 digital media arts, digital music, TV/Video and business courses leading to associate degrees or professional certificates in 25 subjects. The facility also houses the county’s only business incubator for the digital media industry.

Economic and Workforce Development Centers:
Rancho Santiago Community College District Operations Center houses four specialized programs offering a broad range of services, workshops, and courses tailored to the needs of business and industry.

Santa Ana College is part of the Rancho Santiago Community College District serving the following communities:
Anaheim Hills, Garden Grove, Irvine, Orange, Santa Ana, Tustin and Villa Park

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