Classes Begin August 14 at City College of San Francisco; Financial Aid Opportunities Still Available for Current and New Students

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. – There is a lot of good news for current and new City College of San Francisco students. The college is open, fully accredited and many classes are still available for fall 2013. A variety of financial aid opportunities are also available for students who want to enroll this fall but may need a little extra assistance paying for fees, books, supplies and even help with the rent. Students are encouraged to register now as classes begin August 14.

All eligible course credits at City College of San Francisco are guaranteed to count toward a degree or certificate and will transfer to most four-year colleges and universities. People in need of career training or retraining, basic skills courses or who want to pursue a degree should enroll today before the classes fill up.

City College of San Francisco is the largest multi-campus college in the California Community Colleges system annually serving 85,000 students. The college’s contributions and impact go well beyond the classroom. The institution trains the vast majority of the city’s firefighters, police, emergency medical technicians and nurses.

Many successful San Franciscans started their higher education careers at the college and have earned degrees and certificates in growing and in-demand fields such as computer science, fashion, tourism, and culinary arts – careers that have kept them part of San Francisco’s innovative and exciting culture. Others have gone on to transfer and continue their education at four-year institutions.

“City College means so much to the entire San Francisco community,” California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris said. “The city’s businesses are continually looking for well-trained employees to hire, and City College provides them. Because of the college, local businesses are able to find the skilled employees they need, and that helps both the city and the state’s economy.”

With the passage of Proposition 30 in November 2012 and the signing of the 2013-14 state budget, the California Community Colleges system received additional funds that have allowed colleges to offer additional courses this fall which in turn means City College of San Francisco can serve more students.

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“Classes at City College begin August 14 so it’s not too late to enroll and there are still plenty of academic and career training courses available,” City College of San Francisco Interim Chancellor Dr. Thelma Scott-Skillman said. “Both current students and those thinking about enrolling for the first time need to know City College of San Francisco offers quality educational courses at an affordable price. And, if you need help paying for college, we have a variety of financial aid opportunities that can help make your higher education dreams a reality.”

Visit: www.ccsf.edu to learn more about City College of San Francisco’s course offerings, class schedule and to register. Visit www.icanaffordcollege.com to learn about the variety of financial aid opportunities available for students.

The California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation. It is composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.4 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills courses in English and math, and prepare students for transfer to four-year colleges and universities. The Chancellor’s Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

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