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California Community Colleges Begin to Expand Summer Course Offerings after Years of Cuts Thanks to Proposition 30

Chancellor Brice W. Harris Cautions that Full Restoration of Courses will Take Time

SACRAMENTO – After years of scaling back or even eliminating summer sessions, many community colleges across California report that they will expand offerings for students this summer thanks in large part to the passage of Proposition 30 in November.

In an informal survey of the state's 112 colleges, 67 percent of those responding indicated that they would offer more courses this summer than they did last year. Twenty-three percent of colleges said they would offer about the same number of classes, and only 10 percent said they planned to decrease summer course offerings.

"The voters of California made a wise investment in public higher education at the polls last year, and we are working diligently to satisfy pent up demand from students who are eager to learn. This is good news for students and good news for our economy because California needs more college-educated workers,'' said California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris.

Harris, however, cautioned that while the increase in summer courses is a positive trend, it will take years for the community colleges system to make up for the $1.5 billion in cuts that forced colleges to turn away 600,000 students over the past five years. "We are not out of the woods by a long shot," Harris said.

Passage of Proposition 30 means that the community college system will be able to serve about 20,000 additional students this year. Defeat of Proposition 30 would have translated into 29,000 fewer classes offered and 180,000 fewer students served.

Several of the 70 colleges responding to the survey indicated that they will expand offerings across a broad range of academic disciplines. Some colleges reported that financial conditions did not allow them to increase the number of classes this summer, but they are changing the mix of offerings so that high-demand courses get priority.

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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.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A list of community colleges that responded to the informal summer session survey and the respective responses has been included in the following link: http://bit.ly/14t1TpS

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2013 Summer Session Survey Results

College Name	Offered Last Year	Offered This Year	Last year Offered	Increase/Decrease Same as Last Year
Allan Hancock College	Yes	Yes	2012	Slight increase
American River College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Bakersfield College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase
Butte College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Cañada College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Cerritos College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Chaffey College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***588%***
Citrus College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***100%***
Coastline Community College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase **75%**
College of the Canyons	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***25%***
College of the Desert	Yes	Yes	2012	Slight decrease
College of Marin	Yes	Yes	2012	Decrease ***43%***
College of San Mateo	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
College of the Sequoias	No	Yes	2010	Decrease ***50%*** ***from 2010***
College of the Siskiyous	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***20%***
Contra Costa College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***57%***
Copper Mountain College	Yes	Yes	2012	Decrease ***60%***
Cosumnes River College	Yes	Yes	2012	Slight increase
Crafton Hills College	No	Yes	N/A	Increase
Cuyamaca College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase 107***%***
Cypress College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase
DeAnza College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***4%***
Diablo Valley College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***42%***
El Camino College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase
Foothill College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***3%***
Folsom Lake College	Yes	Yes	2012	Slight increase
Fullerton College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***162%***

Gavilan College	Yes	Yes	2012	Slight increase
Golden West College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***102%***
Grossmont College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***525%***
Imperial Valley College	No	Yes	2011	Increase
Irvine Valley College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***8%***
Lassen Community College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***10%***
Los Angeles Harbor College	No	Yes	2009	Increase
Los Angeles Pierce College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***263%***
Los Angeles Southwest College	No	Yes	2011	Increase **10%**
Los Angeles Trade-Tech	Yes	Yes	2012	Decrease ***55%***
Los Medanos College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***30%***
Mendocino College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***73%***
Merced College	Yes	Yes	2012	Decrease ***50%***
MiraCosta College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Mission College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase **3%**
Mt. San Antonio College	Yes	Yes	2012	Slight increase
Norco College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***117%***
North Orange County CCD School of Continuing Ed	Yes	Yes	2012	Slight increase
Ohlone College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Orange Coast College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***150%***
Oxnard College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***100%***
Palomar College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase
Pasadena City College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***113%***
Porterville College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Sacramento City College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
San Bernardino Valley College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***51%***
San Diego City College	No	No	2010	Same
San Diego Mesa College	No	No	2010	Same
San Diego Miramar College	No	No	2010	Same
San Joaquin Delta College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Santa Barbara City College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Santa Monica College	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
Santiago Canyon College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***20%***
Shasta College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***36%***
Sierra College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***60%***
Solano College	No	Yes	2011	Increase ***25%*** *from 2011*
Southwestern College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***37%***
Taft College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***33%***
West Hills College Coalinga	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***57%***
West Hills Lemoore	Yes	Yes	2012	Same
West Los Angeles College	No	Yes	2010	Increase
Woodland Community College	Yes	Yes	2012	Increase ***43%***
Yuba College	Yes	Yes	2012	Decrease ***5%***

STATEWIDE RESULTS

70 colleges responded to the informal survey.

60 colleges offered summer session for 2012 and 10 colleges did not offer summer session for 2012.

67 colleges will offer summer session in 2013 and 3 colleges will not offer summer session 2013.

47 colleges are increasing 2013 summer session course offerings over the last period the college offered summer session; ***16*** colleges are keeping course offerings for summer 2013 the same as as they offered previously; ***7*** colleges are decreasing summer session 2013 over the last period they offered summer session.

STATEWIDE RESULTS CONT.

67% of the colleges that responded are increasing offerings for summer session 2013.

23% of the colleges that responded are offering the same amount of classes for summer 2013 as were available the last time the college offered summer session.

10% of the colleges that responded are decreasing course offerings over the last time they offered summer session.