Welcome

Students in MiraCosta’s Computer Applications Program take courses to prepare for one of the Computer Studies Department’s majors, complete certificates of achievement and proficiency both inside and outside the department in order to enter the job market, transfer, or gain or upgrade computer applications skills for immediate employment needs or personal interest.

A wide range of classes are offered that meet days, evenings, weekends and online. All courses are taught using Microsoft Office 2007, and are designed to provide baseline computer literacy and meet competency standards for industry and business needs. Courses may also be used to prepare for professional certification (see Microsoft Business Certification Testing Center).

Computer Applications Program Course Catalog

- CST 100: Computer Basics I
- CST 105: Computer Basics II
- CST 110: Computer Applications
- CST 115: Intermediate Computer Applications
- CST 125: Microsoft Word for Business
- CST 128: Microsoft Excel for Business
- CST 131: Microsoft Access for Business
- CST 134: Microsoft PowerPoint for Business
- CST 137: Google Apps for Business
- CST 155: Web 2.0

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Student Success Story

Maile Smeal grew up on the big island of Hawaii and graduated from Kohala High School. Even though she was more than 2,000 miles from North San Diego County, she had heard of MiraCosta College and its excellent academic programs.

"People in high school in Hawaii are aware of MiraCosta. It has a good reputation," explains Maile. "When I was 18, I came to California to take a job working in the sales and marketing department of a company in Oceanside. At the time, I wasn't going to attend college. However, I soon realized I needed more computer experience."

Maile enrolled in CST 110, Computer Applications. "This was a great course that really helped with my career and with school. After I finished CST 110, I enrolled in CST 115, Intermediate Computer Applications. Everything I learned in these classes I use every day at my job. I also feel like I have an advantage in my other classes. Whether at work or in school, if I get an assignment, I know I can get it done quickly, confidently, and professionally."

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