The enactment of the Community College Funding Legislation (Senate Bill 361, Scott 2006) established the Career Development and the College Preparation (CDCP) program. Certificates are offered in several areas of study.

NONCREDIT CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY OR COMPLETION

MiraCosta College grants certificates of competency and certificates of completion based on the satisfactory completion of a sequence of noncredit courses, as defined by Title 5 - §55151.

These certificates provide the students an opportunity to gain skills necessary to advance in their career, transition into a new career, transition to credit instruction, or prepare for future academic studies and training. The certificates allow the student to develop individual competencies based upon their personal educational and career goals and objectives.

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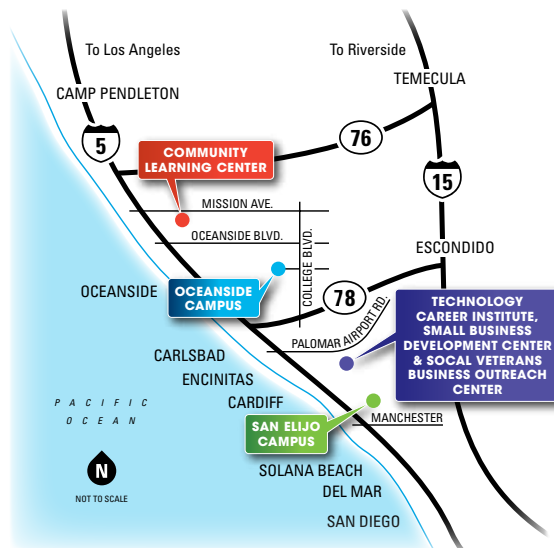
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CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND COLLEGE PREPARATION

Noncredit Certificates

MiraCosta College

CONTINUING EDUCATION

CERTIFICATES OF COMPETENCY

A sequence of 2 or more noncredit courses that lead to a certificate in a recognized career field, or for transitioning to credit, a degree, or transfer.

Beginning Noncredit ESL 2 courses/144 hours

This entry-level certificate is designed to help students communicate in everyday life situations they will encounter in the community and at home, school, and work. The courses in the certificate provide instruction that help students meet their personal, academic, and career goals. Students earn this certificate by successfully completing at least two noncredit beginning-level ESL courses. Students must successfully complete the highest core course and at least one elective course to help them progress through the sequence and transition into intermediate-level courses or employment.

Intermediate Noncredit ESL 2 courses/144–192 hours

This intermediate-level certificate is designed to help students build on their abilities to communicate in English and to progress through the noncredit ESL program. Students earn this certificate by successfully completing at least two noncredit intermediate-level ESL courses. Students must successfully complete the highest core course and at least one elective course to help them progress through the sequence and transition into advanced-level courses or employment.

Advanced Noncredit ESL 2 courses/144–192 hours

This advanced-level certificate is designed to help students build on their abilities to communicate in English and to progress through the noncredit ESL program. Students earn this certificate by successfully completing at least two noncredit advanced-level ESL courses. Students must successfully complete the highest core course and at least one elective course to help them progress through the sequence and transition into Adult High School/GED courses, credit courses, or employment.

High School Equivalency Preparation
2 courses/144 hours

This certificate is for students who have completed coursework in preparation for a high school equivalency exam. In addition to the exam prep course, students will have successfully completed subject specific courses that provide a more comprehensive review of the English, Math, or computer skills needed for academic, professional, and/or personal success.

English Fundamentals–Reading 2 courses/96 hours

This certificate provides a supportive, noncredit, competency-based pathway for students wishing to improve their basic literacy and comprehension skills.

English Fundamentals–Writing 2 courses/96 hours

This certificate provides a supportive, noncredit, competency-based pathway for students wishing to improve their basic composition skills.

English Fundamentals–Grammar 2 courses/96 hours

This certificate provides a supportive, noncredit, competency-based pathway for students wishing to improve their foundational English language and grammar skills.

Basic Education for Academic or Workforce Preparation 3 courses/144 hours

This certificate is designed to help students review foundation skills in reading, writing, grammar, and mathematics. It demonstrates achievement in a set of proficiencies that help students prepare for their next educational or career-related goal. Students earn this certificate by successfully completing a combination of three noncredit courses.

CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION

A sequence of 2 or more noncredit courses that lead to a certificate for improved employability and job opportunities.

Computer Applications–Microsoft Word
2 courses/96 hours

This certificate demonstrates that students have successfully completed beginning and intermediate courses in Microsoft Word that prepares them for employment.

Computer Applications–Microsoft Excel
2 courses/96 hours

This certificate demonstrates that students have successfully completed Beginning and Intermediate Microsoft Excel courses that prepare them for employment.

Basic Computer Skills 2 courses/160 hours

This certificate demonstrates successful completion of Basic Computer Skills 1 for Learners with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (NCSPC 27) and Basic Computer Skills 2 for Learners with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (NCSPC 28), which prepare students for other computer courses and for entry-level employment.

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