

ABOUT MISSION COLLEGE



Mission College, a fully accredited institution, is a member of the Los Angeles Community College District. Located in Sylmar, Mission College proudly serves an enrollment of about 8,000 students. Since its founding in 1975, Mission College has served nearly 150,000 students who have pursued their academic and career goals at our campus. Many have gone on to four-year universities and graduate schools, where they have earned bachelor's degrees or higher.



Thanks to TECH PREP,

I got a head start on college while I was still in high school. I learned about food management and the culinary arts and got college credit for it. I really enjoyed taking classes on the Mission College campus.

– Jessica Marrufo
TECH PREP Student

Tech Prep History

Tech Prep is part of the national educational reform that began in 1990 through the federal Carl D. Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Act. The program was created to address the need for a high tech workforce in the 21st century.



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If college is the best thing that can happen to a high school student, then what could be better than college during high school?

Put simply, that's what Tech Prep is about: a college-bound program for high school juniors and seniors – but one that focuses on preparing and training students to be part of tomorrow's highly technical workforce.

Tech Prep offers participating students many advantages...

A college-bound experience leading to an associate's degree and even a bachelor's degree

High tech career training that begins in high school

No college tuition fees

College prep academics taught with a fun, hands-on approach

An emphasis on teamwork, hands-on learning, critical thinking, and problem solving

Assistance with admissions and registration procedures

Contacts with our business and industry partners

How It Works

Students can take part in Tech Prep in several ways:

- Take Mission College courses on their high school campus
- Take Tech Prep courses on the Mission College campus
- Take regular college courses on the Mission College campus

After high school, a student may choose to find an entry-level career in their field of high school study...or continue at a community college or four-year university.

Many Fields to Choose From

The program offers students an opportunity to train and earn certificates and/or degrees in many areas where careers are now available and expanding.

Administration of Justice

Computer & Office Applications

Fashion/Interior Design

Culinary Arts and Food Service Management

Multimedia

Computer Science Technology

Engineering - CAD/CAM

Law and Paralegal Studies

Child Development

Business, Finance and Retail Management

Family & Consumer Studies

A Team Effort

Tech Prep is made possible through the efforts of a team of educators and business people dedicated to providing students with a unique, career-technical education. Working together, we provide high school students with the training and experience that will make them employable. While the focus is on students, educators benefit as well...

- Educators are full partners in the curriculum process
- Team teaching within schools promotes an environment of creativity and broadens your professional horizons
- Cooperation between secondary and post-secondary levels expands the teaching resources available to you
- Professional development activities allow you to mentor with business and industry.

Tech Prep Industry Sector Project

In addition to the programs listed here, Mission College and its Tech Prep partners are developing curriculum based on three segments of the hospitality industry. Funded through the California Department of Education, this project is called the Tech Prep Industry Sector Project for Hospitality, Tourism, and Recreation. Its goal is to develop college-level courses designed to prepare Tech Prep students for careers in the hospitality industry – specifically in food services, lodging and travel/tourism.

Our business and education partners are a vital part of this project and provide us with advice and recommendations for developing a viable curriculum for each of these areas.

Business Partners Play a Key Role

Tech Prep works in partnership with business and industry to develop a curriculum designed to train a highly technical workforce. Through this collaboration, business partners have an opportunity to meet prospective employees – and have a hand in shaping a future workforce trained in technical and academic skills.

Each year, Tech Prep sponsors a Job Fair and “Focus on Careers Day.” These events provide employers an opportunity to meet prospective employees. And, they allow visiting high school students to learn more about our Tech Prep programs and other academic offerings.

Join the partnership!

Whether you are a teacher, educator, or business professional, we welcome your interest in the program. Please contact the Tech Prep director for additional information.

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