

Services at Modesto Junior College

Services on Campus

OFFICE OF STUDENT SERVICES

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Student Services at Modesto Junior College has as its chief function the facilitation of the education, growth and development of students. The vision of Student Services is to provide exemplary services that support, inspire and empower students to achieve their goals. Our mission is to provide services and programs in partnership with other areas of the college and the community that will maximize each student's success. All Student Services offices value: access, diversity, honesty, innovation, integrity, kindness, respect, and trust.

ASSESSMENT TESTING AT THE TESTING CENTER

West Campus: Yosemite Hall, Room 147

Phone: (209) 575-7728

www.mjc.edu/assessment

The Testing Center administers tests for placement purposes. These tests provide students with results that help them and their counselors understand their individual ability levels.

Testing is one of many measures used by college personnel to assist students in determining course placement in mathematics, English, reading, and ESL courses. Assessment tests are scheduled throughout the year, and should be taken as soon as students complete the college orientation and are admitted to the college to ensure that the results will be available for advising and registration.

Assessment testing is a free service; however, other tests offered through the Testing Center may require a fee. To inquire about test dates and fees, please contact the Testing Center or go to www.mjc.edu/assessment.

BOOKSTORE

East Campus, Student Center

Phone: (209) 575-6840 FAX: (209) 575-6851

Email: bookstore.yosemite.cc.ca.us

West Campus, John Muir, 154, Phone: (209) 575-6966

The Pirates Bookstore East Campus carries textbooks for classes that are held on the East Campus as well as school and office supplies, general books, MJC collegiate fashions, gifts, greeting cards, newspapers, candy, snacks, jewelry and electronics. We have partnered with Journey Ed to offer computer software at educational prices. The Artists' Cove is in the rear section of the East Campus store and carries a wide variety of artist materials and supplies that are required by MJC instructors. The West Campus Pirates Bookstore carries textbooks for the classes that are conducted on the West Campus as well as school and office supplies, candy, snacks, MJC collegiate fashions, gifts, greeting cards, newspapers, jewelry and electronics. MJC catalogs and class schedules may be obtained at both bookstores and can be mailed prepaid on our website. Bookstore hours are extended during the beginning of each semester. Visit us at our website: bookstore.yosemite.cc.ca.us to order your text online, find out about buyback and see the latest store hours.

CALWORKS PROGRAM

West Campus: Yosemite Hall, Room 148

Phone: (209) 575-7770

Website: mjc.edu/studentservices/calworks

CalWORKs stands for California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids. The CalWORKs Programs provides support services to eligible students.

The CalWORKs Program is a state-funded, which works in conjunction with the Stanislaus County Community Service Agency office. To qualify for MJC CalWORKs students must be receiving TANF (cash aid) for themselves. In order to ensure academic success, the MJC CalWORKs program provides eligible students with educational opportunities and a variety of support services, including counseling, book loan, child care, work-study student employment, and bus passes.

CARE PROGRAM

East Campus, Student Services Building Room 210,

Phone: (209) 575-6702

The Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education Program (CARE) is a supplemental component of EOPS. The CARE Program strives to enhance self-esteem, develop college success skills and assist students with meeting their educational goals. CARE provides an eligible student a variety of educational and economic support services above and beyond those provided by EOPS, college, state, county and federal aid resources.

A student may qualify for childcare reimbursements, bus passes, gas cards, and an additional textbook allowance beyond that provided by EOPS. The Program also provides eligible single parents advocacy and liaison services to facilitate the acquisition of CalWORKS resources, as well as informational workshops, an annual winter/spring holiday season and cultural events. For more information call the CARE Program services representative at the number above.

TO QUALIFY FOR THE CARE PROGRAM A STUDENT MUST:

1. *Be EOPS eligible;*
2. *Hold "Single Parent Head of Household" status;*
3. *Have one or more children under the age of 14 years;*
4. *Parent or child must be a recipient of TANF cash aid.*

CAREER DEVELOPMENT & TRANSFER CENTER

Leticia Cavazos, Counselor/Coordinator

Career Development & Transfer Center

East Campus: Student Center

Phone: (209) 575-6239

The Career Development and Transfer Center houses the Career Center, Job Placement and Transfer Center services under one roof.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT CENTER

website: www.mjc.edu/career

Career Development services provide students and prospective students with valuable career exploration tools and

resources such as career workshops, software programs, internet websites, and books. Referrals for career testing and assessments, which may assist students in career selection will be made based on student needs.

JOB PLACEMENT

website: www.mjc.edu/jobsforstudents

Job Placement services help MJC students and alumni find employment opportunities by connecting them with local employers who are looking to hire. The Career Development and Transfer Center serves as a liaison with employers throughout the area who are looking to hire MJC students and graduates. Job Placement activities consist of the following:

- Leads to full-time & part-time opportunities
- On-Campus recruitments by employers
- Job Fairs (Fall and Spring semesters)
- Internship Opportunities
- Labor Market Information
- Resume & Interviewing Tips
- Job Hunting Resources
- Email Job Alerts

TRANSFER CENTER

website: www.mjc.edu/transfer

The Transfer Center's function is to assist MJC students in making a smooth transition to four-year colleges and universities. The Transfer Center supports students planning to transfer by providing information and assistance crucial in the development of successful transfer pathways. Some of the transfer activities consist of the following:

- TAG's Transfer Admission Guarantee - Contracts to designated four-year colleges and universities
- Individual appointments with counselors and university representatives
- Transfer workshops such as "Pathways to Transfer Success," "Completing a Transfer Admission Guarantee," and "Writing a Personal Statement"
- Free campus tours of four-year universities
- Assistance with electronic applications and application fee waivers
- Assistance with admission procedures
- Assistance with admission websites and articulation

- Annual Transfer Day/College Night with over 60 four-year colleges and universities represented

CHILD DEVELOPMENT EARLY CARE & EDUCATION PROGRAM

West Campus, John Muir, Room 157, Phone: (209) 575-6343

Enrollment for ages 1½ to 5 years of age

Our unique Early Care & Education Laboratories, toddler and preschool, are instructional training sites for Child Development majors and are staffed by these student teachers. Our program offers a parenting course in addition to care and learning opportunities for children. Enrollment is open to children of staff, students and the community.

The philosophy of our child-centered program is built on around the belief that -"play"- is essential to a child's learning. There are six program policies that will guide our work: primary caregiving, small groups, continuity of caregiving relationships, daily routines as part of the curriculum, cultural responsiveness, a safe and interesting environment, and inclusion of all children. An anti-bias approach is emphasized and curriculum is selected to support families in feeling included and respected. Each family brings their own culture and traditions which can be shared in our classroom! We believe that families are a child's first and most important life-long teachers and we work to create partnerships with each family. A representative from each family is required to enroll each semester in the Community Education parenting course which is facilitated by the lab instructor.

COLLEGE FACILITIES/ EVENTS/MAIL ROOM

East Campus, Morris Building, Mailroom
Phone: (209) 575-6020

The college is a center for community functions of various kinds. College facilities are available for rent by recognized non-profit community groups when such use does not interfere with the regular educational program.

COUNSELING AND GUIDANCE

East Campus, Student Services Building, Room 226

West Campus, Yosemite Hall, Room 147

Phone: (209) 575-6080

Website: www.mjc.edu/counseling

The counseling and guidance program assists students with decisions which affect their academic and career goals. First-time students should enroll in GUIDE 109, 110, 111, 112, 116, 120 or STSK 78 during their first semester. These courses are designed to help students become better acquainted with the educational opportunities at MJC and develop a program of study that will help them attain their educational goals.

Counselors are available to assist students in identifying needs, assessing strengths, and overcoming barriers to fulfilling their educational objectives, including transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Counselors may also assist students in the selection of appropriate programs of study relative to their chosen objectives. Individual student-counselor conferences are available by appointment or walk-in. Visit the website or call for details.

In addition to a general counselor, the student can work with department advisors to help in program planning. Instructors are also available for individual advising within their academic discipline.

DISABILITY SERVICES (DSPS)

East Campus, Main Office & Alternate Media, Student Services Building, Room 112

Testing Center: Journalism Building, Room 160

Phone: (209) 575-6225, TTY: (209) 575-6863,

Fax: (209) 575-6852

DSPS High Tech Center:

West Campus: Yosemite Hall, Room 145A, Phone: (209) 575-7733

The Disability Services Program is a system of support services and classes available to students with verified disabilities.

Disability Services is designed to meet the individual needs of the students, allowing them an equal opportunity to benefit from their educational experiences. Support may include assistance with planning programs, priority registration, in-class aides, reader

service, note-taking services, sign language interpreting, testing accommodations, and assistance with alternate media.

PROVISIONS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Elevator keys are provided by Health Services to students with short or long-term physical disabilities. Special parking permits are provided to students with short-term physical disabilities.

Informational health insurance brochures are available through Health Services Offices. Students may be seen by a nurse on a drop-in basis at the Health Services Office. Student ID with current semester sticker is required for all services. Call for hours or log on to the Web site at www.mjc.edu/healthservices.

EXTENDED OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMS & SERVICES (EOPS)

East Campus: Student Services Building, Room 210

Phone: (209) 575-6702, Fax: (209) 575-6250, TTY: (209) 575-6633

West Campus: Yosemite Hall Building, Room 152

The goal of EOPS is to promote and facilitate the college enrollment, persistence and retention of students with histories of educational and economic disadvantage.

EOPS provides students pursuing certificate, transfer, and associate's degree programs of study, new student orientations, assessment services, educational consultation and planning, academic advisement, career and life planning, pre-employment, and university transfer services. The program also provides retention services, supplemental tutoring, an "early alert" service and "priority registration" assistance, as well as economic support services including textbook vouchers, bus passes, UC and CSU application fee waivers, graduation cap and gown service and an emergency loan program. The Program also offers EOPS eligible, first-time college students the opportunity to participate in the Summer College Readiness Program, as well as the Bridge learning community in the Fall and Spring semesters of each academic year.

FINANCIAL AID

See student financial services on page 46 of the 2014-2015 Catalog.

FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE (FYE)

West Campus: Yosemite, Room 118
Phone: (209) 575-7790
Website: mjc.edu/student-services/fye

The First Year Experience (FYE) Program at Modesto Junior College is an exciting year long program for first time college students who welcome the support and assistance in navigating their college experience. Because MJC truly values students, the focus of the FYE program is to provide first time students with a comprehensive college experience that provides the necessary knowledge, skills, and resources that will foster success during the first year and beyond. Interaction and relationship-building opportunities with faculty, counselors, and peer mentors will facilitate and support the student's academic, personal, and social transitions to their college environment. Both academic and non-academic active learning activities are designed to assist FYE students in making a successful transition to college in a welcoming and nurturing environment. For more information contact or visit the FYE Office.

FOOD SERVICES

East Campus Cafeteria, Student Center
Vending Machines Available In The Student Center.
East Campus, Pirates Galley/Starbucks, Student Center
West Campus Cafeteria: Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center
Vending Machines Available.
West Campus Convenience Store,
Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center

HEALTH SERVICES

Cecilia Vera, Interim Director of Health Services
East Campus, Morris Memorial Building, Room 108
Phone: (209) 575-6037
Valerie Parker, Interim Director of Health Services
West Campus, Yosemite Hall, Room 114
Phone: (209) 575-6360

The College Health Services Program was established to contribute to the success of the students by promoting physical and

emotional well-being, with strong emphasis on preventative health care. Services are offered primarily on a drop-in basis.

Registered nurses are available to provide first aid, confidential counseling on communicable diseases, family planning, nutrition, exercise and weight management, and all aspects of personal health. Health Services provides vision and hearing screening, blood pressure monitoring, tuberculosis screening, pregnancy tests, and immunizations. Referrals can be made to local community providers as needed including personal and mental health counseling. Non-prescription medications are available for minor aches, pains, colds, sore throats, allergies, and upset stomachs, as are pamphlets and brochures.

In case of illness, your Health Services nurse can provide care in the form of first aid and/or referral service including an appointment to see a physician on campus at no cost. A cot is available for short rest periods at various times during the semester.

In case of injury on campus when the college is in session, or in any college-related activity, students should contact Health Services for information about student insurance coverage.

ADDITIONAL CONFIDENTIAL SERVICES INCLUDE:

DOCTOR CLINIC: A doctor is scheduled to be on-campus weekly. Appointments are scheduled after receiving a referral from the nurse.

STANISLAUS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH AND FAMILY PACT: Provides family planning, and some STD screening once a week.

SERVICES ON CAMPUS

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES: Referral for counseling is available for students expressing the need for minor mental health concerns.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT PROGRAM

Barbara St. Urbain, Coordinator/Counselor

International Center

East Campus, Student Center

Phone: (209) 575-6012

Email: sturbainb@mjc.edu

MAILING ADDRESS:

International Student Program

435 College Avenue

Modesto, CA 95350-5800, USA

The International Student Program provides specialized services, activities, and support to all international students attending MJC. Services such as admissions assistance, academic and personal counseling, orientation, immigration advising, cultural programming, International Club advising, and more, are all part of this program. A special Orientation program is arranged for new international students upon arrival to MJC. Students are encouraged to visit the International Counselor, available in the Student Center.

Modesto Junior College welcomes qualified international (non-immigrant) students to its academic, vocational and technical programs. The college believes that the presence of international students enriches the academic environment for all of its students while providing a quality education for students from all parts of the world. The following is required for admission of all international non-immigrant applicants:

- International Student Application
- Certification of Finances
- Proof of English competency comparable to a 450 (133 computer based, 45-46 Internet based) TOEFL
- High School Graduation (official transcripts from all secondary and post-secondary institutions must be provided with English translations)
- Autobiographical essay

International students are required to pay non-resident tuition. For more information and/or application forms go to

www.mjc.edu/international or contact the coordinator of the program, Student Center (209) 575-6012 or sturbain@mjc.edu.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

West Campus: Yosemite Hall Building, Room 147, Phone: (209) 575-7715

The Modesto Junior College Scholarship Program offers over 150 scholarships annually to eligible students who enroll full time during the Fall semester. Awards range from \$200 to \$2,000 per academic year. Students who will be new incoming or continuing can receive up to a maximum of \$2500 and transfer students up to \$3500. Scholarships are funded by the MJC Foundation, private donors, community agencies and businesses whose focus is to encourage and support the educational goals of the students we serve.

To receive consideration for scholarships, students must have completed 12 units with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher and be actively enrolled as a full-time student the following Fall semester. (Students accepted and enrolled in the MJC Nursing Program will be considered full time for scholarship purposes only.) High school seniors are exempt from the 12-unit completion, but must submit their high school transcript. Scholarship selections are made based upon proven academic performance and strength of major, motivation, potential for success and may include the following: major, residency, organizational affiliation and active community service.

The *MJC Scholarship Application and Recommendation Form* will be available on the MJC Financial Aid link online at www.mjc.edu the first Monday in October and will be due the last Friday of finals week during the Fall Semester. High school seniors who will be new-incoming full-time freshmen during Fall semester will have until the second Friday in March to submit their applications.

For questions or more information regarding the MJC Scholarship Program, contact Melissa Clark in the Scholarship Office at (209) 575-7715 or email clarkme@mjc.edu.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT & CAMPUS LIFE

West Campus: Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center

Phone: (209) 575-7991

East Campus: Student Center, Phone: (209) 575-6700

The Student Development and Campus Life Office is located in the East Campus Student Center and the West Campus Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center. It is home to the student government, Associated Students of Modesto Junior College, and all campus clubs.

Student ID cards are provided free of charge, the Emergency Locating Service, Housing Referral, Student Activities Program, Student Leadership Trainings, Student Lobbying and campus advertising posting approvals are located here. The Student Development Office coordinates many campus activities and special events.

HOUSING REFERRAL SERVICE

The Housing Referral Program has been developed to help students and staff find out about affordable and available housing within the city. A Housing Bulletin Board is available for renters seeking student tenants to list rooms, houses or apartments for rent. Students in need of housing check the board regularly.

MARY STUART ROGERS STUDENT LEARNING CENTER (WEST CAMPUS)

The Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center includes: An ASMJC office, cafeteria, convenience store, TV lounge, game room, computer lab and multipurpose rooms. You will also find an ATM machine, coin exchange machine, vending machines, and video games.

STUDENT CENTER (EAST CAMPUS)

The East Campus Student Center is the focal point of campus life. It includes: Business Office, Bookstore, Cafeteria, Student Lounge, and Student Development and Campus Life Office. For your convenience and leisure there is an ATM machine, coin exchange machine, vending

machines, and video games. Whether you are sharing a meal, attending a concert, volunteering for ASMJC, or socializing with friends—the Student Center provides numerous opportunities for social engagement and academic development.

STUDENT BENEFITS STICKER

The Student Benefits Sticker Program is an optional program where students purchase a \$5 benefits sticker which is placed on the back of your ID card. The special sticker will afford you special discounts. Your Benefits Sticker entitles you to free faxes, copies, scantrons, pencils, local phone calls and more in the Student Development Offices both on the East Campus Student Center and West Campus Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center. Proceeds support student programs and activities. Benefits to students include:

- Free \$2 Go-Print card (while supplies last)
- Free faxes, phone calls, scantrons and copies (limitations apply)
- Discounts from local businesses
- Discounts at campus events such as, football games, plays, and BBQs

STUDENT ID CARDS

East Campus, Student Center

Phone: (209) 575-6700

ID Card Hours: M-Th 8:00AM to 5:00 PM, and Fridays, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

West Campus, Mary Stuart Rogers Learning Center

Phone: (209) 575-7991

ID Card Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 8:00 AM-9:00 PM

Student ID cards are issued free to new students during registration. ID cards are used for transactions in the Admissions and Financial Aid departments, as well as in the Library and Computer Labs.

Students should carry their ID cards to enhance campus safety and security. Students may purchase a \$5 benefits sticker to be placed on the ID card for special discounts with local services and activities. ID cards can be made on EITHER CAMPUS DURING THE OFFICE HOURS ABOVE.

TRIO PROGRAMS

Flerida Arias-Zaragoza, Director of Pre-College Programs
East Campus: Morris Memorial Building, Room 207
For TRIO/Educational Talent Search: (209) 575-6743
For TRIO/Upward Bound)(209) 575-6743

TRIO/EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH

TRIO/Educational Talent Search (ETS), funded by the U.S. Department of Education, is geared to assist students from disadvantage backgrounds and prepare them to succeed in higher education. The MJC TRIO/ETS Program serves over 700 students from Hanshaw Middle School, Mark Twain Junior High, Elliot Alternative Education Center, Modesto and Downey High Schools. A variety of academic, career, financial/scholarship, college admissions, and cultural activities are available to program participants. For more information, please contact the TRIO/ETS office at (209) 575-6743 or visit us on the MJC East Campus in the Morris Building, Room 207.

TRIO/UPWARD BOUND

TRIO/Upward Bound (UB), funded by the U.S. Department of Education, assists low income and/or first generation high school students by providing them with the opportunities to succeed in their precollege performance and in their higher education pursuits. Upward Bound offers a comprehensive program of intervention activities designed to generate the skills and motivation necessary for success in high school and in college. The program serves 125 students from Patterson, Riverbank, Davis, Modesto, Johansen and Ceres High Schools. Upward Bound provides workshops, presentations, tutoring, stipends, field trips, Saturday Academies, and a six week Summer Academic Program with residency at a local university. For more information please contact the TRIO/Upward Bound Program office at (209)575-6743 or visit us on the MJC East Campus in the Morris Building, Room 207.

TRIO STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

East Campus, Student Services Building, Room 112
Phone: (209) 575-6189, Fax: (209) 575-6886

The TRIO Student Support Services program is designed for first-generation and low-income college students to

promote student success, retention, graduation and transfer to a four-year college or university. The TRIO Student Support Services program provides innovative academic and supportive services specifically designed to meet the needs of transfer students. Program services include: academic and personal counseling; tutoring services; academic portfolios; cultural activities, college and university campus visits; information about financial aid and scholarships; career advising; and workshops to develop and enhance academic and personal skills.

VETERANS' RESOURCE CENTER

East Campus: Student Services Bldg, Room 116
Phone (209) 575-6670

The Veterans' Resource Center is an extension of the MJC Veterans Services office. The VRC has been established as a place for to veteran students to connect and support one another. The VRC staff links veterans with campus and community services. The staff also educates the campus community on supporting our veterans as they reacclimate to civilian life and adjust to the college setting.

VETERANS' SERVICES

East Campus: Student Services Building, Room 200
Phone: (209) 575-6017

Website: mjc.edu/studentservices/counseling/veterans

Modesto Junior College is an approved college for the training of veterans and veterans' dependents under the various public laws of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and the California Department of Veterans Affairs. Students eligible for veterans' benefits are urged to contact the MJC Veterans Services Office well in advance of registration, so that necessary arrangements may be made to activate benefits.

Modesto Junior College recognizes credit and grants credit to veterans and reservists for service and training completed in the armed forces. Veterans and reservists will receive three units of Health Education credit and two units of Physical Education credit upon presentation of their separation documents (DD-214). Credit for military

schools will be granted if recommended in the “Guide to the Evaluation of Educational Experiences in the Armed Services.” Credit for these courses will be granted if appropriate (18 units maximum). Dependents of service-connected disabled or service-connected deceased veterans may be eligible for a waiver of fees.

College Clubs and Organizations

Francisco Banuelos, Associate Dean of Special Programs
Student Services, 212
Phone: (209) 575-6045

CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

The Student Development and Campus Life Office is responsible for advising and coordinating activities for student clubs and organizations. Students are encouraged to broaden their horizons by participating in club activities. Clubs are organized to involve students in specialized fields of interest or service to the college and community. If a club does not exist which deals with a student’s special interest, a new club can be formed.

ASMJC Clubs

- Alpha Gamma Sigma
- Amnesty International
- Anime Otaku
- Art
- Black Student Union
- Drama Ink
- Gamers
- Geology
- Human Services International
- Kappa Kappa Psi
- MeChA
- Phi Theta Kappa
- Radio (International Radio)
- Red Nations and Friends
- Young Republicans
- Spirit Club

- Students for Academic Freedom
- Student Environmentalists Organization
- Students with all Abilities
- United Rainbow Alliance (PRISM)
- Veterans’ Club
- Young Farmers

STUDENT REPRESENTATION FEE

The Student Representation Fee was amended in the California Education Code by Assembly Bill 2576 in late 1988. This fee is an optional \$1 cost that can be implemented to serve any California Community College campus through a student body election. In April of 1993, ASMJC held a general student body election with the Student Representation Fee on the ballot. The fee passed and eight hundred forty-five (845) students voted in the election, and 563 were in favor of the Student Representation Fee.

The Student Representation Fee is collected with all other fees at the time of registration, and is deposited in a separate fiduciary fund. Funds collected are allocated to ASMJC and used to represent student concerns in government at local, state, and federal levels. A student may decline the Student Representation Fee for religious, political, financial, or moral reasons. The decline must be stated in writing.

ART GALLERY

The MJC East Campus Art Gallery hosts several original shows each year. Artwork from emerging and established artists, both local and international, are installed in the purpose built space. A wide range of art styles and media are represented including paintings, sculptures and mixed media pieces. MJC students and faculty exhibit their works annually. Students enrolled in the gallery operations class assist in the management and installation of the shows. Please visit mjc.edu/art for more information.

ARTS COMPETITION: THE CELEBRATION OF THE HUMANITIES

For over thirty years the Arts, Humanities and Communications Division and the Literature and Language Arts Division have sponsored an annual campus-wide student arts competition in eight major categories:

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Visual Arts, Photography, Theatre, Writing, Speech, Dance, Music, Film and Video. Awards are handed out at the popular performance ceremony held each April in the Performing and Media Arts Center Main Auditorium. A major student art exhibit is a highlight of this event. MJC students registered in the current summer, fall or spring term are eligible to enter in this exciting contest. Visit arts.events.mjc.edu/celebration/ for details.

ATHLETICS

Modesto Junior College is a member of the Big Eight Conference for both men's and women's sports. The men compete in baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, soccer, swimming, tennis, track and field, water polo and wrestling. Women compete in basketball, cross country, soccer, softball, swimming, track and field, tennis, volleyball, water polo and golf.

Other Big Eight Conference members are American River College, Sacramento; Cosumnes River College, Sacramento; Diablo Valley College, Pleasant Hill; Sacramento City College, Sacramento; San Joaquin Delta College, Stockton; Santa Rosa Junior College, Santa Rosa; and Sierra College, Rocklin.

Since 1937, MJC has hosted an annual statewide basketball tournament in December. It is the oldest community college invitational basketball tournament in the state.

FORENSICS - COMPETITIVE SPEECH

The Modesto Junior College Speech and Debate team has a proud tradition of national champions. The team competes with both colleges and universities in various debate formats and individual events. The competition occurs in state and national arenas. Visit mjc.edu/instruction/ahc/communication/ for more information about how to participate as a novice or experienced speaker.

HONOR SOCIETIES

ΑΓΣ-ALPHA GAMMA SIGMA, UPSILON CHAPTER

The Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Gamma Sigma, Inc., the California Community College Honor Society, is open to qualified

MJC students. AGS fosters academic excellence through local and state scholarship opportunities.

AGS students build leadership skills, work together on community service activities and network with other motivated students.

Initial membership requires completion of 12 units in a maximum of 3 semesters with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0. First semester students with a cumulative high school GPA greater than or equal to 3.5 are eligible to become temporary members. Continuing membership requires a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 and a current term GPA of 3.0 or above. Active participation in club activities is required.

Permanent membership is granted to students with greater than or equal to 60 units completed as well as a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above who have at least one semester of previous membership, or with a cumulative GPA of 3.25 or above who have 2 or more semesters of membership in AGS. Membership information and applications are available in the Student Development and Campus Life Office or at www.mjc.edu/ags.

ΦΘΚ PHI THETA KAPPA - BETA MU CHAPTER

Phi Theta Kappa is present at MJC with the Beta Mu Theta chapter. Phi Theta Kappa is the largest international honor society in American higher education with more than 1.5 million members and 1,200 chapters located on community college campuses throughout the fifty states, U.S. territories, Canada, and Germany. Phi Theta Kappa's mission is twofold: 1) recognize and encourage the academic achievement of two-year college students and 2) provide opportunities for individual growth and development through participation in honors, leadership, service, and fellowship programming. New members will receive a membership pin, diploma seal, and transcript notation of membership. Members are automatically nominated for inclusion in the prestigious National Dean's List biographical publication and are accorded the privilege of wearing the society's gold stole and tassel at graduation. Chapter members will be eligible for Phi Theta Kappa scholarships and are automatically enrolled in the society's transfer database, one of the nation's leading scholarship engines that links

four-year institutions offering scholarships to Phi Theta Kappa members. For more information, call Jim Beggs, program advisor at (209)-575-6164.

ΣXH-SIGMA CHI ETA-ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER

Sigma Chi Eta was established by the National Communication Association (NCA) in 2000 to recognize students at the community college level who are dedicated to enhancing their understanding of and contributions to the field of Communication. Members in Sigma Chi Eta are eligible to represent Modesto Junior College's chapter at local, regional, and national conventions. These conventions offer a wealth of professional resources to help students achieve their academic and professional goals. All applicants must have completed at least 12 units at MJC (any subject) and have completed at least 12 units of Speech Communication courses at MJC or have completed at least 9 units of Speech Communication courses at MJC with at least 3 units currently in progress. Applicants must also have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 and a Speech Communication GPA of at least 3.25 while consistently displaying a commitment to the Communication field. Inductees receive lifetime membership, a certificate of membership, a lapel pin, and graduation honor cords. Applications are accepted during the first month of both the fall and spring semesters. For more information, contact Leslie Collins, faculty advisor, at collinsl@mjc.edu or (209) 575-6482.

MUSIC PERFORMANCE

The college's music department has deep and long standing roots in the surrounding community. Instrumental performance opportunities include Guitar Orchestra, Community Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Community Concert Band and Jazz Bands plus brass, percussion, woodwind, string ensembles and electronic music. Vocal performance opportunities include Masterworks Chorus, college choirs and musical theatre productions. Elementary, intermediate and advanced piano, organ, guitar, instrumental, and voice classes are available to music students. Students who desire to transfer as music majors to a four-year institution are strongly encouraged to contact a faculty advisor early in their

first semester of study at the college. Please visit mjc.edu/arts for current concert performance descriptions and schedules.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Student Development and Campus Life Offices
East Campus: Student Center,
Phone: (209) 575-6700

West Campus: Mary Stuart Rogers Student Learning Center
Phone: (209) 575-7992

The Student Development and Campus Life program offers opportunities for students to develop leadership skills, prepare for civic responsibility, explore diverse cultures, and build a strong sense of college community. The program reflects the needs and interests of students. The program is divided into the following areas:

STUDENT GOVERNMENT (ASMJC)

The Associated Students of Modesto Junior College (ASMJC) is the official representative student body of Modesto Junior College. Student Government officers and senators must have a 2.3 GPA and have completed at least nine units to meet eligibility requirements. ASMJC is completely student-funded, student-elected, and student-regulated, functioning within the framework of policies adopted by the Yosemite Community College District Board of Trustees. ASMJC is the primary forum through which student concerns are channeled. Since most major decisions made at Modesto Junior College affect students, their input has become increasingly relevant. ASMJC is recognized as the "student voice" by faculty and administration.

ASMJC is also responsible for planning, budgeting, and coordinating campus activities for student enjoyment outside of the classroom. Activities include free concerts, field trips, cultural events, and leadership conferences. ASMJC introduces students to a diverse calendar of events for their enjoyment and leadership development.

STUDY ABROAD RESOURCES

The Learning Abroad Library (LAL) housed in the International Center, serves as a resource for students, faculty, and staff who

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desire a study, work, or travel experience beyond the borders of the United States. For more information contact the International Student Program at (209) 575-6463 or (209) 575-6012.

THEATRE AND DANCE PRODUCTIONS

MJC Theatre productions have been popular community events since the early years of the college. Each season the department produces four to six productions including classic dramas, Shakespearean plays, comedies and Broadway style musicals. Shows are produced in new state-of-the-art facilities including a 796 seat proscenium theatre, a 74 seat Little Theatre and a 100 seat Black Box Theatre. Students participate in all aspects of the theatre arts with academic credit available in acting, lighting, costume and scenery production techniques. Visit mjc.edu/theatre for information about auditions and performances.

The Dance department produces three concerts each year and celebrates modern, jazz, ballet and hip-hop styles. Dance students are encouraged to learn to choreograph their own works using student and community dancers to communicate or express a vast range of artistic impressions. Students travel to the annual American College Dance Festival to take classes and perform with movement professionals from all over the world. Visit mjc.edu/dance for more information.



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ABOUT THE LIBRARY

Library services are located on the East and West campuses and can also be accessed through the MJC Library website. The library staff welcomes questions and is happy to help users access and use the many library resources available to them.

The library's collection includes books, magazines, newspapers, journals, DVDs, eBooks, and a variety of online research databases. MJC students have access to Columbia College Library materials via the library's intercampus loan service, and students can obtain research materials from non-YCCD libraries using the library's interlibrary loan service.

Campus library services include individual reference services, class instruction on library research methods, Ready, Set, Research! workshops, copy machines, study space for individuals and groups, and course textbook reserves. Off-campus library services include access to numerous research sources including article databases, subject-specific research guides, and eBooks as well as guided research help using online tutorials, working with librarians via telephone, tweet, text, and email. To access library resources off campus, users simply need to log in using their student ID number and six-digit birth date.

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All students, faculty, and staff, as well as college retirees, have full library privileges. MJC Alumni and Library Friends can pay the \$20 annual membership to the Friends of the MJC Library; this grants them borrowing privileges.

LIBRARY INSTRUCTION

The library offers a variety of learning opportunities to support the information competencies applicable to college-level research and lifelong learning. Students can participate in curriculum-specific instructional sessions arranged by their instructors, attend drop-in research workshops that are offered each semester, or enroll in a formal library research course emphasizing skills that can be used in many research and information applications.

ABOUT THE LEARNING CENTERS

The Learning Centers welcome students who seek to be successful in their courses. Our tutors assist students with course material assignments and in learning study skills that will improve their overall academic performance. The Learning Centers also house the major computer labs on both campuses.

COMPUTER LABS

The computer labs on both East and West campuses have Windows computers equipped with Microsoft Office plus one iMAC. Printing requires a GoPrint card. Staff and student aides are available to assist and answer questions.

WRITING CENTERS

At the Writing Center, you can get the support you need to improve your writing skills. Tutors will work with you on any writing-related task for any subject to help you understand your assignment, gather ideas, focus on the topic, and organize the paper.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) CENTER

The STEM Center is located on West Campus in YOS 235. Math and Science tutors are available to help students to understand homework, as well as course concepts. In the STEM Center, students can also check out Anatomy models, microscopes, laptops, and calculators.

Math and Science tutors are also available to help students in East Campus Learning Center.

ALL OTHER TUTORING

The Learning Centers house all other tutoring, such as Speech, History, Accounting, Anthropology, Psychology, and others. If students do not see their courses listed for tutoring, they can request a tutor from our staff.

SUPPLEMENTAL INSTRUCTION (SI)

Supplemental Instruction (SI) is a series of weekly review sessions for students taking historically challenging courses. SI is offered to any student who wants to improve their understanding of course material and earn higher grades.

STUDY ROOMS

Group study rooms are available for student reservations in both the East and West campus Library & Learning Centers, and are equipped with flat screen monitors and network cables. A large workshop room is available by reservation on both campuses when not in use for the Library's Ready, Set, Research! workshops.