

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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### FAST FACTS

#### Programs

- 83 Associate Degree programs
- 78 Certificate programs
- Traditional, online, TV and hybrid courses
- Extensive not-for-credit Community Education program
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) program for retired community members

#### Student Population

*Note: numbers are averaged and represent the Fall 2010 headcount*

- For-credit courses: Rocklin Campus—13,925; Roseville Gateway Campus—2,415; Nevada County Campus—2,252; Tahoe-Truckee Campus—579; Off-Campus (Online and TV)—3,414
- Not-for-credit Community Education courses: 11,000.
- Osher Lifelong Learning Institute courses: 5,000
- Economic Development job skills workshops and training: 16,500

#### Local Economic and Community Impact

- On-site workforce development training programs
- Internships and local employer job postings
- \$91 million annual budget
- 1,267 full and part-time employees
- Community enrichment: cultural events, theater, music, public lectures, topical forums, sports, art and natural history museums.

#### Highlights

- Transfer—#1 in Northern California in transfers to UC/CSU
- Athletics—2003 NATYCAA National Champion for overall athletic excellence. Only college to finish in NATYCAA top four from 2003 to 2010.
- Sierra College Press—Only complete academic press operated by a community college in the U.S.

#### Geography and Campus Locations

- The Sierra Community College District covers 3,200 square miles serving all of Placer and Nevada counties and parts of El Dorado and Sacramento counties.
- Rocklin Campus  
5000 Rocklin Road, Rocklin, CA 95677 (916) 624-3333
- Roseville Gateway Campus  
333 Sunrise Avenue, Roseville, CA 95661 (916) 781-6200
- Nevada County Campus  
250 Sierra College Drive, Grass Valley, CA 95945 (530) 274-5317
- Tahoe-Truckee Campus  
11001 College Trail, Truckee, CA 96161 (530) 550-2225

## **FACULTY**

Most faculty members have a Master's degree; many have Doctorate degrees. The focus of Sierra College instructors is on teaching rather than research and publishing. Many faculty members also work in the private sector, have written books and are considered experts in their fields.

## **ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND CAREER/TECHNICAL EDUCATION**

- Sierra College offers 83 Associate of Arts (AA) and Associate of Sciences (AS) degree programs and 78 Certificate of Achievement programs such as Allied Health, Applied Art & Design, Biological Sciences, Business, Communication Studies, Computer Science, Electronics, Engineering, Fire Technology, Law Enforcement, Liberal Arts, Mechatronics, Nursing, Solar Technology and Welding and many more.
- Retired residents enjoy Sierra's Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) program that offers a wide range of life-enrichment courses that provide a resource for "lifelong" learning.
- Our Community Education program offers not-for-credit courses designed for personal edification, job re-training or a new career, or just for fun. Community Education is a self-supporting entity of Sierra College that is not taxpayer funded.
- Sierra offers online courses that give students the opportunity to take courses and earn degrees and certificates, from anywhere in the world.

## **TRANSFER PROGRAM**

Sierra's curriculum matches that of a four-year college's freshman and sophomore program. Students can transfer into any major degree program at a four-year college or university. Sierra College ranks #1 in Northern California in UC and CSU transfers. Sierra benefits include:

- Transfers are guaranteed to a number of California state and private colleges and universities
- Most faculty members have a Master's degree or higher
- Sierra's tuition is extremely affordable when compared to most four-year institutions
- Small class sizes and more hands-on training opportunities

## **ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES**

Sierra offers free support services for students including academic counseling, financial aid assistance, tutoring, math and writing centers, computer labs, and a comprehensive library. Career Connections offers free online 24 hour/7 day a week job postings and internship placement assistance.

## **CAMPUS LIFE**

There is life beyond the classroom at Sierra College. Our students have numerous activities to choose from: they can serve on student government, join clubs or athletic teams, take fitness classes, hit the road for field trips, and get on-campus jobs. There's something for everyone.

## **ATHLETICS**

Intercollegiate sports are an important part of the Sierra College culture. Women's sports include basketball, golf, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, volleyball and water polo. Men compete in baseball, basketball, football, golf, swimming and diving, tennis, water polo, wrestling and club rugby. The Wolverines won the initial Pepsi/NATYCAA National All Sports Championship in 2003 and are the only community college nationally to finish in the top four in the NATYCAA competition every year.

## **HOUSING**

The Rocklin campus is one of the few California Community Colleges to offer residence hall living. There are two dorms on campus and a number of independently run apartments close to campus.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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