

## Continuing Education (Adult Education)

### SMC Community Education

**Bundy Campus, Room 112**

**3171 S. Bundy Dr., Los Angeles**

**(310) 434-3403**

SMC Continuing Education offers free classes to adults 18 years and older. Classes in English as a Second Language (ESL) and Citizenship are offered for adults who are preparing to take the examination to become a United States citizen, and for individuals who wish to develop their English reading, writing, and conversational skills before gaining employment or entering college programs that earn credit. The ESL and Citizenship classes are noncredit, which means that no credit units are granted and no grades are issued, and are offered on an "open entry" basis, which means that students can register for open classes at any time during the semester. SMC Continuing Education also offers classes designed for older adults (see the description under Emeritus College), and for students with disabilities (see the description "Counseling – Adult Education" in the Course Descriptions section of this catalog).

## Corsair Newspaper

**www.thecorsaironline.com**

**Letters & Science 172**

**(310) 434-4340**

The Corsair, Santa Monica College's student-run newspaper, has a print edition published every Wednesday during the Fall and Spring semesters, as well as an online news site. The newspaper and its online edition have won numerous national, state, and local awards statewide for writing, photography, graphic design, multimedia, and online content.

The Corsair welcomes all students to help create the newspaper, which is a lifeline of news and entertainment for the entire College community. Each week, students choose what news and issues to cover. Experience on the Corsair can lead to internships with major media companies.

Students who enroll in Journalism 16 become the staff that produces the print and online editions of the Corsair. Students in Journalism 22/Photo 14 become the photo staff of the paper. The Corsair staff also produces multimedia content such as videos for the online site, and manages all Corsair social media accounts. Students should note that it is recommended, but not required, that writers and editors first take Journalism 1 or Journalism 8, and that photographers take Photo 1 and Journalism 21/Photo 13 to prepare for the newspaper production classes.

Students whose schedules do not permit taking the staff classes can become Corsair "contributors." They will take on assignments or create their own in collaboration with Corsair editors, and will receive bylines and photo credits, but will not receive any units of credit for their efforts.

The instructors who teach the Corsair classes are media professionals: Professor Saul Rubin is a published author and former newspaper reporter and columnist, and Professor Gerard Burkhardt is a working photojournalist.

Students interested in working on the Corsair may contact any of the above professors or come into the Corsair office to meet the editors and learn more about the Corsair.

## Counseling Services

**www.smc.edu/counseling**

**Counseling Complex**

**(310) 434-4210**

Comprehensive academic and vocational counseling services are available to all Santa Monica College students in the Counseling Center (career counseling services are available in the Career Services Center). Highly trained and experienced counselors are available to assist students with a variety of issues related to student success. Students are encouraged to visit the Counseling Center at least once each semester to discuss their education goals. Counselors are able to provide students with professional guidance in the following areas:

- Reviewing student assessment test results and other information to determine appropriate course options;
- Exploring academic and personal goals, and identifying possible education options;
- Developing short-term and long-term education plans;
- Explaining the various certificate programs and Associate degrees available at SMC, and offering assistance in researching alternative college options if the student's desired program is not offered at SMC;
- Assisting with identification of transfer options and course requirements for University of California (UC), California State University (CSU), independent, and out-of-state institutions; and
- Providing referral information to other student support service programs on campus, as well as to other off-campus resources.

In addition to one-on-one counseling sessions, the Counseling Center also provides counseling services online (go to [www.smc.edu/oc](http://www.smc.edu/oc)) for students enrolled in on-campus courses (students enrolled in online courses should consult the information available at [www.smconline.org](http://www.smconline.org)).

During the academic year, the Counseling Center holds a number of workshops that deal with such topics as study skills, time management, and the transfer process. The Counseling Center also offers a variety of courses providing a more in-depth study of the topics listed above. Students will find these courses listed under the "Counseling" heading in the Schedule of Classes.

The Counseling Center is located on the southeast corner of SMC's main campus. Drop-in counseling services for quick issues requiring a short consultation (five minute or less) are available in the Counseling Center lobby, and students may make appointments for more extensive counseling services. For Counseling Center hours and other information, visit the Counseling website or call or drop by the Counseling Center.

## Distance Education

**www.smconline.org**

**Media Center**

**(310) 434-3761**

Santa Monica College is committed to providing education programs and services to students who are at sites distant from the SMC campus and to students who need to choose alternatives to the fixed schedule, place, program, and structure of traditional classroom-based education.

The Santa Monica College Office of Distance Education offers classes for transfer, certificates, and skill building through a virtual campus at [SMCOnline.org](http://SMCOnline.org). Enrollment, registration, payment, academic counseling, books, and library resources are also available to students through the website.

For course offerings, technology requirements, admission and registration procedures, student services, and other information—as well as a free demo course—please visit the SMC Online website.

## Emeritus College

[www.smc.edu/emeritus](http://www.smc.edu/emeritus)

1227 Second St., Santa Monica (310) 434-4306

E-mail: [emeritus@smc.edu](mailto:emeritus@smc.edu)

Emeritus College is a unique program at Santa Monica College for adults age 55 and up. Established in 1975, the model program's curriculum includes courses designed to serve the interests and needs of adults who are now in or preparing for retirement, those dedicated to lifelong learning, and those seeking continued personal growth through creative use of their time. Emeritus College classes are offered primarily during the day at our site near the popular Third Street Promenade, and throughout the community—including Malibu—in easily accessible locations. There are no fees for the noncredit courses. Registration and enrollment are by mail, walk-in, or Internet. Registration forms are included in the Emeritus schedule of classes and may also be downloaded from the Emeritus website. Emeritus College also operates an art gallery and hosts opening receptions for its exhibitions of works by Emeritus College students and members of the community. For more information, please call the Emeritus College office or visit our website.

## English as a Second Language (ESL)

[www.smc.edu/esl](http://www.smc.edu/esl)

Corner of 16th St. & Pearl St.,  
Santa Monica (310) 434-4260  
Fax (310) 434-2387

Santa Monica College offers four programs for English-language learners:

1. A credit program offering classes in the ESL Department designed to prepare students for the reading, writing, listening, speaking, and study skills needed for college success and career enhancement; (see [www.smc.edu/esl](http://www.smc.edu/esl) for details).
2. An fee-based intensive English program designed for students who do not meet the TOEFL requirement to enroll in regular college classes (see [www.smc.edu/international](http://www.smc.edu/international) for information);
3. A noncredit continuing education program that offers free ESL classes for adults in the community; and
4. A fee-based ESL program offering workshops, courses, occupational training, and English for special-purpose courses at business and industry sites (see [www.smc.edu/workforcedevelopment](http://www.smc.edu/workforcedevelopment) for information).

## Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS) & Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE)

[www.smc.edu/eops](http://www.smc.edu/eops)

Admissions/Student Services

Complex 104G-P (310) 434-4268

Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS) and Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) offer special support services to help students move forward successfully toward their educational goals.

EOPS is a comprehensive support system of services for eligible participants. Services include academic, career, and personal counseling; supplemental textbook vouchers; free tutoring; priority enrollment; and classes in student success. This state-funded program is specifically designed for students who have historically experienced economic and educational disadvantages, and who desire to pursue a degree or certificate program on a full-time basis. Eligibility for EOPS is based on economic guidelines provided by the State of California.

EOPS offers additional assistance to single parents through the CARE program, which offers support services for meal assistance, school supplies, and transportation to parents who are EOPS-eligible, head of a household, have at least one a child under age 14, and enrolled in 12 units.

Applications for EOPS and CARE can be obtained in the EOPS/CARE office. For more information, call or drop by the EOPS/CARE office (located behind the Financial Aid Office), or visit the EOPS website.

## Financial Aid & Scholarships

Financial Aid:

[www.smc.edu/financialaid](http://www.smc.edu/financialaid)

Admissions/Student Services

Complex 104 (310) 434-4343

Scholarships:

[www.smc.edu/scholarships](http://www.smc.edu/scholarships)

1738 Pearl St., Santa Monica (310) 434-4290

Santa Monica College provides a variety of resources at two campus locations to assist and encourage students who need financial assistance. Federal and State grants, work-study, loans, and fee waivers are available through SMC's Financial Aid Office. Scholarships—many with no requirements for financial need—are offered for a wide range of achievements and activities through SMC's Scholarship Office. Together, Financial Aid and Scholarships annually provide over \$50 million of assistance to SMC students!

Students can apply for federal financial aid and Board of Governors (BOG) Enrollment Fee Waivers directly through the SMC Financial Aid website ([www.smc.edu/financialaid](http://www.smc.edu/financialaid)). At this website, students can find links to federal and state agencies. Students can also find answers to their questions in the SMC Student Financial Aid Handbook. For specific questions, students can drop by the Financial Aid Office.

SMC's Scholarship Office provides information about scholarships to aid students—including high school students—entering or continuing at SMC, or transferring from SMC to a four-year college or university. The Scholarship Office distributes more than \$450,000 in scholarship funds each year from