DESCRIPTION

The mission of CSS is to prepare students for success at Cuesta College. Through the instruction of pre-collegiate, basic skills, and transfer-level coursework emphasizing college readiness, CSS effectively supports students in their efforts to improve foundational and college-readiness skills. CSS courses and curriculum are designed to provide dynamic and challenging learning opportunities that encourage critical and creative thinking strategies. Our courses support students working toward a variety of educational goals, including transferring to four year institutions, earning certificates or associate degrees and advancing in the workforce. Finally, the CSS department plays a vital role in college-wide professional development activities to encourage student success and retention strategies across the curriculum.

The CSS department offers a variety of courses some of which have a distance education option. CSS courses include:

- basic skills reading and writing strategies
- learning skills
- college success
- tutor training
- college success support lab

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

A Certificate Program is designed for students who desire specific training to meet an immediate occupational or personal goal, or for promotion or lateral transfer within their existing field of employment. To qualify for a Certificate of Achievement or a Certificate of Specialization, a student must 1) complete all courses required for the Certificate with an overall grade point average of 2.0.

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Noncredit Reading, Writing, and Grammar — Certificate of Competency

Required Courses (0 credits)

CSS 758 . . . . . Grammar Strategies
CSS 789 . . . . . Integrated Reading And Writing

Click Here for Program Student Learning Outcomes

DEGREES, CERTIFICATES & AWARDS

- Certificate of Competency (C.C.)

Gainful Employment: Federal regulations require institutions to provide students with Gainful Employment information for specific certificate programs offered at Cuesta College. Information for each certificate program can be found by following this link: www.cuesta.edu/student/studentservices/finaid/gainfulemployment

FINANCIAL AID

Paying for the cost of a college education requires a partnership among parents, students and the college. As the cost of higher education continues to rise we want you to know that Cuesta College offers a full array of financial aid programs—grants, work study, scholarships, federal loan programs, and fee waivers. These programs are available to both full-and part-time students who are seeking a degree or certificate. For those who qualify, financial aid is available to help with tuition, fees, books and supplies, food, housing, transportation, and childcare. Please log onto our website for additional information: www.cuesta.edu/student/studentservices/finaid

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