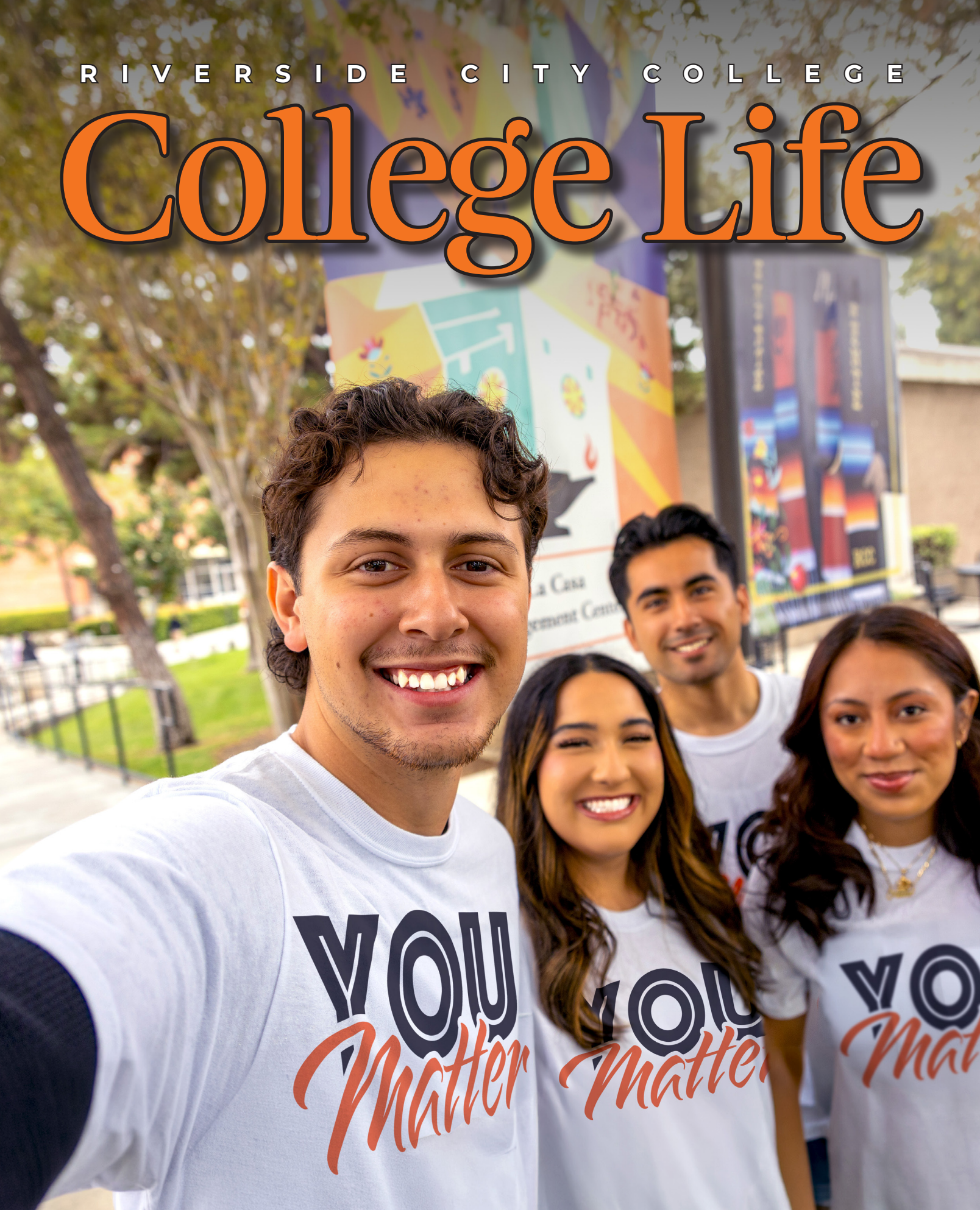
RIVERSIDE CITY COLLEGE

College Life



RIVERSIDE CITY COLLEGE • 4800 MAGNOLIA AVE. • RIVERSIDE, CA 92506



TO RIVERSIDE CITY COLLEGE!

Consider pursuing your education at Riverside City College (RCC), where the faculty, classified staff, and administrators are dedicated to providing a supportive, inclusive, and collaborative learning environment. RCC offers numerous academic and career education programs organized into eight pathways, which are highlighted in this guidebook to help you get started.

RCC's team is prepared and available to assist you every step of the way throughout your academic journey. Our student and academic support services are tailored to help every student succeed in college. These services encompass transfer and career services, academic planning, tutoring, health and psychological services, engagement, and more.

We are excited to welcome you to RCC, either on campus or virtually, and help you embark on your academic journey!

Become A TIGER

Getting started at RCC is simple. Start by exploring your career options at www.calcareercenter.org or on our website at www.rcc.edu

1 APPLY

Complete the Online Application and the Student Financial Aid Application (FAFSA) or DREAM Act Application even if you don't think you qualify. If you need help with these applications, contact the Welcome Center or Admissions & Records. For assistance with applying for financial aid, please contact Student Financial Services. All offer online support.

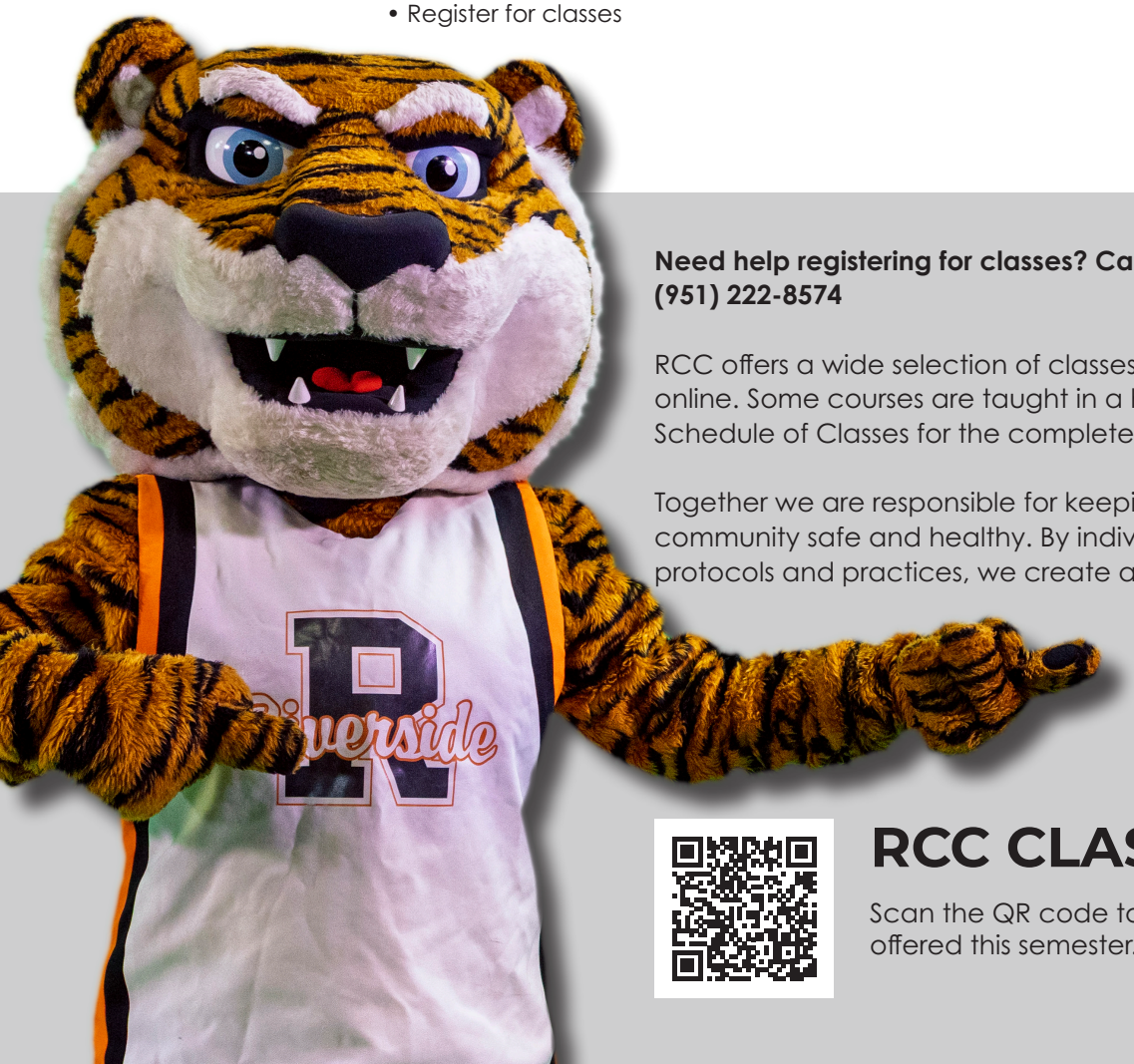
2 ORIENTATION

Once your online application is submitted, you'll receive information about the Online Orientation. If this is your first time applying to RCC, within one business day you will receive an official welcome email with your MyPortal information.

3 REGISTER

You're now ready to register for classes. Log in through MyPortal and you will be able to:

- See your Abbreviated Educational Plan
- View your suggested first-term courses
- Find registration dates and deadlines
- Register for classes



Need help registering for classes? Call the Welcome Center at: (951) 222-8574

RCC offers a wide selection of classes and programs in-person and online. Some courses are taught in a hybrid format. Check out the Schedule of Classes for the complete list of classes.

Together we are responsible for keeping the Riverside City College community safe and healthy. By individually following College protocols and practices, we create a safe campus for everyone.

RCC CLASS SCHEDULE

Scan the QR code to see what classes are being offered this semester.

Benefits OF ATTENDING RCC

- A variety of **PROGRAMS** and **PATHWAYS**
- **FLEXIBLE** class offerings: *day, evening, in-person, hybrid, and online*
- Experienced and qualified **FACULTY;** *30% of faculty have a doctorate degree*
- Programs for **TRANSFER** - *Associate Degrees for Transfer Pathways to UC and CSU*

Attending RCC is not only the smart choice, it is an **affordable choice**. The cost to attend a California community college is $46 per unit, meaning that the tuition for a three-unit class costs just $138.

Most students qualify for various **financial aid** opportunities – such as the California College Promise Grant, Pell Grant, work study, and local scholarships offered by the RCCD Foundation.

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (fafsa.gov) or California Dream Act Application (csac.ca.gov) for ways to help fund your education.

Scholarships are available through the RCCD Foundation (rcc.edu/scholarship).

College is *Affordable* at just **$46** per unit



> *"I discovered confidence in my abilities and a clearer vision for my future. RCC became more than just a college to me. It became a place where I grew."*
>
> ***-RCC Guardian Scholars Student***



Promise Program

RCC Promise Program opens the door to college success. The RCC Promise Program helps full-time students take the next step toward their future by removing financial barriers and creating a strong sense of community and support. **Eligible students receive free tuition, a $250 textbook credit each semester, priority registration, and access to dedicated support services designed to help them succeed both inside and outside the classroom.**

To maintain eligibility in the Promise Program, students are expected to complete their degree within two years, while STEM majors may qualify for up to three years of support due to the extended requirements of their program.

Learn more by scanning the QR code at the top of this page.

Student LIFE



Student life at RCC extends beyond the classroom. Through cultural events, on campus activities, and extracurricular programs, students learn important life skills, meet new people, and increase awareness and appreciation of diversity. Best of all, student life contributes to a memorable college experience.

Many events are coordinated by the Associated Students of RCC and take place on campus and virtually. You are encouraged to get involved by joining a club, attending athletic competitions, and participating in activities at RCC. Check out the Events calendar on the website to see all that is happening at RCC.







Getting STARTED

Visit Your Engagement Center

After you apply, the best place to start at RCC is your Engagement Center. Each pathway offers a dedicated Center which provides individual support and guidance based on your major. Educational advisors, counselors, enrollment and evaluation specialists, peer mentors, and faculty center coordinators provide academic and career guidance.

Your Engagement Center team is here for your success.

Job PLACEMENT

Connecting Students With Employment

Looking for part-time employment opportunities while you are attending RCC or full-time employment opportunities related to your career path? The Job Placement Program helps students build the necessary skills to land and keep a job in this tough and ever-changing economy. The Job Placement team also connects students with employers in the community looking for RCC talent.





Residential SCHOLARS

The RCCD–UCR Residential Scholars program offers RCCD students a unique residential experience at the University of California, Riverside (UCR). Through this innovative partnership, students live in UCR's North District 2 Residential Hall while pursuing their studies at RCCD. The goal of the program is to provide a supportive on-campus living experience that strengthens transfer pathways and prepares students for a seamless transition to four-year university life.

What's YOUR PATH?



Advanced Technical ARTS & TRADES



> *"Thanks to the support I received at Riverside City College, I was able to land a job in my career right after college and begin building the future I always wanted."*
>
> ***-Ozzwald Ruiz***
>
> ***RCC Applied Digital Media and Printing Alumnus***

AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION

The Air Conditioning and Refrigeration program prepares individuals to install, diagnose, repair, and maintain the operating condition of domestic, residential, and commercial heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration systems.

APPLIED DIGITAL MEDIA AND PRINTING

The Applied Digital Media and Printing program focuses on printing and digital media with an emphasis on examining emerging trends. The program provides students with technical knowledge and industry skills in preparation for careers in graphic design, graphic communications, visual technology, and commercial printing.

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY

Automotive Technology prepares students for a lifetime occupation. This program educates students about the various aspects of automotive technology and encompasses a diverse choice of concentrations including automotive body repair, electrical, mechanical, and automotive trim and upholstery.

COSMETOLOGY

Students seeking careers in professional cosmetic services should enroll in the Cosmetology program. Graduates of the program find employment in salons, resorts, casinos, dermatologist's offices and other related industry establishments. The College offers a comprehensive sequence of courses designed to prepare students for licensure as cosmetologists, barbers, and estheticians in the state of California.

CULINARY ARTS AND BAKING & PASTRY

The Culinary Arts and Baking & Pastry programs prepare students for careers as a professional chef, pastry chef, and in hospitality services for restaurants and other commercial food establishments. Courses are designed to provide professional and practical experience and a hands-on approach in the daily operation in a professional kitchen and full-service restaurant.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Focus on the principles and techniques of communicating information, ideas and emotion through digital and film photography. Instruction of camera equipment, digital and film media, printing media, film developing, light and composition, color and special effects, photography as art, the history of photography, and the use of computer applications to refine and organize photographic images.

FILM, TV AND VIDEO PRODUCTION AND FILM STUDIES

The Film, TV, and Video Production and Film Studies programs cover a variety of technical topics related to film, television, and video production. Students learn to communicate information, entertainment and ideas, and plan and produce a variety of genre in film and television.

WELDING TECHNOLOGY

The welding industry is constantly shaping our world and touches on every profession and industry that uses metal. The Welding Technology program offers hands-on training that provides students an understanding of the welding fundamentals. Students learn metal cutting, brazing, metal arc welding, gas tungsten arc welding, and welding safety.



> *"Riverside City College gave me the skills, confidence, and hands-on experience to turn my passion for welding into a career."*
>
> ***-RCC Welding Alumnus***



Culinary Arts
ACADEMY RESTAURANT

The Culinary Arts Academy is a student-run restaurant that provides future chefs with the opportunity to gain real-world experience. Located in the heart of downtown Riverside, patrons can enjoy meals prepared by the region's up-and-coming culinary talent. Be our guests!

Business, Law & Computer Information Systems



"Sometimes you think you are not enough, you see people with so much experience and wonder if you belong, but RCC gave me the resources and support to succeed as a first-generation student and helped me realize that I do belong."

-Alondra Valencia

RCC Business Administration Alumna

ADMINISTRATION AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Administration and Information Systems entails the study of theories, procedures and practices, and the acquisition of skills necessary to function productively and effectively in an administrative work environment. The program prepares students for careers and managerial positions in business, administrative support, customer service, sales, accounting/ bookkeeping, and public relations.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Business Administration is the management of small, mid-size, and large businesses. The program prepares students with the knowledge, technical skills, and work habits to pursue positions in various business fields. The Business Administration program is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs. Areas of emphasis include accounting, global business, human resources, marketing, management, and real estate.

COMPUTER APPLICATIONS AND OFFICE TECHNOLOGY

This program offers students short term basic business skills needed in administrative, clerical, legal, medical, and other business fields with the goal of increasing employability.

COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS

The Computer Information Systems program empowers students with skills and technical capabilities for careers in Computer Information Systems (CIS), CISCO Networking, Cyber Security, Programming and Web Development.

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Entrepreneurship program provides students broad, intellectual, practical skills that demonstrate the ability to apply knowledge and concepts related to: identifying business opportunities, evaluating ideas, assessing the markets, and exploring risks and rewards. Through a series of courses that include hands-on and experiential learning, students develop knowledge and skills that serve as a springboard to start, run, and grow their own business.

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS

Students interested in understanding global business operations are a perfect fit for the Global Business program. Coursework provides students an understanding of global business and prepares them for professions in the global business realm.

PARALEGAL STUDIES

Students in the Paralegal Studies program learn how to perform research, draft, investigatory activities, record keeping and related paralegal administrative functions under the supervision of an attorney in a law firm, public or private entity, and/or within a courtroom setting.

Cyber Defense Program

DESIGNATED AS A NATIONAL CENTER OF ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE (CAE-CD)

The Cybersecurity/Cyber Defense program is well established with courses that lead students to gainful employment in the cyber defense workforce. RCC is the first community college in the Inland Empire region to be designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense (CAE-CD). The designation from the National Security Agency and Department of Homeland Security validates the certificate program in Information Security and Cyber Defense and creates opportunity for current and future students.







BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



COMPUTER SCIENCE



ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Education & Teacher Preparation



CHILD AND ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT

The Child and Adolescent Development program prepares students seeking careers in developmental research, public policy, social work, school psychology, and other professions to increase their understanding of the physical, intellectual, social, and emotional development of young children or adolescents.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

Early Childhood Education is for you if you are interested in working with infants and toddlers. The areas of study within this career focus on both the cognitive and social development, which includes various activities that engage students' abilities to flourish.

ELEMENTARY TEACHER EDUCATION

Elementary Teacher Education prepares students for teaching careers at the elementary school level. In this program students learn the core principles and practices to build a foundation for entry into advanced study in teacher preparation.

EDUCATION

An education degree prepares you to influence learners of all types and equips students with analytical and research skills to inform, design and improve instructional strategies and learning methods.

INFANT AND TODDLER SPECIALIZATION

The Infant and Toddler Specialization certificate is for students interested in working with children from birth to age two. Students gain an understanding of how to work with this unique population of children, learning how to create a developmentally appropriate classroom to accommodate children's growing independence.

Health-Related Sciences

EXERCISE, SPORT AND WELLNESS

This program prepares individuals to apply business, coaching, and physical education principles to the organization, administration, and management of athletic programs and teams, fitness/rehabilitation facilities and health clubs, sport recreation services, and athletic training programs. This includes instruction in program planning and development; business and financial management principles; sales, marketing and recruitment; event promotion, scheduling and management; facilities management; public relations; legal aspects of sports; and applicable health and safety standards.

KINESIOLOGY, HEALTH AND WELLNESS

The Kinesiology, Health and Wellness program emphasizes principles for the growth and development of a healthy lifestyle. Students acquire the knowledge and understanding of problem solving strategies to integrate, apply and promote personal, individual or group behavior conducive to the maintenance or restoration of mental and physical wellness.

NURSING

Nursing is a growing profession full of opportunities. The School of Nursing allows students to pursue many different levels of careers from Medical Secretary, Nursing Assistant, to Vocational and Registered Nursing.

NUTRITION AND DIETETICS

The study of Nutrition and Dietetics provides a broad foundation in a practical and personally applicable exposure to a variety of scientific areas of nutrition, such as Chemistry, Microbiology, Anatomy, Physiology and Biology. Students in the program learn how the scientific method and process contribute to nutritional requirements and how nutrients function from a cellular to a more practical level and then apply this knowledge to their own health.



"I passed the NCLEX on my first attempt, and I truly believe it is because of Riverside City College and the support I received throughout the program."

-Julisa Merwin

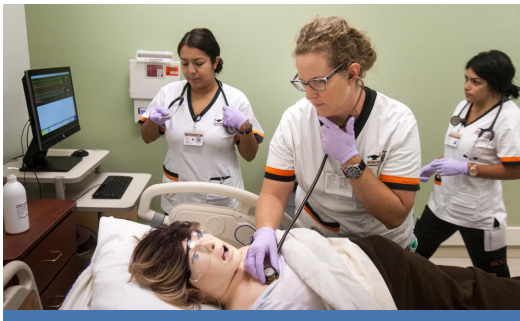
RCC Nursing Alumna



EXERCISE, SPORT AND WELLNESS



KINESIOLOGY, HEALTH AND WELLNESS



NURSING

Languages & Humanities



"The professors made the material relatable and encouraged us to connect our own experiences to what we were learning. That approach made me feel welcome and supported."

-Alyssa Drake
RCC Communication Studies Alumna

AMERICAN STUDIES

Explore the complexities of culture, history, identity, and social change through an interdisciplinary American Studies major that examines the diverse experiences and stories that shape the United States.

ART HISTORY

Art History is the academic study of objects of art considered within their time period. Art historians analyze visual materials such as paintings, sculpture, and architecture, and consider them within their historical context. The Art History program covers general Western European, Asian, African, Oceanic, and Latin American Art History, as well as other specialty classes.

COMMUNICATION STUDIES

Communication Studies is one of the top five majors at a four-year university. Studying how humans construct and share meaning allows individuals to become communicators in different forms like public speaking, debate, and interpersonal communication.

ENGLISH

English majors study composition, critical thinking, literature, linguistics, and creative writing. English majors learn to analyze and interpret diverse texts and construct logical, well-supported arguments and literary analyses.

HISTORY

The major in History prepares you to be a skilled researcher, an analytical thinker, an effective writer, and a keen observer of the human condition.

HUMANITIES, PHILOSOPHY, AND ARTS

The Humanities, Philosophy, and Arts program prepares students for further study in the arts, history, humanities, literature, philosophy, communication studies and/or world languages at a four-year institution and provides an excellent foundation for students interested in administration, communications, law, public service, and teaching.

JOURNALISM

The major in Journalism prepares students to employ ethical principles and practical skills in the presentation of their journalistic product to the public in print and online. Journalism majors excel in storytelling with text and in digital and video formats.

PHILOSOPHY

Philosophy investigates fundamental questions about knowledge, value, and existence. This program enables students to expand their ability to read critically, analyze arguments, and express complex ideas in oral and written work.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STUDIES

The Social Justice Studies and Ethnic Studies major empowers students to critically examine systems of inequality, explore diverse cultural experiences, and advocate for equity, inclusion, and social change in their communities and beyond.

SPANISH

The Spanish program provides students with a strong foundation in the four basic language skills (listening comprehension, reading comprehension, speaking, and writing) as well as in the civilization and cultures of Spain and Latin America.

Science, Technology, Engineering & Math (STEM)

BIOLOGY

Biology is the study of life! Students in the biological sciences will learn critical thinking and develop analytical and investigative skills. Biology leads to careers in fields such as medicine, zoology, environmental science, and botany.

CHEMISTRY

As a Chemistry major, students develop skills for critical thinking and perceptive interpretation of the molecular world around us. Exciting careers in Chemistry include forensics, pharmaceuticals, materials science, research, and academia.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

The Computer Science program offers courses in object-oriented programming logic in C++, computer architecture, calculus, and calculus-based physics. It prepares students for transfer majors in Computer Science and a career in a wide variety of computing fields.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

A degree in Environmental Science provides students with a core curriculum to develop key skills for applying biological, physical and chemical principles to the study of the environment and developing solutions to environmental problems.

GEOGRAPHY

Students who major in Geography will gain a deep appreciation of how the physical earth works and interacts with human cultures.

GEOLOGY

Geology is the science that deals with the Earth's physical structure, its composition, and its history. Areas of study within Geology include natural resource availability, geologic hazard assessment, climate change, and the evolution of life on this planet.

MATHEMATICS

Mathematics is the foundation of science and explores the world of numbers and measure. A degree in Mathematics leads to careers in fields like cryptography, economics, investment analysis and research analysis.

PHYSICS

Physics is the study of the laws of nature that govern how our universe works. Understanding the principles of physics is essential for study in any scientific field and leads to careers in a variety of scientific endeavors, including fundamental research and engineering.





BIOLOGY



CHEMISTRY



GEOLOGY

Social & Behavioral Sciences



> *"I never thought college was for me, as a nontraditional student, I wasn't sure I belonged in higher education. I thought trade school was my only route but after attending RCC I realized I can do this, it is possible. The professors here believed in me before I believed in myself and helped me realize that I can do this."*
>
> ***-Sandra Valencia***
>
> ***RCC Political Science Alumna***

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

Administration of Justice is the beginning coursework leading toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice. With the Administration of Justice degree, students will study criminal justice theory, including an examination of constitutional rights, and the application and practice of the theory within the criminal justice system in America. With certificates in Crime Scene Investigation and Corrections students can study specializations within law enforcement, probation, and corrections.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

The American Sign Language certificate program prepares students to function as simultaneous and consecutive interpreters as well as translators of ASL and other signing systems employed to assist deaf and hard-of-hearing people, both voice-to-sign and sign-to-voice interpretation.

ANTHROPOLOGY

Students in Anthropology study the nature of human diversity from a genetic, archaeological, linguistic, and cultural basis. Anthropology focuses on historical and contemporary theory and research to gain an in-depth awareness and understanding of humans and the world in which we live.

ECONOMICS

Economics is a broad discipline that helps us understand historical trends, interpret today's headlines, and make predictions about the coming years. It is the study of scarcity, the study of how people use resources, and the study of decision-making and policies pertaining to resources.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Political Science is the scientific study of how competing conceptions of the good life are conceptualized in theory and realized in cultures, institutions, processes, and practices. The different areas of political science include: American politics, comparative politics, world politics (international relations), and political theory.

PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology is the scientific study of behavior and mental processes. The different areas of psychology include: social, clinical, behavioral, cognitive, biological, and developmental psychology.

SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER

This program prepares individuals to function as simultaneous and consecutive interpreters as well as translators of American Sign Language (ASL) and other signing systems employed to assist deaf and hard-of-hearing people, both voice-to-sign and sign-to-voice interpretation.

SOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL STUDIES

Sociology studies human behaviors as social beings, including history, psychology, and economics. It encompasses all aspects of our social lives, including interactions, culture, groups, institutions, and global.

SOCIOLOGY

Sociology studies human behaviors as social beings, including history, psychology, and economics. It encompasses all aspects of our social lives, including interactions, culture, groups, institutions, and global processes.



Model UNITED NATIONS

Model United Nations (MUN) is a one-of-a-kind experience for students looking to become more familiar with international issues and the workings of the United Nations (UN). RCC's MUN training program truly sets RCC apart from other Model UN organizations and teams, and the awards MUN teams have received are a testament to the hard work and dedication of students and their faculty advisors.



ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE



AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE



SOCIOLOGY

Fine & Performing Arts

ART

The Art department is proud of its comprehensive program in the visual arts. The diverse offerings include classes in studio fine arts (drawing, design, painting, printmaking, ceramics, and sculpture), and in commercial art (illustration and animation). Graduates continue their education at a four-year institution and to pursue their own artistic endeavors.

DANCE

Dance programs meet the needs of dance majors and minors as well as general education students. Master classes in dance and Pilates with nationally recognized guest artists, on-campus performances, and several showings and concerts are offered through the program.

MUSIC

The Music Department provides students means to accomplish their goals in music with an educational program that prepares them to contribute as artists, educators, audience members, and supporters of the arts. Students meet the cultural, educational, and social needs of the community through excellent musical performances, school visitations, workshops, and master classes. At the heart of the department are outstanding arts experiences, superior teaching, and access to an aesthetic learning education.

STUDIO ARTS

The Studio Arts program offers students a comprehensive education in the visual arts through courses in drawing, design, painting, printmaking, ceramics, sculpture, illustration, and animation. Students develop creative and technical skills that prepare them to transfer to four year institutions, pursue artistic careers, or deepen their appreciation fir the power of art in everyday life.

TECHNICAL THEATRE

The Technical Theatre program provides training in basic technical theatre skills for career employment in production and performance within the theatre industry.

THEATRE ARTS

The Theatre program creates a learning environment that is inclusive and representative of its community as a whole. Students are encouraged to develop their artistic expression and technical ability in preparation for their continuing education and future careers.



Nationally Ranked Athletics Programs

Whether you are a student-athlete looking to grow and compete or a sports fan looking for engagement opportunities, you will find a team and event that suits you at Riverside City College! RCC participates in the California Community College Athletic Association by hosting **men's and women's** programs in a wide variety of sports including:

- Baseball
- Basketball
- Beach Volleyball
- Cheerleading
- Cross Country
- Football
- Golf
- Indoor Volleyball
- Softball
- Stunt
- Swimming & Diving
- Tennis
- Track & Field
- Water Polo

At RCC academics is the top priority. Through athletic and academic counseling, it is important that student-athletes are successful in the classroom and on the field/court. Many RCC student-athletes continue their academic and athletic careers at four-year institutions and beyond.



RCC ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Baseball:** 3C2A State Champions (2022)
- **Football:** State & National Champions (2019 & 2023) and State Runner Up (2021 & 2022)
- **Women's Track & Field:** State Runner Up (2025 & 2022)
- **Men's Track & Field:** State Champions (2025)
- **Women's Swimming & Diving:** Sweep OEC Championship for first time in program history (2026)
- **Women's Water Polo:** Head Coach Doug Finfrock earns 200th win (2022)
- **LEARFIELD Directors' Cup Standings:** 8th Overall (2022)



BASKETBALL



FOOTBALL



WATER POLO

Dual Enrollment: COLLEGE STARTS NOW

For many students, college can feel like a distant next step. At Riverside City College (RCC), dual enrollment makes it possible to start that journey early—while still in high school.

Through dual enrollment, high school students can take college-level courses, earn transferable credits, and build confidence in a college environment before they graduate. It is one of the most effective ways RCC is expanding access, accelerating student success, and strengthening pathways to higher education across the Inland Empire.

A HEAD START WITH PURPOSE

Dual enrollment is more than getting ahead—it is about creating opportunity. Students gain exposure to college expectations, explore academic interests, and begin shaping their future goals earlier.

By the time they graduate high school, many RCC dual enrollment students have already:

- Earned college credits
- Reduced the time and cost of completing a degree
- Built momentum toward transfer or career pathways

This early access helps remove uncertainty and replaces it with clarity and direction.

LEARNING IN A COLLEGE ENVIRONMENT

Courses are taught by qualified college faculty and maintains the rigor and expectations of RCC classes. Students experience:

- College-level instruction
- Academic support and resources
- A structured introduction to college success skills

This experience builds confidence and prepares students to transition seamlessly into full-time college enrollment.





Join OUR DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAM TODAY

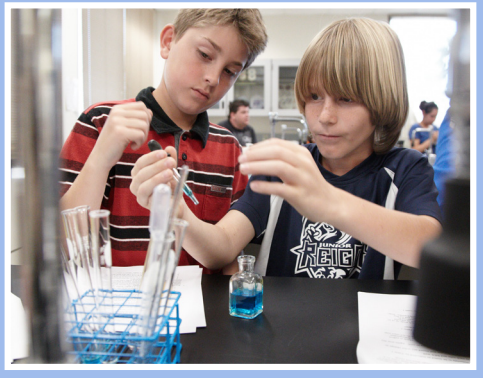
Take the first step toward your college future at Riverside City College (RCC)—while you are still in high school. RCC also offers concurrent enrollment for adult school students. Dual enrollment gives you the opportunity to earn college credit, explore your interests, and build confidence in a supportive, college-level environment.

By getting started early, you can save time, reduce the cost of college, and create a clear pathway toward your academic and career goals. Whether you are planning to transfer, earn a degree, or enter the workforce, RCC is here to support you every step of the way.

Start now. Stay ahead. Your future begins here.







Adult Learning

EXPANDING OPPORTUNITY BEYOND THE TRADITIONAL CLASSROOM FOR THE ADULT LEARNER

Through Adult learning, students and community members can access flexible, career-focused opportunities designed to meet them where they are; whether they are building new skills, returning to education, or advancing in their careers. **Adult learners can advance themselves through CPL, Apprenticeship, Extended Learning (Non-credit courses), or Concurrent enrollment while they are getting their GED or high school diploma equivalency.**

CREDIT FOR PRIOR LEARNING (CPL)

Your experience matters–and it counts. Credit for Prior Learning (CPL) allows students to earn college credit for knowledge and skills gained outside of the classroom. This may include:

- Work experience
- Industry certifications
- Military training
- Independent learning

By recognizing what you already know, CPL helps you move forward faster, saving both time and money while accelerating your path to a degree or certificate.

EXTENDED LEARNING

Accessible. Flexible. Career-Focused. Non-credit/Tuition-Free.

RCC's noncredit classes are designed to remove barriers and open doors for all learners. These tuition-free courses provide opportunities to:

- Gain career training and workforce readiness skills
- Build foundational skills in areas like English, math, and digital literacy
- Prepare for college-level coursework

Whether you are exploring a new career, strengthening existing skills, or taking your first step into higher education, noncredit courses offer a supportive and flexible starting point.





Learning THAT MEETS YOU WHERE YOU ARE

Adult Learning at RCC is about access, flexibility, and real-world impact. No matter your starting point, these programs are designed to help you grow, succeed, and move confidently toward your goals.

ADULT EDUCATION CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT

Adult Education Concurrent Enrollment helps students earning their GED or high school equivalency transition into higher education by allowing them to take college courses while completing their educational goals.

Enrollment fees are waived, but students pay for services, transportation, textbooks, and permits.

APPRENTICESHIP

Apprenticeship programs provide students with the opportunity to earn while they learn through paid hands on training, classroom instruction, and direct pathways into high demand careers. Programs students can choose from include:

- Automotive
- Cybersecurity and IT Support
- Culinary
- Early Childhood Education
- Licensed Vocational Nursing (LVN)
- Registered Nursing (RN)

Student Support SERVICES

Student Support programs are designed to help students be successful in college. Students are empowered by enhancing personal and educational achievements through comprehensive programs and services, such as those mentioned below. Student Services is dedicated to educating, serving, supporting, and promoting student success for a diverse community of learners in a student-centered environment.



Basic Needs Resource Center provides support to students facing food insecurity, housing instability, and other emergency or crisis situations including professional clothing, laundry services, shower services, and more.

CalWORKs is a public assistance program that provides cash aid and services to eligible families that have a child(ren) in the home.

Disability Services provides students with comprehensive support services and accommodations. Students with psychological, medical, mobility, deaf/hard of hearing, learning disabilities, and ADHD can receive services. Veterans, who need help with stress or any other psychological, physical, sensory or cognitive injury in order to attain educational and career goals, may also receive services. (https://www.rcc.edu/student-support/disability-resources.html)

EOPS - Extended Opportunity Programs & Services is a state-funded student support services program whose purpose is to provide special recruitment, retention, and transition services to eligible students. (rcc.edu/EOPS)

Financial Aid consists of grants, work-study programs, and scholarships to assist with educational expenses. Every student is encouraged to apply for financial aid. Visit fafsa.gov for more information. (rcc.edu/finaid)

Guided Pathways create structured educational experiences that support each student from point of entry to attainment of high-quality post secondary credentials and careers.

Guardian Scholars is a comprehensive program with a goal of supporting former foster youth in their efforts to gain a university, community college, or trade school education.

Health and Psychological Services helps students maintain optimum physical, mental, and emotional health. The office provides medical services including health screening, physical examinations, medical assessment, and immunizations, as well as professional counseling.

Honors Program is committed to providing learning opportunities and services to prepare students to be competitive in reaching their future goals. RCC has articulation agreements with major universities.

International Students offers international students the opportunity to US-style academics as well as lower-tuition options than the University of California and Cal State University systems. Community colleges also offer international students an opportunity to improve English-language skills and the chance to experience various majors.

Puente is a national award-winning program that has helped educationally disadvantaged students enroll in four-year colleges and universities, earn degrees, and return to the community as leaders and mentors to future generations.

Rainbow Engagement Center
The Rainbow Engagement Center provides LGBTQI2A+ students and allies with a welcoming space that promotes inclusion, belonging, advocacy, and access to campus resources and support services.

RCCD-UCR Housing Program helps students build connections, access resources, and experience campus life in a supportive environment designed to strengthen their academic and personal growth. (rccd.edu/housing)

Rising Scholars Engagement Center supports formerly incarcerated and system impacted students by providing academic guidance, resources, and a supportive community focused on educational success and personal growth.

Scholarship opportunities are available through the RCCD Foundation. They help reduce educational expenses, are free money, and can generally be used toward any expense related to your college education. (rcc.edu/scholarship)

Study Abroad offers an unparalleled international education experience. Students get international education in its broadest sense. The program encourages an individual to learn, understand and care about the world beyond their community and to transcend culturally conditioned, ethnocentric perspectives, perceptions, and behaviors.

TRIO Programs are federally funded student support services dedicated to helping income-eligible, first-generation students, and individuals with disabilities.

Umoja program is designed to provide essential educational support and services to increase the academic success, retention, degree completion, and transfer rates of African-American and other student populations.

Veteran Services offers assistance with financial aid, military benefits, counseling, and academic support. (rcc.edu/VRC)

Welcome Center provides registration assistance, support with the financial aid process, and ongoing student support to ensure success at RCC. (rcc.edu/outreach)

Important NUMBERS

Admissions & Records
(951) 222-8600
rcc.edu/become-a-student/index.html

Counseling & Academic Advising
(951) 222-8440
rcc.edu/student-support/counseling.html

RCC Promise Program
(951) 328-3820
rcc.edu/become-a-student/promise-program.html

Athletics
(951) 222-8835
rccathletics.com/landing/index

Disability Resource Center
(951) 222-8060
rcc.edu/student-support/disability-resources.html

Student Activities
(951) 222-8570
rcc.edu/life-at-rcc/index.html

Bookstore
(951) 222-8421
https://rcc.bncollege.com/

EOPS
(951) 222-8045
rcc.edu/student-support/student-support/eops-care.html

Transfer Center
(951) 222-8446
rcc.edu/student-support/transfer-center.html

Career Center
(951) 222-8446
rcc.edu/student-support/career-center.html

Financial Aid
(951) 222-8710
rcc.edu/become-a-student/how-to-pay-for-school/financial-aid.html

Veterans Resource Center
(951) 222-8607
rcc.edu/become-a-student/military-and-veteran.html

Child Development Center
(951) 222-8068
rcc.edu/community/child-center.html

Health & Wellness
(951) 222-8151
rcc.edu/student-support/health-wellness.html

Welcome Center
(951) 222-8574
rcc.edu/become-a-student/index.html

Advanced Technical Arts & Trades

Automotive Collision Repair * ❖
Automotive Electrical and Electronics Specialty * ❖
Automotive Hybrid and Electric Vehicle * ❖
Automotive Power Train Specialist * ❖
Automotive Refinishing and Paint * ❖
Automotive Technology – Engine Performance Specialist * ❖
Automotive Technology - Undercar Specialist * ❖
Automotive Trim & Upholstery * ❖
Baking and Pastry * ❖
Barbering Concepts *
Basic Graphic Communication *
Basic Graphic Design *
Building Automation Control *
Building Energy Systems Professional in HVAC Technology ❖
Building Inspection Technology *
Cake Decorating *
Cosmetology * ❖
Cosmetology Bus Admin – Entrepreneurial Concentration * ❖
Cosmetology Bus Admin – Management & Supervision * ❖
Cosmetology Concepts *
Cosmetology Instructor Training *
Crime Scene Photography Essentials *
Culinary Arts * ❖
Electronic Publishing and Design *
Entrepreneurial Photography * ❖
Esthetician *
Esthetician Concepts *
Film, Television and Electronic Media (CSU & UC) ◆
Film, Television and Video – Basic Television Production *
Film, Television and Video – Production Specialist * ❖
Foundational Culinary Arts *
Graphic Design and Digital Media * ❖
Graphic Design and Printing * ❖
Hairstyling Concepts *
HVAC Commercial Technology * ❖
HVAC Residential Technology * ❖
Manicuring Concepts *
Motion Graphics and 3D Animation *
Photography * ❖
Photojournalism Essentials *
Pipe Welding (SMAW, GMAW) *
Professional Photography Essentials *
Residential Installation *
Special Event Photography Essentials *
Stick Welding (SMAW) *
TIG Welding (GTAW) *
Welding Technology * ❖
Wire Welding (FCAW, GMAW) *
Zero Net Energy *

Business, Law, and Computer Information Systems

Administration & Information Systems ❖
Administrative Office Professional *
Business Administration 2.0 (CSU & UC) ◆
Business Administration – Accounting Concentration * ❖
Business Administration – General Business Concentration * ❖
Business Administration – Global Enterprise Concentration * ❖
Business Administration – Human Resources * ❖
Business Administration – Management Concentration * ❖
Business Administration – Marketing Concentration * ❖
Business Administration – Real Estate Concentration * ❖
Business Information Worker *
C++ Programming *
Cisco Networking *
Computer Programming * ❖
Computer Science (UC) ◆
Cyber Defense ❖
Entrepreneurship * ❖
Entrepreneurial Essentials *
Entrepreneurial Foundations *
Entrepreneurship and the Team *
Executive Office Management * ❖
Executive Office Professional *
General Business *
GIG Economy *
Global Industry *
Human Resources *
Industry Marketing *
Information Security and Cyber Defense *
Information Technology *
IT Systems Support and Sales *
Java Programming *
Law Public Policy and Society (CSU & UC) ◆
Legal Administrative Professional *
Management *
Medical Secretary *
Office Assistant *
Paralegal Studies ❖
Real Estate Practice *
Real Estate Salesperson and Transaction *
Small Business Accounting *
Small Business Payroll Accounting *
Web Master – Web Design Concentration *
Web Master – Web Development Concentration *

Education & Teacher Preparation

Child and Adolescent Development (CSU & US) ◆
Early Childhood Education (CSU & UC) * ❖ ◆
Early Childhood Education – Assistant Teacher *
Early Childhood Education – Twelve Core Units *
Early Childhood Intervention Assistant * ❖
Education, Human Development and Special Needs ❖
Education Paraprofessional * ❖
Elementary Teacher Education (CSU & US) ◆
Infant & Toddler Specialization *

Health-Related Sciences

Critical Care Nurse *
Exercise, Sport & Wellness – Athletic Training * ❖
Exercise, Sport & Wellness – Coaching * ❖
Exercise, Sport & Wellness – Fitness Professions * ❖
Kinesiology (CSU & UC) ◆
Kinesiology, Health & Wellness ❖
Nursing Assistant *
Nutrition and Dietetics (CSU & UC) ◆
Registered Nursing ❖
Vocational Nursing * ❖

***** Certificate ❖ Associate Degree ◆ Associate Degree for Transfer

Languages & Humanities

American Studies ❖
Communication Studies (CSU & UC) ◆
Communication, Media & Languages ❖
English (CSU & UC) ◆
History (CSU & UC) ◆
Humanities, Philosophy & Arts ❖
Journalism (CSU & UC) ◆
Philosophy (CSU & UC) ◆
Spanish (CSU & UC) ◆

Social & Behavioral Sciences

Administration of Justice (CSU & UC) * ❖◆
Anthropology (CSU & UC) ◆
Art History (CSU & UC) ◆
Corrections*
Crime Scene Investigation *
Digital Forensics Investigations *
Economics (CSU & UC) ◆
Investigative Technician *
Political Science (CSU & UC) ◆
Psychology (CSU & UC) ◆
Sign Language Interpreting * ❖
Social & Behavioral Studies ❖
Social Justice Studies: General (CSU & UC) ◆
Social Justice Studies: Gender Studies (CSU & UC) ◆
Sociology (CSU & UC) ◆

STEM

Biology (CSU & UC) ◆
Chemistry (UC) ◆
Environmental Science (UC) ◆
Geography (CSU & UC) ◆
Geology (CSU & UC) ◆
Math & Science ❖
Mathematics (CSU & UC) ◆
Physics (CSU & UC) ◆
Sustainability in Economics and Society ❖
Sustainability in Science and Technology ❖

Fine and Performing Arts

Animation *
Dance ❖
Fine & Applied Arts ❖
Jazz Performance *
Music (CSU & UC) ❖ ◆
Music Performance *
Music Technology *
Musical Theatre *
Piano Performance *
Pilates Dance Conditioning Instructor *
Studio Arts (CSU & UC) ◆
Technical Theatre *
Theatre Arts (CSU & UC) ◆
Visual Communications – Illustration *

Transfer PROGRAMS

RCC offers guaranteed admission programs, such as the Associate Degree for Transfer to the California State University system. Students awarded an AA-T or AS-T degree are guaranteed admission with junior standing in the CSU system and given priority admission consideration to their local CSU campus or to a program that is deemed similar to their community college major. This priority does not guarantee admission to specific majors or campuses.

The UC system also gives community college students priority over other transfer applicants, and many campuses offer guaranteed admission for well-prepared transfer students.

In addition, RCC has transfer agreements to partner colleges and universities.



"RCC helped guide me and made me realize what I am passionate about and what I want to pursue. I just graduated and will be attending Berkeley's Haas School of Business in the fall."

-Yassen Abdelfatah
Business Administration Alumni



YOU Matter

RCC
RIVERSIDE CITY COLLEGE

4800 Magnolia Avenue
Riverside, CA 92506

VISIT THE COLLEGE'S WEBSITE

RCC.EDU

The Riverside Community College District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies or practices: District Compliance Officer, 3801 Market Street, Riverside, CA 92501, (951) 222-8039.