The California Community Colleges is the largest provider of workforce training in the nation. With more than 200 Career Education programs to choose from, students learn by exploring, collaborating and doing. California Community Colleges’ Career Education programs hold the key to unlocking a quality and affordable education giving students real-world skills that lead them to the in-demand, well-paying jobs of today and the future while building stronger and more prosperous communities in the process.

The South Central Coast has eight California community colleges offering a variety of unique and hands-on Career Education programs. These programs are taught by instructors and professionals who work in that field of study and each program provides the training and skills you need for the jobs that need you!
The California Community Colleges, the largest provider of workforce training in the nation, offers Career Education programs at 114 community colleges across the state. With more than 200 programs taught by instructors and professionals in their field of study, Career Education programs allow students to learn by exploring, collaborating and doing with hands-on training and skills for the jobs of today and the future. To learn more, please visit CaliforniaCareerEducation.com.

**WHAT CAREER EDUCATION PROGRAMS ARE AVAILABLE?**

California community colleges in the South Central Coast Region offer a wide variety of programs. Some of the largest industries in the area are:

- **Health, Information and Communication Technologies (ICT)/Digital Media**
- **Advanced Manufacturing**
- **Agriculture**
- **Water and Environmental Technologies**
- **Small Business**
- **Energy, Construction and Utilities**
- **Global Trade and Logistics**

**PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT**

With a variety of unique Career Education programs, students have the ability to gain a certificate and start in the career of their choice. Below are just a few highlighted programs available at local South Central Coast Region California community colleges.

**Exotic Animal Training and Management Program (Moorpark College)**

One of the most nationally recognized programs in the nation, students in the Exotic Animal Training and Management program can earn an associate degree or certificate, which is the only curriculum of its kind that offers excellent “hands-on” individualized instruction from our animal training faculty members that teaches you how to train exotic and domestic animals in the Animal Teaching Zoo. Students can also plan to transfer to a university who desire to go on for their Bachelor degree after the EATM program. Students will interact and learn how to train exotic and domestic animals. Students who graduate with a General EATM Degree pursue specialized careers as live-animal show trainers, zoo keepers, or wildlife educators. EATM graduates can also find employment at animal hospitals and train animals for movies and television work and theme parks. Graduates have worked behind the scenes on many shows on “Animal Planet”, “Harry Potter”, “Pirates of the Caribbean”, and many other movies, television shows and commercials.

**Aeronautical & Aviation Technology (AERO) (Antelope Valley College)**

The AERO programs offer real-world training utilizing industry-standard equipment and state-of-the-art laboratories. AERO graduates work on aircrafts ranging in size from small, single-engine general aviation planes and helicopters to spacecraft, military aircraft and large commercial jetliners. The Airframe and Powerplant Technician Program teaches general aircraft maintenance, aircraft airframe and aircraft powerplant—designed for those seeking to take exams for an airframe and powerplant license. This program is certified by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Licensed aircraft mechanics are in high-demand locally and across the United States. The Aircraft Fabrication and Assembly program focuses on an in-depth understanding in the principles of building, maintaining and repairing airframe structures. The program covers metal, wood and composite structures with coursework in hydraulic and pneumatic systems, aircraft electrical systems, cabin atmosphere controls, fuel systems, landing gear systems, and navigation and communication systems. Many large and small aerospace companies recruit directly from the AERO program and hold interviews on campus. Most AERO program graduates are able to secure local jobs with strong salaries, excellent benefits and opportunity for career growth.

**HELPFUL LINKS**

Visit [CaliforniaCareerEducation.com](http://CaliforniaCareerEducation.com) to explore a variety of programs designed to get you fast tracked to the career you want, with the skills you need.

To learn more about the Central/Mother Lode Regional Consortium, visit [http://www.crconsortium.com/](http://www.crconsortium.com/).

To learn more about financial aid assistance, visit [icanaffordcollege.com](http://icanaffordcollege.com).

To apply to a California community college, visit [CCCApply.org](http://CCCApply.org).