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Exciting Programs Prepare Students for In-Demand Jobs

Mt. San Jacinto College (MSJC) Temecula Valley Campus is offering programs this fall that prepare students for transfer to four-year universities or degrees and certificates in high-demand careers.

The Wine Industry and Hospitality program features exclusive partnerships with renowned wineries Wilson Creek and Europa. Students receive hands-on experience and education from industry experts while learning the skills and knowledge to thrive in the captivating fields of wine production, management, and hospitality.

Begin a rewarding and flexible career in Real Estate through courses that lead to a career as a real estate salesperson and/or broker's license.

MSJC's ethnic studies programs are approved and satisfy the new general education requirements of four-year universities. Register for Introduction to Chicano Studies, Introduction to Black Studies, Introduction to Gender, Sexuality, and Queer Studies, Indigenous Peoples of California or American Indian Literature, this fall.

To learn more about these and all programs offered at MSJC, check out the Schedule of Classes.



**MSJC IS
CELEBRATING
ITS 60TH
ANNIVERSARY**



This year marks the 60th anniversary of MSJC Mt. San Jacinto College. Since 1963, MSJC has been transforming lives through enriching and life-changing educational opportunities to residents in the region.

Events and activities have been planned throughout the year. Join in MSJC's 60th anniversary celebrations!

**ARE YOU AN ALUMNUS,
PARENT, OR SUPPORTER?**



Do you have an MSJC story? We'd like to hear it. Please share your story at: msjc.edu/shareyourstory

"Don't let anyone tell you that you can't achieve your dreams. I am here to tell you that everything is possible."

- Irene Blanco, student speaker

CLASS OF 2023

2,078 Graduates

2,514 Degrees

367 Certificates

VETERAN CELEBRATES MAJOR MILESTONE



In a remarkable display of determination and resilience, Dalton Denis a former Marine, celebrated a major milestone earning an Associate of Science degree in a year and a half.

"I'm not sure I would have succeeded without the support of the Veterans Center (at MSJC)," Denis said. "My advice to students is, take advantage of everything" MSJC has to offer.

Denis applied the training and skills he acquired during his military service to his education at MSJC and is headed to UC Irvine to study software engineering.

MSJC GRADUATES BEGIN NEW CHAPTER

Nearly 2,078 graduates were awarded degrees and certificates at two graduation ceremonies held at Pechanga Resort Casino in Temecula. MSJC's Class of 2023 earned 2,514 associate degrees and 367 certificates. Graduates ranged from 17 years old to 69 years young.

Irene Blanco served as the student speaker for the morning ceremony. During her speech, she shared with the Class of 2023 that she came to MSJC to take English as a Second Language classes and expressed interest in pursuing nursing.

Despite warnings it would be tough, Blanco enrolled in prerequisite math and science courses and ultimately earned a degree in Liberal Arts - Mathematics and Science and graduated with a 4.0 grade point average.

Blanco was accepted into several universities and chose the nursing program at Cal State San Marcos where she is pursuing her goal of becoming a registered nurse.

MSJC is transforming learners, transforming communities, and transforming lives.

Culinary Arts Instructor Serves Up Food and Fun with a Focus on Regenerative Practices

There's more to Leah Di Bernardo's culinary arts class at the Temecula Valley Campus than lectures, reading and recipes. Di Bernardo serves up lessons about what farm-to-table means for people and the planet.

Di Bernardo, founder and Chef of Extraordinary Artisan Table, or EAT Marketplace, in Temecula, was named 2023 Citizen of the Year by the Temecula Valley Chamber of Commerce. Her farm-to-table eatery serves up delicious meals with a "food as medicine" focus.

To close the Spring semester, Di Bernardo took her MSJC class to Perennial Pastures in Santa Ysabel located in San Diego County for hands-on education in regenerative practices, what "grass fed" on a label really means, and how delicious a meal becomes when prepared with locally sourced foods.



NEW Athletics & Kinesiology Complex: A Game-Changer for the Region



After much anticipation, the new Athletics & Kinesiology Complex is open! This \$41 million facility at the Menifee Valley Campus opened for classes and practice this summer. The new Complex includes a 5,000-seat stadium, press box, team rooms, training facility, softball field and sand volleyball court.

“We’ve been looking forward to this stadium for years,” said Dr. Roger Schultz, MSJC Superintendent/President. “We’re excited to host graduation and watch games in the stadium and pleased to host fundraisers and other events with our community partners. This is a game-changer.”

Measure AA Projects Take Shape at MSJC Campuses

Exciting improvements and construction projects that will benefit students across the college district well into the future have been made possible thanks to voters who passed Measure AA, the \$295 million facilities bond, in 2014.

The five-story Temecula Valley Campus opened in Fall 2021, the first permanent campus of higher education serving Riverside County’s southwest region. The campus features state-of-the-art instructional spaces and in-person classes.

Construction crews are working on the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) buildings at the San Jacinto and Menifee Valley campuses. The \$39 million, three-story STEM building in San Jacinto is expected to open Spring 2024. The \$49.7 million STEM building in Menifee is slated to open in Fall 2024. Measure AA funds were matched by state Prop. 51 funds for these projects.

“These projects will truly have a lasting impact on our students, some of whom will be the STEM leaders of tomorrow,” Dr. Roger Schultz, MSJC Superintendent/President, said.

For more information on Measure AA, scan the QR code:



Temecula Valley Campus



STEM Center Menifee Valley Campus



STEM Center San Jacinto Campus

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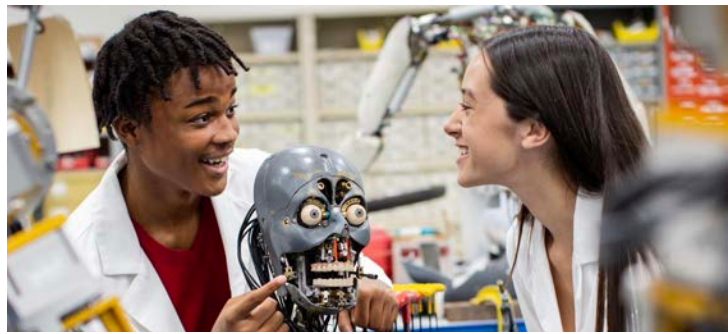
ENROLL NOW FOR FALL '23

Transform your life

MSJC offers classes designed to fit your lifestyle and help you reach your goals.

MSJC offers:

- Hundreds of classes and programs
- Online, In-Person, and Hybrid classes
- In-Person classes at San Jacinto, Menifee Valley and Temecula Valley campuses



Fall Semester begins August 14

Check out the Schedule of Classes →



No vaccinations or masks required*

*Nursing students see program requirements