

COLLEGE POLICE AND SAFETY

The safety and wellbeing of our students, faculty, and staff is important. Southwestern College is a safe place. However, crime does occur. Crimes should be immediately reported to Campus Police for a response and investigative follow-up.

The Southwestern College Police seek to heighten crime awareness by publishing quarterly crime statistics, a daily crime log, and an Annual Security Report. Links to this information can be accessed through the College Police webpage at <http://www.swccd.edu/index.aspx?page=55>.

A safe campus can only be achieved through the cooperation of everyone. Campus emergencies can be reported by dialing 619-216-6691 OR BY DIALING *91 on any college PAY telephone. Students may arrange for an escort to and from class by contacting the police department at the Chula Vista campus.

Additional information can be obtained at the Southwestern College Police Office located in Building 100, Room 105D, on the Chula Vista campus.

NO SMOKING POLICY

Smoking is prohibited at all campus locations including but not limited to all enclosed places of employment, including enclosed patios, lobbies, lounges, elevators, stairwells, restrooms, and all District-owned vehicles. This prohibition shall apply to all on-campus buildings, including enclosed patios, as well as all extension sites that are owned or leased by the District. Smoking shall be prohibited in all District-owned vehicles. Policy and Procedure No. 3570

STUDENT-RIGHT-TO-KNOW

In compliance with the Student Right-to-Know (SRTK) and Campus Security Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-542) and as a service to its community, the Southwestern Community College District makes available its completion and transfer rates to all current and prospective students.

Beginning in Spring 2001 a cohort of all college students who were certificate, degree-, and transfer-seeking first-time, full-time students were tracked over a three-year period. The completion and transfer rates are based on information submitted by each college to the U.S. Department of Education. Based on the cohort defined above, 36.2 percent of the SWC cohort attained a certificate or degree or became transfer-prepared from Spring 2000 to Spring 2003. In addition, 18.1 percent transferred to another postsecondary institution (University of California, California State University, or another California community college) during the same three-year period.

Note that the above rates do not represent the success rates of the entire student population at Southwestern College (SWC), nor do they account for student outcomes occurring after this three-year tracking period. Additionally, the rates do not describe other important features about the College and its students. As one of the top 100 associate degree producers in the nation—and the twelfth highest degree producer for minorities—SWC contributes significantly to the lives of thousands of students in assisting them to meet their educational goals (Community College Week analysis of U.S. Department of Education Data, November 12, 2001).

More information concerning SRTK is available from the Office of Academic Affairs. Additional information can be found at the following Website: srtk.cccco.edu/index.asp.

TITLE IX AND THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT

Title IX of the Education Amendments Act of 1972 is a federal civil rights law that prohibits sex discrimination in education. The Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (VAWA) is federal legislation that addresses prevention of violence against women, including requirements to offer services for victims of violence and to hold offenders accountable.

Some examples of behavior that could violate Title IX include:

- Sexual comments, sexual jokes, or sexually explicit questions
- Spreading rumors about a person's sexuality or gender identity
- Sending or displaying sexually suggestive content over email, text, or social media
- Requests for sexual favors or pressuring someone for sexual activity
- Unwelcome touching, hugging, stroking, or other physical contact
- Stalking, both in person and online
- Dating or domestic violence
- Attempted or actual sexual violence

FILING A TITLE IX COMPLAINT

Students can file a Title IX complaint with the SWC Title IX Administrator in the Office of Human Resources, Room 1670, or by phone at 619-482-6395.

The SWC website contains additional information, or you can contact the Dean of Student Services in the Cesar Chavez Student Services Center, Room S109, with any questions.

Southwestern College promptly and thoroughly investigates complaints alleging sex discrimination, sexual harassment, and sexual violence. Claims of other unlawful discrimination can be made to the Human Resources Office, Room 1670, or through the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office complaint process State Complaint Process.