

Information for Spring 2014 Classes

Check online for class listings at www.swccd.edu

SUPPORT SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Academic Success Center

The Academic Success Center provides services to assist ALL Southwestern College students in achieving academic success. The Center is comprised of three related services: The Writing Center, Reading Center, and Math/Science Center, as well as other learning support areas, both at the Chula Vista campus and at the Higher Education Centers in National City, Otay Mesa, and San Ysidro. The Academic Success Center provides free tutoring to all registered students. Highly trained tutors provide academic support on an individual basis, in small groups or in open labs. Learning assistance is provided in almost every subject area and is designed to assist students in successful completion of college course work.

Associated Students Organization (ASO)

The Associated Student Organization (ASO) represents all students at Southwestern College and sponsors activities including cultural performances, awards, student clubs, social activities, and student leadership conferences. The ASO is the recognized student government body of the College. The students elect representatives to both the executive and legislative branches. For more information on how to get involved please contact the Associated Students Organization at 619-421-6700 x5968 or 619-482-6568.

BOOKSTORE

Regular hours for the Chula Vista Campus are as follows:

Mon.–Thurs. 7:45 a.m.–6:30 p.m.

Fri. 7:45 a.m.–2 p.m., Sat. Closed

Follow us on Facebook for updated information, sales, store hours, rental return reminders and bus pass information.

Regular hours for the Education Centers are as follows:

Hours for the Higher Education Centers at National City, Otay Mesa, and San Ysidro will be posted at the Centers as well as at www.swcbookstore.com.

General Information

- Book list is posted at the textbook counter, and books are arranged on the shelves alphabetically by subject.
- Textbooks may be purchased online at www.SWCBookstore.com.
- TEXTBOOK RENTALS available year-round. Check website for availability.
- Personal checks accepted; SWC and California ID required; no two-party or payroll checks accepted.
- Visa, MasterCard, and Discover cards accepted.
- Refunds and buyback are done at the windows at the front of the Bookstore. ID Required.

- ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS OR EXCHANGES WITHOUT SALES RECEIPT. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- Used books can be sold back year-round. SWC ID required.
- LAST DAY TO RETURN SPRING 2014 BOOKS FOR REFUND IS SATURDAY, **JANUARY 25, 2014**

THE BOOKSTORE WILL ISSUE REFUNDS WITH RECEIPT UNTIL SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2014. FOR STUDENTS WHO CAN PROVIDE THEIR REGISTRATION STATEMENT WITH CLASS DROP, THE REFUND WILL BE EXTENDED TO JANUARY 27–31 WITH PROOF OF REGISTRATION DROP SLIP ONLY. RECEIPT REQUIRED FOR ANY TRANSACTION.

Campus Student ID Cards

New students need to provide their semester registration statement with official government identification when arriving at the information counter in the Student Center. Former students will receive the same information and will use the ID card and number originally issued. Replacement cards are available in the Student Center for a \$5 fee.

Disability Support Services

Disability Support Services provides programs and services for students with disabilities. Students are encouraged to contact Disability Support Services in order to obtain services or to enroll in special classes. Services include: educational planning, counseling, note takers, sign language interpreters, equipment loans, and other appropriate services which will help the student have a successful educational experience.

Disability Support Services Office Hours:

Mon.–Tues. 8 a.m.–6:30 p.m.
Wed.–Thurs. 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Fri. 8 a.m.–1 p.m.

Call 619-482-6512 or VP 619-207-4480 for an appointment with a counselor or for general program information.

Deaf and Hearing Impaired Students

Public telephones with TTYs are located by Building 103 and Building 480.

Disabled Person Parking

Southwestern College cannot issue temporary or permanent disabled parking passes. Students or staff who require disabled person parking must apply for the official blue disabled person plates or placard with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) at any DMV Office. The application will include a section that requires a physician's certification.

For further information, contact your local DMV Office, or stop by the Disability Support Services Office in the Student Services Center in the Cesar E. Chavez Building.

Only vehicles with state-issued disabled parking plates or placards may park in disabled person parking spaces on campus. All other vehicles will be issued a citation by the College Police. Vehicles with a valid state-issued disabled person placard or plate may park in any legal parking space on campus. A College parking permit would not be required.

Food Services

Student Union

Food Services provides a large variety of fast food snacks and complete lunches and dinners at reasonable prices.

Mon.–Thurs..... 7 a.m.–4 p.m.
Fri. 7 a.m.–2 p.m.

Time Out Café

Mon.–Thurs..... 7 a.m.–8:15 p.m.
Fri. 7 a.m.–2 p.m.

Tradewinds Café

Mon.–Thurs..... 7 a.m.–6 p.m.
Fri. 7 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Vending machines are available throughout the campus.

Graduation Requirements

Southwestern College recognizes the educational achievement of its students by granting the Associate in Arts Degree, the Associate in Science Degree, and certificates of achievement, completion, or proficiency.

Students are encouraged to plan their educational objectives in such a manner as to qualify for graduation with an associate degree. Degrees or certificates are not awarded automatically upon completion of the requirements. A candidate must submit a petition for graduation in Evaluations. Petitions for graduation may be filed at any time; however, students wishing to graduate in a specified semester (fall, spring, or summer) must submit a petition according to specific dates.

Students who have attended other colleges/universities must have all official transcripts forwarded directly to Admissions. All previous course work must be evaluated whether or not it is needed for the associate degree at Southwestern College.

Health Center

The Health Services/Wellness Center is located in room 601F in the Student Center and is open Monday through Friday. The hours vary during the week at the Higher Education Center at Otay Mesa, National City, and San Ysidro. A registered nurse is on duty to provide emergency treatment, health counseling, and referrals to appropriate agencies. Immunizations and TB skin tests are available at cost. Cholesterol, glucose, anemia testing, tetanus and Hepatitis B vaccines are also available at cost.

All students (day and evening) who register on campus are covered by an insurance policy which applies to accidents in College-sponsored and supervised activities. An optional student accident and sickness insurance plan is available.

Library Services

You are invited to visit the College Library located in the Learning Resources Center. Services are also available at the Higher Education Centers at National City, Otay Mesa and San Ysidro. Become acquainted with a collection of more than 80,000 books and approximately 300 current periodical subscriptions.

In addition, students have access to online databases of full text articles from thousands of magazines, journals, newspapers, and other information resources. Students may also obtain passwords at the Library Reference Desk to gain access to the online databases for off-campus use. Internet access is available for research purposes. Inter-library loan services are available for students needing materials from other collections.

Ask a staff member for a Library tour, browse subject bibliographies, and check out monthly displays. For more information, call (619) 482-6397 or see the Library's web page at www.swccd.edu/~library.

Online Learning Center

The Online Learning Center (OLC) is a physical space for faculty, students, staff, and community members to get help with online learning. The Online Learning Center, located on the first floor of the Library, Room L103, provides four (4) computers for online class and system support.

Students and faculty visit the Center primarily to receive hands-on support for the online learning system and class content. The Center also provides faculty and student training in small groups, one-on-one sessions and classroom training visitations.

A partnership has been formed with Staff Development to help facilitate workshops on both technical and pedagogical issues and online learning.

The online project supports more than purely online classes. The Online Learning Center provides support for hybrid (partially online and partially traditional face-to-face) classes and traditional classes that use the online learning system to augment their course content and teaching.

The Online Learning Center has toll-free after-hours technical support service 1-888-556-6718.

Student Activities Sticker

Students may purchase a student activities sticker. Proceeds from the Student Activities sticker are monitored and allocated by the Associated Students Organization to provide leadership opportunities, and sponsor cultural, social, and educational programs for all students. Student Activities sticker and other information is available at the Student Center. For credit/refund information, call

619-482-6568, or stop by the Student Center information counter. The last day for credit/refunds of the student activities sticker will be February 1, 2014.

The Campus Photo ID is the preferred source of identification when setting up campus lab accounts and for all Admissions and Records transactions. It is required for the following services:

- Returns and Buyback for the Bookstore
- Check or credit card purchases in the Bookstore
- Library materials check out
- Discount tickets and coupons
- Labs on campus
- Cafeteria
- Scholarships. EOPS and all Special Programs at the Bookstore
- Scholarships
- Calculator rentals
- Pay for printing