



SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

CITY COLLEGE • MESA COLLEGE • MIRAMAR COLLEGE • CONTINUING EDUCATION

May 14, 2020

Dear Student:

Thank you for your dedication and perseverance during these unprecedented times. As a student here at San Diego City, Mesa, and Miramar College, we want you to know about several resources available to you and some important dates for Summer and Fall.

SUMMER 2020

The Summer 2020 [Class Schedule](#) is available now! Log into [mySDCCD](#) and start placing classes into your shopping cart if you have not already done so. At this time, all classes are scheduled to be online for Summer and Fall 2020; though there may be some lab specific classes that could transition to On Campus.

COMMENCEMENT FOR SPRING 2020

While we recognize the desire of our graduates to participate in an in-person ceremony, we are not at a point where large gatherings and in-person campus events (including Commencement) are permitted.

City, Mesa, and Miramar Colleges, and Continuing Education commencements will be held in a virtual ceremony format via the *Marching Orders* platform on **July 17, 2020**. All eligible students should receive an informational email if they applied for graduation in Summer 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020, and Summer 2020. All eligible students will be invited to participate in the virtual commencement ceremony. Students will receive an email from their respective college to register via the *Marching Orders* portal with instructions on how to register, create a password, and submit the information needed to create a personalized graduation slide.

[City Commencement Information](#)

[Mesa Commencement Information](#)

[Miramar Commencement Information](#)

CARES ACT

The CARES Act provides emergency financial assistance to students for expenses related to the disruption of campus operations due to coronavirus.

San Diego City, Mesa and Miramar Colleges will use a portion of the CARES Act funds to provide grants directly to students. These funds are meant to help students pay expenses for technology, health care, childcare, course materials, rent, food, moving or other expenses incurred this semester.

To request a grant:

- Students can apply for the CARES grant at <https://bit.ly/sdcccdaresact>

- The deadline to submit the application is **May 25, 2020**
- You will receive a confirmation email once the application is submitted and can track the status of your request by clicking on the link in the confirmation email or visiting the [mySDCCD Support Center](https://mysdccd.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portals) at <https://mysdccd.atlassian.net/servicedesk/customer/portals>

DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE FOR IMMIGRANTS (DRAI) PROJECT

The California Department of Social Services (CDSS) is providing state-funded disaster relief assistance to undocumented adults who are ineligible for other forms of assistance, including assistance under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and pandemic unemployment benefits, because of their immigration status.

To be eligible for disaster relief assistance, an individual must be able to provide information that they (1) are an undocumented adult (person over the age of 18); (2) are not eligible for federal COVID-19 related assistance, like CARES Act tax stimulus payments or pandemic unemployment benefits; and (3) have experienced a hardship as a result of COVID-19. Assistance will be provided on a first come, first served basis. Submitting a disaster relief application does not guarantee services or assistance.

The disaster relief assistance will be administered and delivered through twelve nonprofit organizations located in various regions of California. The nonprofit organizations will begin providing assistance to complete applications on **May 18, 2020**. Individuals will only be allowed to receive DRAI application assistance from nonprofit organizations assigned to their county or region.

Information regarding the DRAI project can be found here: <https://cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/immigration/covid-19-drai>. For Inquiries, please contact ImmigrantDisasterRelief@dss.ca.gov

Wi-Fi PARKING LOTS AVAILABLE

The San Diego Community College District is committed to assisting students. In an effort to provide students with reliable, high-speed internet access — and in keeping with social-distancing directives issued by county, state, and national officials — City, Mesa, and Miramar Colleges and Continuing Education will be providing a “Wi-Fi Parking Lot” where any enrolled student can access the internet.

Mondays - Thursdays: 8:00am - 8:00pm
 Fridays: 8:00am - 3:00pm

- City College Parking Lot #5**
- Mesa College Parking Lot #1**
- Miramar College Parking Lot #2**
- Continuing Education ECC Campus Parking Lot #3**

Parking Guidelines:

- Parking permit, student ID, or class schedule required (Screen shot OR Print out)
- For best reception use parking spaces near buildings
- Park in marked staff or student spaces
- Park in every other space (Empty space BETWEEN vehicles)
- Only owners of a valid disabled placard may use disabled parking spaces

- Only members of the same household in each vehicle
- Occupants must remain in vehicles
- Restrooms and other on-campus services not available
- College police will continually monitor the parking lot
- Student code of conduct and all other parking guidelines are in effect

FINANCIAL AID APPEALS

[SwiftStudent](#) website helps students understand the financial aid appeal process and provides template letters to help you write a financial aid appeal letter for free.

CAMPUS UPDATES

MESA COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Mesa College [COVID-19 Emergency Relief fund](#) is intended to help Mesa College students who are experiencing an unexpected financial hardship during this crisis. These funds are made available through the support and generosity of the San Diego Mesa College Foundation, Associated Students, the Office of Student Success and Equity, and generous donors. These funds are intended to support your academic goals and decrease the risk of you dropping out of classes or college. Awards will be funded up to \$150. Students can receive a maximum of one award.

Mesa has a limited supply of laptops that we are checking out to students in need. Click here to request information about availability: bit.ly/MesaLaptopCheckout

Online Student Support Services:

<http://sdmesa.edu/student-services/online-student-support-services.shtml>

Social Media Handles:

[Facebook](#) - @SanDiegoMesaCollege

[Twitter](#) - @sdmesacollege

[Instagram](#) - sdmesacollege

[YouTube](#) - sdmesacollege

[LinkedIn](#) - San Diego Mesa College

Snapchat - sdmesacollege

CITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

City College has already distributed \$283,090 to students as part of our scholarship program and other funds.

City College has also been awarded a large three-year grant, as part of the State Chancellor's Office, entitled ***The Homeless and Housing Insecure Pilot Program***. This program will provide much needed assistance to students with housing resource needs. The project launches this summer so check the [City College Financial Aid website](#) for updates.

City College offers [Remote/Online Student Services](#) intended to help students through these difficult times whether it be academic, financial or related to your mental health. Students in need should reach out for support.

Online Student Support Services:

<http://www.sdcity.edu/students/services/online.aspx>

Social Media Handles:

[Facebook](#) - @SanDiegoCityCollege

[Twitter](#) - @sdcitycollege

[Instagram](#) - sandiegocitycollege

[YouTube](#) – San Diego City College

[LinkedIn](#) - San Diego City College

Snapchat - sdcitycollege

MIRAMAR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Miramar College keeps you up to date with the [COVID-19 Updates page](#). Resources from Basic Needs to Health Services can be found on our [Student Resources During COVID-19 page](#).

Social Media Handles:

[Facebook](#) - @SanDiegoMiramarCollege

[Twitter](#) - @SDmiramar

[Instagram](#) - sdmiramar

[YouTube](#) – San Diego Miramar College

[Pinterest](#)- sdmiramar

We wish you success with your studies.

Student Services