

# Southwestern College Promise

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## Jag Kitchen

Southwestern College operates food pantries throughout the district. These pantries offer a variety of items, including free breakfast, canned and dry goods, toiletries and diapers. Items and hours vary by location.

- Jag Kitchen on the Chula Vista campus
- Jag Kitchenette at the Higher Education Center at National City
- Jag Kitchenette at the Higher Education Center at San Ysidro

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## Learning Communities

Learning communities such as First Year Experience (FYE), Umoja, Bayan and Puente allow cohorts of students to share some of the same classes. Students participate in special workshops, field trips and activities that help build a connection with their peers, professors and counselors that leads to increased academic success.

## Power Study Program (PSP)

Academic tutors are embedded in certain classes to provide students with additional support inside and outside of the classroom. Students who take advantage of meeting with the tutors increase their grades and success in their classes.

## Associate Degree for Transfer-ADT (Degree with a Guarantee)

Students who enroll in one of more than 20 majors and complete 60 units in that major are guaranteed admission into a California State University (CSU) campus. The qualifying majors have been fully aligned with bachelor's degree programs in the CSU system.



## Mission Statement

Southwestern Community College District, the only public institution of higher education in southern San Diego County, provides services to a diverse community of students by providing a wide range of dynamic and high quality academic programs and comprehensive student services, including those offered through distance education. The College District also stimulates the development and growth of the region through its educational, economic and workforce opportunities, community partnerships and services.

Southwestern Community College District promotes student learning and success and prepares students to become engaged global citizens by committing to continuous improvement that includes planning, implementation and evaluation. The College District provides educational opportunities in the following areas: associate degree and certificate programs, transfer, professional, technical, and career advancement, basic skills, personal enrichment and continuing education.



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# What is the **Southwestern College Promise**?

If you graduated from high school this year you may qualify for free tuition in your first year. We also offer an array of financial aid and services to support you throughout your Southwestern College experience.

## Free tuition your first year

First year of free tuition for first-time college students who meet eligibility criteria.

## Fulfilling the Promise Grant

Second-year tuition assistance of at least \$1,100 for selected students. Funds are limited.

## Student Success Completion Grant

Up to \$4,000 annually in financial assistance for income-eligible students receiving Cal Grant B and enrolled in 12 – 15 units. Funds may be used for books, supplies and/or housing.

## Southwestern College Promise Criteria

- Recent high school graduate enrolling in college for the first time
- Enroll in, and complete, at least 12 units each semester
- Maintain a 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application
- Complete the Steps to Success process
- Complete the Promise Application
- Be a California resident or AB540 eligible
- Participate in Promise activities

**Apply online:** [www.swccd.edu/promise](http://www.swccd.edu/promise)