## Important Statewide Change in Priority Registration effective Fall 2014

The California Community Colleges Board of Governors has adopted regulations that require Southwestern College and all other Community Colleges in California to make significant changes in priority registration effective for **Fall 2014**.

Students who are making progress toward their goals will be rewarded for their efforts. Priority registration is designed to ensure students reach their educational goals.

To be eligible for priority registration you must have completed the following:

Student Support and Success steps (SSS)

- 1. Assessment/Placement Exam
- 2. Online Orientation
- 3. Student Education Plan (SEP)

Priority for all levels will be assigned by units completed at SWC

- 50 to 89 units
- 30 to 49 units
- 0 to 29 units
- 90 to 99 units

Students must remain in good academic standing to receive priority registration each semester

#### LEVEL 1- Priority Registration

- a. Active Duty Military
- b. Foster Youth
- c. CalWORKs
- d. Disability Support Services (DSS)
- e. Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS
- f. Continuing, New and Returning students

Students will continue to receive the highest priority registration as provided by California law as long as the SSS requirements are met.

#### LEVEL 2- Priority Registration

- a. Associated Student Organization Executive and Senate members
- b. District identified Learning Communities
- c. Math Engineering, Science Achievement (M.E.S.A)
- d. University Links
- e. Vocational Rehabilitation
- f. Honors Program
- g. Eligible student athletes
- h. Continuing, New and Returning students

#### LEVEL 3 Priority Registration

a. Early Admission Program (EAP) - High school graduate (fall term only)

#### LEVEL 4 Registration

Continuing Students

## LEVEL 5 Registration

New and Returning Students

## LEVEL 6 Registration

Students on academic probation or students with 100 or more degree applicable units

Some high unit majors or programs may be exempt for the 100-unit cap.

# **Important Things to Remember:**

- Don't take unnecessary courses (courses not on your approved Student Education Plan). Adding these units to your records will increase your chances of losing registration priority.
- Do your best to keep your grade point average (GPA) at 2.0 or higher.
- If you haven't already done so, make an appointment with a counselor for a Student Education Plan (SEP).

Under the new regulations, two groups of students will lose their priority registration status and will be among the last to register: students who are on probation for two consecutive terms (fall/spring, summer/fall, etc.) and students who have earned more than 100 degree applicable units.

Petition to Change Priority Registration Status For students who lose enrollment priority status, an appeal may be filed based on one of the following circumstances.

- Students may appeal the loss of priority enrollment status due to extenuating circumstances, or where a student with a disability applied for, but did not receive reasonable accommodation in a timely manner.
- Extenuating circumstances are verified cases of accidents, illnesses or other circumstances beyond the control of the student.

#### Click to view the Student Success Initiative – Priority Registration

http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\_embedded&v=vjuxhzeG8VQ