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SKYLINE COLLEGE TO OFFER NINE NEW DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS FALL SEMESTER 2018

San Bruno, California – May 25, 2018: Nine new degree and certificate programs will be offered for the first time this fall semester 2018, which begins August 15, 2018. There are seven new Associate Degrees and two certificates of achievement available to students in various disciplines in growing fields.

Five of the degrees are associate degrees for transfer, which provide guaranteed admission with junior-level standing into the California State University system for students who wish to complete a Bachelor's Degree. Skyline College offers a total of 24 Associate Degrees for Transfer in various disciplines.

“These nine new degree and certificate programs mean more choices for students and a clearer pathway to transfer. Faculty, staff and administration here at Skyline College are consistently monitoring labor market statistics and talking with industry partners to find out what the growing fields are going to be not just tomorrow, but in 10, 15, 20 years. We are committed to offering programs of study which lead to meaningful wage jobs, but also fulfilling careers. This work directly feeds the workforce and makes a positive impact on our local bay area economy,” said Jennifer Taylor-Mendoza, Ph.D., Vice President of Instruction at Skyline College.

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Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer – Philosophy

Students who graduate with an associate's degree in philosophy typically transfer to a four year university to earn a bachelor's degree in philosophy and then continue onto a Masters or PhD program. It is not uncommon for philosophy majors to transfer to law school as well. Common pathways lead to careers in education, law, information technology, technical writing, marketing and journalism. Data from PayScale indicates that Philosophy Bachelor of Arts Degree holders in mid-career out-earn those who hold bachelor of arts degrees in Communications, History, English, Marketing, Biology, Psychology and numerous other popular disciplines.

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer – Political Science

An associate's degree for transfer in political science offers students the opportunity to transfer to a 4-year university. A bachelor's degree in political science can lead to exciting careers in federal, state and local governments; law; business; international organizations; nonprofit associations and organizations; campaign management and polling; journalism; pre-collegiate education; electoral politics; research, university and college teaching. Political science majors gain analytical skills, administrative competence and communication abilities that are valued in a wide spectrum of potential career areas.

Associate in Arts Degree for Transfer – Sociology

Students who complete an associate in arts degree for transfer sociology typically transfer to a 4-year university to pursue a bachelors in sociology. A degree in sociology has many career possibilities. Some of the careers available with a Bachelor's degree in Sociology include social services and counseling, sales and marketing, early childhood development, administrative support, teaching, service occupations, legal careers, community organizers, activism, administration of justice, journalism and social scientific research.

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Associate in Science Degree and Certificate of Achievement – Anesthesia Technology

Anesthesia technology focuses on fundamental and advanced clinical procedures which assist the anesthesia provider in the safe and efficient care of patients under anesthesia. Anesthesia Technologists work under the direction of an anesthesia provider as a vital member of the anesthesia care team. Anesthesia Technologists are proficient in the acquisition, preparation, and application of various types of equipment required for the delivery of anesthesia care and work in hospitals and surgical centers.

Associate in Science Degree and Certificate of Achievement – Biotechnology**Manufacturing Technician**

A Biotechnology Manufacturing Technician works in the biotechnology industry as a production technician. A production technician operates and maintains equipment used to manufacture protein pharmaceutical products. This opportunity is ideal for students who want to work in an applied scientific setting.

Associate in Science Degree for Transfer – Computer Science

The Computer Science program prepares Skyline College graduates for transfer to a four-year institution to complete a Bachelor's degree in computer science or software engineering.

Career opportunities exist in numerous businesses and industries. Typical entry-level positions include quality assurance and systems testing, software and hardware design and frequently involve working on project teams.

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Associate in Science Degree for Transfer – Public Health Science

The Associates Degree for Transfer in Public Health Science prepares students for advanced study in public health and community health education. Graduates may work as community health educators, community health outreach workers, health counselors or health research assistants. For students who transfer to one of the approved Health Science majors in the CSU system, career opportunities broaden further. With a bachelor's degree graduates may work as any of the aforementioned as well as: health education coordinators, trainers, health program planners, health coaches, school-based health educators and more.

For more information on academic programs offered at Skyline College organized by meta majors, please visit skylinecollege.edu/metamajors.

Skyline College is an accredited, comprehensive California community college serving more than 16,000 students annually, offering 100 Associate Degree and Certificate programs. Located on a 111-acre campus overlooking the Pacific Ocean, Skyline College has offered world-class educational opportunities to residents from North San Mateo County and beyond since 1969. Part of the San Mateo Community College District, Skyline College strives to inspire a global and diverse community of learners to achieve intellectual, cultural, social, economic and personal fulfillment.

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