



SAN DIEGO PROMISE

SAN DIEGO CONTINUING EDUCATION: Award Year: Fall 2017 & Spring 2018

PURPOSE

The “San Diego Promise” is designed to provide resources to ensure no deserving student is denied the opportunity to attend college because of limited family income.

The program is structured as a “last dollar” award, which means students are required to apply for and accept all financial aid (except for student loans) before receiving the “Promise” scholarship. The program will fulfill any unmet need awardees have for fees and/or instructional materials, including textbooks and supplies.

PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY (Must meet *ALL* of the following criteria)

- Participants must have a high school diploma (or equivalency) or will have earned it by June 30, 2017.
- Participants must enroll in a San Diego Community College District (SDCCD) college for the fall 2017 semester.
- Participants must be residents of the state of California for tuition purposes (or AB 540 eligible). AB 540 eligible students are students who have attended high school (or the equivalent) in California for three or more years. Students who have a F-1 or Visitor Visa are not eligible.
- Participants must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a Dream Act application, and accept all aid with the exception of student loans.
- Participants must be currently enrolled in San Diego Continuing Education (SDCE) and have attended a minimum of 120 hours from Fall 2016 to February 15, 2017.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Enroll in and successfully complete a minimum of 12 units each semester (fall and spring)
- Remain continuously enrolled for one academic year (fall and spring)
- Participate in a community service component (8 hours/semester)
- Complete all “Student Success and Support Program” requirements prior to registration: assessment, orientation, and education plan
- Participate in college wrap around services i.e. EOPS, FYE, Peer Navigators, Price Scholars

San Diego Continuing Education 2017-2018 San Diego Promise Application

The purpose of the San Diego Promise is to provide resources to students who want to attend college and need financial assistance with fees, books and supplies. Students must be currently enrolled in a San Diego Continuing Education (SDCE) class and have a minimum of 120 hours of attendance since fall 2016. Students must also have a high school diploma (or equivalency) or will have earned it by June 30, 2017.

HOW TO APPLY

STEP 1: Complete this application, including answers to the five (5) supplemental questions below.

STEP 2: Request one (1) letter of recommendation from an SDCE instructor

STEP 3: Submit the completed application and letter of recommendation by **Wednesday, February 15, 2017 by 5 p.m.** to the San Diego Promise Counselor Representative from your campus.

STUDENT SECTION Please print clearly.

Please check the box next to the campus where you attend the majority of your class(es). If you attend an equal number of classes at more than one campus, select those campuses where you attend in the boxes below, and check this box:

CE Mesa // Cesar Chavez // Educational Cultural Complex // Mid-City // North City // West City

Program you are currently enrolled in _____

Name _____ Date of birth _____

Full mailing address _____

Daytime telephone _____ E-mail _____

Student ID Number (CSID) _____

San Diego Community College you plan to enroll in (please check one):

San Diego City College // San Diego Mesa College // San Diego Miramar College

What is your educational goal and major? Certificate // Associate's Degree // Transfer to a university

Program of Study (Major): _____

INSTRUCTOR SECTION

Please have your instructor verify your attendance for the current semester. Your instructor must also sign in this section.

Instructor verification of currently completed _____ hours as of _____ (date)

Instructor verification of SDCE certificates currently earned _____

Instructor signature _____ Date _____

Students must initial each of the following statements and sign the application below.

___ I understand that if selected, I must enroll and complete a minimum of twelve (12) units (fall and spring semesters).

___ I understand that if selected, I must remain in continuous enrollment for one academic year (fall and spring semesters).

___ I understand that if selected, I must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA or Dream Act application) and accept all aid with the exception of student loans.

___ I understand that if selected, I must participate in eight (8) hours of community service (fall and spring semesters)

___ I understand that if selected, I will attend an *Accuplacer Prep and Transition to College* workshop for five (5) weeks during May-June, 2017.

___ I understand that I must complete Student Support Services, including orientation, assessment and an Education Plan at the college.

Student signature _____ Date _____

Your initials and your signature certify the information on the application is true and correct. Additionally, by submitting this application, you understand that if awarded the San Diego College Promise, your name will be published by e-mail to the faculty and staff of San Diego Continuing Education.

MANDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL QUESTIONS

Using separate sheets of paper, please answer the following questions. Your answers must be typed and double-spaced. The maximum length must not exceed three (3) pages total for all questions.

- 1) Why would you like to attend college? Discuss your program of study (major), your educational goal (degree) and career/personal goals.
- 2) Who will be your support system during college? For example, your family and/or friends.
- 3) Which student services do you believe you will need in order to help your success? For any that you check, please explain why these support services might help you achieve your educational goal(s).

Counseling Tutoring Career Preparation Transfer Honors

Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS) Disability Support Programs and Services (DSPS)

Note: for a list of student services: https://studentweb.sdccd.edu/docs/Endless_Possibilities_Brochure.pdf

- 4) Do you foresee any academic, personal, and/or financial obstacles in continuing your education? If yes, please explain.
- 5) Explain the steps you will take in order to ensure that you complete your program in a timely manner, and attain a job in your chosen career.