

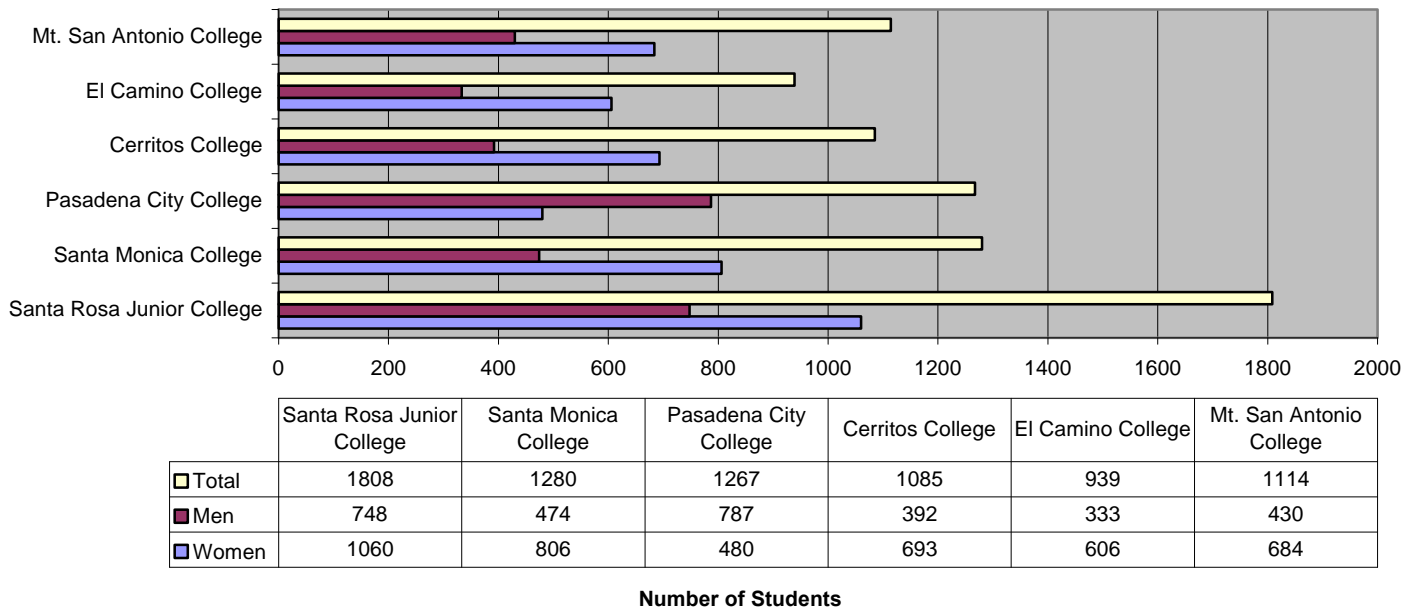
Top Associate Degree Producers for 1999 to 2000

Early in July, Community College Week (an independent publication providing information to community, technical, and junior colleges) published associate degree data from across the United States. Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) was one of the 100 top associate degree producers. The data were from the U.S. Department of Education’s National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). Institutions included in the study were Title IV eligible for financial aid.

The following graphs compare Mt. SAC’s associate degree numbers with five currently used benchmark colleges: Cerritos College, El Camino College, Pasadena City College, Santa Monica College, and Santa Rosa Junior College. Data for Long Beach City College was not available in the report as it was not considered to be one of the top 100 degree producers according to NCES data.

Mt. SAC awarded over 1,000 associate degrees during 1999-2000 (*Figure 1.*). Santa Rosa conferred the most degrees at over 1,800 for that year. At Pasadena City College, more male than female students received their degrees – an opposite trend to that of other colleges.

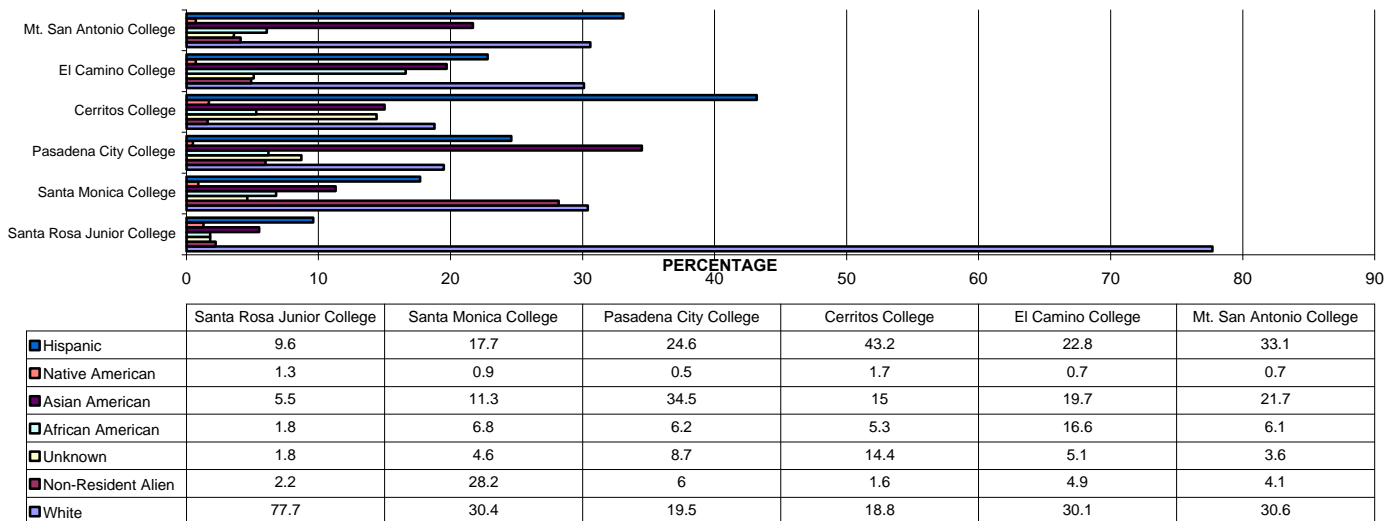
Figure 1. BENCHMARK COLLEGE COMPARISON OF 100 TOP ASSOCIATES DEGREE PRODUCERS ALL DISCIPLINES, BY GENDER, 1999-2000



NOTE: Long Beach City College data was not available.

Figure 2. displays data for the ethnic diversity both within and between colleges of the degree producers. A dramatically higher percentage of whites received their degrees from Santa Rosa Junior College when compared to the other colleges in Figure 2. Cerritos College had the largest Hispanic population who received degrees and Pasadena City College had the highest percentage of Asian American graduates.

Figure 2. BENCHMARK COLLEGE COMPARISON OF 100 TOP ASSOCIATES DEGREE PRODUCERS ALL DISCIPLINES, BY ETHNICITY (1999-2000)

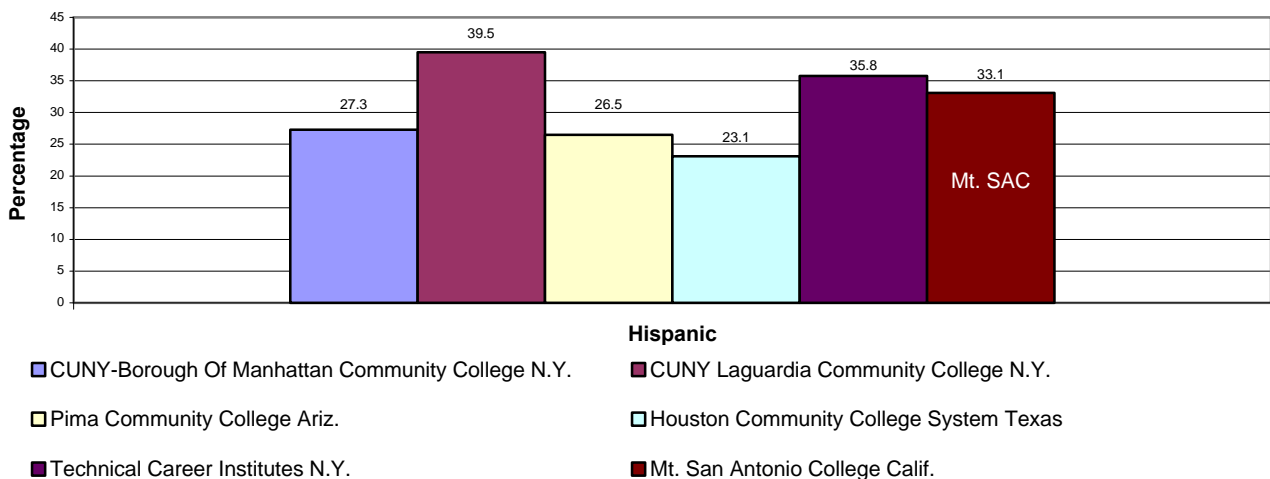


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Across the United States, five other colleges had a similar percentage of Hispanic graduates as Mt. SAC based on the number of degree producers. Three of these five colleges are from the New York area. CUNY Laguardia Community College in New York had the highest percentage of Hispanic graduates.

Figure 3. COLLEGE COMPARISON OF 100 TOP ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE PRODUCERS ALL DISCIPLINES, WITH SIMILAR PERCENTAGE HISPANIC (1999-2000)



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