

**Agenda Item Details**

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School of Continuing Education Update
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BACKGROUND

The School of Continuing Education (SCE) supports students towards a career or college pathway, as well as providing developmental, educational, and lifelong learning opportunities. Noncredit courses and programs are defined categorically under California Education Code, Section 84711, and Mt. SAC's School of Continuing Education provides noncredit instruction in basic skills, English as a Second Language (ESL), vocational ESL, citizenship, education for older adults, adults with disabilities, high school diploma, and short-term vocational. Community and Contract Education programs offer vocational training, children's programs, and enrichment courses to the community and businesses.

Providing a diversity of academic and career education programs and services to the community will continue to be a commitment of SCE. In addition, noncredit and community education programs are driven by current labor needs as well as the local economy and state and regional initiatives. These include short-term vocational courses, competency-based instruction to support post-secondary education preparation and success, contract education programs that promote business engagement and partnerships, and vocational ESL.

SCE is a leader in Continuing Education programs and services among other community college providers. Faculty and staff are committed to being responsive to the community by developing new programs, improving existing programs, and expanding access to students based on their desired goals.

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

In 2018-19, SCE serviced 45,083 noncredit students and generated 7,910 FTES, making it one of the largest community college noncredit programs. Moreover, 9,834 students took courses through the Community Education and Contract Education programs.