

## Tutorials For Online Students Free To 113 Colleges WRITTEN BY SANDOVAL CHAGOYA WEDNESDAY, 05 AUGUST 2015

A new tool to support online student success is now available free to all 113 California Community Colleges (CCC), made possible as part of the systemwide Online Education Initiative (OEI).

The OEI Online Student Readiness Tutorials were specifically designed to be easy for California colleges to include in existing online courses and learning environments.

The series of engaging, interactive multimedia tutorials and resources were designed to address the real challenges encountered by both new and experienced online students. Students, while they may be savvy smart-phone, tablet, and/or computer users, may not be prepared for the particular challenge of college level learning in the online environment. The goal of the tutorials is to assist California community college students in developing the skills required to be successful online leaners.

Tutorials 1-6 focus on skill development for new online students, while the remaining tutorials identify resources and strategies designed to assist all online students with timely course and degree completion. Along with the tutorials, a set of interactive tools that are useful to students as they continue their academic pursuits is also available.

The OEI team encourages colleges statewide to include the new readiness solutions in their online course offerings or at any point they see as appropriate for preparing students to be successful. Providing access for students is as easy as providing a single link to the combined resources. Links are also available for individual components of the tutorials should a college wish to segment resources based on student need.

## An overview and links to the Online Student Readiness Tutorials are available: http://apps.3cmediasolutions.org/oei/

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The OEI Online Student Support Services Team is interested in any new and innovative ways that colleges utilize these tools. So, please let the team know how the resources have been incorporated into college online student success initiatives.

The Online Student Readiness Tutorials were developed in parallel to the OEI Quest for Online Success, which has additional tools for evaluation and is currently only available to the 24 colleges participating in the OEI pilot phase.

Questions and comments, as well as examples of how the tutorials are being used to support online students on your campus may be directed to the OEI Online Student Support Services Team:

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