

Career Education at San Diego and Imperial Counties Community Colleges (SDICCC)

FACT SHEET

- The ten colleges that make up the San Diego and Imperial Counties Community Colleges (SDICCC) are:

Cuyamaca College	San Diego City College
Grossmont College	San Diego Continuing Education
Imperial Valley College	San Diego Mesa College
MiraCosta College	San Diego Miramar College
Palomar College	Southwestern College
- SDICCC is dedicated to providing the highest quality education to more than 100,000 Career Education students each year, and offers more than 200 programs.
- Career Education students in San Diego and Imperial Counties have enormous career opportunities in good-paying, high-demand “middle-skill” jobs that require more than a high school diploma, but less than a four-year degree.
 - In 2017, 38% of the 1,583,115 jobs in San Diego County were middle-skill jobs, and this number is projected to increase by 6.9% to 41,450 jobs in 2022.*
 - In 2017, 36% of the 70,226 jobs in Imperial County were middle-skill jobs, and this number is projected to increase by 10% to 27,600 in 2022.*
- The majority of the region’s top 100 middle-skill job categories have labor supply gaps in need of qualified workers.
 - In San Diego County, 88 of the top 100 middle-skill job categories currently have supply gaps.*
 - In Imperial County, 91 of the top 100 middle-skill job categories currently have supply gaps.*
- The region’s top nine job sectors with the greatest need for workers are:
 - Advanced Manufacturing
 - Advanced Transportation and Logistics
 - Agriculture, Water, and Environmental Technologies
 - Energy, Construction, and Utilities
 - Health
 - Information and Communication Technology (ICT) and Digital Media
 - Life Sciences and Biotechnology
 - Business and Entrepreneurship
 - Global Trade

* According to the 2018 reports *Opportunities for Career Education to Close the Middle-Skills Jobs Gap in San Diego County* and *Opportunities for Career Education to Close the Middle-Skill Jobs Gap in Imperial County*, by the California Community Colleges Centers of Excellence.

- Middle-skill positions are good-paying jobs.
 - Workers in the top 100 middle-skill job categories in San Diego County earn a median hourly rate of \$26.70, or \$56,000 annually. The median hourly for all middle-skill jobs in San Diego County is \$22.10, or \$46,000 annually, versus the median for all jobs which is \$19.30, or \$40,000 annually.*
 - Workers in the top 100 middle-skill job categories in Imperial County earn a median hourly rate of \$23.96, or \$49,800 annually. The median hourly for all middle-skill jobs in Imperial County is \$19.25, or \$40,000 annually, versus the median for all jobs which is \$14.42, or \$30,000 annually.*

- One year after completing a Career Education program, 71% of students are employed.*

- Career Education at a San Diego and Imperial Counties Community College offers the best value for students.
 - SDICCC Career Education students pay an average of \$1,104 in fees per year, compared to \$5,472 at a California State University, \$12,192 at a University of California school and \$34,740 at a private institution.

More information is available at [CareerEd.org/press?](https://www.careered.org/press/)

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