



## *Fast Facts*



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# What is the No. 1 issue facing higher education today?

## Funding

State funded California Community Colleges have faced large cuts at a time of record enrollment.

## California Community Colleges are facing increased enrollments

- ◆ In a bad economy individuals return to college for retraining
- ◆ Students are being redirected to Community Colleges due to enrollment cuts and large fee increases at four-year colleges and universities
- ◆ The numbers of high school graduates are increasing
- ◆ An increasing number of high school graduates are seeing the value of Community Colleges and choosing to start at a Community College
- ◆ Community Colleges are also attracting returning veterans

## California Community Colleges

- ◆ Mission: Transfer preparation, general education, vocational, lifelong learning, degrees and certificates, economic development
- ◆ The largest system of higher education in the world
- ◆ 72 college districts and 112 campuses
- ◆ Fees are set by the state
- ◆ Current fee \$36 per unit\*

## Napa Valley College

- ◆ Accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges
- ◆ Founded in 1942 as part of Napa Union High School District
- ◆ Present campus opened in 1965
- ◆ Classes are offered at sites from Calistoga to American Canyon
- ◆ Classes have been offered in the Upper Napa Valley since the 1970s
- ◆ The Upper Valley Campus in St. Helena opened in 1994
- ◆ Napa Valley College has dedicated classrooms in the new American Canyon High School
- ◆ Napa Valley Cooking School is located at the Upper Valley Campus

## Other off campus sites

- ◆ Small Business Development Center, (707) 253-3210, Napa
- ◆ Community Education Center, (707) 253-3090, Napa
- ◆ Wine Country Regional Simulation Lab, (707) 945-0275, Yountville

\*subject to change

## Why attend Napa Valley College?

- ◆ Excellent faculty
- ◆ High-quality education and services
- ◆ Small class size, personal attention
- ◆ Close to home
- ◆ Affordable

## Who attends Napa Valley College?

- ◆ Estimated 10,000 full- and part-time, credit and non-credit students
- ◆ Average 56% female
- ◆ 60% are 29 or younger

## What's new at NVC?

Thanks to Bond Measure N passed in 2002...

### New buildings (completed)

- ◆ Life Sciences building
- ◆ Wine Storage building
- ◆ Ceramics building
- ◆ North Gymnasium
- ◆ Performing Arts Center
- ◆ LLRC - Library Learning Resource Center

### Major renovations (examples)

- ◆ Former library converted to Administration Building
- ◆ Former Administration Building is being converted to Student Services Building complete with Welcome Center
- ◆ New Gymnasium floor and bleachers
- ◆ Art Building Plaza improved
- ◆ Upper Valley Campus Library expanded
- ◆ Kitchen of Napa Valley Cooking School improved

### Infrastructure improvements

- ◆ When constructed, the NVC solar field was the 5th largest in the United States
- ◆ A state-of-the-art chiller plant makes 1 million pounds of ice at night to cool campus buildings during the day

### NVC goes GREEN

- ◆ In addition to the solar field and chiller plant, green technology is featured in new construction; recycled materials were used

- ◆ A new Transit Stop encourages the use of public transportation

### **Outstanding academic programs meeting community needs** (examples)

- ◆ Health Occupations (EMT, Paramedic, ADN, LVN, Respiratory Care, Psychiatric Technician)
- ◆ Criminal Justice Training
- ◆ Viticulture & Winery Technology
- ◆ Hospitality and Tourism Program
- ◆ Napa Valley Cooking School, St. Helena

### **News**

- ◆ Napa Valley College's new Institute for Business Excellence (IBx) will provide customized and fee-based workforce training to Napa Valley businesses and organizations
- ◆ Napa Valley College qualifies as a Hispanic Serving Institution
- ◆ Record numbers of students and community members are using the new LLRC. The McCarthy Library is a member of the SNAP system
- ◆ The new Performing Arts Center had a successful first season. See <http://www.napavalleytheater.org> for information on the 2011 - 2012 season
- ◆ The NVC Winery is now bonded to sell student wine – the first California Community College winery to be bonded. Proceeds will benefit the program!

### **Outstanding programs help students succeed**

- ◆ International Honor Society Phi Theta Kappa
- ◆ Puente, Umoja, MESA

### **A campus alive with activities**

- ◆ Student government is active on campus with more than 30 student clubs
- ◆ From vocal groups to theater productions, from a jazz ensemble to orchestra, Fine & Performing Arts offers many opportunities for students and performances are open to the community
- ◆ Student athletes are full-time students who must maintain passing grades to participate
- ◆ More than 110 students participate in nine athletics teams

### **Did you know?**

- ◆ You can apply and register online
- ◆ NVC offers online classes. Online instruction has grown, with nearly 1,750 students enrolled in fall 2010
- ◆ NVC offers an online degree in Business
- ◆ NVC is a national training center for Stop the Hate

### **How can you support Napa Valley College?**

The Napa Valley College Foundation raises funds for student scholarships and supports other college needs. Call (707) 256-7170 for more information.