

LAS POSITAS COLLEGE CATALOG 2023 - 2024

SPECIAL ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Adult Education Program

Adult Education classes are financially supported by the State of California and offered tuition-free as a noncredit option. The Adult Education Program serves individuals 18 or older seeking to acquire basic educational goals, English as a Second Language (ESL) instruction, adults with disabilities, and career education or short term vocational training associated with in-demand industry. Adult Education classes are designed to provide students with a high-quality learning experience that connects students to resources throughout the Tri Valley and Alameda County. For more information, visit <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/adulted/index.php>

Honors Transfer Program

The Honors Transfer Program, located upstairs in the Academic Support Building (Building 2100), is designed to provide highly motivated students with academic opportunities that encourage independent thinking and creative learning. Members of the Honors Transfer Program (HTP) have the option to enhance their coursework by creating honors contracts with their professors. Courses completed with honors contracts receive an "Honors Course" designation on the student's transcript. Students who complete the program and graduate from Las Positas receive an honors medal at graduation and an honors seal affixed to their diploma. Those students who graduate as honors scholars have access to transfer agreements with a number of universities including UCLA, UC Irvine, University of San Francisco, and other private and out-of-state four-year colleges and universities. For eligibility requirements and further information, please visit the Honors Transfer Program Website at: www.laspositascollege.edu/honors

Independent Study

Independent study courses are open to all students. Independent study must be contracted through an instructor for research, field experience, or skill development. We encourage students to check with LPC's Counseling Department concerning transferability of these courses to four-year colleges and universities.

Work-Based Learning Program

Las Positas College provides clear academic pathways to improve the workforce and economy of our community. To support this mission, we have established a Work-Based Learning Program—a collaboration with local business and industry to develop career and work experience opportunities, internships and mentoring programs, and community work and study placements directly related to a vocational field of training. This partnership benefits both employers and students, ensuring a talented pipeline of skilled workers from our college to the workplace and reinforcing and expanding students' classroom learning. As part of the Work-Based Learning Program, Las Positas College offers courses as well as an internship and job board. Students can choose from two courses that link the classroom with the workplace and focus on 21st century work skills: General Work Experience, for students with any type of employment or volunteer work, and Occupational Work Experience/Internship, for students who work in positions related to their major field of study. The Las Positas College Internship and Job Board connects our students and alumni with area employers. Employers can post positions and search résumés. Students and alumni can search positions, post their résumés, and sign up to get notifications about our college job and internship fairs, newly posted positions, and career tips. This free service is linked on our homepage and can be accessed at <http://laspositascollege.edu/internship-job-board/>.

For more information about our Work-Based Learning Program, please visit <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/careercenter/work-based.php> or email WBL@laspositascollege.edu. And for information about our Work Experience courses, please visit <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/workexperience/>.

Apprenticeship Programs

Apprenticeships are the gold-standard of "earn and learn" for workers and career seekers to achieve their career goals with competitive wages. Apprentices earn a wage on the job, along with specific training. They

also receive dedicated classroom instruction, earning FREE college credit toward a certificate or degree. Apprenticeship opportunities are offered through employers or program sponsors in a wide range of occupations. LPC offers instruction for apprentices to become shop ironworkers, truck drivers, marine technicians, information security analysts, and accounting technicians.

Apprenticeship courses are limited to registered apprentices who have been accepted in to a specific program. To apply, contact the program sponsor from the list above and get accepted into their program. They will set up your on-the-job training and classroom instruction. Find out more: <https://www.apprenticeship4you.com/>

Community Education

Community Education classes are designed to provide personal development, cultural enrichment, and job training to people of all ages. These classes are fee-based and not for college credit. At present, Community Education offers classes in fitness and health, human development, home and garden, computer and workplace skills, business, arts, personal and small business finance, and college preparatory skills. The program also offers contracted training for small businesses (catered to meet business needs) in workplace skill-building. Some classes offered through Community Education provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for professions such as Nursing. For information regarding Community Education classes at LPC or to suggest a Community Education class, call (925) 424-1467 or visit <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/community/index.php>.

Contract Education

Las Positas College contract education classes are offered through the District Office via contracts for educational services with public or private agencies, corporations, associations, or individuals. The District conducts an active outreach program in contract education to help business, industrial, and public organizations develop training programs tailored to meet their needs. We offer a wide range of topics taught by local subject matter experts, including Organizational Success, Customer Service, Supervisory Skills and Human Resources, Leadership Development Academy, Office Technology and Software Training, and certificate or degree programs in technical and general education. Courses are offered "on-site" (at the employer facility) or at our state-of-the-art new training facilities next to the Pleasanton BART station. Facility rentals are also available. For more info, visit our website at tdsolutions.org or call us at (925) 416-5137.

High School/ROP/Adult School Articulation

High School/ROP/Adult School articulation provides a legal process to align the course curriculum from these schools to community college and university courses. Articulation is the alignment and comparability of coursework between two levels of education, such as high school and community college. It is established through discipline specific faculty-to-faculty collaboration. Las Positas College (LPC) has many articulated courses. These articulation agreements create sequences of progressive, non-duplicated education leading to technical skill proficiency, a credential, a certificate, and/or a degree in a wide range of fields and careers. Students benefit from developing high-demand career skills that support their success in the workforce and give them a competitive edge. Rigorous Career Pathway programs also provide college prep students with opportunities to apply academic content in real-world applications. Students successfully completing the articulated courses may be eligible for advanced placement in the LPC program, and, in most cases, opportunities to earn college credit. To learn which classes are currently under articulation agreements, visit: <http://laspositascollege.edu/articulation/courses.php>

High School Credit

The High School Credit Program provides a list of curated courses for high school students in the Tri-Valley Area to complete through dual enrollment. Dual enrollment, also known as concurrent enrollment, enables high school students to take college courses, taught by college professors, either on our campus or at their school site. These tuition-free courses can count toward the high school diploma and may be university-transferrable, giving students a head start on their higher education goals.

Participation in dual enrollment is likely to improve high school completion rates, increase college enrollment and degree attainment. It will also reduce time to degree and the cost of education while eliminating barriers to college and career.

Students interested in high school credit may visit <http://laspositascollege.edu/educationalpartnerships/highschoolcreditprogram.php>

Career Education

Las Positas College Career Education (CE) programs focus on providing students with the technical and soft skills necessary to help them be successful in the workplace. CE programs prepare students for current or emerging jobs. Hands-on training and relevant and engaging classes train students for a wide range of high-wage, high-skill, high-demand careers, and further educational opportunities. Now more than ever, CE programs are needed to boost the strength of their workforce, global competitiveness, and the economic health of the nation. LPC offers 60 CE certificate programs, 23 related degrees, and hundreds of classes each semester. Day, evening, and online classes are offered year-round to allow students to plan a flexible schedule to fit their busy lifestyles. Visit <http://lpcazure.laspositascollege.edu/careereducation/programs.php> to learn more about LPC's Career Education programs.

OSHA Training Institute Education Center

The OSHA Training Institute Education Center (OTIEC) at Chabot-Las Positas Community College District has been authorized by OSHA since 2008 to deliver occupational safety and health training on their behalf. Courses offered include OSHA safety standards, Outreach Trainer authorization and California (Cal/OSHA) specific courses. Our primary goal is to fulfill OSHA's mission of preventing work-related injuries, illnesses and fatalities by offering the finest quality educational programs and courses. For more information, visit www.osha4you.com or call (866) 936-6742.

Distance Education

Las Positas College typically offers Distance Education (DE) classes in multiple formats: online (conducted over the internet either synchronously, asynchronously, or both), hybrid (conducted online and on-campus), and HyFlex (conducted online and on-campus with the student choosing which to attend). In addition to class meetings, class materials, and class activities being accessible online, DE classes make full use of interactive technologies, such as email, discussion boards, blogs, chat, and group assignments so students can stay connected with their instructors and their fellow students.

Because Distance Education classes offer access to accommodate the varied lifestyles and learning styles of students, Las Positas College offers an array of General Education (GE) classes, along with classes that lead to certificates and degrees, in this format. The classes are designed to be equivalent and comparable to their counterpart on-campus courses in quality, learning outcomes, special requirements, course fees, and credit.

Current class offerings can be found in the Class Schedule and on the CLASS-Web webpage, both accessible from the College homepage at www.laspositascollege.edu. Students can enroll in these classes through the regular college registration process. Las Positas College also strives to offer equivalent [virtual] support services to online students as it does to on-campus students.

For more information, including support services, orientations, and frequently asked questions (FAQ), see the LPC Online Learning webpage at <http://www.laspositascollege.edu/onlinelearning>, email LPCdistEd@laspositascollege.edu, or call (925) 424-1142.