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Dear Students and Community Members,

Welcome to San José City College. Our community of faculty and staff are dedicated to providing excellent instruction and student support services. As a student at San Jose, you can choose from a comprehensive range of general education programs and courses required for transfer, or a variety of technical and occupational courses leading to employment or career advancement.

From its modest beginnings in 1921, San José City College has grown into a world-class institution and is one of the Silicon Valley's premiere institutions of higher education. Enrolling approximately 12,000 students each semester, our diverse student population contributes to an inviting, dynamic, and global environment.

San José City College offers state-of-the-art facilities. In recent years, we completed construction on the Cesar Chavez Learning Resource Center, the landmark five-story Technology Center, a new Student Center, and new Science and Cosmetology buildings. Future construction projects include a new Multi-disciplinary/Fine Arts building, a Vocational/Technology Building and a Physical Education complex.

Our vision statement, "Inspiring success, one student at a time," is evident in all that we do. For more than 85 years, we have had a profound and long-lasting impact on the lives of our students – helping them fulfill their hopes and their dreams for a better life and a brighter future.

We welcome you to our community.

Dr. Barbara R. Kavalier, Ph.D.
President



CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE

Rita M. Cepeda, Chancellor



Dear Students:

Thank you for selecting San José City College as your choice for a college education. This catalog has been designed to provide you with a wealth of information to ensure your academic success.

At San José City College, we take seriously the opportunity to “change an entire community one student at a time.” **You are that student** and we will do all we can to provide you with opportunities to help you meet your goals. San José City College was founded in 1921 and as a new student you will become part of a legacy including many distinguished scholars that have gone on to make a significant mark in our community, our state and our nation.

San José City College is a world-class institution enrolling 14,000 students each year. Our lively urban campus is just minutes from downtown San José, and our location very much dictates the design of our comprehensive educational programs. Over the past ten years, with full support of our local tax payers, we have modernized the entire campus and built “state of the art,” new facilities to educate a **diverse, globally competent, 21st Century workforce**.

Our faculty and staff are renowned for their “student-centered” approach to education. Whether they are preparing students for transfer to a four-year program or providing them with the training they need to work in Silicon Valley, they are committed to you. We stand behind our values-- **Opportunity, Equity and Social Justice**—and we are here to provide the programs you need in order to achieve your goals.

Welcome to the San José City College community of learners.

Rita M. Cepeda, Ed.D.
Chancellor, San José/Evergreen Community College District



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