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Roxie has managed a variety of salons, including the on-base Moffett Field Beauty Salon. She was also instrumental in developing a beauty/barbershop in El Centro, CA. Roxie has served as a community college cosmetology instructor for 27 years. For 23 of those years, she served in the Cosmetology Department within San Jose Community College. Starting as a substitute, she became an instructional aide at San Jose City College where she helped implement the Esthetics Program. In January 2003, Roxie became a SJCC faculty member, serving for a time as coordinator of the Cosmetology Department.

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Mark teaches a wide variety of computer-related topics, including programming, web development, Microsoft Office skills, and editing sound and video. Mark is passionate about making technical concepts understandable for non-technical audiences, describing himself as an enthusiastic “geek-to-human” interpreter. From desktop management to server deployment, to networking and social media, Mark helps make using computers a more enjoyable, efficient, and understandable experience.

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Jonathan has been a faculty member at SJCC since 2009, teaching HVAC/R and electrical classes. Before he began teaching, Jon worked in the HVAC/R industry, specializing in commercial refrigeration. He worked in Napa and Sonoma Counties doing restaurant, grocery store, and winery refrigeration, and worked for a residential and light commercial HVAC company in Southern California. Jon graduated from Sequoia Institute/Ohlone College with an A.S. in Climate Control and Refrigeration Technology in 1997, then taught HVAC/R at Wyo-tech and the Institute for Business and Technology. While serving as an instructor at these trade schools, Jon maintained all of the HVAC equipment for three buildings.
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Edna earned her DMD (Doctor of Dental Medicine) at Centro Escolar University in the Philippines. After several years of private practice in her home country, she migrated to the U.S. and acquired her Registered Dental Assistant license. Edna began teaching dental assisting in 2010. Edna has served as a program director at other private dental assisting schools and remains active in the dental field, working part-time as an orthodontic assistant at a private dental office in Redwood City. Prior to her teaching career, she was an assistant and laboratory technician with an orthognathic (corrective jaw surgery) specialty dental office. Edna loves to travel and enjoys helping others plan their trips and vacations. She enjoys serving the community and volunteers in several organizations that provide free dental services to the less fortunate.

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Prior to joining SJCC as a full-time Professor in the CIS department, Sanjay was an Adjunct in the Statistics department in NJ for five years and later an Adjunct of Computer Science at SJCC and EVC colleges for three years. He has a strong industry background having led and launched a spectrum of products ranging from embedded devices to full stack web-based AI and Machine Learning products over a period of 20 years. He served as Sr. Director of Product Development and Sr. Director at Comcast's Artificial Intelligence (AI) Lab for a period of over five years and as Head of Engineering at Ernst and Young (EY) AI Lab, here in Palo Alto. He is very interested in improving the learning experience of students all around the world and especially here in San Jose and hopes to bring his experience and knowledge to help students in the San Jose community enter the technology workforce.

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Linda has taught accounting full-time at SJCC since 1999. Before joining SJCC, she taught at West Valley College and Evergreen Valley College. Linda is a retired CPA whose career including serving as an external auditor and tax accountant at Ernst & Whinney (now Ernst & Young). She worked in internal auditing and corporate accounting at Hewlett-Packard, and in corporate accounting at Silicon Graphics. Linda earned a B.S. in Economics from UC Davis and a Masters of Business Administration with an Accounting concentration from Santa Clara University.
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Jagrup serves as coordinator of the SJCC Medical Assisting program. Jagrup received her B.S. in Molecular and Cell Biology from San Jose State University and a Doctorate of Medicine from Central American Health Sciences University in Belize. Jagrup also earned an MBA from Texas A&M University. She served as a clinician in El Paso, Texas and Juarez, Mexico, and later as a scientist in an oncology department in South San Francisco where she authored several publications and was granted an international patent for methods to determine cancer cell response to therapy. After years of service in the health care and biotech arenas, she began her academic career at San Jose City College as an adjunct faculty member teaching a course in Medical Assisting. She is a strong advocate for education and lifelong learning and serves on the School Site Council of her child's elementary school. A native speaker of Punjabi, she also speaks Hindi and Cantonese.

Certifications/Licensures
- Certified by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates
- Certified by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing in California for Health Science and Medical Technology
- Certified by the California Postsecondary and Vocational Education
- Certified Clinical Research Associate, Kriger Research Center, Toronto, Ontario
- CPT-1 certified, Certified MA, Certified EKG Tech
- BLS CPR Instructor certified by the American Heart Association

Membership and Honorary/Professional Societies
- Kaplan Medical Honor Society
- Central America Health Sciences University Alumni Association
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- San Jose State University Alumni Association
- American Red Cross, Santa Clara Valley Chapter

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Yelena brings more than 30 years of experience in the art of beauty to her role as a lead instructor in the San Jose City College Esthetics Department. As a teacher at the College of San Mateo and Miss Marty’s Hair Academy and Esthetics Institute, Yelena has shared her warmth and humor with countless students. She says, “My goal is to provide the highest possible level of training and inspiration to all students.” After receiving a B.A. in Pedagogy and Speech Therapy from the University of St. Petersburg, Yelena trained at the Wilfred Academy of Hair and Beauty Culture in New York. She is a graduate Master Educator at Milady’s Career Institute and was honored with the prestigious title of Diplomat by CIDESCO, the world’s major international beauty therapy association. Yelena’s vast professional experience includes serving at the legendary Elizabeth Arden Salon, Visage Medical Day Spa, Mr. Lee Salon and Spa, and Lancôme Beauty Institute. Her expertise spans stress-reducing facials, acne treatments, glycolic peels, lymphatic drainage massage, lash and brow tinting, facial and body waxing and treatments, and makeup. Along with her deep knowledge and experience, she brings high enthusiasm for helping her SJCC students be successful in their careers. Yelena was honored with the Outstanding Faculty Award in 2007 and 2013 by the SJCC Associated Students Hall of Excellence.
David Lomax
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David has served as a carpenter instructor at San Jose City College since 2009. His many years of experience in the contraction trades include building homes for native Alaskans in remote arctic areas and construction projects in the Mexican desert, during which he learned energy-efficient weatherization and building techniques to accommodate extreme temperatures of -35 degrees F to 110 degrees F. David may be the first carpentry instructor in the U.S. to earn a MBA degree, giving him in-depth knowledge of construction project management. David’s credentials include a tremendous history of hands-on learning and a great enthusiasm for continuing to improve the educational experience for his students. Aside from being a passionate teacher, David spends time boating, fishing, camping, flying, and traveling with his wife and son. Other interests include investing in and developing and selling properties.

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Clem has more than 30 years of experience as a technology instructor. A certified subject matter expert in computer hardware technologies, his expertise includes server software installation and upgrades and managing network appliances, servers, and turnkey client-server systems. Clem’s 40-plus years of industry experience includes a wide array of computer technologies. He holds an M.S. in Information Systems Technology, a B.S. in Computer Information Technology, and an A.S. in Computer Technology. He has earned technical diplomas in Audio-Video Equipment Servicing and technology industry certifications that include CompTIA’s A+ and Network+, Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE), and Electronics Technician Association (ETA) certifications. Clem is a retired United States Air Force Veteran (AFSC 305xx).
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While earning his engineering degree at California Maritime Academy (CSUM), he interned for a summer at San Francisco State University in their Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) Shop. He enjoyed the diverse work assignments and equipment of the campus. SF State’s Central Plant was of great interest with its use of cogeneration of electricity and heat to meet the campus’s needs. He was hired as a Building Service Engineer at San Francisco State as he finished earning his degree at CSUM.

At SF State, his primary duty area was its central plant where he was responsible for operating & maintaining multiple pieces of high-tech equipment, and all auxiliary equipment providing electricity and heating hot water (HHW) to the campus. During his time there, he created the first standard operating procedures (SOP) for the plant from a system analysis of the campus’s HHW system and the SOP for main gym’s inside pool.

He left SF State to apply his system knowledge at Agron Biofuels, a biofuel refinery in Watsonville, CA. He worked his way up as an operator from the tank farm to board operator, operating the plant, to shift supervisor. He earned the position of Maintenance Manager responsible for all maintenance aspects of the plant.

Certifications/Licensures
- Universal Refrigerant Handler, REPA
- Certified Pool Operator, NPSF
- Certified Pool Inspector, NPSF
- Aquatic Facility Auditor, NPSF

Awards
- Admiral’s Award
- Dean’s List
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- Honor Graduate, Military Intelligence School, Imagery Analyst

Membership and Honorary/Professional Societies
- Tau Alpha Pi

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Scott is a full-time faculty member in the Business & Workforce Division, in charge of the Emergency Medical Services Department. Before coming to SJCC, he was a full-time Emergency Medical Technician in San Mateo County, where he worked in the 911 system for eighteen years. During his time in the Navy, Scott served as a shipboard firefighter on the U.S.S. Kitty Hawk in Desert Storm, Desert Shield, and Operation Restore Hope.

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Carol has served as an instructor in the Cosmetology Department at San Jose City College since 1992. Before coming to SJCC, she worked in salons and taught at other Bay Area community colleges. She keeps up-to-date with the industry by taking advanced courses, attending trade shows and conventions, and volunteering with different organizations in the community. Carol's passion for helping her students be successful informs her teaching every day. She also helps cosmetologists who aspire to become instructors through the Teacher Trainee Course at SJCC. Her long experience “behind the chair” and with the Teacher Trainee course has equipped her to develop a curriculum that has proved extremely helpful to professional cosmetologists who are interested in pursuing careers as educators. Carol believes that through hard work and discipline all dreams are achievable.

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Sydney serves as a Laser Technology faculty member at SJCC. Sydney’s industry experience includes working for some of the world’s leading laser manufacturers, where he gained firsthand familiarity with major industry issues, as a result of which he has developed prescriptive courses to help resolve those issues. Besides teaching at SJCC, Sydney has lectured on laser technology at Silicon Valley companies and at conferences including SPIE Photonics West, SPIE Defense/Security and Sensing, IEEE LEOS, as well as lecturing onsite and online to employees at AT Films, BOEING (Airborne Laser Program), Coherent, Crystalaser, DPSS Lasers, EOTech, New Wave Research, Ondax, and the Professional Medical Education Association. He has authored several books on laser technology. In his leisure time, Sydney enjoys listening to and composing jazz.
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Isai was born in San Jose, Costa Rica, receiving his Machinist Degree from Colegio Vocacional Monsenor Sanabria and completing General Education and English courses at the University of Costa Rica. After moving to the U.S., Isai studied CNC programming at Fullerton College and Orange Coast College, using platforms such as MasterCam, Gibbs Cam, and NCL. He received a B.S.B.A. (Bachelors of Science in Business Administration) and a MBA/HRM (Masters in Business Administration and Human Resources Management) from University of Phoenix. Isai has held significant industry roles as a manufacturing manager, machine shop supervisor, and CNC programmer. He was an adjunct instructor for 10 years in the Machine Technology Department at Cerritos College, and for a year at Compton College. Isai worked in the central shops at Disneyland Resort as a Reliability Manager, where he was in charge of the maintenance, ironworkers, machinist, and sheet metal departments. Isai took a full-time position as instructor in the SJCC Machine Technology Department in 2008. He has been an active member on different committees and in the Academic Senate.

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Jess started his teaching career as an adjunct real estate instructor at West Valley College in 1992 and has been teaching at San Jose City College since 2002. He is currently the lead faculty member in the Business program teaching both business and real estate courses.

Jess is a California licensed Real Estate Broker with 37 years of management, marketing, and transactional experience in the real estate industry including real property sales brokerage, property management, and mortgage lending and servicing having vetted thousands of properties for sale or financing. He is a Founder and Broker-Owner of Foundation Trust Mortgage Securities, dba Foundation Trust Realty. Most recently he was part of the executive team for AtomiFi, a tech start-up engaged in creating the world’s first frictionless electronic trading platform for individual real property debt and equity securities featuring SEC registration and unrestricted secondary trading by institutional and main street investors.
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