Welcome to the spring semester at College of San Mateo. The diversity of classes in this schedule represents nearly 300 different degree, transfer and certificate programs. In addition to CSM’s strong transfer programs, the college also provides a robust selection of Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs. CTE programs are designed to prepare students for immediate employment in a wide range of high-growth and high-skilled careers. The articles in this Schedule of Classes focus on many of our exemplary CTE programs.

CTE programs are a path for recent high graduates, but we are also seeing a growing number of students with bachelor’s degrees coming to us for specialized education and training. We've included a story about Stephen Kadash, a student who exemplifies this trend of “reverse transfer.” A graduate of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, Stephen enrolled in CSM's technology program for the hands-on training required for a career in the fire service. I’m very pleased to report that Stephen was recently hired by the City of San Bruno Department; he is a true student success story.

CTE classes are taught by both full- and part-time faculty—professionals in their fields—who bring current experience and impressive credentials to the classroom. I hope you read the interview with Associate Professor Mike Brunacci who teaches in our program in Criminal Justice Security. Mike discusses his 32-year career in law enforcement and how he draws on that experience to educate the next generation of police officers. I think you will find his dual passions for public service and education quite inspiring.

College of San Mateo is located at the northern corridor of Silicon Valley and situated on a beautiful 157-acre site in the San Mateo hills that provides a panoramic view of San Francisco Bay. Since 1922, CSM has been a gateway to higher education leading to university transfer, career preparation and advancement, and professional and personal development.

The College currently serves approximately 10,000 day, evening and weekend students. CSM students reflect the diversity of the Bay Area and have a range of educational goals. To best serve our students, the curriculum offers a wealth of programs that include traditional, semester-length and short courses in addition to distance education.

Students can experience a vibrant campus life to complement classroom learning that includes leadership development, student government, more than 20 student clubs and educational and cultural activities. CSM is proud of its championship intercollegiate athletic teams which compete at the highest levels. Many student-athletes receive scholarships and continue at four-year institutions and numerous CSM athletes have gone on to professional careers.

To ensure student success, CSM offers a comprehensive selection of academic support services. Resources include financial aid and scholarships, counseling, transfer services, tutoring, employment assistance, health services and child care, among many others.

For more information about the college, visit collegeofsanmateo.edu/explore/csm. Guided campus tours can be scheduled through collegeofsanmateo.edu/tours.

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Community Members: Are there topics or features you’d like to see in upcoming schedules? Please provide your suggestions and/or feedback to cmspr@smccd.edu. Thank you.

Message from the President

Michael Claire, CSM President

CSM is committed to only offer those CTE programs with documented employment demand. To ensure our programs remain current and address employer needs, each has an advisory council comprised of business and industry professionals. You can learn more about each of our CTE programs in the article, “CSM Prepares Students for the Workforce and Careers.” Additionally, CTE programs provide countless direct benefits to the community at large. Our Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA) is a shining example of a program that gives back to the community. We are proud of the service that VITA provides to so many local residents that we chose it as our front page feature in, “CSM in Your Community.” While CTE programs provide significant opportunities to work in major industries and businesses, they also serve as launching pads for entrepreneurs and small businesses.

At $46 a unit, these programs provide an extremely cost-effective way to earn degrees and certificates and many are accredited by independent accrediting agencies. Compared to private and for-profit schools, CSM offers state-of-the-art, quality programs at a fraction of the cost.

Whether you want to begin or change careers, upgrade your skills, or learn a new set of skills, CSM is committed to helping you achieve your goals. I hope you enjoy reading about these programs and perhaps you will find opportunities at CSM that interest and inspire you.

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Spring 2015 Important Dates

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<td>IMPORTANT Deadline to pay student fees. If fees are not paid by this date, ALL of your classes will be automatically dropped.</td>
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