About College of San Mateo

College of San Mateo is located at the northern corridor of Silicon Valley and situated on a beautiful 153-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 11,000 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 learning options.

Students can experience a vibrant campus life to complement classroom learning that includes leadership development, student government, more than 40 student clubs and educational and cultural activities. CSM is proud of its championship intercollegiate athletic teams which compete at the highest community college level. 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/contactcsm. Guided campus tours can be scheduled through collegeofsanmateo.edu/tours.
Welcome Home and Thank You for Your Service!

College of San Mateo is honored to welcome home every generation of veterans, active duty military, members of the Guard and Reserve, as well as their dependents and family. From combat to college, boots to books, or service to scholar, the aim of the Veterans Services program is to assist in your transition from the military to higher education and beyond. CSM provides high-quality educational, certificate, degree and transfer program opportunities.

Succeed at CSM!
Priority Registration – sign up for the classes you need!

Start Ahead!
One year of active duty and an honorable discharge gives you 6 elective units and CSM waives the health science and PE requirements for the associate degree.

Have a Question? Get an Answer!
Certifying officials for Veterans Benefits are available to assist you during all business hours in-person, by phone, online, or by email.

GI Bill Assistance!
CSM provides comprehensive GI Bill assistance, including the new Post 9/11 GI Bill.

The CSM Advantage!
Our location provides the highest monthly payment rate in the nation under the Post 9/11 GI Bill.

Veterans Connect!
Veterans Student Alliance offers camaraderie and networking opportunities to fellow veterans.

Serving Those Who Served!
Support services include financial aid and special veterans’ scholarships, academic counseling, career planning, resources for special classroom needs, and other services.

The View from the Top!
Get started! Apply for admission at collegeofsanmateo.edu/apply.

Need More Information?
College of San Mateo provides referrals to several VA agencies and veterans organizations. We’ll help you find the right person to assist you.

Welcome Dependents of Veterans!
Children or a spouse of a veteran who died or is permanently and totally disabled as a result of a service-connected disability may be eligible for the Educational Assistance Program. To apply, you’ll need complete the VA form 22-5490. The process for certification of classes for this benefit is the same as for veterans collecting on the GI Bill.

Children or a spouse of a veteran who has a service connected disability or who has died of service-related causes may also qualify for a college fee waiver program. See a CSM certifying official for more information.

For More Information:
Visit collegeofsanmateo.edu/veterans, call (650) 358-6858/6856 or email csmvets@smccd.edu.