

Workforce Development Education

Solano College staff work closely with local business, industry, and advisory groups to design occupational programs that meet the needs of employers and residents in Solano County, one of the fastest growing counties in California.

Experienced workers can upgrade skills and knowledge or enter a new field. In some areas, it is possible to enter a new field and get a certificate in a year or less. An associate degree can take a year or longer depending upon the field and the student's prior education. Many courses and programs are transferable to four-year institutions. For more details, refer to the "Transfer to Four-Year Colleges and Universities" section of this catalog.

Equal access in vocational programs is provided for all students regardless of race, handicap, national origin, age or gender. Solano College vocational programs encourage women and men to enter non-traditional fields for their gender.

Short Term Courses

Solano College offers short-term courses with flexible schedules which enable students to continue to work while they upgrade skills and obtain the knowledge needed to qualify for career advancement or change.

Degree and Certificate Programs

Solano College offers a wide variety of programs in technical fields in which a student can be certified in a year or less. See the listing under each major for specific information, or see www.solano.edu.

Both an **Associate Degree** and a **Certificate of Achievement** are available in the following vocational programs:

Accounting
Aeronautics
Automotive Body and Fender
Automotive Technician
Avionics
Banking and Finance, Bank Operation
Biotechnology Production Technician
Business – General (Transfer)
Computer and Information Science
Cosmetology
Criminal Justice, Corrections
Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement
Drafting Technician
Early Childhood Education
Electronics Technology
Fashion Design
Fire Technology
Home Economics
Human Services
Industrial Management, Safety

Interior Design
Life Management
Maintenance Technician
Management
Marketing
Office Technology
Ornamental Horticulture
Professional Photography
Real Estate
Water and Wastewater Technology
Welding, Industrial Technology
Welding Technician

Associate Degree only is offered in the following programs:

Graphic Design and Illustration
Journalism
Nursing, Registered
Sports Medicine/Fitness Science

Certificate of Achievement only is offered in the following program:

Hazardous Substance & Waste Handling Technician
Retail Management

Job Direct Certificates are awarded in the following fields to students who satisfactorily complete a fast-track program to prepare them for employment:

Account Clerk (see Accounting major)
Certified Nursing Assistant (see Nursing major) Computer Applications Specialist (see Computer & Information Science major)
Computer Investigations (see Electronics major)
Cosmetology (see Cosmetology major)
Drafting Technology (see Drafting major)
Electronic Security and Surveillance Technician (see Electronics major)
Emergency Medical Technician I (see Health Occupations major)
Floral Worker (see Ornamental Horticulture major)
General Office Assistant (see Office Technology major)
Hazmat Worker (see Fire Technology major)
Home-Based Computer Processor (see Computer & Information Sci major)
Home Technology Integrator (see Electronics major)
Landscape Worker (see Ornamental Horticulture major)
Legal Office Assistant (see Office Technology major)
Manufacturing Technology (see Industrial Education major)
Medical Office Assistant (see Office Technology major)
Network Assistant (see Computer & Information Science major)
Retail Clerk (see Office Technology major)
Web Developer (see Computer & Information Science major)
Welding Equipment Operator (see Welding major)

Counselors, faculty, and administrators are glad to answer any questions about these programs. Requirements for the above courses and programs are listed in the following section of this catalog.