



Program Review  
New Position Request Presentation

**Position: Financial Aid PSC-Promise**

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# Mission

San Mateo County Community College District's Promise Scholars Program (PSP) helps first time, full time students earn certificates and associates degrees within two to three years by providing comprehensive financial, counseling, and academic supports. Students receive dedicated academic counseling, personalized career development, tutoring, enrollment fee waivers, textbook assistance, and transportation assistance to support their enrollment, completion, and transfer/career goals.

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# PSP Expansion- Part Time Promise Pathway

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## PART TIME PROMISE PATHWAY

### Benefits of Promise Scholars Program

- Classes paid for up to three years!
- \$650 textbook funds a year!
- \$50 giftcards for attending workshops
- Dedicated counselor to help you achieve your educational goal

### How do I qualify?

- Have a **NON - STEM** major/program of study
- Goal to complete your **certificate, degree, or transfer** in three years at Cañada
- Enter program between **9 - 36** completed units
- Apply to Financial Aid (do not need to qualify)

## SIGN UP FOR A SESSION BELOW!

Oct.

Mon. 10/17  
5-6pm  
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# SMCCCD PSP Expansion

	2019-20 (Actuals)	2020-21 (Actuals)	2021-22 (Target)	2022-23 (Target)	2023-24 (Target)
Skyline College	756	738	767	1,125	1,500
College of San Mateo	737	665	928	1,125	1,500
Cañada College	493	473	473	750	1,000
# SMCCCD Promise Students	1,986	1,876	2,173	3,000	4,000

# Personnel Request

## Financial Aid Program Services Coordinator

### Job Duties:

- Develop and execute a plan aimed at increasing FA awareness-focus on minoritized students
- Serve as liaison for FA and PSP to support campus-wide FA campaign
- Provide one-on-one financial aid support for prospective students, continuing students and transfer-bound students
- Develop and present workshops on FAFSA and CADAA to high school partners and the larger community
  - Cash For College, "I Can Afford College."
- Create and facilitate scholarship workshops
  - Continuing students and FA annual renewals
- Collaboration with other support programs such as EOPS, TRIO, DRC, Sparkpoint, Dream Center, Transfer Center, etc
- Maintain a variety of FA files, records, and databases; prepare reports and correspondences

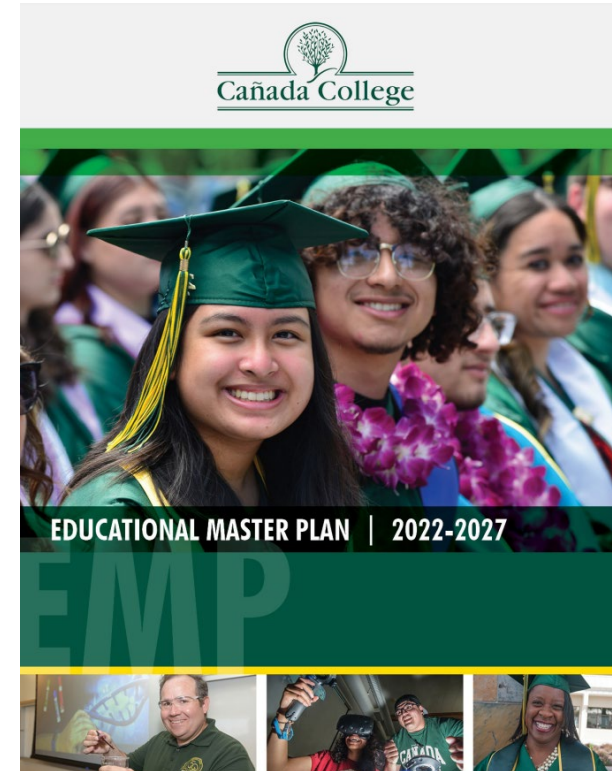


# Supporting our EMP Goals

## Student Access, Success and Completion

*"Cañada College ensures student access to relevant and transformative student services and instructional programs that are inclusive, diverse, equitable, and antiracist. As an institution, Cañada contributes to the financial stability of students to empower them to pursue personal, academic, professional, and civic goals. Cañada College continuously assesses processes and removes barriers to student access, success, and completion."*

- Student-centered practices and policies that support persistence and completion efforts
- Reduce financial barriers by assisting students in completing their financial aid application annually



# How does this resource request support closing the equity gap?

- Removing systematic and financial barriers
- Continuation of Antiracist work to provide support to minoritized students
  - Intentional one-on-one assistance to our communities of color
- Increasing capacity to serve prospective PSP students
- Aligned with the proposed district wide expansion of a 1,000 students by 2023





# College Goal #3

## Community Connections



*"Cañada College establishes equity-minded partnerships with other educational institutions, employers, governments, and community-based organizations that result in seamless pathways for high school students transitioning to college, college students transitioning to university, and all community members pursuing career, and lifelong educational opportunities."*

- Coordination of FA campaign and outreach/in-reach efforts.
- Representation at College Fairs, “I Can Afford College” and “Cash for College Nights,” and bilingual FAFSA and CA Dream Act workshops.
- Strengthen partnerships with student services on campus such as EOPS, CARE, DRC, Dream Center, CalWORKS, CWA, SparkPoint, Transfer Center, and other groups as needed.



## College Goal #4

# Accessible Infrastructure and Innovation

*"College financial resources are well managed in support of the College's values and to provide accessible physical and virtual spaces that promote continuous innovation and excellence in teaching and learning. Cañada's investments in physical, technological and transportation infrastructure create sustainable, equitable access to the College and support equitable educational outcomes across the diverse members of the community we serve."*

The Promise Scholars Program primarily accepts students who are low income, former foster youth, or AB540 students. As such, many of our marginalized students work either part time or full time to provide for themselves or their family. The hiring of a Financial Aid Program Services coordinator will be able provide intentional one-on-one assistance to our housing insecure, food insecure, and former foster youth students.

# Requested Allocation



- Grade 27
- Step 1
- Annual Cost: \$68580
- 100% Fund 1

Thank You!

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**Any Questions?**

