



SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY COLLEGE

**SUPPLEMENT TO THE
2023 COLLEGE CATALOG**



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This document is a supplement to the 2023 College Catalog and is provided for the purpose of notifying students of corrections and/or updates to College policy, programs, courses, admissions and graduation requirements which have occurred since the Catalog’s publication.

This is a living document; revisions will be added until publication of the next Catalog.

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SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION TO SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY COLLEGE

SJVC LOCATIONS AND PROGRAM OFFERINGS

REVISION: The address of the Antelope Valley (Lancaster) campus has been updated, as shown below. (Catalog p. 14, rev. 11.23.22)

Antelope Valley (Lancaster) Campus

42135 10th Street West, Ste. 200

Lancaster, CA 93534

Phone: (661) 974-8282

SECTION 2: ADMISSIONS

TRANSFER OF CREDIT

REVISION: Information specific to **transfer of credit for Bridge programs** has been added, as set forth below. (Catalog p. 22, rev. 11.17.22)

Outside Credit Equivalency

Applicants to an SJVC Bridge program who hold a credential earned outside of SJVC will have their credential reviewed for equivalency. The following criteria are used to determine equivalency:

- The outside credential must have been earned from an institution of higher education recognized by the [Council for Higher Education Accreditation](#) or is otherwise validated for comparability to coursework for which it is accepted
- Incoming coursework must be credit-bearing and completed successfully per program requirements
- Coursework must have been successfully completed within the past seven (7) years

SJVC exercises sole discretion in determinations of equivalency.

SECTION 7: BACCALAUREATE DEGREE, ASSOCIATE DEGREE, AND CERTIFICATE PROGRAMS

LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION EXAM FEES

REVISION: **Medical Billing and Coding** has been added as an eligible program in this section, as set forth below. (Catalog p. 67, rev. 12.6.22)

In cases where licensure and certification enhances a student's potential for employment but is not required to work in a related field, specifically Clinical Medical Assisting, Clinical and Administrative Medical Assisting, **Medical Billing and Coding**, and Dental Assisting, **SJVC** will reimburse the cost of the examination to graduates who pass within one year of graduation and provide proof of licensure. Payment for retakes and subsequent examinations are the responsibility of the graduate. Failure to sit for either exam does not constitute a refund or discount in tuition.

TRADES STUDIES

REVISION: The **Program Description** for the Trades Studies Associate of Science degree program has been revised, as set forth below. (Catalog p. 129, rev. 11.17.22)

Program Description

SJVC's Trades Studies program may be completed in 25 weeks. The program is designed for trades professionals who want to advance their career and who have earned a certificate of completion in Electrical Technology; Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration; or Maintenance Technician from **San Joaquin Valley College** (or an equivalent program at an institution that is recognized by the [Council for Higher Education Accreditation](#)). The Trades Studies Associate of Science degree affords excellent opportunities for professional growth and development through instruction in general education coursework designed to produce the competencies of higher education that employers expect of college graduates.

REVISION: The **Admission Requirements** for the Trades Studies Associate of Science degree program have been revised, as set forth below. (Catalog p. 129, rev. 11.17.22)

Admission Requirements

To be considered for admission to the Trades Studies program, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Successful completion of a certificate program in Electrical Technology; Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration; or Maintenance Technician from **SJVC** (or an equivalent program at an institution that is recognized by the [Council for Higher Education Accreditation](#)).
- Successful completion of a minimum of 30.0 units of lower-division courses (see Section 2, **Transfer of Credit**).

GENERAL EDUCATION FOR NON-DEGREE-SEEKING STUDENTS

REVISION: The **Fresno campus has been removed** as a location offering General Education courses to students seeking to complete science prerequisites. (Catalog p. 142, rev. 11.17.22)