PC now offering online registration for Community Education classes

Porterville College is now offering online registration for PC Community Education courses anytime from the convenience of their home or on the go. Prior to offering online registration, Community Education students had to visit campus during office hours to register.

“Porterville College is always looking for opportunity to support the community,” said Dean of Instruction, Sam Aunai. “To help with ease of registration, individuals can now register and pay online.”

Community Education courses are designed to meet the needs of the community. These are non-credit classes offered in addition to the college's academic program. These courses are designed to provide learning and enjoyment in a friendly, worry-free environment.

These courses include vocational skills, professional development or exposure to new recreational enjoyments.

To register for classes, go to www.porterville.asapconnected.com or visit the PC website at www.portervillecollege.edu. More Community Education classes will be offered starting in August and September.

Porterville College strives to create and offer a variety of exciting courses that are of interest to the community we serve. Community Education Courses are not funded by taxpayers’ dollars. All registration fees and costs associated with the courses vary from course to course.

“Additionally, we are always looking for individuals who have ideas about community ed classes and are willing to teach them,” said Aunai.

If you are interested in developing and teaching a Community Education Course, please complete and return the Class Proposal Form, which can be found online at www.portervillecollege.edu/community-education/community-education or a link can be found under the “Community” tab at www.portervillecollege.edu.

For more information please contact Sam Aunai at (559) 791-2308 or email communityed@portervillecollege.edu.

Fall registration now open

Registration for the Fall 2015 Semester is now open. Saturday classes start Aug. 22 and Regular Instruction classes begin Aug. 24.

Students can register online by visiting the PC website at www.portervillecollege.edu. Students simply fill out an Admission (first time students) or Update form, attend assessment and orientation, visit a counselor and complete a student educational plan, then register for classes on the web. Current students simply need to log into InsidePC, select the Student tab and select “Add or Drop Classes” from Registration Tools. A searchable and downloadable class schedule is available online for students to

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view what classes are still available, waitlist only or closed [full].
PC also offers community education (non-credit courses), online, late-start and weekend classes, as well as summer session. Even if you work full time and have a family, Porterville College can help you accomplish your educational goals. PC offers childcare, financial aid, scholarships, student work programs and evening classes.

Porterville College is located at 100 East College Avenue in Porterville. For more information visit www.portervillecollege.edu or call (559) 791-2200.

You can also find Porterville College on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, Pinterest, YouTube and Yelp.

EOPS Student Success Profiles

Linnett Cazares Madrigal
Biological and Physical Science- Nutrition

My name is Linnett and my major is Nutrition. I started my career at Porterville College because I knew they could help me build a career foundation towards my major. I have been at Porterville College since 2012. I have been in EOPS since Fall 2012. As a new student at Porterville College, I was not able to see a counselor right away, and because of that I ended up getting classes I did not need for my major. Which caused me to be at Porterville College for an extra semester.

The EOPS Program has helped me whenever I have doubts on what classes I need to take. They have also helped me financially and by lending me books I need. The EOPS staff is very friendly and helpful. I thank them for always encouraging me to do my best. EOPS has helped me by giving me tools to better my education, like; scholarships to buy books, lending books, meal cards, workshops, and other useful tools that made it possible for me to continue with my education. Some of my achievements are that I have been awarded several scholarships. I also made it to the All-California Academic Second Team by the Community College League of California. My goals for the next 5 years are to graduate with my bachelor's degree in Food and Nutritional Science from Fresno State University and Work as a Dietitian. I want to work and return to school to obtain a Master's in Nutritional Science. I will be transferring to Fresno State to obtain my Bachelor's degree in Food and Nutritional Science. There is so much I have learned at Porterville College. I'm more confident and I know I'm capable of doing amazing things. I'm very thankful for the strong foundation Porterville College has given me to continue my education at a university.

Joshua Beer
Administration of Justice

My name is Joshua Beer and my major is Administration of Justice. I decided to attend Porterville College because the campus was close. I attended PC for almost 4 years! I have been a part of EOPS for 2 years. Some of the challenges I faced at Porterville College were:

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Campus Calendar

August
4- “Become A Pirate in a Day” registration event; 10am-3pm in AC-126
22- Saturday instruction begins for 2015 Fall Semester
24- Regular instruction begins for 2015 Fall Semester
28- Foundation Board Meeting

Sept.
7- Labor Day- Campus Closed
25- Foundation Board Meeting

Registration for Fall 2015
Now Open

Fall Semester starts August 22

For more info: (559) 791-2200
www.portervillecollege.edu

PC UPDATE - SUMMER
Porterville College would like to congratulate the following athletes on receiving the following recognitions:

**Rookie of the Year – Davy Baltus (Basketball)**

Davy Baltus a native from Paris, France transferred last semester in the fall from highly ranked Willey College in Texas where he redshirted. Davy struggled in the beginning of the season to adapt to the speed of the game.

With hard work, dedication and persistent Davy caught up to the speed of the game and never looked back. Davy had a couple of big games for us this past season no more important than the Chabot tournament when our leading scorer Tyrone Hall stayed back in New York due to personal reasons. Davy helped lead us to a consolation championship while averaging 16 points and making the All-Tournament Team.

Davy finished up the season for us averaging 9 ppg and 3 rebounds while also making All-Freshman team in Conference play. We are looking for him to have a breakout year next season.

**Rookie of the Year - Briana Bamber (Softball)**

"Bri" is a freshman third baseman who graduated from Monache High School in Porterville. She started in every game for the Pirates in one of Softball's most demanding positions. Bri was an offensive threat, but what she did at third base defied all statistics.

The conference coaches of the Central Valley recognized her achievements by voting her on the first team all-conference.

**Sophomore of the Year – Tyrone Hall (Basketball)**

Tyrone Hall a third year athlete and a native of Brooklyn, New York was the pulse of PC men's basketball this season. Tyrone lead PC in scoring this season by averaging 11 ppg, three rebounds, and two assist while shooting 47% from the field and with a staggering 44% from the 3pt line. Tyrone had a couple of big games this season against really good teams but the one that stood out to me was “The Game of Year” when his former coach TJ Jennings came back to play us and Tyrone went off for 16 points, 6 rebounds, four assist and a victory to go with it over Reedley College. Ty have accomplished a lot accolades in his stint here at Porterville College.

In 2012/2013 Ty won Freshmen of the Year for Pirate Athletes, All-Freshman in Conference, All Conference this season and now Pirate Sophomore of the Year. Ty was Coach Rob Haynes' first college recruit. Tyrone will sign with Queens College a Division II back in New York City.

**Sophomore of the Year - Jennifer Ortega (Softball)**

A sophomore pitcher from Delano High School "Jenn" was a starter for the Pirates both years. She was a defensive threat on the mound and a consistent contributor with her bat. Jenn has various scholarship offers from around the nation and most recently was named to the All State Academic Team by the CCCFPA and the California Community College Fast pitch Coaches Association.

**Pirate of the Year and Male Scholar Athlete of the Year – Matt Ferreira (Baseball)**

A third year sophomore infielder Matt has started on first base this last season. During last month's scholarship awards ceremony he was awarded several academic scholarships. He is a graduate of Tulare Western High School and will transfer to a four-year university, where he wants to major in either Agricultural Business or Kinesiology.

**Pirate of the Year – Meranda Watkins (Volleyball)**

The face of Pirate Volleyball, Meranda is a sophomore setter/outside hitter out of Hoover High School in Fresno. She led the Pirates in almost all categories and was back-to-back runner up for Player of the Year in the Central Valley Conference.

Meranda was awarded an academic scholarship during last month’s scholarship ceremony and will transfer to Fresno Pacific University to play volleyball and continue her education.

**Pirate of the Year – Isabel Romero (Softball)**

“Izzy”, a freshman designated hitter out of Wasco High School was the Pirates’ strongest hitter this season. Izzy was unable

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to play softball last year due to reconstructive knee surgery. She rehabbed hard and fought her way back this season, leading the State in hits for quite some time. She received all-conference honors by being selected to the second All-CVC Team. Izzy is majoring in Biological and Physical Sciences.

Tyler Curry “Sportsmanship” Award - Daniel Ricks (Basketball)

Daniel Ricks a Fresno native and former grizzly from Central High School. Daniel came to Porterville College last year with his cousin Jarred White, a former PC student-athlete to pursue his dream of playing college basketball. His style of play was the epitome of what Porterville is all about “blue collar”, with his 6’4 frame (6’5 on a good day).

Daniel has been one of the hardest workers that came through PC according to Coach Haynes. Daniel was their best all-defender that sacrifices his body for his brothers by leading the team in chargers taken. There were times when Daniel wouldn't play as much he wanted, but he always kept a positive attitude throughout well inspiring others to do well.

With his down time Daniel would volunteer to ref at the church when he not asked to do so. Daniel was a great leader, teammate and captain and that’s why he’s awarded the Tyler Curry Sportsmanship Award.

Sportsmanship Award – Danyela Salas (Softball)

“Dee” is a third year sophomore outfielder from Bakersfield High School. She has maintained perfect attendance at practice, including the required extra hour for pitchers. Dee received honorable mention in all league selections and is majoring in Child Development.

Tiffanee Anderson “Most Inspirational” - Melissa Vernon (Volleyball)

A sophomore outside hitter from Exeter High School, Melissa is the second highest scorer on the PC Volleyball team. She was voted onto the second team all Central Valley Conference by the coaches from our league. Upon Coach Dale Henderson's departure she and her friend Dre took on a leadership role helping Gracie Steidley guide our team through the nontraditional season.

Most Inspirational – Justin McIntosh (Baseball)

Justin is a third year sophomore who graduated from Exeter High School. During his freshman year he suffered a devastating hip injury which sidelined him his first season. He recovered and played himself into the line-up in various positions, not once complaining. Justin has also been one of our lead statisticians during basketball games.

Scholar Athlete of the Year – Sarah Contreras (Volleyball)

Sarah is a sophomore middle blocker from Delano High School, who received CVC honorable mention. She is active in student government and the current ASPC president. Sarah received multiple academic scholarships during the awards ceremony on April 25 and plans to transfer to Cal State University, Monterey to earn a degree in Kinesiology.

Kathie Gifford Special Recognition Award - Coach Gracie Steidley

Gracie has been a softball assistant coach for many years. After completing her active playing career under Coach Vickie Dugan she started as a volunteer assistant working her way up over the years to become Vickie’s right hand person. She is currently the longest acting assistant coach in the CVC.

After Dale Henderson announced his sudden departure 2 weeks into this semester Gracie stepped up to the plate and took over his volleyball class from one day to the next. Not only has she been teaching the young ladies essential volleyball skills and tactics, she has also guided them academically and in life way beyond what was expected of her.

She recently gave up her rare free weekend during softball season (& her son’s HS baseball season) to take our VB team to a tournament in LA so our students could showcase their talent in front of recruiters and coaches of 4-year schools. They left PC at 4am on a Saturday morning and returned late that same night. Lately, Gracie has been tirelessly working to place Volleyball

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Porterville College included not receiving priority registration. Getting into the classes I needed was difficult. Some of my achievements include making the Dean’s List and President’s List. The EOPS program helped with both counselors and getting into classes. My goal for the next 5 years is to work as a CHP officer and to buy my own house. I was just accepted into the CHP academy! (27 weeks) As I look back to my first semester, I realize I can grow a beard faster! I was actually a nursing major so midway through I changed my career goal entirely to pursue becoming a CHP officer.

As of June 2015, Joshua Beer has successfully graduated from the 27-week cadet-training at the California Highway Patrol (CHP) Academy.

2015 STAFF AWARDS AND RETIREMENTS

Staff/Student Awards:
Student of the Year - Juan S. Baca
Classified Staff of the Year- Judy Fallert
Adjunct Faculty of the Year- Gracie Steidley
Administrator of the Year - Jay Navarrette
Faculty of the Year - Steve Schultz

Retirement Awards:
Jeannie Fairless
Ron Glahn
Connie Orellana
Kathie Gifford

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The J.E.C. Center at Porterville College provides personalized services and programs. Whether you need help choosing major, exploring careers, starting your own business, or developing a resume, J.E.C. staff is here to help you make the necessary preparations to achieve your goals and to ensure a successful transition from academic life to the working world.

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Workshops are FREE and open to the public. Parking permits will not be required during workshops.
Holly Franks
Position: Head Volleyball Coach

Background: I grew up in Tollhouse, Ca where I attended Sierra High School where I played volleyball, basketball, and track. My junior year I committed to Cal Poly San Luis Obispo where I majored in Kinesiology. I attended and played volleyball at Cal Poly for four years, redshirting my junior year due to injury.

For my final season of playing, I decided to return home to the valley and finish my college career as a Bulldog at Fresno State. After a great senior season, I graduated from Fresno State with Bachelor of Arts Degree in Philosophy. From there, I fulfilled my dream of becoming a professional athlete and played for Svedala Volley Elite VBK, located in Sweden.

Throughout my athletic career, I coach during my seasons and my off seasons. I coached for clubs such as 805 Elite, Svedala VBK, and Central Cal Volleyball Club. I have also worked many camps for Pepperdine University, University of California, Berkley, Cal Poly, and in my abilities to pass on my knowledge to my new PC athletes. Not only on the court, but in the classroom as well.

Fun Facts/Hobbies: I love the outdoors. Ice cream is my favorite food group. I am left handed, which means I am creative! I hold the Most Aces in a Game record at Fresno State

What you bring to PC: After returning to the states this past spring, Coach Franks decided to shift her career goals to the coaching aspect of the game. Although she has coached many teams, Coach Franks has a unique vision that she wants to apply to the Porterville College program.

She has been coaching at the high school level and club teams for the past six years and has a lot of knowledge to bring to the program. She is excited to help her student athletes achieve their athletic and academic goals and watch them grow and succeed as individuals.

Her high expectations for her athletes and the program will undoubtedly lead to a successful season and for seasons to come. We can definitely expect great things from Porterville College Volleyball Program.

Carrin Blyth
Position: English Instructor

Background: After many years as a paralegal and law office administrator, I attended a community college when my children were small. I wasn't sure what I wanted to do “when I grew up,” but needed to take the general education classes anyway. Once I started, I loved every class and kept changing my mind about my major. Finally, I settled on English literature as a major because I always wanted to have more time to read. I couldn't believe that I could earn my degree while reading all the great classics. It felt like a dream come true, although the work was much more rigorous than I anticipated!

Fun Facts: When I am not reading and analyzing essays, I enjoy spending quality time with my wonderful husband and family and our dog, Coco and our kitties. I also very much enjoy exercising, especially outdoors.

What you bring to PC: It was in
Above: (left to right) PC Basketball’s Malik Muhammad, Tyrone Hall, and Harry Neal, along with Adam Armstead (not pictured) recently signed Letters of Intent to four year schools. Muhammad will move on to NAIA – Presentation College (South Dakota), Hall to Division II - Queens College (Queens, NY), Neal to NAIA – Fisher College (Boston, MA), and Armstead to Cal Maritime (Oakland, CA).

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Left: Congratulations to Pirate Basketball’s Brianna Baldwin, who signed her letter of intent on May 20 with Lindenwood (Belleville) University.
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Above: On May 16 PC hosted a second graduation for the class of 2015, this time for Health Careers. (Not in pictured order) The 2015 Porterville College Associate Degree Nursing graduates:

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graduate school where I discovered my true love and profession: teaching! I love it so much that I am in the process of earning my doctorate in Education with a specialization in Higher Education. I feel that earning this advanced degree helps me grow as an English instructor. I am so looking forward to joining the PC family!

Roger Kroeger  
Position: ESL Instructor

Background: Mr. Kroeger comes to Porterville College from Imperial Valley College, where he taught ESL for one year as a temporary assistant professor. Before that he taught at various colleges and universities as an adjunct. He enjoys teaching ESL because of the difference it makes in immigrants’ lives.

Fun Facts: He enjoys learning about other cultures and furthering his education by taking TESOL classes.

What you bring to PC: Mr. Kroeger strives to create a learning environment that is student centered and accommodates a variety of learning styles.

Porterville College to Offset up to 80 Percent of Electricity Use with Solar Energy System from Borrego Solar

Porterville College—one of the three colleges making up the Kern Community College District (KCCD) serving Kern, Tulare, Inyo and San Bernadino Counties—today announced it is partnering with Borrego Solar Systems Inc. to install 1.12 megawatt (MW) of solar energy capacity on elevated shade structures over its parking lots. The $4 million installation is expected to deliver an estimated $6.5 million in energy savings over the life of the system.

The solar installation’s generation will meet 70 percent to 80 percent of the campus’ electricity demand. The sites will be net-metered, meaning that any solar energy not consumed by the campus will be fed into the local electricity grid.

“We are extremely excited to be able to install solar panels to assist the college and the community with energy savings and to continue to plan for the future,” said PC President Dr. Rosa Flores-Carlson. “KCCD has been working on bringing renewable energy to all three of its campuses: Bakersfield College, Cerro Coso and now, Porterville College. We have been waiting for a long time to be able to participate in energy savings for our current and future needs,” Carlson continued. “Living in the Central Valley, we have the on-going natural sunlight that many other communities do not have and it is imperative that we utilize it.”

The system will generate an estimated 1.9 megawatt-hours of electricity in its first year of operation — enough electricity to power approximately 250 homes annually. The installation is expected to offset 1,312 metric tons of carbon dioxide annually, which is the equivalent of taking 276 cars off the road or the amount of carbon sequestered by 1,076 acres of U.S. forests.

Adopting solar energy also furthers Kern Community College District’s objective of reducing the price uncertainty of ongoing costs. Investing in solar energy mitigates the financial risk of rising energy costs.

“From the beginning, Kern Community College District had a clear idea of the goals it wanted to achieve through solar thanks to proper due diligence, working with a qualified consultant, and up front coordination with the local utility,” said Fnan Araia, Borrego Solar project developer for the Porterville College project. “As a result, Kern CCD leadership understood its energy-use profile and the return on investment solar could realistically deliver. Any institution thinking of taking advantage of solar should start the conversation early, just as Porterville College did, to get the project off the ground quickly and make sure it is choosing the right partners for the job.”

Borrego Solar is currently building solar installations for schools and colleges throughout California, including College of the Sequoias, Newport Mesa Unified School District and Glendale Unified School District.

Established in 1980, Borrego Solar Systems Inc. is one of the nation’s leading designers, developers, installers, O&M providers and financiers of commercial and utility solar power systems. Borrego Solar’s photovoltaic systems are efficient, reliable and cost-effective. With more than three decades of experience and more than 1,100 solar power installations completed—totaling over 150 megawatts—Borrego Solar offers a complete line of solar system design and installation services throughout North America. Borrego Solar was the 2nd largest commercial solar installer in the United States in Q1 2015, according to Greentech Media Research. For more information, visit www.borregosolar.com.
Above left: The line extended down the block to get into the 2015 Porterville College Job Fair held in conjunction with America's Job Center of California on May 7 at PC. Above right: Hundreds turned out to the event that was held in the Porterville College Gym and Quad area. More than 60 hiring vendors in a variety of industries, conducted interviews and talked to applicants during the event. Priority service was given to military veterans and their families earlier that day.

Above: The Porterville College Veterans Center held its 1st Annual Veterans Recognition Dinner on May 7. The guest speaker for the event was Assemblyman Devin Mathis. Multiple awards were given away to Porterville College veterans and a presentation of Veteran Honor ropes for commencement. Porterville College would like to thank the individuals, organizations and businesses who have supported the PC Veterans Center during its first year.
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sophomores at 4-year universities and to make sure returning students are on track to transfer and eligible to compete next season.

During the first day of the spring semester Gracie and Vickie Dugan sat at an information table in the freezing cold guiding new students to their class rooms. With the softball team Gracie and her husband Derek, a volunteer coach for the program, participate and initiate many community and outreach events, including sporting teams for the annual Relay for Life event, holding softball clinics at local high schools and the Tule Indian Reservation.

This last year she played a crucial part in organizing an event they called “everybody comes home”. The entire team ran 64 miles through Porterville to honor a Texas Community College Softball Team that lost several team-members in a horrible van accident 64 miles away from home. They took pictures and wrote posters and cards and sent them to the Team in Texas.

For the past few years Gracie has been teaching the community Education fitness classes serving mainly more mature students. She cares for them as much as for her student athletes; celebrating birthdays with goodies and making the students feel at home on our campus.

In addition, Gracie has been running the softball team’s mandatory study hall for years; supervising the young ladies during study time and helping them stay focused. “Study table” happens daily between Mondays and Thursdays in the wee morning hours before the girls head to class.

The early morning time is not due to Gracie’s insomnia but brings the added benefit that she knows that her students won’t over sleep their first class. Thank you, Gracie for all you do for our students and Pirate Athletics.

2015 Porterville College Youth Basketball and Volleyball Camps

Above: Porterville College held their annual youth basketball and volleyball camps in June and July. Thank you to the coaches, athletes/students, family and future Pirates that made them happen!