

College Overview

Overlooking the San Francisco Bay, Cañada College opened for instruction in September 1968, is located approximately 30 miles south of San Francisco in Redwood City, California and is a member of the California Community College System. It is one of three accredited colleges in the San Mateo County Community College District. The college is located on 131 acres in the western part of Redwood City and is conveniently located next to the Interstate 280 freeway.

The primary service area for the College is the southern portion of San Mateo County, Redwood City, East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, San Carlos, Atherton, Portola Valley, La Honda, Woodside, Half Moon Bay, and Pescadero. It is one of only three federally-designated Hispanic Serving Institutions in the San Francisco Bay Area.

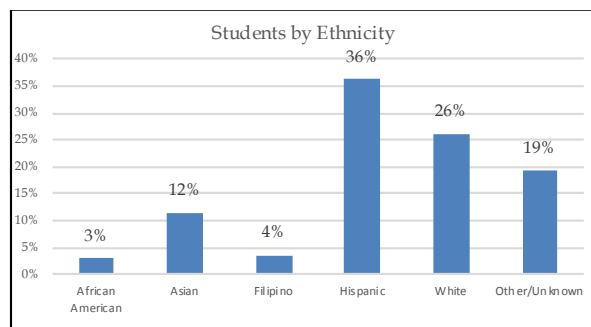
There are a total of 336 employees – 9 educational administrators, 81 full-time faculty, 160 part-time faculty, and 86 classified professionals. (From cccco.edu Data Mart, fall 2015.)

Program Overview

Cañada College offers more than 50 degree programs leading to either an Associate of Arts (AA or ADT) or Associate of Science degree (AS or ADT). Over 40 certificates of Achievement in various specialties are offered. The College has established over 200 articulation and transfer agreements with the University of California (UC), the California State University (CSU), and private universities. **In fall 2016, a total of 6,163 students enrolled in the College.**

Ethnicity of Students

The College has 36% Hispanic students, 26% white, 12% Asian, and 3% African American.

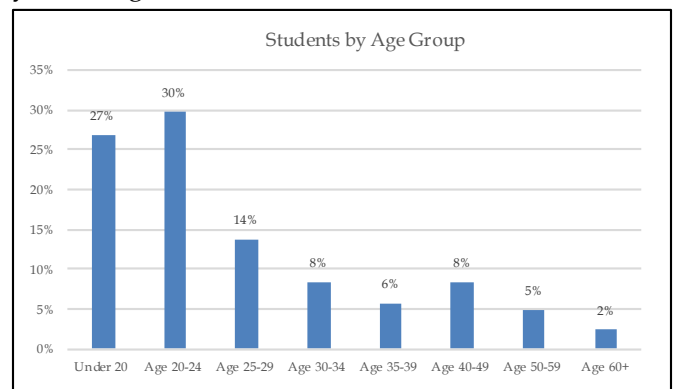


Gender of Students

The College's student population is composed of 37% male and 61% female.

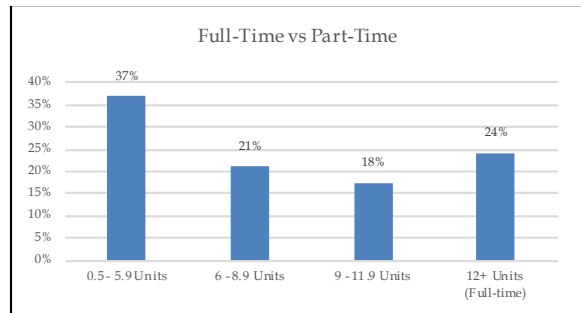
Age of Students

27% percent of the College students are under 20 years of age.



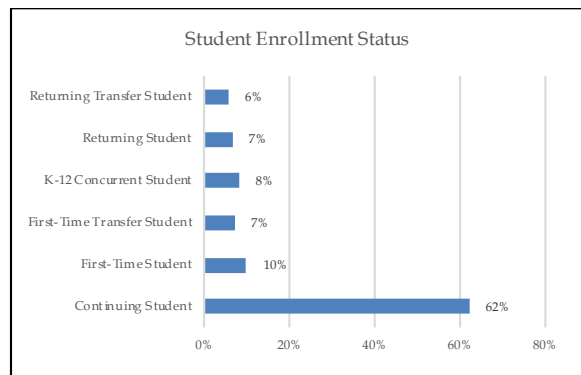
Full-time vs Part-time

Most of the College students (76%) are part-time students. Only 24% of students are full-time (12+ units) students.



New Students

The percent of first time students enrolled in the College is 10%. First time transfer students from another college is 7%. Majority of our students are continuing students (62%).



Geographic Location

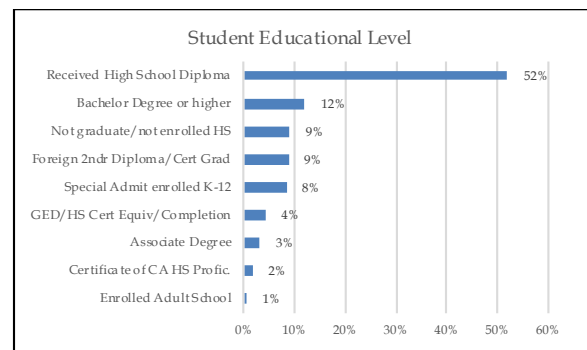
Most Cañada College students are Redwood City residents (31%), followed by San Mateo (11%), East Palo Alto (7%), San Francisco (6%), San Carlos (5%), Menlo Park (4%), Belmont (4%), Daily City (3%) and Half Moon Bay (3%).

The number of international students attending Cañada College on a Student Visa (I-20) is 238.

Note: data from SMCCD Data Dashboard

Educational Levels

Majority of our students are high school graduates (52%) and followed by students who had bachelor degree or higher (12%). About 15% of our students have some kind of high school equivalent or certificate. About 9% of our students did not graduate from or enrolled in high school.



Educational Goal

Majority (67%) of students indicate that their educational goal is either to earn a degree, to transfer, or to earn a certificate. About 6% of students' educational goal is to update job skills, 3% for improving basic skills, and 6% undecided.

