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Fall Semester Classes Still Available at El Camino College Compton Center

While many students are being turned away at other institutions of higher learning in record numbers due to across-the-board cuts, El Camino College Compton Center still has openings for the fall semester and students are encouraged to register now through September 10.

One strategy for students that may find themselves kept out of specific courses they need to complete degrees or to transfer to four-year universities is to enroll in classes at more than one community college.

"The unique availability of courses at El Camino College Compton Center will allow more students to fulfill their classroom requirement right now," said Barbara Perez, Vice President, El Camino College Compton Center. "This is a good opportunity, especially when so many students are unable to get the classes they need at other institutions."

As reported by CNN, President Obama has emphasized the importance of a college education for career success, proposing that the federal government invest \$12 billion in America's community colleges over the next decade. Obama highlighted the need for an educated workforce when he addressed issues related to higher education, citing studies that project jobs requiring an associate degree will grow twice as fast as jobs requiring no college degree in coming years.

To apply and get the classes they need at El Camino College Compton Center, students may go to www.compton.edu and click on the "Apply Online" tab in the top left corner of the homepage.

Once applications are completed, students may register in-person now through September 10 in the Student Lounge weekdays, and on Saturday, August 28. Registration hours are Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Register online by going to www.compton.edu and clicking on *MyECC*, or by calling 310-516-9339. Computers are available for student use in the Welcome Center, Financial Aid Lab, Admissions and Records Office, VT 209 and Library. Students must have a registration appointment prior to going online or calling to register. Go to www.compton.edu and click on *MyECC – Registration Appointment Time* or call 310-516-9339 to confirm individual registration dates and times.

There are a wide range of courses available at El Camino College Compton Center to address all students' needs. For instance in additional to required general education courses, Career and Technical Education offers 15 different occupational programs for those looking to start a career, planning to transfer to a four-year college or university, or needing to upgrade their skills or develop new ones for a specific career.

About El Camino College Compton Center

El Camino College Compton Center is the community's education solution offering a full complement of transfer and degree courses, as well as career and technical education. Students may earn an associate degree or certificate, transfer to a four-year college or university, or train for a career. Many classes are available and offered at an affordable price—fees are only \$26 per unit. The catalog and class schedule for day, evening, weekend and online courses is available on the website at www.compton.edu or may be picked up at ECC Compton Center located at 1111 E. Artesia Boulevard, Compton, CA. For more information, call 310-900-1600.