Expanding Career Opportunities for Rural Hispanics
2+2 Title V Program
a collaboration between
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Program Description

The 2+2 Title V Grant Program is a partnership between Imperial Valley College and San Diego State University- IV Campus to provide two new bachelor degree programs locally, Computer Science and Nursing (BSN). These fields offer a growing demand for professionals, high paying jobs and tremendous opportunities for career advancement. Imperial Valley residents are now able to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree without leaving the Valley. All lower division courses will be completed at IVC and all upper division courses will be completed at SDSU-IV Campus.

Program Members

Paul Pai, President of IVC, and Stephen Roeder, Dean of SDSU-IVC, will provide ongoing oversight to the project. Dr. Lianna Zhao is Project Director for the 2+2 Title V Grant Program. The Internal Monitoring Team is administrators, faculty and staff from both institutions.

The Project Director and Activity Co-Directors, Dr. Tom Morrell and Dr. Jeanette Shumaker, will meet each semester with a Community Leaders Advisory Board of county business, industry, and healthcare leaders.

David Trujillo is the external evaluator. Each partner institution identified faculty liaisons; a Nursing Program Coordinator and a Computer Science Program Coordinator, to coordinate activities at their respective college. All 2+2 grant program members share in the responsibility to see that the guidelines are followed and goals and objectives are met during the 5 year term of the grant.

Program Budget

The budget reflects the partnership between IVC and SDSU-IVC and the strategies for expanding career opportunities for rural Hispanics. Of the funds dedicated to the activity of this project,
►37.32% will be spent at IVC;
►49.39% will be spent at SDSU-IVC;
►13.29% will be spent at Management and Evaluation administered by IVC.

IVC Coordinator Monthly Meetings *
September 20, 2006
October 18, 2006
November, 13, 2006
December 13, 2006
10:00 am - Noon

Internal Monitoring Meeting *
October 18, 2006
8:15 am – 9:45 am

Evaluator Visit
October 18, 2006

*Meetings held in the IVC Board Room

Community Leaders Advisory Board
Computer Science – Fall
Nursing –Spring
Dates and location TBD

IVC DEGREE SPECIALIST

Kristen Gomez is the IVC Title V Computer Science and BSN Degree Specialist. Her office is located in the IVC Transfer Center. **Contact Kristen at (760) 355-6274** or Kristen.gomez@imperial.edu for information and to schedule an appointment. Kristen provides newsletters for each program to students and prospective students to inform them of important dates and details to keep their education on track.

Project Outcomes

1. At least 55 Hispanics with a bachelor's degree in computer science or nursing by 9/30/10, At least 275 students enrolled in the new programs at IVC and SDSU-IV by 9/30/10; 75% of IVC students who start the new programs in fall 2006 or 2007 will be ready to transfer to a four-year university by 9/30/10; a pediatric training rotation at a top San Diego hospital involving at least 20 nursing students annually.

2. By 9/30/10, 13% increase in total number of IVC students who transfer to the four-year institutions compared to 2001-2002; By 9/30/10, 25% increase in total number of IVC students who transfer to SDSU-IV compared to 2001-2002.

3. Joint use of laboratories and other facilities that serve the new 2+2 degree programs (associate's to bachelor's); FTE 20% higher than in 2004-05, the baseline year, at IVC and SDSU-IV; private donations increased by at least 10% over the baseline year; two partnerships with local hospitals/health care facilities formed to defray the cost of training nursing students.

Major Objectives Year 1: 2005-2006

Objective 1:
Create a seamless 2+2 degree program in computer science that increases employment opportunities for Hispanic and other low-income students.

Objective 2:
Create a seamless 2+2 degree program in nursing (BSN) that expands employment opportunities for Hispanics and other low-income student, while improving healthcare in the Imperial Valley

Objective 3:
Save both institutions money through joint use of laboratories and other facilities, while increasing the institutions' income though increased FTES and private donations.

IVC
Activity Director
Tom Morrell

A message from Tom:
"What an exciting time for Imperial Valley students. For the first time ever, students interested in pursing careers in Nursing or Computer Science can now earn a Bachelor of Science in these respect disciplines - - without ever leaving the Valley! This is possible through a new cooperative grant developed by Imperial Valley College and San Diego State University-Calexico. Students participating in the new 2+2 Title V grant can earn their Associate of Arts degree in Nursing or Computer Science at Imperial Valley College and then effortlessly transfer to SDSU-Calexico where they can complete their Bachelor of Science degree. The beauty of this program is that it enables students to earn a Bachelor of Science degree without having to quit their local jobs, or leave their families while pursing their degree elsewhere. For many students, the logistics of attending school in San Diego or some where else while trying to deal with jobs and families in the Valley has been a hardship which has prevented some from achieving their professional dreams. This should no longer be an issue, at least for those students interested in Nursing or Computer Science degrees."

SDSU-IVC
Activity Director
Jeanette Shumaker

"I am delighted to be working with Imperial Valley College faculty, staff, and administrators, along with their counterparts at SDSU-IVC, to start bachelors' degree programs in nursing and computer science. SDSU-IVC plans to begin offering RN-BSN courses in fall of 2007, and bachelors' degree courses in computer science in fall 2008. Students interested in these new programs should meet with Kristen Gomez, Title V counselor at IVC, to find out what requirements they need to meet at IVC before they can transfer to SDSU-IVC."