A new agreement between the University of California, Santa Barbara and Allan Hancock College means that current Allan Hancock College students, current UCSB students, or individuals not enrolled in either institution, may take transferable upper division University of California courses at the Allan Hancock College Santa Maria campus. “UCSB and Allan Hancock College have been working together to bring UCSB upper division courses to the Allan Hancock College Santa Maria campus,” said UCSB Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Programs, Ronald W. Tobin. “We’re pleased to announce that our mutual efforts have come to fruition.”

Currently, UCSB is offering Psych 102, Social Aspects of Behavior; English 102, English and American Literature from 1650 to 1789; History 143, The Nile Quest; and Sociology 173, Sociology of Law.

Classes are being taught by UCSB professors. Two classes are taught live on site in Allan Hancock College classrooms; the other two classes are taught on site via live video link from UCSB.

Individuals who want to learn more about taking classes from UCSB can do so by contacting the UCSB Office of Summer Sessions at (805) 893-2069 or online at www.summersessions.ucsb.edu.

“UCSB’s commitment to making upper division, transferable college courses available in our region will make a monumental difference in the lives of those who, for whatever reasons, cannot simply move or make a long commute to pursue a bachelor’s degree,” said Ann Foxworthy, Ph.D., Allan Hancock College superintendent/president.

Fresno State Classes Prove Popular

Now entering its third term of offering classes at Allan Hancock College that lead to a bachelor’s degree, CSU Fresno continues to see the number of students enrolled in the program increase.

In spring, Fresno State offered seven courses in the university center located on the Hancock Santa Maria campus. More classes will be offered this fall.

Students who enroll in the program can complete a bachelor’s degree in liberal studies and earn a multiple subject teaching credential without leaving town.

Questions? Call 922-6966, ext. 3363.
The enrollment in online and other distance learning classes at Allan Hancock College has increased dramatically over the last several years. Five years ago, 478 students were enrolled in Internet classes. Last year, over 4,400 individuals took a distance learning class. This fall, the college is offering nearly 130 credit and community education (fee-based) classes online or via other distance learning methods. Online classes are great for individuals with tight schedules, or those who like the flexibility of completing class work at unconventional times. High school juniors and seniors are eligible to enroll.

Online class offerings include Financial Accounting 1, Excel, Access, Freshman Composition, Modern Fiction, Health & Wellness, U.S. History, Algebra 1, Career Planning and many more.

For more information, see the schedule of classes (online at www.hancockcollege.edu) or call toll free 1-866 DIAL AHC (342-5242) ext. 3248.

Wireless computer lab offers high-tech teaching and learning

A wireless computer lab with “legs.” That was the concept—and now is the reality—of the first wireless computer lab at Allan Hancock College. Thirty-two laptop Macintosh computers, with state-of-the-art technology that frees them of the need for plugs, phone lines or wired Internet connections, are now in use by students in various Allan Hancock College classes. These computers add to the more than 800 other computers available to students collegewide. The computers are linked to the college’s email system, the Internet, the World Wide Web, and printers via a wireless system composed of Macintosh AirPort hubs. The laptop lab can be used to support any discipline—from fine arts and social sciences to language arts, math and science.

Web cam offers high-tech counseling option

Beginning this fall, Allan Hancock College students will be able to schedule an appointment with a university representative and receive live admission counseling via the computer. By the use of a “web cam,” students will use computers in the University Transfer Center (UTC) to interact in real time, face to face, with a university representative.

While this new feature will not replace existing campus visits by university representatives, this new option will double the access students have to their transfer universities.
A llan Hancock College is held in high esteem in its area—northern Santa Barbara and southern San Luis Obispo counties—and beyond, according to a recent study conducted by an independent consultant.

Eckstone Communications of Sunnyvale conducted the community needs assessment and image study in the last quarter of 2001. Information was collected from more than 900 college students, staff, community members, business operators, high school students and teachers via personal interviews and paper and telephone surveys.

The study was conducted at the request of the college to search out needs and perceptions of the public in order to assess the quality of its programs and to identify ways the college might better serve the community.

“It had been more than 20 years since the college last conducted a comprehensive community survey. Our intent was to reach a broad cross-section of students and community members to reconfirm that we are in step with their needs, and if not, to identify what the college should do to better serve them,” said Ann Foxworthy, Ph.D., superintendent/president of Allan Hancock College.

The research covered a variety of topics, from top-of-mind awareness about the college to questions about who most influences local high school students when choosing a college (the answer: parents).

When 45 teachers at high schools in Santa Maria and Lompoc were asked to rank the overall quality of six different colleges and universities, they rated Allan Hancock College as the top community college in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties—and third overall just after UCSB and UCLA.

Of individuals surveyed in Santa Maria, Guadalupe, Lompoc and the Santa Ynez Valley, 90 percent said Allan Hancock College first came to mind when thinking of community colleges.

When surveyed by telephone, residents rated highly Hancock’s efforts to keep them informed, as well as the safety of the campus and the friendliness of the staff. They also gave high marks to the convenience of both class scheduling and the registration process. Businesses rated Hancock graduates equally high in job skills and communication.

The study makes recommendations regarding how the college might better reach and communicate with its potential students, and how to “target” its many student populations.

Foxworthy added that the information from the report, both the results and the recommendations, will be used as part of the college’s ongoing planning process.
Ceramic murals created by Allan Hancock College students will become roadway public art

In a creative collaboration between college and city, Allan Hancock College art students are creating murals as public art to be mounted on towers at the gateway to three major freeway overpasses. They are the students’ “visual gifts” to the city of Santa Maria and its people.

The students’ public art will be clearly visible to travelers on Highway 101 and to people driving across the overpasses.

Students are finishing up production of more than 1,500 tiles that will form one-of-a-kind murals that drivers will see as they travel on the overpasses.

The murals will include such classic Santa Maria scenes as a cowboy riding a bucking bronc, a colorful collection of California poppies and lupine, and an artistic rendering of the midway and Ferris wheel at the fair.

The students are working under the direction of fine arts instructor Bob Nichols, who teaches Allan Hancock College’s Art 199, Public Art: Ceramic Murals course. The public arts course, a first for Allan Hancock College, was developed after Bill Ondorff, then community development director for the city of Santa Maria, contacted Nichols in 2000, asking if his art students could create public art that might contribute to the visual identity of Santa Maria.

“This project will have long-term value for the community,” said Nichols, longtime ceramics and sculpture instructor in Allan Hancock College’s fine arts department, adding, “these talented student artists are making a donation of $30,000 to $50,000 in labor to our community.”

Public artworks have been done for centuries, and this project is a “throwback to the workshops of the renaissance, or the public art projects created during the Depression,” said Larry Bross, one of the students, and a former history teacher.

“Having people of all ages and backgrounds coming together and working on this artwork is a beautiful thing,” Bross said.

Allan Hancock College students selected to participate in UCSB science research projects

This summer five of Allan Hancock College’s top science and engineering students are in the midst of researching the sub-microscopic world of nanosystems while working at UCSB with some of its top science professors.

The Hancock future scientists form the largest group of students from any of the California community colleges selected to participate in two prestigious research internship programs at UCSB. All five students are members of Allan Hancock College’s Math, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) program.

Nanosystems science is a new area of research that employs a combination of disciplines—including biology, chemistry, physics, engineering, materials science, computation and media arts—to determine ways that things can be manipulated and controlled on extremely small scales. The interns are earning a salary and receiving lodging assistance. They are working full time while paired with a professor and a lab mentor.

Allan Hancock College students who were chosen to participate in the UCSB internships:

Jason Candelori of Orcutt, a computer engineering major, who is working with Kim Turner, Ph.D., a mechanical and environmental engineering instructor, on “Fabrication and Characterization of Nanowires using Biotemplating and MEMS Technology.”

Will Brown of Santa Maria, a mechanical engineering major, who is working with Kim Turner, Ph.D., a mechanical and environmental engineering instructor, on “Experimental Calibration of a MEMS Oscillator.”

Antonia Barba of Nipomo, a microbiology major, who is working with Joseph Zasadzinski, Ph.D., a chemical engineering instructor, on “Changes in Shear Viscosity of Model Lung Surfactant Monolayers.”

Pedro Flores of Santa Maria, a civil engineering major, who is working with Edward Kramer, Ph.D., instructor of materials, on “The Effects of Temperature on Fracture Energy of Diblock Reinforced PS-PE Interfaces.”

Hancock students research the sub-microscopic world of nanosystems
Register now for fall classes

Register by Appointment
August 12 & 13, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Santa Maria Appointments: 922-6966 ext. 3248
Lompoc Valley Center Appointments: 735-3366
VAFB Center Appointments: 734-3500
Solvang Center: No Appointment Necessary

Open Registration
No Appointment Necessary!
August 14, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Late Registration
August 19-22
9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
August 23
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
August 26-29
11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
August 30
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Questions? 922-6966 ext. 3248
Classes begin August 19, 2002

Fees
All California residents pay $11 per unit plus other minimal costs such as parking and health fees.

Schedules available at all college locations or online at www.hancockcollege.edu
College Now!

Don’t wait until high school graduation to start your college career. Earn college credits while still in high school through the AHC College Now! program. You can take Allan Hancock College classes in your junior and senior year, earn credit for high school and college at the same time, and the enrollment fee is waived. It’s awesome! Ask your guidance counselor for details or call 922-6966 ext. 3293.

If you plan to earn a bachelor’s degree, start at Allan Hancock College. Call the University Transfer Center at 1-866-DIAL AHC ext. 3363

Allan Hancock College students have the transfer advantage

- In fall 2001, 85 percent of Hancock students who applied to UCSB were accepted—21 percent higher than the statewide average.
- Last year, transfers from Allan Hancock College to California State Universities increased at a rate 20 times that of the systemwide increase in transfers to CSUs.
- In fall 2001, the acceptance rate of Hancock students to Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, was 50 percent higher than the statewide average.

Bachelor’s degrees/upper division courses offered by universities at AHC

Complete upper division college courses without leaving Santa Maria!

Fresno State joined Hancock last year to offer courses to complete a bachelor’s degree in liberal studies and a multiple-subject teaching credential. Students enrolled in the program can complete their upper division courses for their degree right on the Allan Hancock College campus. Call the AHC University Transfer Center for details.

UCSB now offers upper division classes at the AHC Santa Maria campus leading to a bachelor’s degree. Call the AHC University Transfer Center for details about the classes offered this fall.

Holy Names College, based in Oakland, offers upper division courses at AHC to complete a bachelor’s degree in nursing (BSN). Call Holy Names College directly at (510) 436-1458, for details.

Let’s compare

Annual Tuition/Fees (2001-2002) (based on 24 units/year)

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Who chooses Hancock?

Students who want to transfer to Fresno State, UCSB, UC Berkeley, and other four-year universities. As a Hancock student, you enjoy transfer agreements with many universities. Through these agreements, if you successfully complete the required lower division courses at Hancock, you are guaranteed acceptance at the university of your choice.

People who want on a career fast track without a four-year degree. Computer animation, automotive technology, nursing, electronics, welding, business . . . the list goes on and on. Hancock has something for every career interest.

Employees who want to move up in their current career or move on to a new one. The key to a successful future awaits at Allan Hancock College. Schedule your college classes around your work schedule. Take evening, weekend, even Internet classes.
Allan Hancock College Foundation welcomes new directors to board

The AHC Foundation board of directors continues to draw upon the services of distinguished community members who are leaders in their own right while helping to lead the charge in carrying out the goals of the foundation.

- **Michael Gibson** is the controller/senior vice president for Mid-State Bank. He was encouraged to join the foundation board by his wife, Marla, who fulfilled her lifelong dream to become a nurse by attending the Allan Hancock College nursing program. She graduated from Hancock and is now an RN at Marian Hospital in the pediatric unit. Michael’s community involvement includes serving as a trustee for the Orcutt Union School District and he also sits on the board of directors for the Boys and Girls Club Foundation.

- **Margaret M. Paden** is a longtime Santa Maria resident who arrived in 1946 from New Zealand. Four of her five children have attended Allan Hancock College and two, James and Michael Diani, have been honored as distinguished alumni. Margaret feels that Hancock is an exceptional institution both academically and athletically and is a true asset to our community both for our youth and those adults interested in becoming re-entry students. Margaret is actively involved with the Minerva Club, Katherine K for Children and A-Z, a local women’s club.

- **Gregory A. Pensa**, a business owner in Buellton, got his start at Allan Hancock College. Greg attended Hancock in 1969-71 before continuing his education at San Diego State University, where he graduated in 1974. He is the second of three generations to attend Hancock, following in the footsteps of his father, an alum who attended in the late ’30s when the college was located at Santa Maria High School. Greg’s son Dante is a current Hancock student. Greg is actively involved with the Santa Ynez Valley Rotary Club and is a sportscaster for Santa Ynez High School sports.

- **Ronald L. Thatcher**, a native of Ohio, lived in Florida for 25 years before moving to the Central Coast in 1996. He is a financial advisor and also the owner of the David Ryan Gallery in Orcutt where he and his wife Terri share their love of art. He believes that supporting Allan Hancock College benefits the community and is a way of repaying the success he has realized both personally and professionally. Ron also acts as treasurer of the Elkhorn Homeowners’ Association, and he and Terri are members of the Santa Maria Country Club.

- **Eddie Stanfield**, Broker Associate of Century 21 Advantage, returns to the board of directors after a one-year hiatus. Eddie originally joined the foundation board in 1995 and has served in many roles including vice president and president, as well as chair of the 75th Gala committee in 1995. Eddie’s community involvement also includes being president of the Breakfast Rotary of Santa Maria and serving as a founding member of the Shoes for Students (SOS) Program.

**“Words cannot express my gratitude for your generosity. This scholarship will help tremendously in the completion of my academic goal of becoming an Earth Science major.”**

Virginia Brown
Allan Hancock College Foundation awards $200,000 in scholarships funds

The Allan Hancock College Foundation awarded 240 scholarships totaling $200,000 to 194 top students this spring. Nearly 900 students, relatives, friends, donors and community members attended the college’s 33rd annual scholarship banquet in the AHC sports pavilion. Scholarships in amounts up to $5,000 were awarded to students from all parts of the Central Coast, from Solvang to Harmony. In keeping with tradition, the Santa Maria Elks #1538 once again sponsored the Santa Maria-style barbecue for the scholarship event, and the Allan Hancock College Associated Student Body Government hosted the banquet. The theme for the annual scholarship event was “Community Supporting Community.” A total of 113 donors from the community awarded scholarships to both returning and transferring students through the Allan Hancock College Foundation scholarship program.

The top scholarship winner was Aura Dominguez of Santa Maria, who received the prestigious $5,000 Marian Hancock Scholarship. The scholarship is named for Marian Hancock, the wife of Capt. G. Allan Hancock, for whom the college is named. During her life, Mrs. Hancock was a staunch supporter of the college and the scholarship program. She also established the G. Allan Hancock Award, which is presented to the same scholarship recipient at commencement. Aurea, the first generation of her family to attend college, is a 22-year-old student who emigrated from Mexico 10 years ago. She will transfer this fall to Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, with a 3.74 GPA, majoring in liberal arts. Her goal is to become a junior high school math teacher.

Another substantial scholarship awarded for the sixth year at $5,000 was the Dorothy and Mark I. Smith scholarship. The recipient was Sean O’Neill from Santa Maria.

Additional awards included the Burns Rick and Maxine Rick Memorial Scholarships. This year it supported 19 students for a total of $12,500. The Donald and Joan Semelsberger Scholarship, which was established to support students from the Lompoc area, was also awarded. A total of $7,000 was awarded to seven individual students from Lompoc at $1,000 each.

The recipient of the $2,500 Ian Severson Scholarship was Stephanie L. Gardner of Santa Maria. The scholarship is named in honor of Ian Severson, a former longtime member of the Allan Hancock College Board of Trustees. Mrs. Severson and her husband John are strong patrons of the arts and longtime supporters of the college’s Pacific Conservatory of the Performing Arts (PCPA).

The Santa Maria Elks #1538 transfer scholarships were awarded to two students in memory of Ernest Righetti, Sr. Each scholarship is $2,000. The Elks also awarded eight vocational scholarships at $500 each.

The following endowed scholarships were established this past year and funded scholarships this year or will fund in May 2003:

- Justin Atkinson Humanities Scholarship
- Janice Daguer Nursing Scholarship
- Fred and Joie Knotts Memorial Scholarships
- Lahr Industrial Welding Scholarship
- Nightingale Music Scholarship

Thank you for believing in my dream and for your support. For scholarship purposes in the future, I plan to provide financial support to students who are determined to become successful members of society.”

Aurea Dominguez

Dr. Ann Foxworthy congratulates Aura Dominguez, recipient of the $5,000 Marian Hancock Scholarship.
Santa Barbara Foundation grants help college serve community

Our grants awarded to Allan Hancock College over the past year by the Santa Barbara Foundation are already making a significant impact on how the college is able to serve the community.

An initial grant of $33,620 to the AHC Foundation was used to assist in purchasing tables, chairs, and equipment for the multi-use conference center in the newly-remodeled student center on the Santa Maria campus. This conference center will serve as a community room by providing space for local nonprofit and community-based organizations to meet. The community room will provide local groups and agencies the opportunity to meet in modern, fully accessible facilities, thus providing access to a wide range of educational services and programs offered by the college. The student center can accommodate up to 375 people at any given time.

In early fall, the Santa Barbara Foundation awarded the college a second grant in the amount of $10,000 through the Robert O. Dougan Fund to support the outreach and marketing efforts for an English as a Second Language (ESL) program in the Lompoc Valley. This project, according to ESL coordinator Cameron Miller, “has been a grass roots effort to reach out to a large population of students never before served by the college.” In this first year, the project has focused on the Hispanic population in the valley, offering four levels of noncredit ESL and vocational ESL classes.

Last March, a third grant proposal in the amount of $50,000 was funded by the Santa Barbara Foundation to assist in replacement of the Santa Maria campus gym bleachers. In addition to serving the educational and program needs of Allan Hancock College, the gym is a center of community activity. Annual, over 100 community events are scheduled in the AHC gymnasium with over 65,000 participants. The new bleacher system will replace the original equipment, now almost 40 years old. Besides their age and the fact that most of the mechanical systems are worn out, the bleachers no longer meet modern day access for persons with disabilities.

This past month, the fourth grant in the amount of $8,195 was awarded to the PCPA Foundation to purchase a much-needed digital copier with networking capabilities for its administrative offices.

According to former AHC Foundation board president Leonard Marshman of Solvang, “These grants from the Santa Barbara Foundation represent a commitment to and support for the important work that Allan Hancock College accomplishes in Northern Santa Barbara County. Each of these grants has or will enable the college to better serve all ages and groups in our community.”

The Santa Barbara Foundation’s Kathy Simas (right) receives recognition from Dr. Dave Carly for the Foundation’s Student Center donation.

FOUNDER’S NEWS
Allan Hancock College Foundation

OUR FISCAL STRENGTH

AHC Foundation financial assets/obligations supporting our mission as of June 30, 2002

Scholarship Endowments $2,138,428
• General scholarships
• Program area scholarships
• Continuing & transfer scholarships

Non-Scholarship Endowments $271,225
• Program funding
• Foundation operations

All Other Funds $406,637
• Scholarships
• Departmental funds
• Faculty grants
• General operations

Footnote: The above financial assets/obligations graph represents the unaudited fiscal period ending June 30, 2002. Complete audited financial statements and tax documents for the most recent reporting period are available from the foundation office upon request.
Johnson family donation adds another high tech unit to the Allan Hancock College automotive program

Thanks to a donation from a nationally known car racing family, Allan Hancock College has added another high tech machine to its automotive technology training program.

Everett, Agnes and Alan Johnson, chief operators of Foxen Canyon Motorsports, a highly successful nationally-ranked drag racing team, donated the computer numerically controlled boring/milling machine as part of an ongoing partnership with the college. The Johnsons are family of Blaine Johnson, a world champion top fuel dragster and former Allan Hancock College student who was killed in a racing accident. Many years ago the family established an AHC scholarship in his name and also continues to support the college’s automotive technology and other industrial technology programs.

“We feel it is important to support the college and to support the students who some day will make a career in this industry,” said Alan Johnson, who runs his own cylinder-head manufacturing business as part of the motorsport enterprise.

Last year, the Johnsons donated a cylinder head machining center and a universal pressure testing system to the college.

“We are absolutely delighted for this generous donation and for the ongoing support the Johnsons have given us. To stay current with an industry that is becoming increasingly technologically complex and computer driven, these kinds of high end units are essential to our training program,” said Bob Leeds, AHC instructor, automotive technology.

The college’s automotive program offers a full spectrum of auto industry preparation and training classes.

For more information about the program call the college’s counseling office at 922-6966 ext. 3293 or Bob Leeds in the automotive program at 896-9457.

New nursing scholarship endowment

Before she passed away in July, family, co-workers and friends joined Janice Dugger at Country Oaks Care Center, Santa Maria, to celebrate her retirement after 28 years of providing quality and compassionate nursing care at that facility. To mark this special date, John and Sharon Henning, administrators at Country Oaks, established an endowed scholarship at Allan Hancock College in honor of Janice, whom they describe as one of the most dedicated nurses they have ever known. The scholarship will be awarded annually to a student planning to complete a registered nurse (RN) degree or licensed vocational nurse (LVN) degree, with preference to those interested in geriatric care.

In his comments during the announcement of the new scholarship, John Henning noted that “Janice worked all shifts, weekends and holidays; she never complained when asked to work a double shift, she always showed the highest level of compassion and caring for her residents, and displayed a special gift for working with geriatric residents.” He characterized her as a “model” for all nursing students.

Allan Hancock College Foundation executive director Tim Fleming said he was honored to be able to add the “Janice Dugger Nursing Scholarship” to the foundation’s growing list of endowed scholarships. “Thank you, Janice, for the outstanding example you have created for our nursing students, and thank you, John and Sharon, for making this scholarship possible,” he added.