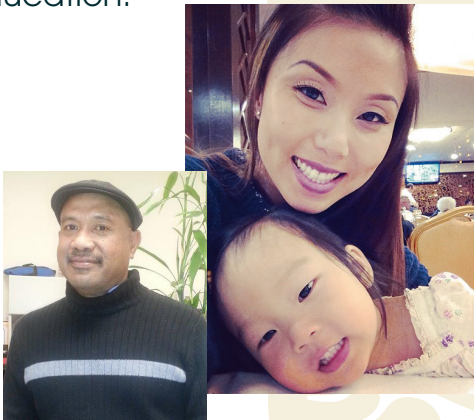


Mission Statement

We are a California community college program serving CalWORKs students and their families by providing educational and career opportunities, combined with an array of high-quality support services, that enable students to complete their educational goals, find meaningful employment and successfully transition into the workforce. Through collaboration and advocacy with our college and community partners, we prepare a segment of California's workforce by promoting the economic self-sufficiency of CalWORKs students through the attainment of a higher education.



CalWORKs



STUDENT SERVICES



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What is CalWORKs?

The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (PRWORA) replaced Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) with a cash welfare grant entitled Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). PRWORA specifically named community colleges as excellent institutions for providing education and training for welfare recipients, to help provide them access to gainful employment.

California has devised a system for welfare recipients entitled California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs), replacing AFDC for providing cash aid and welfare-to-work programs. Key aspects of this new program include establishing time limits on welfare recipients', welfare-to-work requirements, and maximum hours of participation in these activities. Education and training are included as allowable welfare-to-work activities.

In 2012, Senate Bill 1041 changed program requirements from a 48-month (4-year) California time limit to a new 24-month time limit unless federal standards are met. This new time limit is a prospective change, and months of assistance prior to January 1, 2013, are not counted toward the new limit.

Los Rios CalWORKs Core Services

Districtwide Coordination

- Liaison to multiple stakeholders
- Alignment of college practices

Eligibility Verification

- Determination of county cash aid eligibility is required each term
- Participation in a welfare-to-work (WTW) plan

Enrollment Verification

- Students must be enrolled in at least one unit each term
- Monthly attendance/progress reports provided

Educational Counseling

- Academic planning with a WTW knowledgeable counselor
- Education plans that align with county approved occupations

Case Management

- Coordination with county welfare departments
- Information and referrals to student support services, workshops, etc.

Textbook Verification

- Documentation for ancillary support requests each term

Work-Study

- On- and off-campus placements
- Wages do not count against cash aid

Advocacy

- Empowering students

Program Offices

American River College

Student Services Building
4700 College Oak Drive
Sacramento, CA 95841
916.484.8059

http://www.arc.losrios.edu/Support_Services/CalWORKs.htm

Cosumnes River College

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http://crc.losrios.edu/Student_Services/Student_Support_Center.htm

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10 College Parkway
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