Dear Colleagues, we are excited to share with you news and updates for spring 2016. Thank you for your continued support of our three San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley. Download all newsletters [here](http://smccd.edu/international).

**IMPORTANT NEWS & UPDATES FOR SPRING 2016**

**We Now Offer Intensive English**
We are pleased to announce that the Silicon Valley Intensive English Program (SVIEP) at Cañada and Skyline Colleges is now authorized under US federal law to enroll foreign students in the F-1 visa category!

Students worldwide may now apply for admission for fall 2016 classes. Upon completion of SVIEP level 4, students will be guaranteed admission to one of the three San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley.

Program Features Include:

- A TOEFL score is not required for admission. Students will take an English assessment test upon arrival in the U.S.
- Five admission dates per year. Each session is 8 weeks long with a tuition of $2,995.
- Each week includes 22 hours of instruction in Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing, Grammar, and American Culture taught by experienced instructors with Master’s degrees in TESOL, Applied Linguistics and related fields.
- Students enjoy support services such as tutoring, note taking, study skills, financial and career planning as well as opportunities to engage with Americans.
- Students have access to the health center, library, and other student support services of the colleges.
- Guaranteed admission to one of our three colleges upon successful completion of the program.

Important Due Dates of SVIEP:

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Apply now at: [http://smccd.edu/sviep/applyinformation.php](http://smccd.edu/sviep/)
For details, please visit: [http://smccd.edu/sviep/](http://smccd.edu/sviep/)

**Transfer Success (some with scholarships!!!)**

- [Dominique Franceschi](http://smccd.edu/sviep/)- Colombia, [American Musical & Dramatic Academy](http://smccd.edu/sviep/) (Cañada College)
- [Moody Metry](http://smccd.edu/sviep/)- Egypt, [UC Berkeley](http://smccd.edu/sviep/) (Cañada College)
- [Arundali Yadav](http://smccd.edu/sviep/)- India, with scholarship, [Pepperdine University](http://smccd.edu/sviep/) (College of San Mateo)
- [Kyung-Baek Adrian Min](http://smccd.edu/sviep/)- South Korea, [Columbia University](http://smccd.edu/sviep/) (College of San Mateo)
- [Roma Feng](http://smccd.edu/sviep/- China, [UCSB & UC Davis](http://smccd.edu/sviep/) (Skyline College)
- [Jiahui Tang](http://smccd.edu/sviep/- China, [UC Berkeley & UCLA](http://smccd.edu/sviep/) (Skyline College)
- and many more...!

**Skyline College Offers Internship with CalTech and UC Berkeley**

Skyline College is creating an MIT-inspired innovation center, called Fabrication Lab. This lab will be a dedicated space providing STEM students with a foundation in what it takes to create a start-up venture using their STEM ideas and innovation. Students will be provided with the instruction and tools they need to take their ideas forward.

This Just In: SUNY Albany, one of America’s premier universities, is now offering Guaranteed Transfer Admission to students of San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley.
and develop them into a STEM related business enterprise. Through this partnership, Skyline College students will have access to incredible paid internship opportunities at institutions like USC, The Smithsonian, UC Irvine, and CalTech.

**Meet Some of Our 2016 Global Beca Scholarship Winners**

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<td>Jesmi Subba</td>
<td>From Nepal, Asia. She is already working but wanted the college experience in the US to help her job at home. She is said to be dedicated to both study and work responsibilities and has had consistent high marks.</td>
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<td>CSM</td>
<td>Karan Soni</td>
<td>From Nepal, Asia. He was praised by his teachers as devoted and inquisitive and has exceptional math skills. He also has impressive academic scores.</td>
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<td>Skyline College</td>
<td>Emma Forson</td>
<td>From Ghana, Africa. She is known for her leadership, musical talent, and a passion for Engineering in which she conducted research in depth. She has also won many academic awards.</td>
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Meet Your Housing Coordinator

Please meet Julnar Msalam, our International Student housing Program Coordinator for our three colleges (College of San Mateo, Cañada College, and Skyline College). Julnar is responsible for general housing inquiries and in particular, homestay referrals. Our homestay program provides tailored services by matching families with students with specific needs and backgrounds. She will process Homestay applications once the student has been admitted.

For more information on the San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley Homestay Referral Program and other housing options in the area, visit http://www.smccd.edu/international/housing.php. You can also contact Julnar directly at housingcoordinator@smccd.edu

We Newly Revised Our Logo!

The logo of San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley has recently undergone a refreshing change that is very elegant and succinct. The logos of each of our three colleges are all reflected in the new logo. Please visit us online to download the high resolution files.

Meet Our International Admissions Officials at our 3 San Mateo Colleges of Silicon Valley

**International Student Program Managers**
- Supinda Sirihekaphong, Cañada College
- Danni Redding Lapuz, College of San Mateo
- Wissem Bennani, Skyline College

**International Services Coordinators**
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- Chris Woo, College of San Mateo
- Chikako Walker, Skyline College

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To experience our campuses firsthand, please take our virtual tour.

Apply Now for Fall 2016. Deadline July 1