



Cerritos College

The Re-Entry Resource Program

~Education is the Avenue to Change~



~Recapture Your Dreams~

The Re-Entry Resource Program provides students, who are returning to school after a break in education, with the tools and support they need to successfully re-enter and thrive in school.

Mission Statement:

~Education is the Avenue to Change~

The Re-Entry Resource Program is committed to helping students recapture their dreams by using education as an avenue to change. We strive to empower students by connecting them with the resources and services they need to proactively resolve obstacles and facilitate the attainment of their educational and professional goals.

~Our mission statement is modeled on the Cerritos College mission to serve the community by building futures through learning~

Now is the Time!

Adults returning to school have needs and concerns that differ from those of traditional college students. Our program offers *tailored* services to address those concerns.

Reasons to Act:

- Higher Pay
- Career Change/Advancement
- Personal Enrichment/Increased Confidence

Today's College Student-You:

- *The average age of a California community college student is 30.
- *Students **DO NOT** need a high school diploma or GED to attend Cerritos College if they are at least 18 years of age.
- *37.1% of Cerritos College students are 25 years or older.
- *Re-entry students are highly motivated and do well academically.

Re-Entry Program Offerings:

- Personalized one-on-one sessions to guide you through the application process.
- Specialized referrals to on- and off-campus resources: Academic & Career Counseling, Tutoring, Financial Aid, and Childcare.
- Comprehensive "Scholarship One-Stop Center": Scholarship listings, tips, and applications.
- Exclusive Re-Entry Scholarships: \$500-\$1200 awards available for re-entry students.
- Free success workshops on a variety of topics: Scholarships, Financial Aid, Balancing Work, Family, and School, Study Skills, Time Management, and Test-Taking Tips.
- Free assessment preparation materials.
- Free Re-Entry on-line Referral Directory: Lists contact information for over 200 campus and community resources.
- Support-Building Peer Groups and Socials.

Yes! I would like to find out more about the Cerritos College Re-Entry Resource Program.

Name: _____
Phone: _____
Address: _____
Email: _____

Send this form to:

Shannon Estrada

(Re-Entry Resource Specialist)

11110 Alondra Blvd. Norwalk, CA 90650

For questions, call 562-860-2451, Ext. 2362

or email sestrada@cerritos.edu.

Resource Guide:

Campus Main Number: 562-860-2451

Financial Aid: The Financial Aid Office offers federal and state aid to eligible students in the form of grants, loans, employment, and scholarships. Contact finaid-staff-list@cerritos.edu or Ext 2397.

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/finaid/>

Weekend College: The Weekend College Program enables working adults to earn an A.A. degree or transfer to a university in four semesters and one summer session. Classes meet Friday evenings and all day Saturdays each week. Contact Yvette Juarez at yjuarez@cerritos.edu or Ext. 2405.

Website: <http://e-courses.cerritos.edu/weekendcollege/>

Distance Education/Online Courses: Distance Education Courses offer a flexible way for working adults to earn a certificate, A.A. degree, or complete a transfer program. Contact Yvette Juarez at yjuarez@cerritos.edu or Ext. 2405.

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/de/>

CalWORKS: The CalWORKS program provides support services to CalWORKS/TANF recipients in the form of paid childcare, paid part-time work, job search assistance, and access to counseling as well as referrals to on-campus and off-campus resources. Ext 2356.

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/calworks>

Adult Education: The Adult Education Program offers English as a Second Language (ESL) courses as well as diploma and GED preparation courses. These are non-fee non-credit based courses. Contact 562-467-5098. Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/aed/>

Child Development Center (CDC): The CDC provides high quality part-time and full-time child care to students and the community for 2, 3, or 5 days per week from 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Contact Ext. 2583.

Website: <http://cms.cerritos.edu/child-development-center.>

Academic Support Center (ASC):

The Academic Support Center provides free appointment, walk-in, and group tutoring to students. The ASC also offers workshops on study skills, time management, writing assistance and computer skill training. For more information, contact Michelle Rodriguez at mrrodriguez@cerritos.edu or Ext. 2407.

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/ascl/>

CARE: The CARE Program provides resources for single, head of household CalWORKS/TANF recipients through child care assistance, car repair services, meal tickets, bus tokens, and other services. For more information, contact Marcia Chaney at chaney@cerritos.edu or Ext. 2384.

Website: <http://web.cerritos.edu/CARE/>

EOPS: The EOPS Program provides support for educationally disadvantaged students. Available services include book vouchers, early registration, and supplemental tutoring. Contact Ext. 2398.

Website: <http://web.cerritos.edu/eops/>

Counseling: Counselors are available to speak to you about certificate, degree, and transfer programs on an appointment or walk-in basis (specific walk-in hours only). For more information, contact Ext. 2231. Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/counseling/>

Career Services: Career Services provides career counseling and job/internship placement assistance. Contact Ext. 2356.

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/career-services/>

Available Programs of Study:

Website:

http://www.cerritos.edu/sr/New_Students/ns_academics_programs_of_study.html

Steps to Get Started:

1. Complete an admissions application and submit it to the Admissions and Records Office or apply online. You will receive a student number after you submit your application.

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/application.>

2. Take the English, reading, and math placement assessments. A photo ID is required to take assessments. All tests are offered at scheduled times. Assessment schedules and sample tests can be picked up at the Career Center or visit the Assessment Testing Center's webpage for an online test schedule:

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/careerservices/assessment-testing/index.html>

3. After you take the assessment test (s), call the Counseling Center to sign up for an Orientation Workshop. You can also complete an orientation workshop online:

Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/counseling/newstudent/>

4. Once you have completed the Orientation workshop, you will receive a registration appointment.

5. Counselors are available to assist you with educational planning year-round. You are strongly recommended to make an appointment with a counselor early in the semester. Appointments are 30 minutes.

***Our brochure is available in English, Spanish, and Korean.**

Contact Information:

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Website: <http://www.cerritos.edu/re-entry>

The Re-Entry Resource Center is located in the Career Services Center in the Administration Building.
Hours of Operation: Monday 10:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.
Tuesday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.