Palomar offers student support

Public community colleges in California are best known for their low tuition, wide variety of courses and open-door policy which allows virtually everyone to attend.

Not so well-known — but equally important — are their comprehensive student support services, according to John Dise, director of the "career center" in Palomar College's Counseling Department.

"So many of our students are undecided about their futures and their career choices," Dise said. "Our center gives them all kinds of information and assistance in making these critical choices."

During the fall semester, which starts Aug. 29, two courses will be offered through the career center for students making occupational and personal decisions. One is Counseling 1.

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"Career/Life Planning," which meets from 11 a.m. to 12:20 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday on the main campus in San Marcos. The course is also taught from 6 to 8:50 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Camp Pendleton.

The other course is Counseling 105, "Career Planning," which is taught at three different locations:
- First United Methodist Church, 3418 Kalmia St., Escondido, 3 to 5:50 p.m. each Monday, beginning Aug. 29.
- Palomar's Vista Satellite Center, 538 Olive Ave., Vista, 4 to 6:50 p.m. each Tuesday, beginning Aug. 29.
- Palomar's Mt. Carmel Satellite Center, 9550 Carmel Mountain Road, Rancho Fenasquitos, each Monday from 3 to 5:50 p.m. and again from 6 to 8:50 p.m., beginning Aug. 29.

"District residents of all ages may take one of these classes, or they may call or visit the career center in the Student Services Building on our main campus," Dise explained. The campus address is 1140 W. Mission Road, San Marcos 92069. The phone number of the career center is 744-1159 or 727-7529, ext. 2194. Hours of operation are 8:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, and 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

Visitors to the career center will find an extensive library of occupational information materials and a computer loaded with career oriented software programs, Dise said. Classes, seminars and workshops are conducted at the center to help students identify their interests and abilities.

Additional information may be obtained by calling Dise at 744-1159, ext. 2199.

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