

The Past, Present, and Future of Noncredit Education in California Community Colleges

CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE NONCREDIT OFFERINGS
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Building Bridges and Programs: Developing and Sustaining a Culture of Noncredit

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Agenda

- California Community Colleges
- History of California Noncredit Education
- Noncredit Offerings Survey and Findings
- Recommendations
- Questions and Closing

The California Community College System and Noncredit History



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California Community College Mission



- Open Access to Higher Education
- Transfer Education
- Career Technical Education
- Adult/Continuing Education
- Basic Skills/Remedial Education
- Support Services
- Economic Development
- Bachelor's Degree Pilot Program

Timeline of Noncredit Education 1850 – 1980s

- Birth of adult education in California – 1850s
- Establishment of localized community college and K-12 districts both offering adult education – 1910s
- Federal intervention into adult education = Golden Age Of Adult Education – 1960s
- Development of a two-tiered credit/noncredit funding model – 1980s

Noncredit Categories 2006

- Elementary and secondary basic skills [CDCP]
- English as a second language [CDCP]
- Immigrant education (which includes citizenship and workforce preparation) [CDCP]
- Parenting
- Short-term career technical education [CDCP]
- Older adult programs (designed for residents over 55 years of age)
- Programs for adults with disabilities
- Health and safety
- Home economics

Noncredit Funding and Equalization

1978

Proposition 13
Behr Commission

- **Disparate** funding is established
- Community College **noncredit reimbursements were reduced** and categories for state support revised

2006

Senate Bill
361

- **Enhances funding for CDCP noncredit courses**
- FTES rates:
 - Credit: \$4,367
 - **CDCP enhanced noncredit: \$3,092**
 - Other noncredit: \$2,626

2014

Senate Bill
860

- **Equalizes CDCP noncredit and credit FTES funding**
- FTES rates:
 - **credit and CDCP noncredit: \$5,004**
 - Other noncredit: \$3,009
- **FTES formulas remain unaligned:**
 - Credit → census date
 - **Noncredit → attendance hours**

Platinum Age of Adult Education

- Student success and support program (SSSP)
- Student equity (SE)
- Adult education block grant (AEBG)/consortia with K-12 adult schools
- CTE enhancement funding
- Strong workforce

California Community College Noncredit Offerings Survey

Survey Methodology

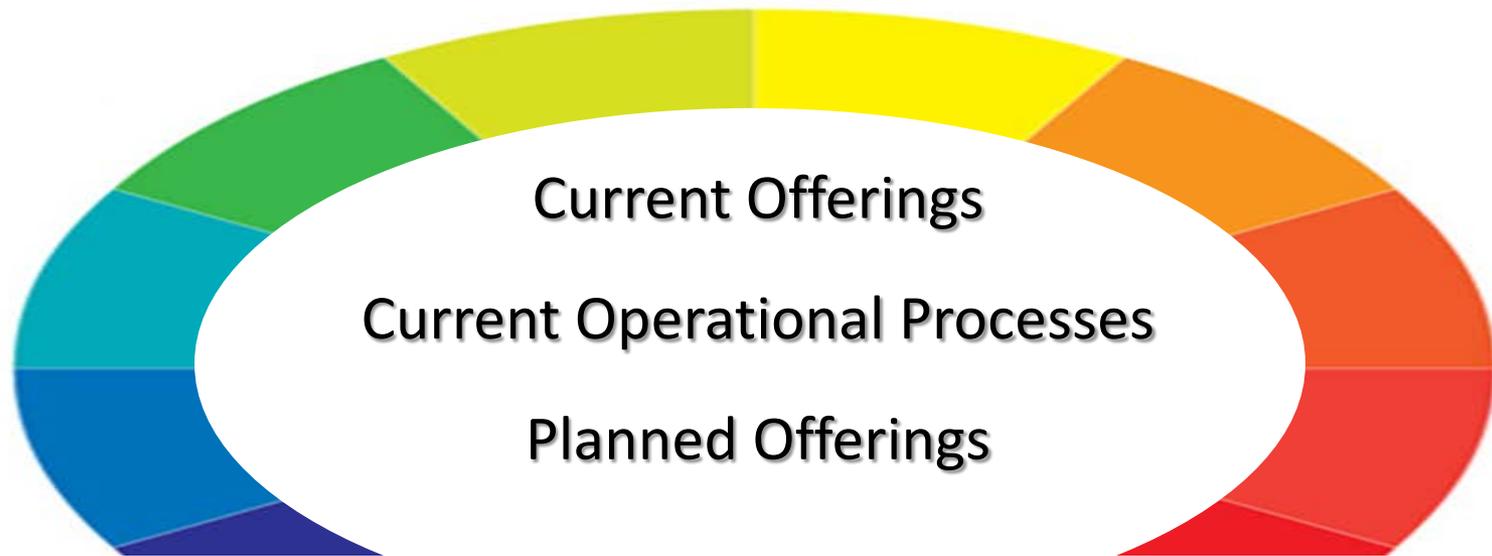


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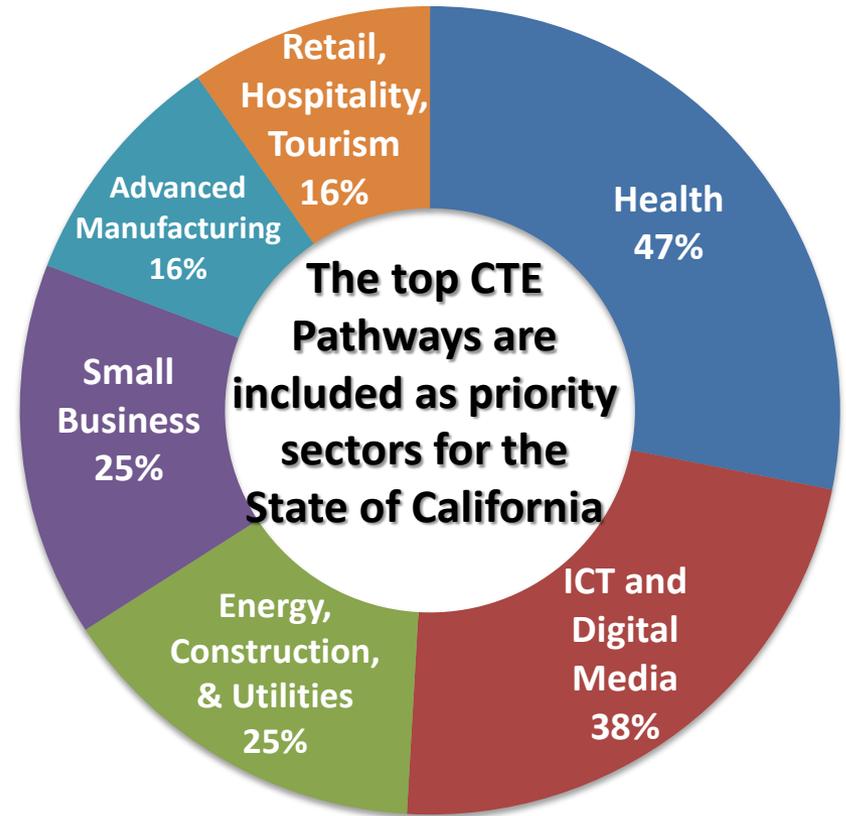
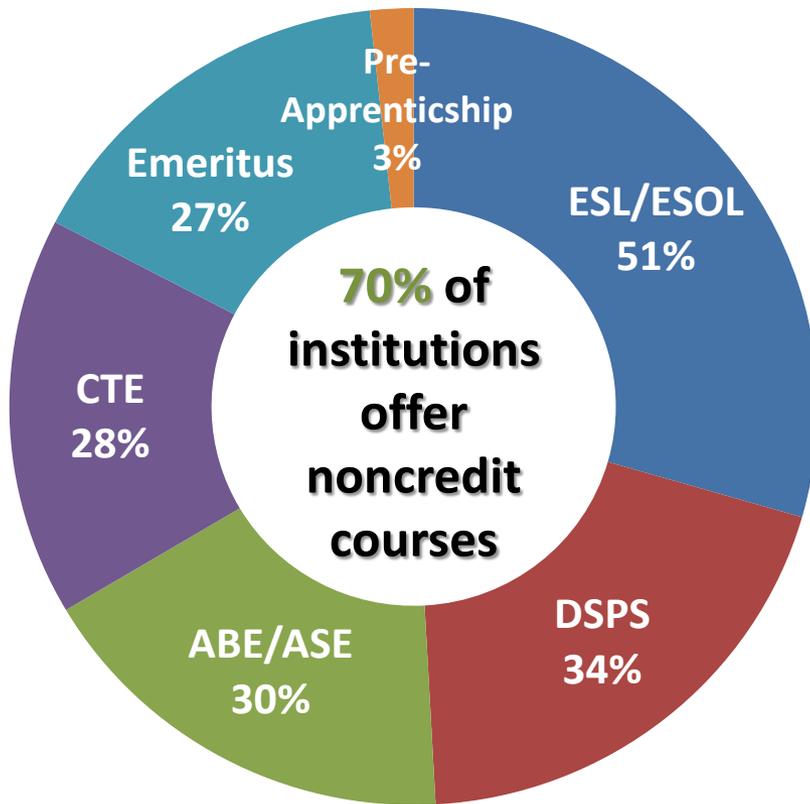
Purpose

Data Collection

Population



Current Offerings and Programming



97% Offer Distance Education (credit/noncredit)

26% Offer Noncredit Distance Education

5% Offer Hybrid/Blended Noncredit CTE

Current Noncredit Operational Processes

Funding

<i>Courses funded via</i>	59% Combination	32% Regular Only	9% CDCP Only
	43% Textbooks	69% Course Materials	85% Labs

Admissions & Enrollment Management

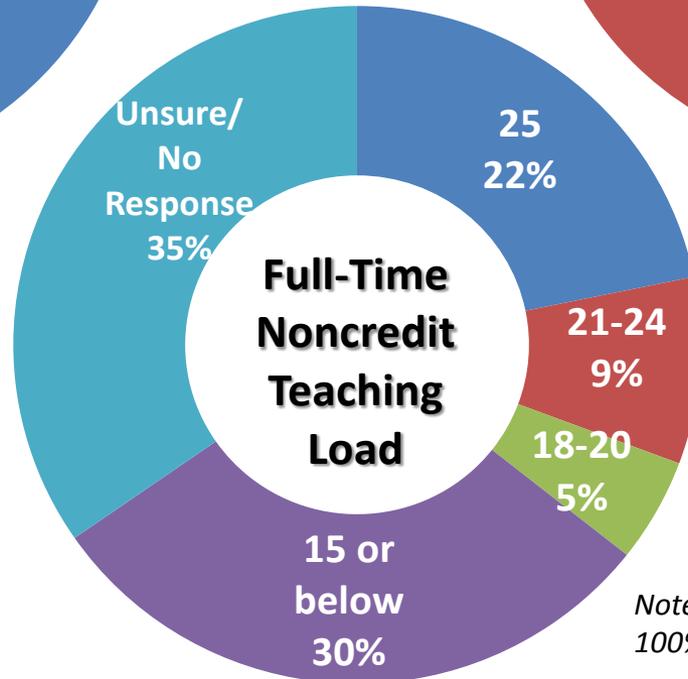
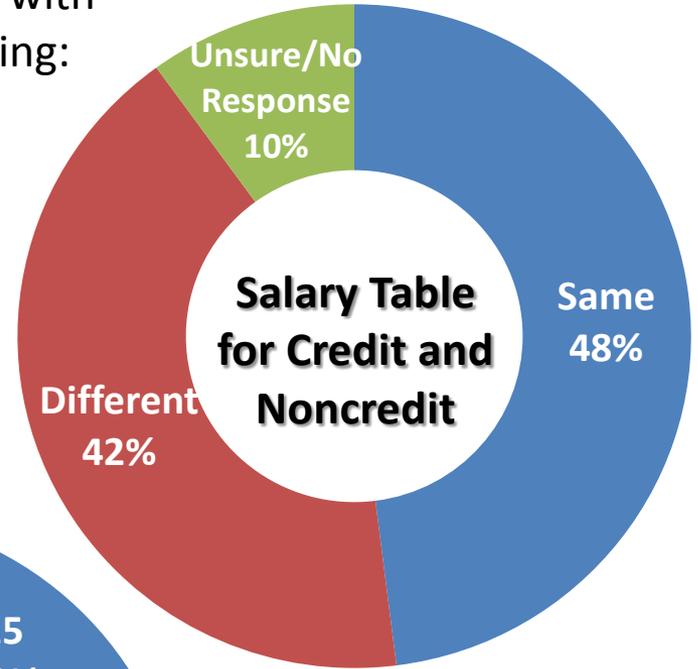
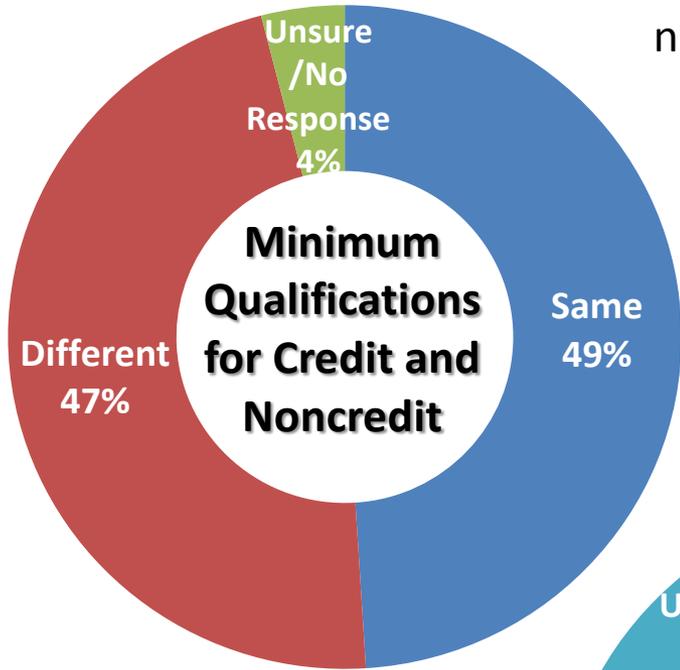
<i>Use of CCC Apply for admissions</i>	59% Use CCC Apply	41% Other/Unknown	
<i>Enrollment is managed via</i>	54% Combination	25% Open Entry/Exit	14% Managed

Grading Processes

<i>Grades awarded in noncredit courses</i>	14% All Graded	23% Other Combo	57% Not Graded
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Staffing

Among 81 institutions with noncredit programming:



Note: Percentages do not total 100% due to rounding error.

Planned Offerings and Programming

31 institutions are not currently offering noncredit, but some plan to offer w/in two years

15 to offer noncredit

14 to offer noncredit ESL/ESOL

12 to offer noncredit CTE

81 institutions are currently offering noncredit, and some plan to increase the scope of noncredit

37 to offer CTE

16 to offer ABE/ASE

15 to offer Emeritus

13 to offer DSPS

Recommendations for the Future of Noncredit

- Expand Research
- Commitment to Equity and Social Justice
- Modernize Curriculum and Instruction
- Strengthen Noncredit Student Services
- Noncredit Marriage with Workforce Development
- Champion Faculty
- Support for Institutional Effectiveness
- Statewide Marketing and Branding

The New World of Noncredit

Conference on Building and Expanding Programs in Community Colleges

Save the Dates

October 6 & 7

San Diego, California

<https://sdce.edu/conference>

Closing and Questions

Please submit feedback/suggestions to Debi King at dking002@sdccd.edu

Report Link:

[https://sdce.edu/sites/default/files/iep/The Past Present and Future of Noncredit in CA.pdf](https://sdce.edu/sites/default/files/iep/The_Past_Present_and_Future_of_Noncredit_in_CA.pdf)

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