Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS)
The Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOPS) is designed to recruit, retain, graduate, and/or transfer educationally disadvantaged, low income, and underrepresented students who have chosen to continue their education. Students receive assistance with their admission, registration, financial aid, book purchases, curriculum planning, academic and personal counseling, and other support services from counselors, administrative staff, and a team of well-trained peer advisors.

A candidate for EOPS is defined as an individual who has the potential to perform satisfactorily at the college level but who has not been able to realize that potential because of economic, social, or educational reasons. The following criteria are used to determine for eligibility in the EOPS program:

1. Successfully filed a financial aid application (FAFSA -- Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
2. Enrolled in at least 12 units
3. California residents or AB540 student
4. Qualify for the California College Promise Grant A or B (formerly known as the BOG fee Waiver)
5. Determined as educationally disadvantaged by the EOPS Program California State Chancellor's Guidelines.
6. Under 70 degree applicable units

Students interested in being considered for EOPS should visit the EOPS website, office or call (831) 755-6860.

Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE)
As a supplemental component of EOPS, CARE provides educational support services designed for the academically under-prepared, low income and single parent population. Grants and allowances for educationally related expenses (such as meals on campus, parking permits, bus passes, child care services if not provided by other resources, and textbooks) may be awarded as a means of improving retention, persistence, graduation and transfer rates of these individuals. Students participating in CARE may choose certificate, license, associate degree or transfer program options. Nearly half of all CARE students seek to transfer to four-year institutions; almost 40 percent choose associate degree objectives.

Hartnell College’s CalWORKs Program serves CalWORKs Cash Aid (formerly AFDC) recipients who enroll at Hartnell College. The program offers five student centered services:

Counseling/Case Management which includes design of an education, study, and employment plan:
- Personal and confidential counseling;
- Selection of courses for rapid employment with a goal of long-term advancement in a chosen field;
- Linkage to campus and community resources;
- Coordination with Department of Social Services and employment development.

Career and Job Programs and Services, which provide five areas of service:
- Vocational assessment for career decision-making;
- Priority Registration
- Local and state labor market information for informed decision making;
- Access to the Job Bank;
- Subsidized training through the CalWORKs work-study program, not sanctioned against CalWORKs Cash Aid benefits;
- College credit for on-the-job training through Cooperative Work Experience.

Education, which provides general employment skills and occupational training:
- Prepare people for jobs in the local labor market;
- Provide intensive, short-term training for higher wage jobs;
- Offer flexible entrance and exit schedules.

Financial Aid, which includes grants and employment, and may cover the following educational expenses:
- Tuition and fees;
- Books and supplies;
- Living expenses;
- Transportation;
- Personal items.

Coordination with EOPS/CARE Programs, providing additional services for single parents who receive CalWORKs Cash Aid and have children up to age 14.

The CalWORKs Program is located in the, EOPS/CARE Center, Building 8, room B-130, which is open from 8 am to 5 pm, Monday through Fridays. To schedule an appointment to meet with a CalWORKs designated counselor, call (831) 755-6860.
The High School Equivalency Program (HEP) is funded by the US Department of Education, Secondary Education – Office of Migrant Education. HEP is designed to assist migrant and seasonal farm workers, and their immediate family members, to obtain a High School Equivalency (HSE) and either enter Post-Secondary programs, Vocational/Technical Certificate, improve employment, military service, or apprenticeship, Certificate of Skills Acquisition, or a Certificate of Achievement.

The services include:
- HSE Curriculum delivered through cohorts
- Supplemental academic support/tutoring
- Curriculum that is regularly reviewed and adjusted by HEP Advisory Committee
- Academic advising and enrollment assistance for entry into an Institution of Higher Education
- Career/Workplace Readiness

Contact HEP: (831) 770-7070 or visit https://www.hartnell.edu/HEP

**Job Bank**

The Job Bank, located in the Transfer Center/Career Center, provides information for part-time, full-time, temporary, on-campus, federal, state, and summer work. The range of positions varies from unskilled part-time work to highly skilled technical positions.

Any student interested in seeking employment is encouraged to use the Job Bank frequently.

**California Mini-Corps Program**

Hartnell College is one of 20 colleges and universities which house a California Mini-Corps Program. This program provides training, experience, and support services to college students who are interested in becoming bilingual teachers. The students gain teaching experience by working at a school site in Monterey County under the guidance and supervision of a Master Teacher and the Mini-Corps Coordinator. This is a federally funded program which provides direct categorical services to migrant students. Staff development is provided to prepare tutors to work with students in grades kinder through high school.

Students enrolling in the program must be full time, have a 2.0 or above GPA, have bilingual skills, and have knowledge of or come from a migrant family background.

The California Mini-Corps Program is located in building A, office #147. Interested students can email Lorena Silva at lsilva@bcoe.org or phone (831) 755-6927 for applications or further information.

**Veterans' Services**

Hartnell College is approved as an institution of higher learning for veterans and veterans’ dependents entitled to educational assistance. The Veterans Office staff provides assistance to Veterans and dependents in planning educational programs, referrals to community agencies, as well as helping students make the transition from military to student life at Hartnell. Additional services include: computers and printing for student use, Veterans Book Lending, on site tutors, and Veterans Club activities. Certification to the Veterans Administration for educational benefits and admissions enrollment in the College are separate functions. The College’s Certifying Official is located in the Veterans Service Center. It is important that VA beneficiaries notify both the Admissions & Records Office and the College’s Certifying Official before they enroll in classes. Additional Veterans information is located in the Admissions section of this catalog under Service Member’s Opportunity College, and non-traditional credit (military courses, MOS DANTES, etc.).

The Veterans Affairs Service Center acts as liaison to the Veterans Administration and assists veterans and their dependents in reaching their educational goals. Below are the current programs available to eligible veterans, service persons and dependents seeking assistance for education. Active duty personnel are reimbursed only for actual tuition and fees.

**Chapter 30 – Montgomery G.I. Bill ®**

To be eligible, students must have begun service July 1, 1985, or after, served two or three years of continuous active duty, have a high school diploma or equivalent, contributed $100 per month for the first 12 months of service and have an honorable separation.

**Chapter 31 – VA Vocational Rehabilitation Program (VocRehab) ®**

To be eligible, a veteran must have a 20 percent or more service-connected disability.

**Chapter 33 – Post-9/11 G.I. Bill ®**

To be eligible, a student must have served at least 90 aggregate days on active duty after Sept. 10, 2001, and still be on active duty, honorably discharged, retired or released from active duty for further service in a reserve component. A student may also be eligible if he/she was honorably discharged from active duty for a service-connected disability and served 30 continuous days after Sept. 10, 2001.

**Chapter 35 – Dependents G.I. Bill ®**

To be eligible, a student must be the child or spouse of a veteran who died while on active duty or who has a service connected disability rated at 100 percent total and permanent.

**Disabled Veterans’ Dependents College Fee Waiver** Students may qualify to receive a waiver of state college tuition and registration fees administered by the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA):

1. The spouse, child or unmarried widow of a veteran who is totally service-connected disabled (100 percent) or died of a service-related death may qualify. The veteran must have served during a qualifying war period and be honorably discharged. This program
does not have an income limit. The student may also receive federal education benefits (Chapter 35) concurrently.

2. The child of a veteran who has a service-connected disability (zero percent or greater) or died of a service-related death may also qualify for a waiver of fees. Students are required to meet the annual income limit which includes the student’s reportable income and the value of support provided by the parents, which cannot exceed $12,209 annually.

3. Any dependent, or surviving spouse who has not remarried, of any member of the California National Guard, who in the line of duty, and while in the active service of the state, was killed, died of a disability resulting from an event that occurred while in the active service of the state, or is permanently disabled as a result of an event that occurred while in the active service of the state. “Active service of the state,” for the purposes of this subdivision, means a member of the California National Guard activated pursuant to Section 146 of the Military and Veterans Code.

**Chapter 1606 – Selected Reserve (MGIB-SR)**

To be eligible, a reservist must have enlisted or reenlisted for six or more years in the Selected Reserves after July 1, 1985, have a GED or high school diploma, and have completed the IADT and 180 days of service in the reserves.

Initial applicants must provide county-recorded copies of all DD 214s showing the character of separation. Chapter 30 applicants who have old G.I. Bill® eligibility must also provide county-recorded documents of marriage and birth certificates for all dependent children. Applicants should allow at least two months for the VA to process an initial claim and are advised to be prepared for financial emergencies.

**Chapter 1607 – Activated Reservists After September 11, 2001 (REA)**

To be eligible, members of the Reserve components must be called or ordered to active duty in response to a war or national emergency (contingency operation) as declared by the President or Congress. This program makes certain reservists who were activated for at least 90 days after Sept.11, 2001, either eligible for education benefits or eligible for increased benefits.

**Academic Requirements**

All VA recipients are required to maintain satisfactory progress toward their educational objective and a minimum grade point average of 2.0 (C) for each period of enrollment. A separate Veterans’ Bulletin outlining standards of progress and attendance is available to all veterans. It is essential that all recipients are thoroughly familiar with these federally mandated standards.

Evaluation is required to allow credit for prior training, including college, military and correspondence school. Military evaluations may be obtained free for those who have entered service since Oct. 1, 1981. Additional credits for prior learning may be awarded based on specific types of military service. See Administrative Procedure 4235 for requirements and procedures.

All students must have an approved Student Education Plan (SEP) prepared by a counselor no later than the end of the first period of enrollment. Entering students who have earned 24 or more units will not be certified for VA assistance until the course requirement list is prepared. All transcripts and military evaluations must be on file prior to this counseling. VA policy prohibits payment for any course not required for graduation in the student’s stated objective.

For further information, please refer to our website at www.hartnell.edu/veterans-service-center, or call (831) 755-6909. The Veterans Office is located in the Student Center C-138.

**Course Protection Guarantee under the Veteran Benefits and Transition Act of 2018, Section 103**

Effective August 1, 2019, Hartnell College allows Veterans under Chapter 33, Chapter 31, and dependents under Chapter 33TOE (Transfer of Entitlement) and Fry Scholarship upon meeting matriculation requirements to remain registered in their courses without being dropped due to unpaid tuition and fees. In order to receive this benefit, students must request to use their benefits by filling out the Application for Certification Request Form and provide a copy of their Certificate of Eligibility or Authorization PO from Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor for Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation students. The certification forms are available at the Veterans Service Center in the Student Center, Room HCC-138.

It is the student’s responsibility to pay the school any remaining balance should the student register in courses that are not on his or her approved education plan, or if the student is not entitled to 100% of his or her GI Bill® benefits. Students also have the option to have any outstanding balance deducted from their Financial Aid, if available.

**Forever GI Bill® Housing Payment Fulfillment Act of 2018, Section 107**

Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) Reflects Actual Housing Location Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) also known as Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) will calculate its payments based on where the student attends the majority of their classes. In the past, payment was calculated on where the school was located. This is a big change for online students receiving lower BAH payments because their school was located in an area with a lower BAH. For more information, students can go to: https://militarybenefits.info/forever-gi-bill

**Department of Supportive Programs and Services (DSPS)**

DSPS offers comprehensive support services and accommodations to meet students’ disability related academic needs. Students with documented disabilities may receive services such as:

- Academic, Career, Disability Management and Personal Counseling
- Academic Accommodations
- Deaf Services/Interpreting
- Alternate Media
- Assistive Technology
- Learning Disability Assessment
- Priority Registration

Additionally, DSPS offers instruction or courses designed to address the needs of students with disabilities:

- Learning Skills Courses
- Adaptive PE

Students with verified disabilities seeking any of these services or instructional programs should contact DSPS, for an appointment with a DSPS counselor. Students with disabilities can seek out
DSPS accommodations and services by contacting DSPS, using one of four methods:

1. Appointment Self scheduler, from the DSPS homepage at https://www.hartnell.edu/students/programs/dsps/registration.html;
2. Appointment Request form, using the online Google forms, available from the DSPS homepage at https://www.hartnell.edu/students/programs/dsps/registration.html;
3. Emailing DSPS at dsps@hartnell.edu;
4. Calling DSPS at 831-755-6760

When the District is open to the public, DSPS is located in B-107.

International Student Services
Hartnell College offers special services to students from other countries who have entered the U.S. on F-1 or other study visas. The International Student Center and the Admissions & Records Office assists these students with the admission process, including documentation for the visa application; registration, academic and personal counseling; immigration matters; personal adjustment to college life; transfer; and career advising.

For specific information or to make an appointment, call or stop by the Admissions & Records Office, (831) 755-6711. More information about the International Student Program visit https://www.hartnell.edu/students/admissions/isp/

American Indian Services
Each year, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) provides grants to help eligible Native American students meet their college costs. To be eligible for the BIA educational grant, students must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Be at least one-fourth American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut as certified by a tribal group served by the BIA.
2. Be enrolled or plan to enroll at an accredited College. (Hartnell is accredited.)
3. Must have a completed FAFSA on file prior to requesting that the American Indian Program Office complete a BIA form.
4. Be enrolled in 12 units or more per semester.

For more information you can reach The Bureau of Indian Affairs at (800) 332-9186 or you can visit the following websites:

www.bia.gov
www.bie.edu
www.finaid.org/otheraid/natamind.phtml

Further questions can be addressed to the Financial Aid Office located in Building B (Student Services Building) or call (831) 755-6806.

TRIO/Student Support Services Programs
The TRIO Student Support Services Programs are federally funded student support programs designed to assist first generation and/or low-income or disabled students as they earn their associate degree from Hartnell College and transfer to a university.

The services that are offered to SSS/TRIO students include priority registration; close academic counseling and guidance; academic progress monitoring; peer advising; a Freshmen Summer Transition (STP) Program; student study center; calculator and textbook lending library; visits to 4-year universities; financial and economic literacy workshops, cultural and campus activities; and FAFSA and Scholarship application assistance.

The SSS/TRIO programs offers a Guided Pathway over 2-3 years for students and provides opportunities for academic development, including a first-year student cohort program and continued monitoring and encouragement during the subsequent years of the student’s full-time attendance at Hartnell College.

The SSS/TRIO staff endeavor to motivate the TRIO students towards the successful first year transition and the completion of their postsecondary education, whether graduation and/or transfer. The goal of the SSS/TRIO Program is to assist our students to make transitions from one level of higher education to the next. The SSS/TRIO program assists students to overcome barriers to succeed within higher education.

To meet SSS/TRIO Eligibility Guidelines, students must:
- Be a citizen or legal resident of the United States and
- Be at full-time student (12 units), working toward an AA degree at Hartnell College and planning to transfer to a university and
- Have completed less than 30 degree applicable units and
- Have an academic need and
- Have financial need according to Federal financial aid criteria and/or be a first generation college student (meaning neither parent has earned a Bachelor’s degree)
- OR be a disabled student with a certified disability.

For more information and/or an appointment call the SSS/TRIO office at (831) 759-6013 and/or email at trio@hartnell.edu

The SSS/TRIO Office is located in D-114.

Director: Manuel Bersamin
email: mbersami@hartnell.edu

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Counselor: Norma Nichols
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Counselor: Jazmin Rios
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For more information, visit us online at: https://www.hartnell.edu/students/programs/trio/

The SSS/TRIO application https://hartnell-sss.mylacai.com/apply.php
TRIO, Upward Bound Program
TRIO, Upward Bound provides fundamental support and motivation to participants in their efforts to successfully complete high school and obtain a college education. The program serves high school students from low-income families and high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor’s degree. TRIO, Upward Bound students participate in a variety of academic and summer program activities at Hartnell College designed to help them reach their full academic and personal potential. In order to increase the rates at which participants enroll in and graduate from institutions of post-secondary education, our Upward Bound programs provide instruction in math, laboratory science, composition, literature, and foreign language in addition to the above services.

Services
- Instruction in reading, writing, study skills, and other subjects necessary for success in education beyond high school
- Academic, financial, or personal counseling
- Exposure to academic programs and cultural events
- Tutorial services
- Mentoring programs
- Information on post-secondary education opportunities
- Assistance in completing college entrance and financial aid applications
- Assistance in preparing for college entrance and placement exams

Apply today at:
https://hartnell.mylacai.com/apply.php
Or scan QR code below

Eligibility
TRIO, Upward Bound offers free services to students who meet the following criteria:
- Be a citizen or legal resident of the United States
- Low-Income and/or 1st generation College Bound Student
  Ages 11-18
- G.P.A 2.5 or above
- Attend Alisal High School, Everett Alvarez High School or North Salinas High School

For more information and/or an appointment, call (831) 759-6086 or email ub@hartnell.edu.
Director: Cesar Velazquez, cvelazquez@hartnell.edu
Please visit us online at: http://www.hartnell.edu/trio-ub

Mathematics Engineering Science Achievement (MESA)
MESA is an academic support program for educationally disadvantaged students who are seeking a Bachelor’s degree in a Science Technology Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) field.

What Does MESA Offer?
- MESA Student Center in S-104 and (remove) S-105 where students can study in a supportive environment;
- Computer equipment and space for study groups in the Student Center SMI Room S-105;
- Tutoring for individuals and groups in transfer level math and science courses;
- Academic Excellence Workshops that accompany targeted STEM classes;
- Scholarship and transfer support;
- Assistance with internships and financial aid
- Field trips to universities, industries, and research centers; and
- Calculator and textbook loan program.

If you are interested in joining the program and would like to pick up an application, drop by S-107, and learn more about the program. Applications are available online at the beginning of the spring and fall semesters.

MESA students must
- be a STEM major (astronomy, biology for transfer, biology, chemistry for transfer, chemistry, computer science and information systems, earth science, engineering, geology for transfer, mathematics for transfer or physics for transfer);
- intend to transfer to a four-year college;
- sign an enrollment application; and
- prepare a comprehensive education plan.

When applying to the Hartnell College MESA Program, students must meet at least one indicator under both the Educational and Financial Criteria to qualify.

Education Criteria:
- First-generation college student
- Attended federally designated high school
- Under 24 years old and living independently (remove)

Financial Criteria:
- Eligible for EOPS or TRIO
- Household income at or below 150% of poverty guidelines
- Receiving Financial Aid
- Parent/ Guardian/Student is a TANF (welfare) recipient.

Office of Equity Programs at Hartnell College
Through diverse program offerings and activities, the Office of Equity Programs provides an inclusive, holistic approach to serving students and families to ensure that every student receives the support necessary to achieve their educational goals at Hartnell College. The following programs are offered by the Office of Equity Programs:
Center for Achievement and Student Advancement (Mi CASA)
Services for undocumented students and families

Hartnell College is committed to supporting all students regardless of their immigration status. Mi CASA provides specialized services for AB 540, DACA, and all other undocumented students.

Mi CASA supports undocumented students in a variety of ways depending on their individual needs. Services include:

- A welcoming space for Dreamers (Building B, Room 204A) and virtual welcoming space during the pandemic
- Dreamer Ally Network
- Assistance with non-resident tuition exemption
- Scholarships and financial aid guidance
- Educational planning and counseling
- Peer mentoring and social activities
- Transfer assistance
- Advocacy
- Free immigration legal services for students, staff and faculty of all community colleges. Referrals to local accredited immigration legal service providers available for members of the general community
- Workshops for educators, parents and students
- Calculator, laptop, textbook lending (based on availability)

For more information call the Office of Equity Programs (831) 755-6723, by email at micasa@hartnell.edu or visit hartnell.edu

Men’s Institute for Leadership and Education (MILE) Program

MILE strives to increase college completion rates among male students in the Salinas Valley. With the support of the MILE Program, MILE Scholars of Hartnell College will achieve their leadership potential and attain personal, academic, and professional success. MILE Scholars receive the following benefits:

- **Leadership Training:** Three day training to develop critical life skills including time management, emotional intelligence, and self-efficacy
- **Mentor Program:** Industry professionals serve as MILE Mentors and provide guidance, support, and connections to scholars
- **Scholarship Award:** At completion of the Leadership Training, students receive a $1000 award. An additional $1000 is awarded upon completion of the mentor workshops

To qualify for MILE, students must apply in Spring of each year. Cisgender and transgender male students are welcomed. AB540/undocumented students are welcome and encouraged to apply. Student applications will be selected based upon academic achievement in context of adversity, financial need, and leadership potential. Other eligibility requirements may apply.

For more information call the Office of Equity Programs (831) 755-6723 or visit hartnell.edu

Rising Scholars Network (RSN)

The Rising Scholars Program provides support services for Hartnell College students who have been impacted by the justice system. The Office of Equity Programs recognizes system impacted individuals as those who have been incarcerated, those with arrests/convictions but no incarceration, and those who have been directly impacted by a loved one being incarcerated.

Rising Scholars provides a welcoming, encouraging, supportive and empowering environment. Our goal is to equip our students to achieve their highest potential through education through individualized support and guidance. Rising Scholars receive the following benefits:

- Supportive staff
- Assistance with enrollment
- Financial aid help
- Educational planning and counseling
- Referrals to community resources
- Textbook and Chromebook lending (based on availability)
- Free printing and snacks
- Fellowship opportunities
- Leadership development and community engagement opportunities
- Peer networking
- Faculty and staff mentorship
- Transfer assistance

For more information email the Office of Equity Programs OEP@hartnell.edu

Teacher Pathway Program and MAESTROS

The Teacher Pathway Program (TPP) and Making Accessible and Effective Systems for Transfer Ready Outcomes (MAESTROS) are programs designed to support students interested in becoming future credentialed educators.

**Vision Statement:** Building a diverse, culturally sustaining, and anti-racist teacher workforce that transforms our schools and communities

**Mission Statement:** Providing future educators with equitable academic pathways and student support systems
Services for both programs include:
- Lending library for select number of textbooks
- Mentoring and follow-up support
- CBEST preparation workshops
- Professional development trainings and opportunities related to teaching
- Transfer support and resources to CSU Monterey Bay and other 4-year colleges and universities

In addition, the Teacher Pathway Program also provides students:
- Guaranteed seats in major courses for the AA-T in Elementary Teacher Education
- Cohort model with courses rotating between main campus in Salinas and at South County locations (King City Education Center and/or Soledad Education Center)
- Partnership with CSU Monterey Bay where students will continue their degree in Liberal Studies and complete their B.A. and multiple subject teaching credential in 2 years upon transfer

For more information, please email teach@hartnell.edu or visit www.hartnell.edu/teach

Salinas Valley Promise (SVP)

The Salinas Valley Promise (SVP) program combines instructional excellence with professional guidance, leadership development, life-skills training and a scholarship to ensure a student's success.

Benefits of SVP are two years of free in-state tuition regardless of household income, participation in a summer leadership institute, quarterly academic success and professional development workshops, and a free laptop or voucher for textbooks. Additionally, students will have opportunities to be mentored by a peer, faculty member, and local professional.

Students are eligible for SVP if they graduate from a local high school or adult school within the Hartnell Community College District, are a first-time college student, and enroll as a full-time student.

To get started:
- Submit an application for admission to Hartnell College
- Submit a FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application by March 2
- Submit the Salinas Valley Promise - Program Application by March 2
- Enroll as a full-time student at Hartnell College*
- Sign-up and attend the Summer Leadership Institute

For more information, call (831) 755-6723, email: svp@hartnell.edu, or visit hartnell.edu/promise

*Students enrolled in fewer than 12 units may be eligible for SVP when eligible for a reduced course load as a Department of Supportive Programs and Services (DSPS) accommodation

Umoja Program

Umoja, (a Kiswahili word meaning unity) is a community and critical resource dedicated to enhancing the cultural and educational experiences of our California (CA) Community College students. The Umoja Community serves African American and other students, believing that when the voices and histories of students are deliberately and intentionally recognized, students develop self-efficacy and a foundation for academic success. Umoja promotes student success for all students through a curriculum that is responsive to the legacy of the African and African American Diasporas.

Benefits of the Umoja Program include:
- Development of a comprehensive Student Education Plan & counseling
- Networking Opportunities
- Leadership Development
- HBCU, UC, CSU and private and guidance services
- UMOJA Conferences/Symposiums
- Participation in culturally-enriching activities
- Eligibility to access Textbook Lending Library
- Community of support & Advocacy

For more information call the Office of Equity Programs (831) 755-6723, by email at umoja@hartnell.edu or visit hartnell.edu

Women’s Education and Leadership Institute (WELI) Program

WELI was designed by local women leaders to increase the leadership capacity, workforce skills, college enrollment, and college completion rate of socio-economically disadvantaged women of the Salinas Valley. WELI Scholars receive the following benefits:
- Leadership Training: Three-day training to develop critical life skills such as budgeting and communication
- Mentor Program: Female community leaders serve as WELI Mentors and provide guidance and support to scholars
- Scholarship Award: At completion of Leadership Training, students receive a $1000 award. An additional $1000 is awarded upon completion of the mentor workshops

To qualify for WELI students must apply in Spring of each year. Cisgender and transgender female students are welcomed. AB540/undocumented students are welcome and encouraged to apply. Student applications will be selected based upon academic achievement in context of adversity, financial need, and leadership potential. Other eligibility requirements may apply.

For more information call the Office of Equity Programs (831) 755-6723 or visit hartnell.edu

Cultural Programs

Hartnell College provides support for a wide range of cultural programs. A variety of performing arts activities are presented throughout the year.
Foster & Kinship Care Education

Come to FKCE when you
- take care of a relative’s child.
- think you’d like to care for a child in the “system.”
- need to complete mandated state foster care education.
- care for another’s child and want to improve your parenting skills.

Hartnell College Foster & Kinship Care Education cares about you. We know caregivers such as you understand that parenting another’s child is more than just caring. Whether you are taking on the responsibility of caring for a relative’s child or a child in the court system, we understand that there is much you want and need to know. We offer a variety of no-cost trainings and classes to meet your needs. Hartnell FKCE supports the difference you make in the lives of children. We will connect you with more people, more information, and more resources that will help you make a difference.

The Guardian Scholars Program (GSP), located in N-30, is committed to helping current and former foster youth students complete their educational goals, such as earning an Associate Degree or Certificate or transferring to a four-year university, by providing comprehensive support services. The GSP provides support by giving referrals (including academic support referrals), academic and personal counseling, career guidance, access to grants, scholarships, and incentives, network building, speaking opportunities, school supplies and textbook assistance, educational and life skills workshops, campus services, and other support services.

Questions may be asked in person or by calling Savannah Lewis (831) 755-6944 or emailing slewis@hartnell.edu

Student Insurance

When a student experiences an accident or injury on campus or during a college-sponsored event, an accident/injury report as well as essential insurance information is required to determine the level of assistance available. Students are to contact Campus Security upon injury. An officer will respond and obtain medical assistance as well as gather other essential insurance information.

Any questions regarding student injuries or accidents on campus should be directed to the Student Affairs Office at (831) 755-6822. It is mandatory that international students have health and accident insurance. International student insurance applications may be obtained from the Admissions & Records Office.

Student Life

The goal of the Office of Student Life is to engage students in meaningful activities that will strengthen their understanding of college life by participating in programs and services that will support their educational and life-long learning.

Associated Students of Hartnell College

The purpose of Student Senate is to provide an influential voice with quality representation in the shared governance process as well as valuable services that will help students achieve academic excellence.

Programs and Services

The Office of Student Life and offers students an array of programs designed to support their academic, social and emotional well-being.
- Inter-Club Council
- Book Voucher
- Student and Multi-Cultural Activities
- Student Ambassadors
- Week of Welcome (WOW)
- Conflict Resolution Center

Student Clubs

Supported by the ASHC, student organizations and clubs provide an opportunity for students to share common interests and new experiences beyond the classroom. These include honor societies, service and religious organizations, ethnic/multicultural groups, and departmental and special interest groups.

The Office of Student Life is located in the Student Center, C-140 or call (831) 755-6734.