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In 1960, East County voted to establish the Grossmont Junior College District, which was renamed the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District in 1985. Grossmont College held its first classes in September 1961; Cuyamaca College opened in fall 1978.

LOCATION

The Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District serves the 1,138-square mile East County region of San Diego County stretching to the Imperial County line and the Mexican border.

CAMPUSES

Just 16 miles from downtown San Diego, the campuses are easily accessible. Cuyamaca College is on a 165-acre site in Rancho San Diego, south of the city of El Cajon. Grossmont College is on a 135-acre mesa in northwest El Cajon, adjacent to the cities of Santee, La Mesa and San Diego. The colleges offer hundreds of programs and student services tailored to diverse needs.

CUYAMACA COLLEGE

Cuyamaca College offers 140 degrees and certificates, including those in innovative green-energy programs. Other specialized programs include automotive technology, engineering, environmental health and safety management, ornamental horticulture, paralegal studies, and water/wastewater technology.

GROSSMONT COLLEGE

Grossmont College offers more than 150 degrees and certificates. With its well-known allied health programs, it draws students from throughout the county. Its specialized programs include administration of justice, cardiovascular technology, culinary arts, musical theater, nursing, and hospitality and tourism management.

GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA COLLEGE PROMISE

The Grossmont-Cuyamaca College Promise provides a free year of tuition at Grossmont or Cuyamaca College to first-time students who are attending college full-time. With the help of the Promise, the district is working with the Grossmont Union High School District through the East County Education Alliance to encourage more students to seek college and a career.



A PUBLIC CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT SERVING EAST SAN DIEGO COUNTY FOR MORE THAN 50 YEARS

WHAT MAKES GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT UNIQUE?

- Three out of four East County adults have taken classes at Grossmont or Cuyamaca College.
- An economic impact report found that the district’s annual economic impact on the region is \$1 billion, including increased income from successful students, an expanded tax base and the cost of the district’s operations.
- The district’s Corporate College offers a wide range of professional development and certification courses specifically aimed at helping current workers stay competitive. It is also where businesses can go for customized workforce training programs offered in flexible formats around business schedules and objectives.
- Both Grossmont and Cuyamaca colleges have been listed as “military friendly schools” by G.I. Jobs magazine, and offer counseling and resource centers to help veterans make the transition from military to civilian life.
- Grossmont and Cuyamaca colleges have partnerships with Point Loma Nazarene University to offer bachelor’s degrees through classes taught at the East County campuses. Grossmont College offers PLNU bachelor’s degrees in nursing and computer information technology, while Cuyamaca College offers degrees in child development and organizational management through PLNU.
- Grossmont and Cuyamaca colleges have received state and national recognition for their commitment to student success. Grossmont College has twice been selected as a Champion of Higher Education by the Campaign for College Opportunity for its work to significantly increase the number of students earning an Associate Degree for Transfer. Cuyamaca College has been honored by the California Chancellor’s Office and was selected as a finalist for the national Examples of Excelencia award for its efforts to transform the way that students are taught math, English and English as a Second Language.

ENROLLMENT:

Grossmont College: About **19,000**
 Cuyamaca College: About **9,000**
 Gender: **57%** female, **43%** male

AGE:

24 and under **65%**
 Age 25+ **35%**

EMPLOYEES:

Full-time: **769**
 Part-time: **1,929**

ETHNICITY:

African American **6.2%**
 Asian, Filipino, Pacific Islander **8.5%**
 Hispanic **36.0%**
 White **40.2%**
 Two or More **7.8%**
 Other **1.3%**



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 LEMON GROVE | RANCHO SAN DIEGO | RURAL EAST SAN DIEGO COUNTY

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