Did You Know That
Rio Hondo College...

- Offers FREE TUITION for TWO YEARS to first-time, full-time college students.

- Offers 27 associate degrees for transfer that guarantee transfer to California State Universities, 50 associate degrees and 60 certificates.

- Is one of the top community colleges in the state at transferring underrepresented minorities to University of California campuses.

- Has been named among the top 25 community colleges for Hispanic students.

- Has a four-year bachelor’s degree in automotive technology.

- Offers a pathway to law school program to one of eight top California law schools.

- Offers instruction in multiple science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) subject areas valued by four-year universities as well as employers.

- Provides a Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA) program that is nationally recognized by Excelencia in Education for increasing academic opportunities and achievement for students.

- Offers internships with local employers, organizations and cities.

- Is home to one of the state’s most successful community college nursing assistant certification programs, with a 100 percent pass rate on the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) state exams for the last four years.

- Has established partnerships with nursing programs at Azusa Pacific University and Cal State Los Angeles that allow students dual enrollment.

- Has welding courses that lead to the American Welding Society (AWS) and City of Los Angeles certifications.

- Has courses in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Global Positioning Systems (GPS) and Surveying.

- Offers architecture drafting classes using computer-aided design and drafting (CADD), Building Information Modeling (BIM) and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) applications.

- Offers Alternative Energy Technology classes in photovoltaic, wind, home management and green building designs.

- Has nationally ranked comprehensive police, fire, wildland academies, and an emergency medical technician program.

- Offers some of the most comprehensive fire academy training available to beginning and advanced firefighters across the nation. The Wildland Fire Academy posts a 100 percent job placement rate for its graduates.

- Has trained hundreds of police officers in its Police Academy across the state graduating more than 200 cadet classes.

Registration dates are available at www.riohondo.edu
Admissions and Records is the first point of contact for all students entering Rio Hondo College. This office helps students from the application process to graduation as it pertains to a student’s academic record. This includes: applications; residency issues; registration; enrollment and degree verifications; transcripts; evaluation of external transcripts; grades from faculty; course repetitions; pass/no pass grading option; graduation and certificate petitions; international student applications; and issues student ID cards, parking permits and Transit Access Passes. (562) 908-3415 (Room SS 120)

Center for Career and Re-Entry Services provides comprehensive support for students ages 25 or older who are beginning their higher education journeys or returning after an absence of five years or more. Approximately 1,200 adult re-entry students constitute about a quarter of all new Rio Hondo College students each fall. (562) 908-3407 (Room SS 350)

Counseling assists students with their academic and career goals by offering counseling classes, orientations, assistance with educational plans, choosing a major, graduation requirements and transfer requirements. Our counselors are more than willing to address concerns online and on-campus. (562) 908-3410 (Room SS 160)

Extended Opportunity Program and Services (EOP&S) and the Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE) is a comprehensive program committed to providing compassionate and innovative services to students facing economic and educational challenges. Its mission is to work in partnership with students and the campus community to enable students to fulfill their highest educational potential. Services include priority registration, counseling and educational advice, tutoring and book vouchers. (562) 908-3423 (Room SS 240)

Financial Aid Office assists students with accessing financial aid resources for higher education. All students are strongly encouraged to apply for financial aid, even if they believe they may not qualify. Types of financial aid available include fee waivers, grants, student loans and work-study. (562) 908-3411 (Room SS 130)

First-Year Success Center is home to a network of student support services, designed to ensure all students begin their college journey with a firm understanding of what they need to do to succeed. (562) 463-6650 (Room LR 101)

Guardian Scholars assists current and former foster youth/students who are or were in the foster care system with successfully transitioning into college life and independent living. (562) 463-7472 (Room SS 307)

Learning Assistance Center (LAC) provides the Rio Hondo College’s diverse student population with the tools needed for academic success. Empowering students to cultivate the abilities, tactics and behaviors of confidence, self-reliance and enduring learners, LAC contributes to the College’s focus on student-driven learning, increased retention and success rates. (562) 908-3418 (Room LR 114)

Puente Program is a collaboration between the departments of Counseling and Communications designed to enhance student completion of transfer English and increase student transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Students participate in special counseling, receive unique instruction and are assigned to work with a mentor. (562) 463-3207 (Room SS 240)

Writers’ Resource Center offers one-on-one help with writing assignments, researching, UC and other college personal statements, bibliographies and other work that needs pre-writing, crafting or revisions. The center serves students by appointment and walk-in requests. (562) 463-3122 (Room LR 124)

Veterans Service Center is a one-stop center for veterans of the U.S. armed forces to conveniently obtain a host of critical services such as counseling services, Veterans Administration benefits help, financial aid, tutoring, a computer lab and even a graduation cap-and-gown loan program. Veterans make up a small, but growing percentage of Rio Hondo’s student population. (562) 463-3307 (Room SS 150)