

Career Services & Experiential Learning

May 2026 Newsletter



We are proud to lead this month by celebrating our Women's Day event, which brought together students, faculty, and community partners to honor the strength, leadership, and achievements of women across industries.

Continuing this momentum, Career Services & Experiential Learning hosted the 2nd Annual Employer Appreciation Luncheon, Annual Job & Resource Fair, and the 4th Annual Health & Wellness Job Fair, connecting students with valuable career opportunities and employer partners. We also facilitated career readiness workshops focused on resumes, interviews, and professional communication.

Thank you to our campus and community partners for your continued support in advancing student success.

Community Partners Picture Above Left to Right:

- Stacey Dunn, VP Marketing & Sale, Chick-fil-A
- Porsche Mysticque Steele, Publisher
- Jamica Brazell, Co-Owner, Agape Auto Repair
- Dr. Erin Eickhoff, Co-Founder, The Job Lab
- Nikki Selby, RN, Co-Founder, The Job Lab
- Stephanie Mearse, MBA, VP, Desert Capital Management Group
- Career Services & Experiential Learning Team
- Student Government Association

Student Career Journey Spotlight

From Setback to Strength: A Journey of Purpose and Perseverance

My journey has not been linear, but every challenge I have faced has led me closer to my purpose.

When I first began my higher education journey, I felt lost and struggled academically. I eventually took a long break from school and entered the workforce, where I gained experience in caregiving and later in the biotech field. After experiencing a serious accident at work, I made the difficult decision to leave biotech and return to what felt most meaningful to me, working one-on-one with people. I became a behavioral technician, where I discovered my passion for building rapport and helping children with autism develop essential school and life skills.



Deija Dawson, MSJC

Teacher Education & Developmental Studies student.

After having my daughter, I made the decision to return to school after 10 years. Meeting with a counselor at MSJC helped me clarify my goals and envision a future where I could work in a setting that would also support my daughter. This guidance led me to change my major from psychology to child and adolescent development one of the most pivotal and rewarding decisions I have made.

Returning to MSJC was not without its challenges, as I was also navigating personal family responsibilities. However, I found a strong sense of community and support on campus. Joining the Women of Color intersectional group, led by Professor Dr. Harper, helped me feel a true sense of belonging. Through this experience, I was introduced to incredible mentors. My mentor, Rodnesha Hill, has been instrumental in inspiring and guiding me toward both my academic and career goals.

Being involved in this group, along with the Aspiring Educators Club, motivated me to fully engage in my college experience in ways I had never done before. In Fall 2025, I achieved a major milestone by earning a place on the President's Honor Roll for the first time. My academic success has been supported by Supplemental Instruction (SI) sessions, tutoring through the Learning Resource Center (LRC), and programs such as CalWORKs and EOPS. These programs provided critical resources, including gas cards, counseling support, and access to the campus pantry, which supported both my family and my educational journey.

With the continued support of my family and community, I will be graduating in May 2026 with my Associate of Arts in Child and Adolescent Development. I plan to transfer to California State University San Marcos after completing my remaining requirements, where I will continue pursuing my goal of working with children and families in a supportive and nurturing environment.

This journey has shaped me into a more focused, motivated, and resilient individual. I am proud of how far I have come and excited to continue growing both personally and professionally as I move forward in my career.

Employer Partner Success Testimonial: Career Services & Collaboration

CSEL Honors Partners at Employer Appreciation Luncheon



Mt. San Jacinto College (MSJC) proudly hosted its 2nd Annual Employer Appreciation Luncheon at Oak Mountain Winery, bringing together valued industry partners, faculty, staff, and community members to celebrate the power of collaboration in supporting student success.

During this special event, MSJC honored several outstanding organizations with Industry Partner of the Year awards, including The Village Hemet; Cal Coast Credit Union; JPMorgan Chase Bank; Menifee Union School District; Murrieta Valley Unified School District; Temecula Valley Unified School District; Southwest Healthcare; GI Excellence; Center for Autism and Related Disorders; Hello Mazda Temecula; and Family Service Association.

These partners have played a key role in advancing opportunities for our students by actively participating in interviews and hiring events, offering internships and mentorship, and collaborating with faculty and the Career Services and Experiential Learning team to design meaningful, career-focused programming. Their contributions have helped bridge the gap between education and industry, ensuring that our students are well-prepared to enter the workforce with confidence and purpose.

For our faculty and campus community, these partnerships enhance classroom learning by connecting curriculum to real-world application. For our students, they open doors to hands-on experiences, professional networks, and career pathways that support long-term success.

We are especially proud of the continued partnership with The Village Hemet, be sure to check out the featured video highlighting the impact of this collaboration via MSJC's YouTube page.

MSJC remains committed to building strong employer relationships that create equitable access to career opportunities and support the growth, development, and success of our students both during their time at the college and beyond.

Employer Engagement: Strengthening Pathways Through Partnership Awardees

The Village Hemet



Menifee Union School District

JPMorgan Chase Bank



Cal Coast Credit Union

GI Excellence & Hello Mazada
Temecula not pictured

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Center for Autism & Related Disorders



Family Association Services



Temecula Valley Unified School District



Murietta Valley Unified School District



Southwest Healthcare

Career Services Spring 2026 Events

Spring 2026 CSEL Welcome Event & Job Fairs

April 9, 2026
10:00AM-1:00PM
Spring Job Fair
Menifee Valley Campus

April 22, 2026
9:00AM-12:00PM
CSEL Welcome Event
Menifee Valley Campus

May 6, 2026
11:00AM-1:00PM
Health & Wellness Job Fair
Menifee Valley Campus



"It takes a CAREER VILLAGE to grow tomorrow's workforce"
- Nesha Hill

Event Highlights



CSEL Associate Dean

Dr. Jasmine Port, Ed.D.

Employer Appreciation Luncheon

The Associate Dean warmly welcomed employer partners and expressed sincere appreciation for their ongoing collaboration and commitment to student success at Mt. San Jacinto College. She emphasized the critical role these partnerships play in creating meaningful opportunities for students through internships, mentorship, and career pathways. She also reaffirmed the college's dedication to strengthening these relationships to support workforce readiness and long-term community impact.



California Coast Credit Union

VP,

INDUSTRY PARTNER AWARD

A representative from California Coast Credit Union expressed sincere gratitude to Mt. San Jacinto College for the recognition, sharing that it was an honor to receive the Industry Partner of the Year award. They highlighted their appreciation for the strong partnership with MSJC and reaffirmed their commitment to supporting students through career development, mentorship, and financial literacy education, helping students build both professional and financial confidence for long-term success.

Career Services Partner Spotlight

We extend a heartfelt thank you to our employer partners for their ongoing support and highlight new partnerships.

Highlights this quarter new partners:

California Conservation Corps
The Children's Courtyard
Peak Energy Pros
Menifee Dental Group & Orthodontics
TMCamping
Viable Retail Solutions
SIP Manufacturing
PFS Investments
Children's Lighthouse
Quartz Digital Marketing
Security Systems Installation
PNC Bank
AFLAC
SCAN Medicare Advantage
Clayton Homes
Springs Charter Schools



Left to Right:
Corinna York, MBA, Director of Employer
Engagement, CSEL (MSJC, Karina and Jonnie, Oak
Mountain Winery Owners

Left to Right:
Johanna Pradolazareno, M.S. Ed., New York Life
Nesha Hill, Job Developer/Placement Coordinator, MA E.D.



Faculty Spotlight:

We extend a heartfelt thank you to our dedicated faculty in Child Development, Business, Allied Health, and Nursing for their ongoing collaboration, student mentorship, and commitment to student success. This Faculty Spotlight also highlights new partnerships and innovative opportunities that continue to strengthen career pathways, experiential learning, and workforce readiness for our students.



Career Services & Classroom Collaboration

Faculty Partnerships & Collaborations

- Administrative of Justice
- Anthropology
- Automotive
- Business Administration
- Child Development & Education
- Communications
- Counseling
- Culinary Arts
- Chemistry
- Diagnostic Medical Sonography
- Digital Media
- Emergency Medical Services
- English
- Entrepreneurship
- Fire Technology
- Legal Studies
- Medical Assistant
- Nursing
- Real Estate
- Technology
- Water Technology
- Wine Industry & Hospitality



MSJC Contract and Community Education



MSJC Contract and Community Education sits at the intersection of education, workforce, economic, and community development. Think of us as putty in your hands as our purpose is to fill knowledge gaps through the design and delivery of not-for-credit, fee-based programs. The plethora of topics empowers personal and professional development of individuals, teams, local businesses, nonprofits, government agencies, and industries. Top-notch subject matter experts bring their credentials and experience to every program. Program durations are intentionally short and offered year-round. They are delivered on MSJC campuses, worksites, and wherever the community gathers. Short-term training. Long-term impact!

California Family Life Center [CFLC] collaborates with MSJC Contract and Community Education to deliver Youth Entrepreneurship, Phlebotomy Technician (CPT1), and Drone Pilot training programs. CFLC is home to Youth Opportunity Centers that provide job training education to youths aged 16-24. They work with every young person giving them valuable work readiness skills that include pre-employment skills and retention skills to coach them on being a good employee. Paid work experience in their career field of interest and essential support are other key deliverables to ensure their success.



Apprenticeship Programs

Launch Your Career with MSJC's Automotive & Cyber/IT Apprenticeship Programs!



Are you ready to turn your passion into a profession? Mt. San Jacinto College (MSJC) is now accepting applications for its Spring Semester Automotive and Cyber/IT Apprenticeship Programs — and the deadline to apply is November 20th!

Whether you're drawn to the fast-paced world of automotive technology or the ever-evolving field of cybersecurity and IT, MSJC's apprenticeship programs offer a powerful blend of classroom instruction and paid, hands-on experience with industry partners.

Automotive Apprenticeship

- Learn diagnostics, repair, and cutting-edge vehicle technologies
- Work alongside certified technicians in real-world settings
- Earn while you learn — get paid as you train!

Cyber/IT Apprenticeship

- Dive into networking, cybersecurity, and systems management
- Gain experience with leading tech companies and organizations
- Build a resume that stands out in a competitive job market

Apprenticeship Programs

Why Choose an Apprenticeship?



- Earn income while training — no need to choose between work and school
- Graduate with real-world experience employers value
- Network with professionals and open doors to future job opportunities
- Receive mentorship from industry experts
- Avoid student debt by learning on the job

Important Dates

- Spring Semester Applications through Fall 26
- Deadline to Apply: Fall 2026

Don't miss your chance to jumpstart a high-demand career with MSJC's apprenticeship programs. Whether you're fresh out of high school, changing careers, or looking to upskill — this is your moment.

To apply and drive your future forward contact:

Terrance Green, Apprenticeship Program Supervisor

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Apprenticeship Programs & Important Dates

Construction Pre-Apprenticeships & Digital Media



Important Dates

- Construction Pre-Apprenticeship
 - Hands-on training in construction tools, safety, and jobsite skills.
 - Offered in partnership with the Southwest Carpenters Union to support apprenticeship and career pathways in the skilled trades.

Digital Media, Multimedia Specialist – Coming Fall 2026

- Hands-on experience with industry-relevant multimedia tools and technology.
- Prepares students for careers in digital media and creative industries.

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MSJC Creating a Strong Ecosystem of Support from employers and community:

Continued partnership with:

JPMorgan Chase Bank
Cal Coast Credit Union
Caltrans
AMR
Southwest Healthcare
Family Service Association
PNC Bank
California Air Resources Board
The Village Hemet
A+ Urgent Care
GI Excellence
Temecula Valley Unified School District
Altura Credit Union
HCN Bank
California Family Life Center
Murietta Unified School District
Riverside University Health Systems
City of Menifee
Menifee Union School District
Menifee Valley Chamber of Commerce
New York Life
Riverside County Workforce Development.

Interested in Partnering?

Contact us to post jobs, host interns, or participate in upcoming fairs.

Connect with Us

Website: www.msjc.edu/careerservices

Email: CSEL@msjc.edu

Instagram: [@msjccareered](https://www.instagram.com/msjccareered)

LinkedIn: [MSJC Career Education](https://www.linkedin.com/company/msjc-career-education)



Location

Menifee Valley Campus - Building 700,
Office 707

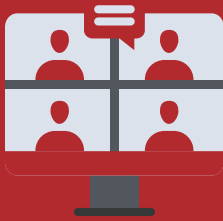
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CSEL: By the Numbers



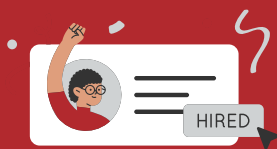
450+
Career Coaching
Appointments.

Guided appointments helping students to find the right career for them and the tools to keep them on track for their education and job search.



80
Workshops
Hosted

Career building, assistance with resumes, interviews, and job search strategies preparing students for the workforce and aspiring careers while they are at MSJC.



60+
Internship
Placements

Several students secured internships in Medical Assisting, Water Tech, Marketing, Business Administration, Communications, & Anthropology.



100+
Employer
Meetings

Strengthening opportunities, providing access, and resources to ensure students are entering the workforce prepared for their career.

Resource Corner



Handshake

Get started with your
career search today!

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Scan the QR Code
to visit our website



Thank you for an incredible year! Your dedication and engagement have helped create meaningful pathways for student success. We appreciate your continued partnership and look forward to building even more opportunities together in the year ahead.

– *The CSEL Team*

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Career Services and Experiential Learning is dedicated to empowering students with the resources, guidance, and confidence to succeed beyond the classroom. Through career employer connections, we help students strengthen their skills, discover opportunities, and step into meaningful career pathways. Together, we are building futures filled with growth, purpose, and possibility.

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