

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Welcome to Grossmont College!*



Dear Grossmont College Student,

Welcome to the 2023–2024 Grossmont College catalog. Here you will discover the course offerings that make Grossmont College the leader of higher education and career training in San Diego's East County.

In these pages, you'll find a comprehensive selection of courses and programs that will help you meet your academic and career goals and prepare you to enter the workforce or transfer to top universities.

Whatever your passions are, we have a program here that will meet your curiosity, engage your creativity, and advance your knowledge. We offer classes in-person, online and hybrid. You'll understand why more than 1.6 million students have chosen Grossmont College to pursue their higher education or prepare for a career. You'll see why Grossmont College is the first choice for students ranging from teenagers just out of high school eager to earn a degree or certificate to life-long learners intent on further enriching their lives.

In addition to our incredible academic programs, we have services and support programs to help you succeed. Many of our students qualify for financial aid and we are dedicated to giving you full support throughout your time here at Grossmont College.

At Grossmont College, we believe everyone should have a pathway to pay for college which is why we offer the Grossmont-Cuyamaca College Promise, which gives you your first two years free. We also help you complete the FAFSA/CA Dream Act and give you access to grants and scholarships. We have programs like UMOJA and Puente to help you find community, we have Gizmo's Kitchen to help meet your basic needs, have student life and champion athletics, and much more.

In the years before its founding in 1961, Grossmont College was just a dream. It had no name, no resources, no buildings. But what our community had was a vision, a vision of transforming lives through education. That transformation is real. The lifetime earnings of a Grossmont College graduate with an associate degree are \$1.6 million, and at just \$46 per unit, Grossmont College provides you with the same,

high-quality education as many universities and private trade schools, but for thousands of dollars less.

We are, indeed, unique and we offer an abundance of options that can lead not only to a degree, but also to essential workplace skills indispensable in building a better life.

Grossmont College is a leader in higher education and career training because of our incredible professors, our dedicated classified professionals, and most importantly you: our students. Our students create better lives for themselves and their families. Our students transform their communities with their skills and expertise. The education you receive here will create a better world. Your journey starts here, and I know you will make myself and Grossmont College proud.

With warmest regards,

Denise Whisenhunt, J.D.  
President, Grossmont College