



FACT SHEET

SPRING 2025



AT A GLANCE

Founded: 1979 as Saddleback College North Campus; 1985 as Irvine Valley College

Type of College: Public two-year community college

System Calendar: Semester system

Mascot: Lasers

Accreditation: Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC)

Military Friendly and Military Spouse Friendly School: Silver

Minority Serving Institution (MSI) Status: Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution; Emerging Hispanic Serving Institution (e-HSI).

Overview: Irvine Valley College (IVC) combines a small-college environment with more than 60 acres of modern facilities and equipment; dedicated staff; and an excellent faculty who combine knowledge and experience with a sincere commitment to learning. Since becoming an independent institution in 1985, IVC has seen its transfer rates and campus community flourish.

Mission Statement: Student equity, inclusion, access, and success are central to Irvine Valley College's identity. We offer clear and guided pathways to transfer opportunities, certificates, associate degrees, employment, and further education to a diverse and dynamic local and global economy. IVC fosters economic and workforce development through strategic partnerships with business, government, and educational networks.

Vision Statement: Irvine Valley College stands committed to empowering its diverse student population with the latest knowledge, skills, experience, and partnerships to support their journey on the path to leadership, creativity, and innovation.

Recent and Upcoming Campus Improvements: Recent updates across campus included athletic field renovations and a new parking lot solar shade structure. In 2024, a three-building, 62,471-square-foot Fine Arts Complex opened. A new LEED Gold-equivalent Student Services Building Student Union and communal quad will be starting in 2025.

Great Colleges to Work For + Honor Roll Recognition: 2022, 2023, 2024

ADMINISTRATION AND GOVERNANCE

President: John C. Hernandez, Ph.D.

Vice President for College Administrative Services: Davit Khachatryan

Vice President for Instruction: Rick Miranda

Vice President for Student Services: Martha A. McDonald, Ed.D.

Governance and Funding: Irvine Valley College is a public community college funded by a combination of state and local tax dollars. Through its foundation, the college also actively solicits private donations from individuals and corporations to support its capital outlay projects, program needs, and students through scholarships.

The seven-member Board of Trustees of the South Orange County Community College District, through the Office of the Chancellor, governs Irvine Valley College, Saddleback College, and the Advanced Technology & Education Park (ATEP) in Tustin. Irvine Valley College is under the direction and guidance of its president who, with the faculty and staff, administers the college and oversees the implementation of Board policies.



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STUDENT DEMOGRAPHICS

- Enrollment: 17,206 students
- Gender: 48% female, 41% male
- 4% are first-time college students
- 17% are first-generation college students
- 55% have degree or transfer goals
- 41% identify as Asian American
- 21% identify as White
- 20% identify as Latinx
- 8% identify as SWANA (Southwest Asian/North African)
- 2% identify as Black
- 5% identify as having multiple ethnicities
- 30% are low-income
- 51% are younger than 22
- 44% both work and attend classes
- 8% of these students work full-time
- 23% work at least 20 hours per week
- 17% are in the IVC Promise program
- 76% reside within the service area
- 16% attended Irvine USD schools
- 52% live in Irvine

STUDENT SUCCESS

Retention: IVC: 90% Statewide: 88%
Success Rates: IVC: 77% Statewide: 74%

DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

Number of Degrees and Certificate Types Available: 170
Degrees/Certificates Awarded in 2023-24: 4,747
Associate in Science for Transfer: 341
Associate in Arts for Transfer: 275
Associate in Science: 579
Associate in Arts: 1,508
Certificate of Achievement: 1,347
Certificate of Proficiency: 697



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

- The Honors Program offers small, enriched classes, academic support, scholarships, dedicated counselors, and honors recognition on transcripts, along with guaranteed priority admission reviews at UCLA, UCI, and other transfer institutions.
- Dual Enrollment with local K-12 districts has grown nearly 70% since 2019.
- Received five-year Title III: AANAPISI grants in 2015 and 2022.
- Puente Program launched in 2021.



ATHLETICS

- Irvine Valley teams won 25 state championships and 68 Orange Empire Conference titles (1990–2024).
- Intercollegiate sports include baseball, tennis, beach volleyball, basketball, soccer, volleyball, and esports

STUDENT SUPPORT

IVC works to find creative ways to support our students, faculty, and staff. Some examples include:

- The Basic Needs Center rebranded as “The Spot,” expanded to include a clothing closet, and logged 39,022 visits in 2023–2024. It offers services like a food pantry, grocery cards, emergency housing, case management, and CalFresh enrollment.
- The Adult ESL (AESL) program saw a 111% enrollment increase since 2019, with 5,085 students in 2023-2024. It offers “just-in-time” English skills for career and academic success.
- IVC joined the #CaliforniansForAll College Corps program in 2022, partnering with 45 colleges and universities to launch the largest state-level investment in college service programs.
- In 2023–2024, the IVC Foundation invested over \$1.4 million into the college through programmatic support, supplies, in-kind contributions, volunteerism, and more.

