College of Marin has been providing exceptional educational opportunities since 1926. The College has earned a reputation as a quality educational institution that provides a pathway for achievement and success for students of all ages.

Because of its small size, easy access to professors, extensive course offerings, and other unique attributes, students have the ability to excel on all levels. Students can be active participants in sports, drama, dance, music, visual arts, multimedia, student government and other leadership programs.

These and other attributes are attracting students from the community and around the world. Each semester about 8,000 students are enrolled in over 1,100 credit classes. Approximately 100 international students participate in College of Marin’s International Student Program, making for a culturally diverse educational experience. Nearly 6,000 students take advantage of the College’s many outstanding community education and community services classes.

Students who attend College of Marin also appreciate the College’s beautiful natural setting among the redwoods in Marin County. In addition to a beautiful setting, students also describe the College as having the perfect location, just across the Golden Gate from San Francisco, and within close proximity to Point Reyes National Seashore, Mount Tamalpais and the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

With the extensive support provided by College of Marin faculty, guidance counselors and others, College of Marin’s students are achieving outstanding academic success. To facilitate students’ transfer to the four-year institution of their choice, the College has established approximately 200 transfer agreements with the University of California, California State University, and private colleges. When measured as a percentage of full time students, the number of College of Marin students who transfer to four-year institutions is among the highest in the state. In addition, studies have shown that College of Marin students often outperform those students who enter four-year institutions directly from high school.

In order to provide students with the opportunities they need and to ensure that students achieve their specific goals and objectives, the College offers seventy Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degree programs. In addition the College provides thirty-five two-year vocational and career programs, as well as providing basic skills, ESL education and community education classes.

The College’s workforce preparation programs provide the necessary skills for success in a globally competitive workforce environment. Whether the goal is career advancement, career change or entering the workforce for the first time, the college offers a range of programs to help students succeed.

For over twenty years, College of Marin has been addressing the needs of English learners with its English as a Second Language (ESL) Programs. College of Marin has helped countless Marin residents and international students from over 50 countries fulfill their educational, career and personal goals.

Originally known as Marin Junior College when established in 1926, the College was renamed College of Marin in 1947. In 1985 College of Marin merged with Indian Valley College. This merger provided Marin residents with two College of Marin campuses, the original campus located in Kentfield and the Indian Valley Campus in Novato. The two campuses serve a county population of approximately 250,000 residents.