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Request for Proposal (RFP) San Mateo County Community College District Promise Scholars Program (PSP) Replication

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Introduction and Overview

The project is funded by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) Awards for Innovation in Higher Education grant.

- The Promise Scholars Program (PSP) at Skyline College is a replication of the Accelerated Study in Associate Program (ASAP) from the City University of New York (CUNY).
- The PSP is integrated with the implementation of Guided Pathways, and includes expanded partnerships with local high school districts, a Promise Scholarship for free college, and a professional development infrastructure that supports a culture committed to equity and innovation.
- The SMCCCD is inviting applications for up to three (3) additional colleges from the California Community College (CCC) System to participate in a planning and technical assistance process for the replication of the PSP.
- Skyline College (<u>http://skylinecollege.edu/promise/index.php</u>) is the lead college in the SMCCCD for the replication of the PSP under the Awards for Innovation grant.

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The Promise Scholars Program (PSP) Replication includes professional development and technical assistance from Skyline College, the SMCCCD, and CUNY-ASAP through June 30, 2021.

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- Planning Teams will participate in site visits, webinars, and convenings coordinated by the PSP Project Director.
- Colleges are expected to work toward implementing, at minimum, a pilot version of the Promise Scholars Program by the end of the funding period.

Funding and Performance Period

- Selected colleges will receive a subgrant of up to \$150,000 to engage in exploration and planning for the potential replication of the PSP at their respective college.
- The performance period extends from April 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021.

| Sub-Grant Distribution | Amount | Date |
|------------------------|----------|---------------|
| Initial Distribution | \$25,000 | April 1, 2019 |
| Second Distribution | \$75,000 | July 1, 2019 |
| Third Distribution | \$50,000 | July 1, 2020 |

Eligibility Requirements



- Only individual accredited colleges that are part of the CCC System are eligible to apply.
 - Colleges that are part of a multi-college District are eligible to apply as an individual college. Applications from District Offices or from more than one college submitting as a consortium, even if part of the same District, will not be considered.
- A college promise program that is sufficient in size and scope to provide a minimum of one year of free college, including enrollment fees, textbook support, and additional financial incentives, for incoming cohorts of full time first-time students.
 - AB19 Promise Grant funds can be considered as contributing funds to such a program, but are not on their own considered sufficient to meet this eligibility criteria.
- The commitment of the college President and leadership team to the active engagement in all required activities, including travel as specified below.

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Colleges selected to receive a sub-grant as part of this opportunity also commit to:

- Submit requested Budget Expenditure Reports and Progress Reports.
- Participate in a structure Technical Assistance (TA) program with SMCCCD and CUNY-ASAP.
- Engage in relevant research and evaluation of any subsequent replication of the PSP as a result of a sub-grant award under this opportunity.
- Participate in a Legislative Innovation Summit to be held in 2021.

Application Instructions

- A complete application must be submitted by email to:
 - mcveana@smccd.edu AND districtbids@smccd.edu
 - March 1, 2019 at 5:00 PM PST. Please adhere to the following instructions related to completion of the submission:

- ▶ There is a 500 word limit per section.
- Format is Times New Roman or Calibri Light, 11-point font, with 1" margins, single-spaced.
- Colleges may include additional supporting documents, not to exceed three (3) pages.
- Applications should be submitted as a single PDF document.
- The SMCCCD Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Planning will send a confirmation email once a complete PDF application is received.

Application Sections



| Section | Description | Maximum |
|---------------|---|---------------|
| | | <u>Points</u> |
| Organization | Give a brief description of your college, including size | 10 |
| and Key Staff | (annual FTES) and student demographics. Provide | |
| | information, including names and positions of key staff | |
| | that will form a PSP Planning Team. Members of this Team | |
| | will be expected to participate in replication activities. | |
| College | Describe your college's current capacity to provide the | 20 |
| Promise | required financial support to incoming cohorts of full time | |
| Capacity | first-time students, including cohort size, what is covered | |
| | (e.g., enrollment fees, instructional materials, textbooks, | |
| | etc.), and all relevant funding sources. | |

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| <u>Section</u> | Description | <u>Maximum</u> |
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| | | <u>Points</u> |
| Current Student | Provide data on full time first-time students, including | 10 |
| Success Data | demographics, overall Fall to Spring persistence rates, and | |
| | overall three-year degree completion rates. | |
| Alignment | Describe how a replication of the PSP would align with | 5 |
| | current efforts already underway at the college, including the | |
| | implementation of guided pathways. | |
| Commitment | Provide a statement of the college's commitment to engage | 10 |
| | in the exploration and planning for the potential replication | |
| | of the PSP, including affirmation to participate in the | |
| | expected activities and responsibilities outlined in this RFP. | |
| | Include in this statement a description of your college | |
| | leadership's commitment to equity. | |
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Signature Page Signature of the College President, dated.

Key Dates



| Activity | Date |
|--|-------------------|
| Issuance of RFP | February 1, 2019 |
| Informational Webinar | February 13, 2019 |
| Deadline for Submission of Questions | February 14, 2019 |
| Deadline for Submission of Proposals | March 1, 2019 |
| Proposal Review | March 4–8, 2019 |
| Anticipated Notice of Award | March 15, 2019 |
| Start Date | April 1, 2019 |
| Mandatory Kick-Off Meeting with SMCCCD and | April 14–16, 2019 |
| CUNY-ASAP in New York, NY | |

Submit Questions



Any questions regarding the information contained in this Request for Proposal must be submitted to Aaron D. McVean, Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Planning at <u>mcveana@smccd.edu</u> on or before Friday, February 14, 2019, 5:00 PM PST.



QUESTIONS?

Thank You!