

THIS IS ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

Antelope Valley College has been preparing people for the future for more than 70 years through educational, vocational and community service programs.

As part of California's community college system — the largest higher education system in the world — Antelope Valley College offers an array of courses to meet lower division requirements for those seeking associate in arts (A.A.) or associate in science (A.S.) degrees. AVC graduates are well prepared to continue their education at four-year universities.

The college also provides vocational programs that prepare men and women for entry-level jobs in business and industry. For those already employed, AVC offers programs and classes that help people to advance or perform better on the job.

Lastly, the college offers classes, workshops and special programs for personal or professional enrichment.

Antelope Valley College is open to anyone who can benefit from its programs.

Great location

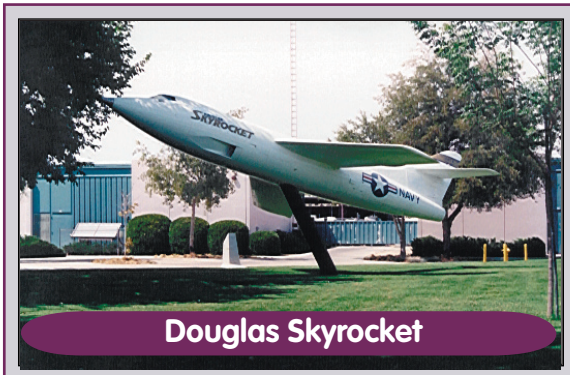
The 125-acre Antelope Valley College campus is located in Southern California's high desert approximately 65 miles from downtown Los Angeles.

Despite the close proximity to Los Angeles, the Antelope Valley is relatively smog and fog free. Yet the area provides easy access to

beaches, mountain resorts, museums, professional sporting events and other amenities.

More than 20 buildings interspersed among

mature trees and lawns create a relaxing, park-like atmosphere at the campus in west Lancaster. Classes are also offered at off-campus sites around the valley.



Douglas Skyrocket

Personal attention

Though Antelope Valley College's population is growing, faculty and staff members continue to provide students with the personal attention that makes getting a college education a special experience.

The faculty consists of experienced educators and professionals from the community who are dedicated to providing students with the knowledge and skills needed to compete in today's world.

A host of support services help students to achieve their goals whether through financial aid, counseling or tutoring.

Antelope Valley College has been quick to respond to the needs of employers by developing specialized training programs, particularly for aircraft, aerospace and computer graphics. This means that students get updated and current information needed to succeed.

Dr. Jackie Fisher Superintendent/President

Dr. Jackie Fisher Sr. was named Antelope Valley College's eighth president in March 2004 following the August 2003 retirement of Dr. Dan Larios.

Prior to his appointment, Fisher served as vice president of academic affairs at AVC, overseeing the work of six academic divisions. He has worked as chief instructional officer since May 1, 1998.

While many administrators can claim to "fight fires" in reference to challenges that arise on the job, Fisher is unique in that he literally fought fires for five years as a Kern County firefighter.

Fisher earned an associate degree in fire technology from Bakersfield College, then transferred to California State University, Fresno where he earned his bachelor's degree and played football for the Bulldogs.

He returned to his hometown of Bakersfield where he worked as a firefighter with the Kern County Fire Department, eventually reaching the rank of captain.

He continued his formal education, earning a master's degree in counseling from California State University, Bakersfield.

Subsequently, he earned a doctorate in education management from the University of La Verne.

Fisher left the fire department to teach and direct the

fire technology program at Bakersfield College for 11 years. Then he was appointed as dean of instruction at Bakersfield College, where he worked until being hired by AVC.



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