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## **Santa Ana College Launches Park Ranger Academy *Orientation is slated for August 27 at the Orange County Sheriff's Regional Training Academy***

(Santa Ana)—Santa Ana College (SAC) announces the official launch of its new Park Ranger Academy. The academy is designed to meet the requirements for employment as a park ranger in many cities and counties throughout California and is offered in partnership with the Orange County Parks Department. It is the only similar program in Southern California.

Classes will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from September 8 to December 16. The 207-hour program will be taught at the Orange County Sheriff's Regional Training Academy, 15991 Armstrong Ave., Tustin, CA. The cost is \$171, including tuition, health fees for non-sponsored students, and a material fee.

Key topics covered in the academy include the following:

- Introduction to criminal law
- Laws of arrest
- Cultural diversity
- Arrest and control
- Crimes against persons and property
- Animal behavior and handling
- Southern California wilderness training
- Park ranger fire training, and more.

An orientation is slated for August 27 at 6:00 p.m. at the Orange County Sheriff's Regional Training Academy. Prospective non-sponsored students who are not currently hired by a park department will need to be interviewed by the Criminal Justice Academies Coordinator George Troxcil prior to attending orientation.

For more information and to register, contact (714) 566-9200 or visit [www.sac.edu/cja](http://www.sac.edu/cja).

### **About the Rancho Santiago Community College District**

*The mission of the Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD) is to respond to the educational needs of an ever-changing community and to provide programs and services that reflect academic excellence. Santa Ana College and Santiago Canyon College are public community colleges of RSCCD, which serve the residents of Anaheim Hills, East Garden Grove, Irvine, Orange, Santa Ana, Tustin and Villa Park. Both colleges provide education for academic transfer and careers, courses for personal and professional development, customized training for business and industry, and programs to train nurses, firefighters and law enforcement personnel.*

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