

What is CalWORKs?

CalWORKs is the community portion of the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids Act, which is a welfare to work reform program established as Assembly Bill (AB) 1542.



Mission Statement

El Camino College CalWORKs department assists single and married couples receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds, where the principle wage earner is unemployed in order to achieve long-term self sufficiency through coordinated students services .

Working in partnership with the County of Los Angeles, local business and governmental agencies, assistance is provided to eligible students who pursue educational degrees and certificates while gaining work experience that leads to sustainable employment



For more information please visit the El Camino College CalWORKs office located in the Students Services Center - Room 205 B.

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El Camino College CalWORKs/GAIN



What we offer

Academic Counseling - Educational plans are required and are developed for students on an individual basis. The plans are designed to guide the student through each semester of the training program.

Child Care Assistance - Funding paid directly to the service provider is available for students not yet eligible for assistance through Los Angeles County.

On-Site GAIN Service Worker - Region 5 is available every Monday 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Work Activity Referrals and Job Placement - Assists CalWORKs recipients in complying with the combination of 32/35 hours academic coursework, work activity, laboratory time, or other activities which will lead to preparation for a successful career.

Processing of Required Forms:

Training Verification
Progress Reports
Monthly Attendance Reports
Book and Ancillary Request
GN Referrals

Campus Support Services Referrals.

Eligibility/Requirements

To qualify:

- ⇒ Obtain referral through DPSS/County of Los Angeles; either as **SIP - Self Initiated Participant** (student that is already enrolled in a degree or certificate program) or **Vocational County referral** (student who has participated in Job Club and a county administered assessment)
- ⇒ Parent and child must be CalWORKs recipients.
- ⇒ Must be enrolled at El Camino College with a student ID number

Program Requirements:

- ⇒ Major or Vocational program must be approved by Los Angeles County DPSS worker.
- ⇒ Sign contract with El Camino College and the GAIN program.
- ⇒ Participation in required hours of approved activity (32/35 hours weekly).
- ⇒ Make satisfactory progress in class, minimum "C" average or better/ GPA of 2.0 or better.

Enrollment Steps

Step 1

- Apply to El Camino College Online.
- Take Math/English Placement Test.
- Apply for Financial Aid and BOG fee waiver.
- Enroll in classes.
- Pick up Intake Application at the CalWORKs office and schedule appointment (s).

Step 2

- Meet by appointment with a CalWORKs Counselor to create an Educational Plan. (Bring other colleges Transcripts if available) . Also bring GAIN Referral & Assessment scores.

Step 3

- Meet by appointment with the CalWORKs Case Advisor to complete your GN6005 or GN6006 referral.

Please remember to bring the following :

- * EBT Card
- * Valid picture ID
- * Current Class schedule
- * Educational Plan completed by an Academic Counselor