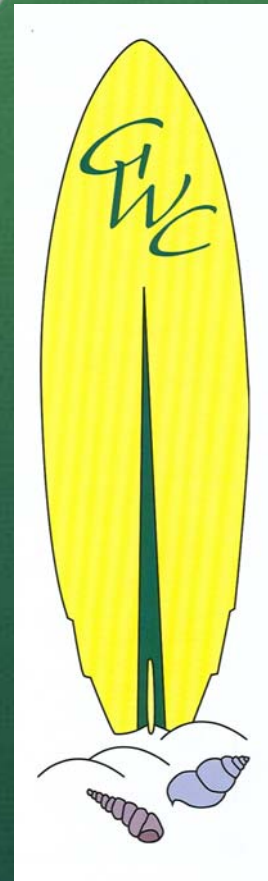
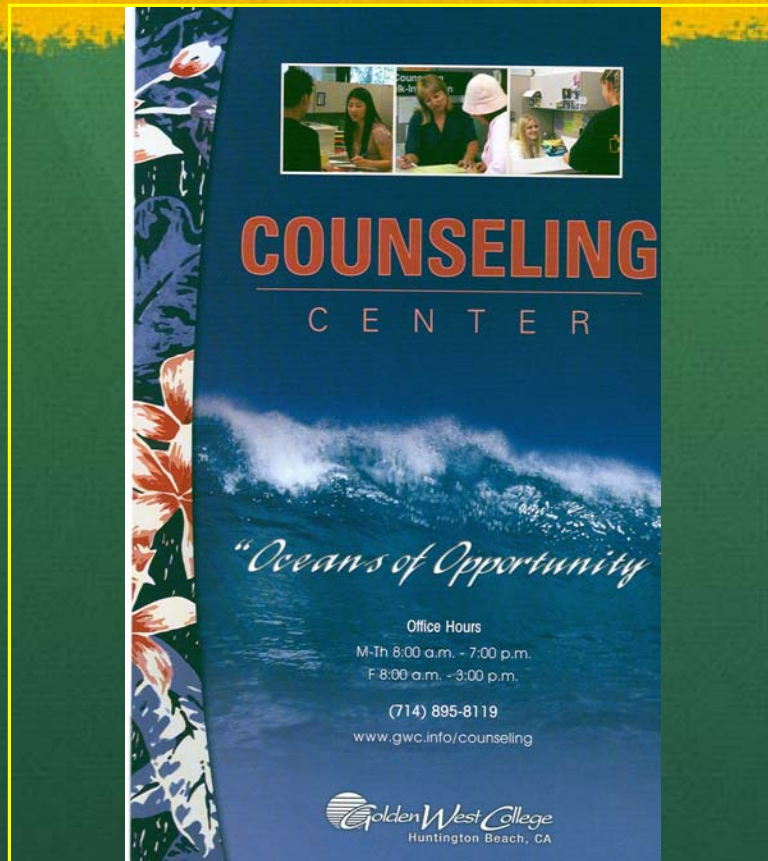


# Welcome to Golden West College's International Student Orientation



# ISP Counselors



- Stephanie Dumont, Karen Hinton, & Jimmy Nguyen
- Provide in-depth services
  - Career counseling
  - Educational options
  - Personal Counseling
- Make appointment each semester!

# Accessing An ISP Counselor

- Appointments
- Drop-In and Walk-in
- eCounseling
- Student Success Seminars
- Courses

# US Educational System

Professional Degree (MD, PhD, JD, DDS...)

Master's Degree

Bachelor's Degree

Associate's Degree

Certificate of Achievement



# Certificate of Achievement

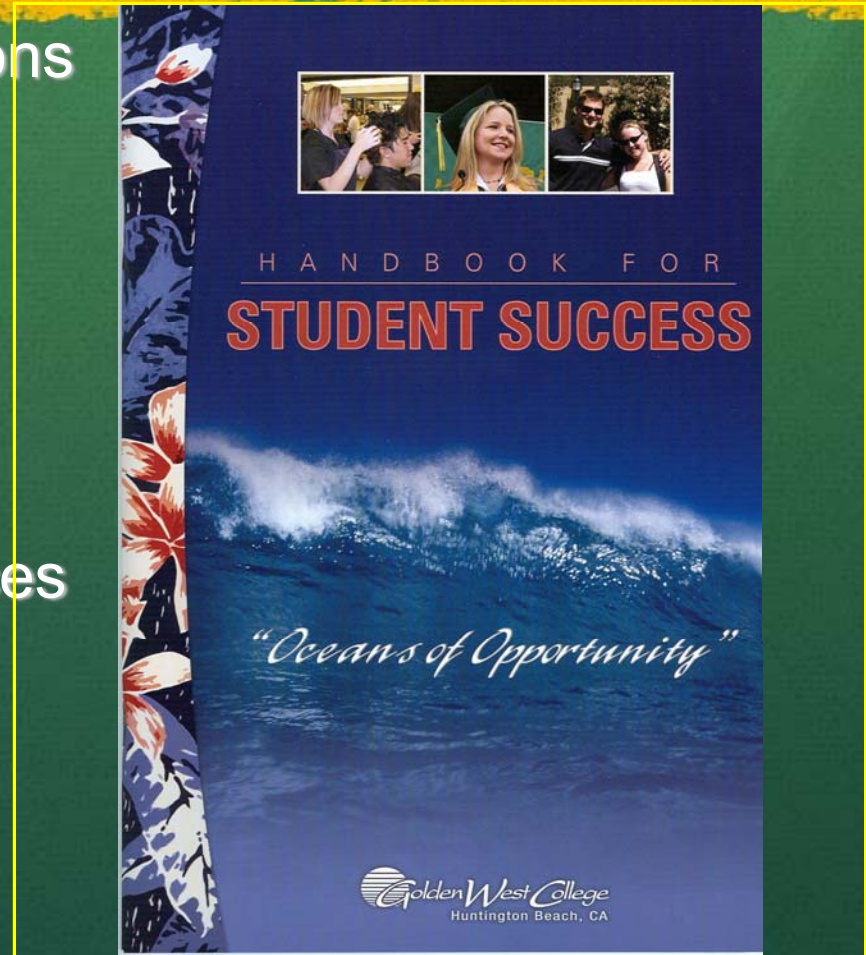
- Career & Technical Education
- General Education: CSU and IGETC
- 2.00 gpa
- Minimum 12 units

# Associate Degree

- 60 units (12 units in residence)
- 2.00 gpa
- Choose 1 of 3 General Education patterns (2 transfer, 1 non-transfer)
- 18 units in a Major or Area of Emphasis
- Computer Competency Requirement
- Information Literacy Requirement

# Student Success Handbook

- Listing of Educational Options
- Certificate Programs
- Associate of Arts Degrees
- Transfer Options
- Overview of Student Services
- Locations of Key Offices
- Much More!



# SSH, pg 14: What is a Unit?

- Rule of Thumb:
  - For every hour in class, you need 2 hours outside of class for reading, studying, homework, writing papers, etc.
  - Factor in realistic study and work time

Number of Units	Time in Class + (hrs / week)	Time Out of Class (hrs / week)	= Total Time needed	Paid Work Hours	Total hours for week
15	15-18	30-36	45-54	< 15	≈ 60
12	12-15	24-30	36-45	20 – 25	≈ 60
9	9-12	18-24	21-36	25-30	≈ 60
6	6-9	12-18	18-27	30-40	≈ 60

# GWC Catalog

- Policies, rules, regulations, and requirements for graduation.
- Detailed course descriptions
- Academic Calendar
  - Project a few years out schedules, vacations
- Student Rights and Responsibilities
- Prerequisites/Co-Requisites / Advisories
- Course Numbering
- Class Level
  - Freshman or Sophomore
  - Based on units completed, not number of years or terms in college

# Grading Process

- Letter Grades (A-F): computed into GPA
- “W” official withdrawal from course prior to deadline
- P/NP: Pass or No Pass (C- or better is a “pass” and “D” or below is No Pass)
  - Must select option at start of semester
  - Do not use in your major, or university entrance requirements (Math, English, Speech)
- I: Incomplete
  - When you cannot finish the course.
  - Agreement with instructor to complete coursework
  - Do not re-enroll in course
  - One year to finish and have grade changed, or will result in an “F” grade.
  - Does not effect GPA, unless “I” grade is changed to an “F”

# Repeating Courses

- Can repeat D's and/or F's
- If exactly same course, will only count new grade
- Some courses can be taken multiple times for credit (see catalog description)

# Probation Policies

- Academic Probation
  - When GPA falls below 2.0 in a given term
  - 1<sup>st</sup> semester: sent letter
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> semester: Subject to disqualification and required to see counselor for contract
  - Must maintain 2.0 GPA and finish more than 50% of units to continue
  - Failure to meet contract will result in “sit-out” from CCCD
- Progress Probation
  - When fail to complete more than half of units enrolled
  - 1<sup>st</sup> semester: sent letter
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> semester: Subject to disqualification and required to see counselor for contract
  - Must maintain 2.0 GPA and finish more than 50% of units
  - Failure to meet contract will result in “sit-out” from CCCD

# Once Accepted...myGWC

- [myGWC.com](http://myGWC.com) or [www.goldenwestcollege.edu](http://www.goldenwestcollege.edu)
- Enter user name assigned by Admissions
- Enter temporary password: date of birth in MMDDYY
- You will be asked to create your own password
- You will be asked to enter answers to 3 security questions
- Your account is now ready to access
- 24-hour Help Line available
- Access to Online Class Schedule, Registration, Grades, Announcements, Campus Email

# Schedule of Classes

- Check the web for the most current enrollment!  
[www.goldenwestcollege.edu](http://www.goldenwestcollege.edu)
- Listing of what is being offered this semester only
- Key dates and deadlines included

# Just for F1's.....

- ESL and ENGL 009
- Plan for Registration Early!
- Second Bachelor's Limitations
- Approval to take a course at another college
- All Out-of Country Academic Records **REQUIRED!**
- Don't be shy with your Professors
- Get involved and Have Fun!