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ECC Career Advancement Academy Receives \$1 Million Grant Renewal *Program offers students a pathway from college to a successful career*

The El Camino College Career Advancement Academy (CAA) recently received a \$1 million grant to help students find success in college. The grant will also help establish pipelines from college to high-wage careers for young adults.

The El Camino College Career Advancement Academy is a short-term training program in the high-demand industries of welding and air conditioning/refrigeration. The CAA combines technical skills, workplace readiness workshops, and academic skills. In addition to college classes, students have the opportunity to participate in Friday workshops that may result in additional certification.

The CAA runs during the first eight weeks of each semester. Previous experience and education is not necessary; students will learn everything they need to know to be prepared for a career in welding and/or air conditioning and refrigeration. All CAA students work with mentors, receive books and supplies at no cost, and participate in industry tours with access to top-notch speakers and training opportunities.

Applicable math, reading and writing courses are attached to the program, focused on material directly connected to their fields, such as reading manuals or applying math skills on the job.

Applications are now available for Spring 2017. For more information about the El Camino College Career Advancement Academy, view: www.elcamino.edu/academics/indtech/career-advancement-academy/.

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