



STEM META-MAJOR NEWSLETTER

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**Your SPRING Guide to Science, Tech, Engineering, and Math Success.
Brought to you by the STEM Meta Major Counseling Team.**

Welcome to Spring 2026!

Whether you're just beginning your journey or a continuing student, your pathway at ECC will strengthen your foundation in science, technology, engineering, and math while preparing you for the next step in your academic and career pathways. Our faculty and support teams are here to guide you, connect you with campus resources, and help you thrive in STEM. Let's explore, problem-solve, and innovate together this semester!

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Resources

ECC offers a lot of support for students. Here are three to explore.

Math Engineering Science Achievement Program (MESA) Helping underrepresented and underserved student achieve success.

The Tutoring Hub located in the 2nd Floor of the Library. Free in-person and online support from a tutor.

Career Services is ready to support students from career exploration to job preparation.

COUNSELING HOURS:

Monday - Friday - SSB 2nd Floor

 Visit us at the Student Services Building

 Call us: 310-660-3458

COUNSELING TEAM

Counselors:

- Jesse Arias
- Ana Fernandez
- Jessica Gallegos
- Jesse Hernandez (MESA)
- Rocio Nava-Gomez
- Angela Tuan

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- Jaime Gallegos (Transfer)
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Upcoming Events

April is STEM Education Month!!!

Engineering Transfer Panel - 4/1 @ 1p (More details to come)

Health Careers for STEM Students - Tue 4/7 @ 115p
(More details to come)

STEM Ed Planning Workshops - Mon 4/20 12-2p and
Wed 4/22 3-5p (More details to come)

STEM Faculty Panel - Thu 4/30 @115p (More details to come)

ACADEMIC TIP FOR STEM

STEM courses build on concepts quickly, so consistency beats cramming. Schedule short, focused study sessions throughout the week, and actively practice what you learn – solve extra problems, explain concepts out loud, or teach a classmate. When you get stuck, use tutoring and office hours early (not just before exams). Treat learning like an experiment: test strategies, track what works, and adjust. Small, steady effort leads to big results.

Proactive = powerful!

Major Spotlight

A.S. in Astronomy

Are you fascinated by stars, galaxies, and the physics of the cosmos? El Camino College offers an Associate of Science (AS) degree in Astronomy designed to fuel your curiosity and prepare you for transfer to a four-year university.

This two-year program blends engaging lectures and hands-on labs – including telescope observations and instruction in astronomical optics, the solar system, stars, and galaxies – to build your scientific problem-solving skills. You'll also have opportunities to learn in El Camino's planetarium and observatory and get involved in clubs and community events. Whether you're planning to transfer into a bachelor's program or explore careers in science, space education, or related fields, El Camino's astronomy pathway offers an inspiring foundation.

