

Winter Intersession at other California Community Colleges

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There are (at least) 50 California Community Colleges with a winter intersession. The full list is attached below. I explored more closely the class calendars for the five colleges with winter intersessions taking place mid-December to mid-January (i.e., like Proposal 1/1b) and those with six-week intersessions. Here is a summary of my findings.

- 1) The great majority of colleges have 4- or 5-week intersessions.
- 2) The great majority of colleges have their intersessions starting right after New Year's. Five colleges have intersession mid-Dec to mid-Jan.
- 3) The seven colleges that have 6-week intersessions, start their intersessions right after New Year's. Those colleges have spring semester ending in mid-June.
- 4) The five colleges that have mid-Dec to mid-Jan intersessions have 3 calendar days between fall and winter intersession (i.e., a 3-day weekend). Those colleges have 10 calendar days after intersession before spring starts up. Those colleges have spring semester ending at the end of May.
- 5) Most colleges do offer short-term classes BUT I don't know if they offer 3 or 4-unit classes with labs during those short-term blocks. That would require a deeper dive into class schedules.
- 6) The one-week buffer on both ends of the intersession, which adds up to 14 days total, is reasonable BUT other colleges shift the buffer, so there's either a longer space before winter intersession or after winter intersession. This probably means the other colleges have winter intersession closely linked with fall semester's A&R/financial aid processing or with spring semester's A&R/financial aid processing.
- 7) A six-week intersession beginning mid-December would be unique in the California Community College system.

5 colleges like Proposal 1 and rest (45) like Proposal 2					
College	Date	#calendar week	Model #	buffer days (calendar days)	Notes
Allan Hancock College	Dec 13-Jan 13	5	1	3 after fall, 10 before spring	Fall begins Aug 16, Spring ends May 25
Berkeley City	Dec 20 - Jan 14	4	1	3 after fall, 10 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends May 27
Butte College	Jan 4 - Jan 22	3			
Canyons College	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
Citrus	Jan 6 - Feb 13	5			
College of Alameda	Dec 20 - Jan 14	4	1	3 after fall, 10 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends May 27
Coastline	Jan 2 - Jan 24	3			
Cuyamaca College	Jan 4 - Jan 30	4			
Desert College	Jan 2 - Jan 22	3			
East Los Angeles	Jan 6 - Feb 9	5			
El Camino	Jan 3 - Feb 5	5			
Evergreen Valley College	Jan 4 - Jan 21	3			
Fullerton	Jan 2 - Jan 18	2.5			
Glendale	Jan 10 - Feb 17	6		25 after fall, 4 before spring	Fall begins Aug 30, Spring ends June 15
Golden West	Jan 2 - Jan 24	3			
Grossmont	Jan 4 - Jan 30	4			
Imperial Valley	Jan 6 - Feb 6	4			
Laney	Dec 20 - Jan 14	4	1	3 after fall, 10 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends May 27
Long Beach City	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
Los Angeles City	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
LA Harbor	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
LA Mission	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
LA Pierce	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
LA Southwest	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
LA Trade-Technical	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
LA Valley	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
LA West	Jan 4 - Feb 6	5			
Merritt	Dec 20 - Jan 14	4	1	3 after fall, 10 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends May 27
Mission College (Santa Clara)	Jan 4 - Jan 27	4			
Moreno Valley	Jan 3 - Feb 10	6		17 after fall, 3 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends June 10
Mt San Antonio	Jan 3 - Feb 13	6		20 after fall, 8 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends June 12
Monterey Peninsula	Jan 4 - Jan 22	3			
Norco	Jan 3 - Feb 10	6		17 after fall, 3 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends June 10
Orange Coast	Jan 2 - Jan 24	3			
Palomar	Jan 4 - Jan 29	4			

Pasadena City	Jan 6 - Feb 10	5				
Rio Hondo College	Jan 4 - Jan 28	4				
Riverside City	Jan 3 - Feb 10	6		17 after fall, 3 before spring	Fall begins Aug 23, Spring ends June 10	
College of the Siskiyous	Jan 4 - Jan 28	4				
San Diego City	Jan 3 - Jan 29	4				
San Diego Mesa	Jan 3 - Jan 29	4				
San Diego Miramar	Jan 3 - Jan 29	4				
Santa Ana	Jan 7 - Jan 31	4				
Santa Monica City	Jan 4 - Feb 10	6		13 after fall, 3 before spring	Fall begins Aug 21, Spring ends June 14	
Santiago Canyon	Jan 6 - Feb 2	4				
Southwestern	Jan 4 - Jan 26	4				
Victor Valley	Jan 3 - Feb 12	6		15 after fall, 2 before spring	Fall begins Aug 30, Spring ends June 11	
West Valley	Jan 4 - Jan 28	4				
San Jose City College	Jan 4 - Jan 21	3				
Compton College	Jan 5 - Feb 5	5				