



Renegade Promise

March 2016 Update

BC will commit to college-ready students that they can expect to complete 60 units toward the completion of a degree or transfer within two consecutive academic years after enrollment.

The Renegade Promise (Phase 1)



	Multi-Partner Promise	Local high school seniors only	Scholarship/Financial Support	Savings Plan	Assigned Mentor	Community Service	Internship	Minimum GPA	Required FAFSA	Maintain Satisfactory Progress
College Promise Coalition (Washington)	X									
Tennessee Promise	X	X	X		X	X				
Dallas County Community College District	X		X							
Texas Tuition Promise Fund				X						
The Oregon Promise		X	X					X	X	
Kalamazoo Promise	X	X	X					X		X
Long Beach College Promise	X		X				X			
Renegade Promise (Stage One – Phase 1 & 2)					X	X		X	X	X
Renegade Promise (Stage One – Phase 3)			X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Bakersfield Strong (Stage Two)	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Kern Promise (Stage Three)	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X

Definition of “College Ready”

- “College Ready” is defined by entering students who are placed in College Level English and Math or higher at the start of their enrollment at Bakersfield College.
 - **College level English is defined as English B1A.**
 - **College level Math is defined as Math B70 or higher.**
- “Not College Ready” is defined by entering students who require remedial classes prior to enrollment in College level English and/or Math at Bakersfield College.

Stage One: The Renegade Promise

Phase 1

*College Ready Students
August 2016*

Phase 2

*Remedial Students
August 2017*

Phase 3

*Financial Support
August 2018*

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Who can enter Phase 1: August 2016

- “College Ready” Students, which is defined as:
 - 1) First time entering students
 - 2) Placed in College Level English B1A
 - 3) Placed in College Math Level B70 or higher
 - 4) Has completed the FAFSA



Stage Two: The Bakersfield Strong Commitment

- In this phase of the College Promise, students who enter Bakersfield College (either Plan A or B) and successfully complete the Renegade Promise will have direct access to transfer to CSUB to obtain a bachelor's degree.
- The relationship between BC and CSUB is still pending. The conditions to meet the Bakersfield Strong Commitment are yet to be established. Financial incentive support is still undecided.

Stage Three: The Kern Promise

- In this phase of the Promise, the whole county of Kern is a stakeholder. The investment starts at the elementary schools, where the concept of attending college is embedded into the elementary curriculum. Then when a student reaches high school, the student is given the opportunity to receive college credit while finishing a high school diploma (Dual or Concurrent status).
- After finishing high school, the students enters into BC via Plan A only. When the student successfully completes the Renegade Promise, the student will have direct access to transfer to CSUB to obtain a bachelor's degree.
- The relationship between Kern High School District or local high school districts, BC, and CSUB is still pending. The conditions to meet the Kern Promise are yet to be established. Financial incentive support is still undecided.

Student Responsibilities

1. Complete a Renegade Promise Pathway **Application form**
2. Identify educational goals and **declare major**
3. Complete and file a **Comprehensive Student Educational Plan** prior to course registration for the first instructional term and register for classes on the assigned priority registration date. For any changes to the student's educational plan, the student must see a counselor.
4. Register in and successfully complete (with a C or higher) at least **30 units** within one academic year in line with the established Student Education Plan.
5. Take English (or ESL), math, and/or reading **courses** during the student's first year at BC.
6. Maintain a **2.0 GPA** and **complete at least 80%** of the courses the student takes each semester. If necessary, the student agrees to participate in academic intervention activities.
7. **Adhere to all BC policies** related to academic progress, financial aid, student code of conduct, and other BC requirements.
8. **Participate in activities**, support services, and events provided by Renegade Promise Pathways that support the student's academic goals.
9. Communicate with the assigned **Completion Coach at least twice** per instructional semester to get the support needed both academically and personally.
10. Enroll and participate within one **BC Summer Bridge program**.
11. Complete at least **10 hours of community service** each fall and spring instructional semesters with an approved local non-profit organization within Kern County

Bakersfield College Responsibilities

1. Provide the student with an **assigned priority registration date**
2. Connect the student with an **assigned Completion Coach** within their chosen academic pathway
3. Check-in with the student, via the Completion Coach, **at least twice per instructional semester** to ensure academic progress
4. Ensure the student will have **access to a counselor** prior to the assigned priority registration date
5. Make available to the student **other academic support resources**
6. Provide an opportunity for the student to apply for on-campus **employment** (if qualified)
7. Provide the student with a **list of eligible non-profit organizations** to which the student can volunteer
8. Offer the student four tickets to all home football games and an invitation to the annual Student Involvement and Leadership Ceremony

Implementation Timeline

March 2016

- Presentations to Governing Bodies
- Obtain data to support the case for the Promise
- Develop the implementation plan for the Promise and the impact on BC
- Develop agreement forms to be signed and distributed

April 2016

- Budget analysis of dollars saved
 - For student
 - For BC
- Presentation to the Public
 - April 29, 2016
- Develop list of non-profit organizations
- Market and Recruit students to apply for the program

Summer 2016

- Market and target first cohort of Renegade Promise students
- Ensure Promise students are registered for classes
- Review impacted classes and suggest for which sections need additional openings
- Hold Summer Bridge for Promise students

Fall 2016

- Work with Promise Students
- Ensure Spring 2017 registration
- Work with CSUB to connect promised students to follow through to the BA

Recruitment Timeline

- May 1: The Promise **Application** will be available
- June 1: **Priority Date** for receiving applications and initial review of candidates
- June 17: Initial award letters are mailed to the Renegade Promise Students
- June 20: **Completion Coaches** start calling students to register for Classes and create **SEP**
- TBA: Students must attend a **Summer Bridge Program**
- July 1: **Second review** of candidates
- July 15: Second round of award letters are mailed out
- July 18: Completion Coaches start calling students to register for Classes and create SEP
- TBA: Students must attend a Summer Bridge Program
- August 15: **One Day workshop** at BC

Potential First Cohort

Three main methods will be used to recruit students into the first cohort of Promised Students:

1. Recruit President Scholar student
2. Currently there are roughly about 500 students who have matriculated and placed in College level English and Math
3. High School visits and One-on-One sessions with students when they are registering for Fall 2016



Questions and Comments

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