

Noncredit Student Characteristics, Fall 2012

Overview

College of Marin offers noncredit classes that are free, short-term, not given for credit, and not graded.

Noncredit classes are offered in the areas of high school equivalency preparation, basic skills, English as a Second Language (ESL noncredit), ESL Vocational, and Registered Nursing review courses.

Noncredit classes are offered in the day and evening. Please see our credit/noncredit class schedule for a listing of classes (www.marin.edu) or call 415.457.8811.

The college serves about 1,300 noncredit students each semester. The enrollment for fall 2012 in the noncredit program was 1,384 students. The majority of students enroll in English as a Second Language classes.

Gender

The College's noncredit student population is composed of 40% men and 57% women. Three percent of students declined to answer the question.

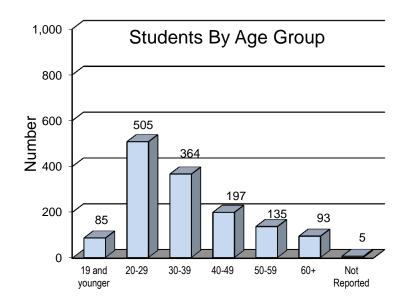
Geographic Origin

Most College of Marin noncredit students reside in Marin County (94%). Of the remaining students, the majority come from San Francisco, the East Bay, and Sonoma County.

Location	Students	%
Central Marin	719	52.0%
Novato	327	23.6%
South Marin	97	7.0%
North San Rafael	150	10.8%
West Marin	8	0.6%
Outside Marin	72	5.2%
Unknown	11	0.8%

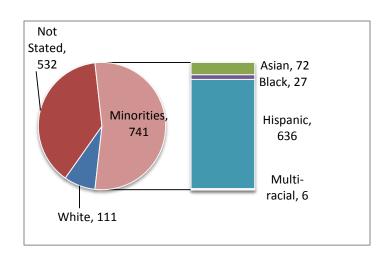
Age of Students

Fifty-seven percent of College of Marin noncredit students are 30 years of age or older. The average age of students is 36 years. The youngest student is 14 and the oldest is over 80.



Ethnicity

Ethnic minority students comprise about 54% of the student body. The following chart indicates a breakdown of the groups.



Noncredit Student Characteristics is produced by the Research Office at College of Marin. The data for the noncredit program is from the student information database and reflects Fall 2012 end of term enrollment.